



Approved Minutes

SRC MEETING
Monday, 3 August 2026 @ 6.00pm
Hybrid (F10 June Griffith M11 /TEAMS)

Due to technological difficulties, the audio from meeting opening was not captured. The following Minutes are the best record of the meeting given the missing recording.

Present: William (Billy) Scharzenberger Moran, Diya Sengupta, Avasa Bajracharya, Ana Dougenis, Eugene Tang, Edward Zhong, Seb Koelsch, Natasha Brettel, Divya Nandyal, Sankalp Behara, Alexandra Egan, Sathya Gururajan, Luke Cox, Anais Williamson

In attendance:

Apologies: Danielle Moutopoulos, Forester Nguyen, Louisa Chen, Amelie Marquette, Tara Chen

Absent: Emma Terry, Jamie Tyers, Eva Beaumont, Daniel Gulic, Zack Hossain, Alisa Hsi

1. MEETING OPENING

The meeting opened at 6:02 PM.

1.1. Acknowledgment of Country

Completed by the SRC President.

1.2. Apologies

Apologies were received from D. Moutopoulos, F. Nguyen, L. Chen, A. Marquette and T. Chen

Proxies were received as follows:

- D. Moutopoulos to E. Zhong
- F. Nguyen to B.S. Moran
- L. Chen to E. Beaumont
- A. Marquette to B.S. Moran
- T. Chen to E. Tang

RESOLUTION

THAT the apologies received from D. Moutopoulos, F. Nguyen, L. Chen, A. Marquette and T. Chen 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: 13 July 2026

RESOLUTION

THAT the minutes from the SRC meeting held on 13 July 2026 are accepted as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

1.4.2 Matter arising/ action list

The action list was noted.

1.5 Meeting Administration



1.5.1 Trigger Warning Announcement

The SRC President completed a trigger warning announcement.

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

N/A

1.5.4 Items flagged for immediate discussion

N/A

2 MATTERS FOR DECISION

2.1 Labor Government AI Framework

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Concern regarding the lack of concrete regulatory protocol, prioritization of profit over workers and the environment and national security

Against the motion:

- Agreement that whilst regulation of AI is required, the current framework remains vague, making it a challenge to take a definitive stance or action.

RESOLUTION

Condemn the Albanese government's framework for AI

CARRIED

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

2.3 Boycotting AI

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Boycotting has historically proven to be an effective tactic in contributing to social change
- Acknowledgement that boycotting is not an exclusive practice to challenge the AI movement but serves as an accessible entry point for action
- Agreement that community involvement such as rallies used in combination with boycotting is effective

Against the motion:

- AI has become deeply ingrained in society whether in the workplace or at universities, making boycotting too individualistic and ineffective
- Collective action was recommended as a more effective means of challenging the AI movement.
- AI as technology, is not inherently bad, it is how it is used. Blanket boycotting of AI overlooks the advantages of cutting down workload in areas such as logistics and administration.

RESOLUTION

Boycotting can't stop AI

CARRIED



2.2 Marsden Park Data Centre

The paper was taken as read.

- Continued discussion regarding the previous motion.
- The President called for any speakers against motion 2.2. There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

The UNSW SRC condemns the development of a hyperscale datacenter in Marsden Park.

CARRIED

2.5 UNSW Wage Theft

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Criticism towards universities that report to be operating in surplus whilst underpaying staff
- The council discussed strategies to address continued instances of wage theft across universities, arguing that reliance on governance board and regulatory investigations often result in limited action and do not address ingrained systemic issues.
- Continued support for unions to call for compensation and in expressing solidarity with affected staff.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

UNSW SRC condemns UNSW for \$32 million in wages theft.

CARRIED

2.6 Victora Education Strike

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Discussion and support regarding the success of recent teacher strikes in Victoria, with turnouts of over 30 000 in support of better pay and work conditions for teachers.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

UNSW SRC endorses the Victorian teachers, and ES staff strikes.

CARRIED

2.7 Solidarity with Indian Student Protests

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- The Council expressed support towards the recent student protests in India which demonstrated the impact of mass mobilisation in effecting change.
- Criticism of the Labor government and its friendly ties with the Modi government.
- A point was raised regarding the significance of the protests for women in India who face limited opportunities and social pressures, making the movement an important challenge to patriarchal and corrupt systems.

There were no speakers against the motion.

RESOLUTION

Solidarity with Indian Student Protests

CARRIED



2.9 Commonwealth Prac Payment

The paper was taken as read.

For the motion:

- Credit towards the lobbying efforts of the National Union of Students (NUS) in achieving paid placements for students in various medical fields

Against the motion:

- Current practical payments are still insufficient and that a push should be made for more comprehensive reforms.
- Criticism towards the privatisation of the sector and lack of public funding

RESOLUTION

THAT this SRC commends the government's expansion of paid prac to health students and acknowledges the involvement of the National Union of Students in securing the win.

NOT CARRIED

2.4 NUS Statement at Royal Commission

The motion was withdrawn.

2.8 Safer Spaces Policy

The motion will be taken to the next SRC meeting.

3 MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

N/A

4 Office Bearer reports

All available reports were taken as read. Verbal reports were provided where no written report was submitted.

- 4.1. President** – a verbal report was provided.
- 4.2. General Secretary**
- 4.3. Education Officer**
- 4.4. Environment Officer**
- 4.5. Ethnocultural Officer**
- 4.6. Indigenous Officer** – N/A
- 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** – a verbal report was provided.
- 5.5 **Sankalp Behara** – a verbal report was provided.
- 5.6 **Luke Cox** – a verbal report was provided.
- 5.7 **Sathya Gururajan** – a verbal report was provided.
- 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

- 8 **Meeting finalisation**
- 8.1 **Meeting evaluation**
- 8.2 **Next meeting date:** 5 October 2026
- 8.3 **Meeting Close**

The meeting closed at 7:22pm.

Billy Scharzenberger Moran, SRC President

12/10/2026