



Approved Minutes

SRC MEETING
Monday, 1 June 2026 @ 6.00pm
Hybrid (F10 June Griffith M11 /TEAMS)

Present: William (Billy) Scharzenberger Moran, Diya Sengupta, Jamie Tyers, Louisa Chen, Lorenzo Nimmnett, Forester Nguyen, Amelie Marquette, Avasa Bajracharya, Ana Dougenis, Tara Chen, Eugene Tang, Emma Terry, Edward Zhong, Seb Koelsch, Natasha Brettel, Anais Williamson, Divya Nandyal, Sankalp Behara, Luke Cox, Alexandra Egan, Sathya Gururajan, Alisa Hsi, Eva Beaumont

In attendance:

Apologies: Danielle Moutopoulos, Zack Hossain, Daniel Gulic

Absent: N/A

1. MEETING OPENING

The meeting opened at 6:12 PM.

1.1. Acknowledgment of Country

Completed by the SRC President.

1.2. Apologies Apologies were received from D. Moutopoulos, Z. Hossain and D. Gulic

Proxies were received as follows:

- D. Moutopoulos to E. Zhong
- Z. Hossain to E. Terry
- D. Gulic to L. Cox

RESOLUTION

THAT the apologies received from D. Moutopoulos, Z. Hossain and D. Gulic are accepted.

CARRIED

1.3. Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Council Members were advised to disclose any conflicts of interest at the beginning of each motion.

1.4. Previous minutes

1.4.1 Confirmation: 20 April 2026

RESOLUTION

THAT the minutes from the SRC meeting held on 20 April 2026 are noted as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

1.4.2 Matter arising/ action list

The action list was noted.

1.1 Meeting Administration

1.5.1 Trigger Warning Announcement

The President completed a trigger warning.

1.5.2 Safer Spaces Policy Reminder

The President reminded the Council and all in-attendance of the Safer Spaces Policy.

1.5.3 Selection of meeting observer



L. Cox was appointed as the meeting observer.

1.5.4 Items flagged for immediate discussion

N/A

2 MATTERS FOR DECISION

2.1 Pro-choice Counter-rally

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Introduction of a bill that attempts to address a non-existent issue which instead causes confusion about abortion legality and may discourage medical practitioners from providing care.
- Emphasis on the limited availability of abortion services across NSW and support for increased accessibility and affordable reproductive healthcare.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

The SRC supports the upcoming pro-choice counter-rally to defend abortion rights in NSW.

CARRIED

2.2 Chris Minns's Transphobic Remarks

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Remarks regarding biological fundamentalism have harmful implications for trans people, particularly in the sporting field and in public discourse.
- Agreement that this rhetoric is an attack on LGBTIQI rights and is concerning in the face of recent trends in the US and across Australian legislation.
- Criticism towards far-right attacks on healthcare and rights for the trans community.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

THAT the UNSW SRC stand against Chris Minns's recent transphobic remarks.

CARRIED

2.3 Kick Weapons Off Campus

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Encouragement for the council's continued support of the Kick Weapons off Campus campaign, including resource mobilisation and collective action.
- Planned rally in Week 4.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

The UNSW SRC endorses the Students for Palestine campaign 'Kick weapons off campus – UNSW cut ties with genocide'

CARRIED

2.4 PM Response to Special Envoy

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Concern regarding increased threats, safety issues and media bias against Muslims across Australia, emphasizing the need for clearer definitions and educational initiatives to combat Islamophobia.
- Criticism toward the government for their lack of action on the recommendations by the Special Envoy tabled in 2025.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

THAT this SRC calls for Anthony Albanese and the federal government to respond immediately to the recommendations by Mr Aftab Malik, the Special Envoy to Combat Islamophobia in Australia.

CARRIED

2.5 Re-development of Student Accommodation

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Council-wide support for the redevelopment plans to provide students with improved living conditions and facilities, however there was also an emphasis placed on transparent pricing models being made available to students.
- Concerns raised regarding changes to residential support structures such as on-site deans.
- Discussion was linked to the broader housing and cost of living crisis.
- Support for the creation of a women's and Indigenous students' college.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

The SRC expresses concern that UNSW's proposed student accommodation redevelopment may reduce affordability and accessibility for students unless clear guarantees are provided regarding affordable housing replacement, future rent levels, and student welfare arrangements. The SRC calls on UNSW to provide greater transparency, meaningful student consultation, and commitments that increased housing supply will not come at the expense of affordability, accessibility, or residential community support.

CARRIED

Agenda order suspended by leave of the Council. The minutes will follow the order of the meeting.

2.12 Waterloo Encampment

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Criticism towards the Labor Government on their failure to deliver on election promises and instead the move to privitise public housing, causing the displacement of hundreds of people.
- Clarification on definitions on social housing vs. public housing.
- Waterloo reconstruction is unnecessary at present for an area that is still fit for function. Reconstruction will only result in increased rent costs per week for residents.

