

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2013 12:30pm, ANU Bar

# **Attendance List:**

## **Executive**

Aleks Sladojevic- President

Tasman Vaughan-Vice-President

Sophia Stanley – General Secretary

Shan Verne Liew-Treasurer

Amy MacKinnon-Education Officer

# **Departments**

Cianne So Yung Jeong- Queer\* Officer

Louise Stockton - Disabilities Officer

Taufiq Suraidi – International Officer

# **General Representatives**

Eric Chan

Vincci Lee

Michael Harrison

Shane Paderanga

Jess Bolton

Lucy McFarlene

Milly Cooper

Sam Duncan

# **College Representatives**

Laura Wey - Science

Zaiga Thomann - Science

Caroline Skinner- CECS

Ruohan Zhao - CASS

Charlie Carroll - CBE

Jennifer Darmody - CBE



# **Ordinary Members**

Nick Barry

**Annika Humphries** 

**Connor Drum** 

Pang- Ee Teh

Lachlan McDermott

**Thomas Nock** 

Catlin Delbridge

Daniel Wall

Joshua Orchard

Bianca Hennessy

Catlin M.

Ben Robey

David Quarel

Penny Rumble

**Erica Weatherly** 

Michele Nairn

Kaushini Samarajeewa

Beng Chang Tan

Jack Gracie

**Scott Armstrong** 

Ellen Trevanion

Ramya Raghavan

Daniel Johnson

Tim McCann

Anirudh Devanathan

Andrew Welch

Abid Rahman

Ding Qiao Low

Ryan Graham

Ivar Bohigas

Ali Haji Babaei

Michael Wright

Chanky Coli

Andrew Donnellan

Amelia Filmer-Sankey

**Eloise Craig** 

Maclaren Wall

Akhmal R. Fatah

Benjimin Schnltz



## **Item 1: Meeting Officially Opens and Apologies**

Meeting Opened: 12:40pm

#### 1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

The General Secretary acknowledged the traditional owners of the land.

#### 1.2 Apologies

Apologies were received from William Mudford.

#### 1.3 Explanation of Standing Orders

The General Secretary gave an explanation of Standing Order covering required topics.

## Item 2: Minutes from the Previous Meeting including Matters Arising

MOTION: That the minutes from the Annual General Meeting be accepted

Moved: Charlie Carroll Seconded: Annika Humphreys

**Motion: Passed** 

PROCEDURAL MOTION: To have item 3.3 follow item 2

Moved: Aleks Sladojevic Seconded: Tasman Vaughan

**Motion: Passed** 

## 3.3 Presentation of 2013 Budget (Liew) [Handout 1]

**PROCEDURAL MOTION:** That the motion be moved to a vote.

Moved: Shan Verne Liew Seconded: Nick Barry **Motion: Passed** 

MOTION: That the 2013 Budget be accepted

Moved: Taufiq Suraidi Seconded: Michael Harrison

**Motion: Passed** 

# **Item 3: Reports and Matters Arising**

## 3.1 President's Report (Sladojevic) [Reference A]

#### **Questions:**

**Annika Humphries**: In regards to ANU aiming to increase undergraduate domestic and international student recruitment, do you know how many more students the ANU are they trying to get and how with this effect the University, for example increase in class sizes.

**Aleks Sladojevic:** The ANU has not released a statement outlining what the consequences will be for an increase in students. There are other issues that come to mind including, accommodation

**Connor Drum:** CASS panel having more students.

**Aleks Sladojevic:** I am not opposed to having more students on the committee, however I do not make the decisions as to how many students are on the panel.



**Hannah**: Can you clarify how ANUSA will be advertising the CASS forum and making sure all students know about it.

**Aleks Sladojevic**: An all student email will been sent by CASS to all CASS students in the next few days. ANUSA will be postering, updating the ANUSA Facebook page, Twitter Feed and ANUSA Website. Please also spread the word via your own networks.

