



Arc @ UNSW limited
PGC MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday 25 October 2022
TEAMS
6:00 pm

Present: Joshua Karras (PGC President), Anthony Sunjaya, Dana Tribbia, Olivera Nesevski, Reem Almasri, Ece Egilmezer, Hang Bui, Eman Alzghoul, Andrea Tsui

Apologies: Suhyun Kweon

Attendance: None

Absent: Umme Laila Urmi, Annabelle Radford

1. MEETING OPENING

The meeting opened at 6:02pm.

1.1. Acknowledgement of Country

Completed by the PGC President.

1.2. Apologies

Apology was received from S. Kweon.

RESOLVED

THAT the apology received from S. Kweon is accepted.

CARRIED

1.3. Conflicts of interest disclosure

N/A

1.4. Previous minutes

1.4.1. Confirmation of previous minutes: 27 September 2022

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes from the PGC meeting held on 27 September 2022 are accepted as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

1.4.2. Matters arising/ action list

The action list was noted.

1.5. Meeting administration

1.5.1. Items flagged for immediate discussion

1.5.2. Selection of meeting observer

D. Tribbia was appointed as the meeting observer.

2. MATTERS FOR DECISION

N/A

3. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

N/A

4. OFFICE BEARER REPORTS

4.1. President

Points raised:

- The President attended the majority of his meetings while overseas.
- SRC has been involved with the parking rates issue along with PGC, in order to advocate for concession parking.
- PGC needs to publicly declare its endorsement of the RTP increase.
- Support was requested for any office bearers available to help with the PGC Cruise night.
- Following a previous PGC meeting with the VC in attendance and having discussed the importance of the UN SDGs, UNSW has released a sustainability report guided by the SDGs.
- The President has been supporting the International Vice President with the ADHD event.

ACTION

THAT the Research Office creates a brief to circulate about the RTP increase, in alignment with official announcements.

4.2. General Secretary

The report was taken as read.

4.3. Equity Vice President

Points raised:

- There were roughly 111 people who attended the Sextember Comedy Night and the event was a great success. The event is highly recommended for next year.
- The Tell Me Your Story event needs to be promoted throughout the year if it were to continue in the future. As a result of the failed event this year, the grant from UNSW Diversity Fest has been transferred to the ADHD Awareness Climb event.
- It would be valuable to have contacts in WeChat and WhatsApp groups in terms of networking, as the PGC Cruise was able to be promoted through a WeChat group, from which it received many signups.
- It was recommended that people make their handover documents as detailed as possible.

4.4. International Vice President

The report was taken as read.

Further points raised:

- The International Food Competition was held as part of the UN SDG goal number 2 - no hunger.
- Help was requested for all to promote the ADHD Awareness Climb, as there are still two available signups.
- There will be a final event at the end of November at the festive gifting season, involving mini workshops to have students make candles and crafts etc.

ACTION

THAT the President helps the International Vice President to check the newsletter content of the International Food Competition.

4.5. Research Vice President

Points raised:

- Most awardees have confirmed that they will be attending the PGC Awards Night, with the current registration sitting at approximately 115. The registration will be further opened for students if more spaces are available, with everyone welcome to attend.
- There has been no update on travel support for conferences. The Research Vice President will enquire about it at the next GRS meeting.

ACTION

THAT the Research Vice President enquires about the travel support for conferences at the next GRS meeting.

4.6. Coursework Vice President

Points raised:

- The Coursework Office has been working on two awards, the Arc Ambassador Awards and the Course Coordinator Awards.
- There has also been work in promoting the PGC Cruise.
- It was mentioned that it is more effective to organise events at the start of the term, rather than at the end.
- The Postgraduate Quiz Night has been cancelled due to poor registration numbers

ACTION

THAT the Coursework Vice President provides details of the Arc Ambassador Awards and Course Coordinator Awards to the President.

THAT the President asks the VC whether he can attend the Arc Ambassador Awards and Course Coordinator Awards.

4.7. Canberra Officer

The report was taken as read.

Further points raised:

- Appreciation was given to the collaboration with the Research and Coursework Offices for organising the Sydney Trip. The event received positive feedback.
- A handover was done with the incoming Canberra Officer.

4.8. Paddington Officer

N/A

4.9. Media & Communications Report

N/A

5. MATTERS FOR NOTING [discussed only on exception basis]

N/A

6. Q&A (if any)

7. MEETING FINALISATION

7.1. Meeting evaluation

The PGC has done very well. It has been a speedy meeting since everyone had several things happening at this time of the year. Everybody is committed to making the last few months exceptional.

7.2. Next meeting date: 15 November 2022

7.3. Meeting close

The meeting closed at 6:40pm.

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PGC President Signature
Date: 24/11/2022