Against the motion:

- Under the project plan, public housing is expected to increase rather than decrease and reconstruction is necessary to improve facilities and sustainability for residents of the area.
- Relocation of residents is temporary as opposed to permanent eviction.



RESOLUTION

The UNSW SRC stands in solidarity with the residents and encampment at Waterloo to defend public housing.

CARRIED

2.13 Public Housing in Waterloo

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Reiteration of points from previous motion regarding the redevelopment of Waterloo and its impact on current residents.
- Encouragement to provide material support (e.g. tents, food) and to support on-ground actions to oppose the demolition.

Against the motion:

- Reiteration of points from previous motion regarding the increase of public housing under the development plan.

RESOLUTION

Oppose the demolition of public housing in Waterloo

CARRIED

2.6 UNSW Fitness & Aquatic Centre

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Support for the UNSW Fitness & Aquatic Centre to be open 24 hours to better accommodate student schedules.
- A note was raised that the current provider for gym facilities is financially constrained. Discussion on Arc providing support in this space to enable the extension.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

THAT the UNSW SRC calls on the UNSW Fitness & Aquatic Centre at the Kensington campus to be open for students 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

CARRIED

2.7 Free Shuttle Bus

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Acknowledgement that late night transport services to and from campus are few and do not accommodate student schedules, resulting in students having to pay for costly uber services.
- Council-wide support for increased safe and affordable options for students to commute to campus at late hours.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION



THAT this SRC calls for an implementation of a free shuttle bus between UNSW Kensington campus and Central Station during peak hours.

CARRIED

2.8 Labor Government 2026 Budget

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Criticism regarding the 2026 Budget, highlighting cuts to the NDIS, increased military spending and insufficient or inaccessible measures for vulnerable groups and communities.

Against the motion:

- Argument that while the 2026 Budget has caveats, it is a step towards addressing intergenerational equity, sustainability of programs such as the NDIS and works towards improving economic outcomes.

RESOLUTION

The UNSW SRC condemns the Labor Government's 2026 Budget.

CARRIED

2.9 NDIS Cuts

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Emphasis on the emotional and practical difficulties that will impact disabled individuals following the cuts to the NDIS, including increased stigma around the community.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

The UNSW SRC supports disabled students impacted by the NDIS cuts.

CARRIED

2.10 Nationalisation of NDIS

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- A publicly funded and managed system would better serve disabled people and prevent exploitation by private providers.
- A nationalised disability service and care should be a basic human right.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

The SRC demands the NDIS be nationalised

CARRIED

2.11 Child Protection Laws

The paper was taken as read.



For the motion:

- Criticism towards proposed reforms which are situated within a broader pattern of systemic oppression and discrimination against Indigenous peoples and communities.
- Concern raised towards the welfare of children under the new reforms which separate them from parents and/or guardians for an extended period.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

Condemn the proposed reforms to child protection and juvenile policing in the Northern Territory.

CARRIED

The President permitted a late motion to be tabled at the meeting.

2.14 Gas Tax Proposal

L. Cox provided a verbal outline of the motion.

For the motion:

- Introduction of the levy would ensure that the Australian public benefits from the exportation of natural resources.
- Nationalisation of the gas industry was discussed which would ensure public ownership and control over resources.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

THAT the SRC endorses the campaign proposal for a 25% flat levy on all gas exports out of Australia.

CARRIED

3 MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

N/A

4 Office Bearer reports

All available reports were taken as read.

4.1. President

4.2. General Secretary

4.3 Education Officer

4.4 Environment Officer

4.5 Ethnocultural Officer

4.6 Indigenous Officer

4.7 International Students Officer

4.8 Queer Officer

4.9 Welfare Officer

4.10 Women's Officer

4.11 Students with Disabilities Officer

4.12 Paddington Domestic Officer

4.13 Paddington International Officer – N/A

4.14 Paddington Representation Officer

5 Councillors Reports

5.1 Seb Koelsch

5.2 Natasha Brettell

5.3 Anais Williamson

5.4 Divya Nandyal



5.5 Sankalp Behara

5.6 Luke Cox

5.7 Sathya Gururajan

5.8 Alexandra Egan

5.9 Alisa Hsi

5.10 Zack Hossain

5.11 Eva Beaumont

5.12 Daniel Gulic

6 Matters for Noting [Discussed only on exception bases]

7 Question Time

- A question was raised regarding changes to the student Code of Conduct (referring to previous meeting minutes). This was noted to be in-progress, with the President meeting with UNSW stakeholders to discuss future changes.

8 Meeting finalisation

8.1 Meeting evaluation

L. Cox provided a brief meeting evaluation.

8.2 Next meeting date: 6 July 2026

8.3 Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 7:49 PM.

Billy Scharzenberger Moran, SRC President

13/07/2026