MOTION: That the President's Report be accepted

Moved: Michael Harrison Seconded: Taufiq Suraidi

**Motion: Passed** 

# 3.2 Vice President's Report (Liew) [Reference B]

#### **Questions:**

**Penny Rumble:** ANU Security has not been referring requests for escorts onto the UniSafe team. **Tasman Vaughan:** This has been brought to ANU Safe's attention. This has been a

consequence of not enough resources.

MOTION: That the Vice Presidents Report be accepted

Moved: Taufiq Suraidi Seconded: Pang- Ea Teh

**Motion: Passed** 

#### Item 4: Items for Resolution

# **4.1 Ordinary Motions [Reference C]**

**MOTION:** In light of the drastic course cuts in recent years, the ANUSA executive will investigate course cuts, cuts of majors and minors, demotions of majors to minors, and loss of full-time teaching staff over the last year (regardless of whether the positions were cut, or staff left without being replaced). ANUSA will make this information available on its website as part of its commitment to effective communication with students, and so students can plan their degrees better.

Moved: P. Rumble

**AMENDMENT**: The ANUSA executive will, insofar as it can do so without breaching ANU's policies, publicise on its website course cuts, cuts of majors and minors, and demotions of majors to minors. The executive will strive to publicise information on cuts to CASS as soon as possible.

Moved: Penny Rumble Seconded: Connor Drum

#### **Speaking Rights:**

**Penny Rumble:** There are many students including myself who are having trouble planning their degrees as minors are being cut.

#### **Arguments For:**

Tom Nock: Awareness creates activeness. Staff cuts are not talked about enough.

**Aleks Sladojevic:** These cutes are because of decisions that the ANU made years ago. There is a five-year transition plan. The ownership is on the ANU to report it. ANUSA is not just given all the necessary information regarding cuts. It needs to be sourced, and the nature of the



ANU with its different Academic Schools means it is not always straightforward as to who needs to be contacted regarding obtaining information. A lot of what ANUSA finds out is through students emailing ANUSA. With issues like staff cuts they are hard to communicate, as they are sensitive and private issues.

**MOTION: PASSED** 

MOTION: ANUSA sells the bus.

Moved: T. Vaughan

PROCEDURAL MOTION: That this motion 'ANUSA sells the bus' be tabled for OGM 3

Moved: Tasman Vaughan Seconded: Aleks Sladojevic

**Motion: Passed** 

## 4.2 Grants and Affiliations Committee, Handbook 5, Amendments [Reference D]

Context: These changes are result of the GAC Review conducted over the winter holidays by Olivia Clark (ANUSA Social Officer) and Anirudh Devanathan (GAC Officer). For more information on the review please contact: sa.social@anu.edu.au

**MOTION:** That 'Clubs/Societies may claim up to (and no more than) 75% of the total expense of each event' be changed to 'Clubs/Societies may claim up to (and no more than) **90%** of the total expense of each event'.

Moved: O. Clark

Moved: Anirudh Devanathan Seconded: Taufiq Suraidi

Abstentions: 1

## **Speaking Rights:**

**Anirudh Devanathan:** GAC has not been able to give as much money as we would have liked. This is largely due to the cap that applies when requesting funding. 90% is the amount decided as it still adovates for responsible spending as the Club and Society/Department in questions still needs to fund some of it.

#### **Arguments For:**

**Tasman Vaughan:** This is a positive change as SAFF money is meant to be spend in the year it is received. If you increase the access to money there will also be an increase of activities and events on campus.

#### **Questions:**

**Connor Drum**: Has 100% funding for small events and for small clubs been considered? **Anirudh Devanathan:** This was considered that but this was thought to be more appropriate as there are a lot of small events and it adds up. This way encourage Club and Society/Departments to budget well.

**Motion: Passed** 

**MOTION:** That 'Maximum funding = \$9 per ANU student in attendance' be changed to 'Maximum funding = **\$15** per ANU student in attendance'.



