



AGENDA - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC) 6 2018

Tuesday, 21/8 2018 6.15pm, STB s1

Item 1: Meeting Opens and Apologies

Opens: 6:27pm

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Ngunnawal and Ngambri people as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which ANUSA operates. We recognise the continuing connection to lands, waters, and communities of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. We pay our respect to Elders, past and present, and commit to standing with our first nations people.

1.2 Apologies

Sam, Jessica, Anya, Poppy, Jharna, Laura, Matthew

Item 2: Minutes from the previous meeting

Moved: Kathryn

Seconded: Laura

Item 3: Reports

3.1 President's report (E. Kay) [Reference A]

The President congratulated those who ran in elections and expressed that if anyone had feedback on how elections were run, that she would be keen to hear it. She also expressed excitement about course rep training and asked that feedback be sent. The President also announced that introduction of a new member of staff who was going to support community life initiatives (e.g events program and clubs program). Consultation hours were discussed with feedback to be sent to the President. CPI increase was also flagged.

Content Warning: Sexual Assault, institutional betrayal

When asked, the President flagged that ANUSA would be continuing to follow up on the issues raised on August 1 and that there are ongoing conversations with the university on how to support people who are present on the day.

Moved: Anabelle.
Seconded: Isabelle.

3.2 Vice President's report (T. Masters) [Reference B]

Vice President was not present and no report was received.

3.3 Treasurer's report (M. Chang) [Reference C]

Flagged that invoices were yet to be received and paid. She also flagged that the profit margin in the report will likely change and will most likely have a profit. The Treasurer flagged that the SRC should continue to use line items and that the Gen Rep pool was still available. When Clubs funding changes were questioned, the Treasurer asked for questions to be sent via email.

Moved: Nick
Seconded: Campbell

3.4 General Secretary's report (E. Lim) [Reference D]

The General Secretary flagged that OGM 2 was next Wednesday at 11am. She gave a big thank you to the executive for managing the elections. When asked about the duration of the Governance Review, she specified that consultation would take time but that early next year a report would hopefully be tabled.

Moved: Campbell
Seconded: Nick

3.5 Education Officer's report (H.Needham) [Reference E]

The Education Officer flagged that housing was one of the topics that the Education Committee would discuss given the poll on the Ed Committee group and feedback given.

Moved: Lachy
Seconded: Anabelle.

3.6 Social Officer's report (A. Bonan) [Reference F]

The Social Officer was not present at SRC 6 and therefore all questions were directed to her via email.

Moved Campbell
Seconded: Harry

Item 4: Department Officer Reports

4.1 Indigenous Department (B. Edwards) [Reference G]

The Indigenous Department Officer gave special thanks to those who helped during NAIDOC week. He congratulated Sarah who is the current social officer for the concert. The officer also flagged that he was voted President of UATSI for 2019 and that he is excited about the role.

Moved: Lachy
Seconded: Campbell.

4.2 Women's Department (L. Perkov) [Reference H]

Report was taken mostly as read flagging that childcare, parking and culture change were significant issues. The Department representative flagged that the Women's Department wanted to inform families about the respectful relationships program.

Moved; Anabelle.
Seconded: Braedyn.

4.3 Queer* Department (M. Mottola) [Reference I]

The Queer* Department officer was not present at SRC 6 and therefore all questions were directed to him via email.

Moved: Harry
Seconded: Evie.

4.4 International Students' Department (M. Kim) [Reference J]

The International Students' Department officer mentioned that the International Student Welcome evening had occurred and that the change of venue resulted in one of the most successful evenings the Department have had. She flagged that election reform was occurring. Mina also flagged that she was working with the executive to see how the returning officer would interact with the introduction of the probity officer.

Moved: Kathryn
Seconded: Campbell:

4.5 Disabilities Department (A. Bryan) [Reference K]

Disabilities Department officer was not present.

Moved : Lachy
Seconded: Campbell

4.6 Environment Department (P. Perry-Evans) [Reference L]

The Environment Department officer was not present.

Moved: Braedyn

Seconded: Campbell

4.7 Ethnocultural Department (J. Chamlagai) [Reference M]

Report was taken as read.

Moved: Harry

Seconded: Anabelle.