Moved: Anirudh Devanathan Seconded: Michael Harrison

Abstentions: 1

**Motion: Passed** 

# 4.3 Constitution Amendments [Reference E]

**MOTION:** '1 Undergraduate Representative, who is to be elected at the first Ordinary General Meeting of the fourth Teaching Period of the Academic year' be changed to '3 Undergraduate Representatives, who are to be elected at the first Ordinary General Meeting of the fourth Teaching Period of the Academic year'.

In accordance with the ANUSA Constitution, 75% to the nearest whole number of those present and voting is needed for the motion (Special General Resolution) to be passed. There were no votes against the motion.

Moved: Anirudh Devanathan Seconded: Andrew Donnellan

Abstentions: 1

Motion: Passed

#### **Item 5: Other Business**

**Connor Drum:** Could Amy MacKinnon discuss the Nation Day of Action Pollie Crawl.

**Amy MacKinnon:** Naturally we were disappointed with the number of people who turned up to the event. There were over 100 people attending on the Facebook Event, however Facebook can be misleading.

## Item 6: Date of Next Meeting and Close

Ordinary General Meeting 3 is scheduled to occur in Term 4, Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2013.

Meeting Closed: 1.35 pm



#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Aleks Sladojevic

# ANU Budget and the School of Politics and International Relations

## **ANU Budget Announcement**

On 5 June, a Budget Forum was held for undergraduate students to provide an opportunity for suggestions to be made on how the ANU should go about tightening its budget. Suggestions were also being received via email submission, and ANUSA promoted both these opportunities to students.

On 2 July, the Vice Chancellor announced a budget proposal which included:

- Increases in international student fees
- Growing undergraduate domestic and international student numbers
- Increases in parking rates for reserved parking on campus
- A 230-person reduction in professional staff numbers, via a voluntary early retirement scheme
- A 2% salary increase for ANU staff
- A \$2m savings target for energy use at the University
- A \$3.2m reduction in accommodation and travel expenses in 2014, 2015
- Increased efforts in growing philanthropic funding

We will be following the implementation of these measures very closely. A followup student forum, with particular focus on administrative reform within the University, is being held on Friday 16 August.

For more information on the proposed budget changes, please see the Formal Change Proposal, available at: <a href="http://budgetsolutions.anu.edu.au/files/2013/07/Change-Proposal\_Budget-Challenges\_FINAL.pdf">http://budgetsolutions.anu.edu.au/files/2013/07/Change-Proposal\_Budget-Challenges\_FINAL.pdf</a>

The University is also still receiving suggestions and feedback via email to budgetsolutions@anu.edu.au



# Proposed Changes in the School of Politics and International Relations

During Bush Week, we had several students raise concerns about proposed pedagogical changes that were apparently taking place in the School of Politics and International Relations (SPIR).

On 30 July, we met with the Dean of CASS and the Associate Dean (Education) to try and clarify some of the issues that had been raised with us. The proposed changes were described as a shift in some second and third year courses from the lecture / tutorial structure to a seminar form of teaching. We were assured at this point that there would be no reduction in face-to-face contact between teaching staff and students.

On 6 August, the Vice Chancellor sent an email to all CASS students stating that no changes were going to take place until a Review Committee has assessed the pedagogical evidence supporting such changes. The Review Committee will be reporting its findings by mid-September.

If you have any individual feedback you wish to provide, especially if you have already undertaken seminar-style courses, please email <a href="mailto:sa.president@anu.edu.au">sa.president@anu.edu.au</a>

# Staffing and the ANUSA Office

# **Legal Officer**

Our new Legal Officer, Michael Curtotti, started work on 15 July. He has settled in very well and there have been a number of students making appointments to come and see him. Michael can be contacted via email at <a href="mailto:sa.legal@anu.edu.au">sa.legal@anu.edu.au</a>

#### Communications' Officer

Our new Communications Officer, Jen Edmunds, also started work during the midyear break. Jen has a really strong background in publications and she has been doing some great work in ANUSA's marketing and promotion. Some of her key foci coming up, include: Student Assistance launch materials, The Last Lecture, Mental Health Guide, website reform, and improving our communications strategy. Jen can be contacted via email at <a href="mailto:sa.communications@anu.edu.au">sa.communications@anu.edu.au</a>

# **ANUSA Office Rearrangement**

In the mid-year break, the ANUSA Executive undertook the final bit of rearranging in the ANUSA office by relocating the storage room (near the staffing area) to the old Executive office. The old storage room has been converted into another meeting room which has been really useful so far. The open plan work area is working really well and the staff seem very pleased with the new arrangement. It has been



encouraging more collaboration between the staff and ANUSA representatives. There is now a strong presence of people every time students walk into the ANUSA office.