Item 5: Clubs Council Report

5.1 Club Council Chair (J. Mildren) [Reference N]

The Clubs Council Chair was not present and no report was received.

Item 6: Discussion Items/Motions on Notice

CW: Transphobia, bullying, and harassment

6. 1 Preamble:

Queer Collaborations 2018 (the national tertiary queer* conference) moved a motion of no confidence in NUS LGBTI Officer Jasmine Duff and called for her resignation following testimonials by delegates of transphobia, harassment, bullying, and intimidation on her part. This includes the misgendering of a queer* student at National Conference 2017 and replied using foul language to the student when corrected, as well as incompetence in her role as testified by various Queer* Officers in attendance. This behaviour was deemed unbecoming of a national representative and, in particular, of one representing a marginalised student body such as the queer* community. Following this, the Queer* Department has affirmed this motion of no confidence in a collective meeting.

ANU Queer* Department sent delegates to the Queer Collaborations conference held in Brisbane who witnessed the testimony of queer* students who had faced harassment and intimidation on Duff's behalf. As such, the Queer* Department was presented with the motion which is now being presented to the SRC. The Queer* Department believes that the behaviour of Duff renders her incapable of representing the queer* student body in a national role such as hers and puts to the SRC to also affirm the motion presented to QC.

For more information and statements from students see: <http://farragomagazine.com/2018/07/27/motion-of-no-confidence-in-nus-lgbti-officer-passes-at-national-queer-conference/>

<https://www.woroni.com.au/words/anu-queer-department-calls-for-removal-of-nus-queer-officer/>

No Confidence in NUS Queer/LGBTI 2018

Motion:

1. That Queer Collaborations 2018 recognises an established pattern of behaviour displayed by one of the 2018 National Union of Students (hereafter referred to as NUS) National Queer/LGBTI Officers, Jasmine Duff, that has been intimidatory, and transphobic in nature, namely:

- a. The misgendering, and verbal abuse of a queer student during the proceedings of the 2017 NUS National Conference.
- b. Sustained personal harassment of queer students prior to her election to the position of NUS National Queer/LGBTI Officer in 2017.
- c. Failure to comply with, or complete a number of her responsibilities as listed under clause B77 of the NUS' constitution, including, but not limited to, subclauses B77 (b), (c), (e), and (i).

2. That these patterns of behaviour render Jasmine Duff unworthy of holding a role dedicated toward advocacy for, and representation of, the collective body of queer students in Australia.

3. That QC18 resolves:

a. To declare a motion of no confidence in Jasmine Duff as the 2018 NUS National Queer/LGBTI Officer.

b. To encourage all student unions, associations, guilds etc. affiliated to the NUS to submit to their respective councils, or equivalent bodies, motions of no confidence in Jasmine Duff in kind, for the same reasons as those listed above, and, upon doing so, to disseminate press releases, and communications to their members informing them of this.

c. To demand that Jasmine Duff resign her position as NUS National Queer/LGBTI Officer effective immediately.

i. Or, should Jasmine Duff not resign from the NUS National Queer/LGBTI Office of her own volition, to demand that the NUS National Executive resolve to remove Jasmine Duff from her position as NUS National Queer/LGBTI Officer according to section R55 of the constitution.

ii. That the procedure for R55 be carried out by a postal ballot of all 2017 NUS National Conference delegates as is the established constitutional precedent for other processes requiring a vote of delegates without convening an in-person meeting of delegates (as set out in section B88 of the National Union of Students constitution).

d. That, should Jasmine Duff's position be vacated by either of the above means, the vacated NUS National Queer/LGBTI Officer position be filled by one of the candidates endorsed by Queer Collaborations by means of a postal ballot as outlined in section B88.1 of the National Union of Students constitution.

Mover: Victorian Caucus

Motion 6.1:

That the SRC publicly affirms the motion presented and passed at Queer Collaborations 2018 (attached) calling for Jasmine Duff's resignation as NUS LGBTI Officer. This includes publication of the motion, and sending formal notice of the motion to the NUS.

The mover and seconder of the motion both asked that the SRC support and stand in solidarity with Queer students by putting additional pressure on the NUS to be representative.

Moved: Isabel Moss

Seconded: Celeste Sandstrom

Status: Passed

Meeting Finished at 7:14

SRC 7 to be held on the 25th of September at 6:00pm.