# **Computers for Department Officers**

As per the ordinary motion passed at the last OGM, two new computers (connected to the ANU network) have been purchased for the ANUSA Department Officers to use.

# **ANU Committees**

#### **Bachelor of Arts Review Committee**

Phase I of the BA review is now complete. Many thanks to Ruohan Zhao and Melanie McLeod (ANUSA CASS Representatives) for the work they have done in contributing to that process. Phase II of the review will be happening at a School-level, and we have stressed that transparency to students throughout this process is crucial.

One of the greatest concerns we have raised to the BA Review Committee about the outcomes of Phase I was regarding the proposal to introduce a BA (Advanced) (Honours). Our CASS representatives are not convinced that a 'higher tier' degree in CASS is necessary, and they have also raised concerns about the administrative burden that will most likely be placed on CASS, particularly when it comes to graduation checking and course advice. Concerns were also raised around the flexibility in the proposed BA particularly for double degree students.

The new **learning outcomes** that have been proposed for the BA are as follows:

Upon successful completion of the Bachelor of Arts, students will have developed the appropriate disciplinary knowledge and acquired the skills to:

- 1. Critically apply theoretical frameworks and research techniques to understanding national and international issues and problems;
- 2. Identify, including through interrogation of databases, relevant sources of information from across a variety of media (print and digital, written and audiovisual) and judge the importance and reliability of those sources;
- 3. Evaluate ideas and develop creative solutions to problems, including through independent pursuit of knowledge and making connections between different disciplinary approaches and methods;
- 4. Communicate and debate both orally and in writing, and work with others, using a variety of media; and
- 5. Understand the ethical implications of ideas, communications, and actions.



Other changes that have been proposed, include:

- The introduction of a new minor in Heritage and Museum Studies
- Removal of the Film and New Media major and the introduction of a Film Minor (a renamed version of the Film and New Media minor)

The rationale that has been provided for these changes is as follows:

The BA should prepare students to be engaged in society and to prepare them to lead intellectually fulfilling lives. The current learning outcomes do not clearly articulate this; they also create a division between disciplinary learning outcomes and generic learning outcomes, but they are achieved simultaneously. The revised learning outcomes draw on visions for the BA communicated in the various meetings constituting the review. Although further revisions to the BA are expected, it is necessary that the revised program level learning outcomes are approved before Phase 2 commences so that they can guide the review of each of the majors.

This is a large process and we want to remain directly engaged with the College for Phases II and III. We are pushing for consultation and transparency as key focuses in the process.

# **Student Experience**

Student Experience Committee met on 1 August. Topics that were discussed, included:

- Development of a 'Student Experience Operational Plan'
- Better integration of domestic and international students
- Ways to enhance extra-curricular activities (such as internships) at the ANU, as well as ways to recognise extra-curricular involvement
- Setting up the Mental Health Working Group following the Mental Health Roundtable on 24 July
- Development of a Global Leadership Program for ANU Students in conjunction with an international university

#### UniSafe

The latest Unisafe Committee meeting took place on 8 August. One of the topics of discussion, was the idea of using a mobile app (Safe Zone) in order to monitor and respond to critical incidents on campus. Tas Vaughan (ANUSA Vice President) will be able to respond further on the discussions and outcomes of this meeting.

# **Campus Planning**

Please refer to the Vice President's report.



# **Training**

# **Governance and Fraud Prevention Training**

A second round of Governance and Fraud Prevention Training is taking place on 19 August. Our three new staff members, who have not yet undertaken the training, will be taking it then.

# **Advocacy**

## Mental Health Roundtable

The ANU Mental Health Roundtable was held on 24 July. The Roundtable went from 9am to 3pm, which allowed for a lot of in-depth discussion and brainstorming about ways we can improve mental health support provision at the ANU. This is something that I have been pushing for for quite a while, and I have to thank Professor Richard Baker (Pro-Vice Chancellor, Student Experience) for getting behind the idea and helping to co-ordinate its taking place.

The main outcome of the Roundtable was a decision to establish a Mental Health Working Group which has started meeting fortnightly to help co-ordinate information and initiatives across campus that concern student mental health.

## **Submission on Administrative Processes**

We received a lot of student feedback on various administrative processes in the University, and this feedback formed a large basis of the submission we made regarding problems with and suggested improvements to ANU administrative processes. Issues were identified in the following key areas:

- Accessibility and communication of information
- Exchange programs
- Enrolment
- Course advice
- IT and library services
- Paper-based processes

The feedback is being used to help set priorities for the University in its Service Improvement Program (reform of administrative processes). The priority at the moment is improving enrolment. Other issues such as reducing paper-based processes, and improving management and communication of information to students have also been set as priorities for the twelve months.



## **ANUSA Mental Health Committee**

There is a lot that is going to be happening in the Mental Health Committee meeting this semester, with a campaign being planned on raising awareness and encouraging a strong ANU community when it comes to supporting good mental health.

# **Important dates** for the Committee include:

- Suicide Prevention Day event on 29 August (Week 6), in conjunction with the Centre for Mental Health and Research
- ANUSA Mental Health Campaign Launch on 26 September (Week 8)

We are still yet to finish the **Mental Health Guide** and this is project that will take priority this term. Our Communications Officer is currently working on the graphic design elements of the Guide.

**Committee meetings** are held fortnightly, 4pm in Student Space. Upcoming meeting dates are:

- 7 August, Week 3
- 21 August, Week 5
- 4 September, Week 7
- 25 September, Week 8

Please come along if you are interested in being part of the Committee and please encourage any of your friends who are interested in student mental health issues to join the Facebook page (link below) and come along to one of the meetings. https://www.facebook.com/groups/498050273589867/

## **Academic Probation Survey**

The Academic Probation survey went live in the last week of the mid-year break, and the survey link has been sent to students who were on academic probation at any time during 2010 to 2012. This survey will be open for one more week, after which I will be meeting with ANU Planning and Statistical Services to work on analysing the results. At the point of writing, about 60 responses have been received.

# Student Assistance

The Student Assistance unit is really gaining momentum and more recently there have been quite a few students coming in to get advice on tax returns.



The **Student Assistance Launch** will be taking place on 29 August. Our Communications Officer is currently working on the branding and promotional materials for the SA Unit. At the launch in late August, we will have a barbeque and our SA Officers will be out and about mingling with students and informing them about the services we provide at ANUSA. We will also be running a Drug and Alcohol Awareness program in Student Space at the same time. If you are interested in helping out with the launch, please email Laurin Milsom at laurin.milsom@anu.edu.au.

# Social

# Orientation Week and Bush Week, Semester 2

Breaking from tradition, this year ANUSA started Bush Week activities in the week before Bush Week, which is when most international and exchange students arrive on campus. Over the two-week period, we had a number of barbeques, genderless speed dating, an 'Australiana' themed Student Space party, Battle of the Bands, Crash a Country Pub, an Obstacle Course, Politics in the Pub, and an Arts Battle.

I would like to thank our Social Officer, Liv Clark, and her team of Bush Week Directors, Gemma Butler, Georgia Ellen and Nick Butler for all the hard work they devoted to making Orientation Week and Bush Week a great success. A special mention should also go to Tas Vaughan for the incredible amount of work he put in, especially with the barbeques.

# Other

#### **ANUSA Bus Forum**

At the SRC Meeting on 28 May, a motion was passed to sell the ANUSA bus. Following this motion, there was some strong dissent amongst a few members of the student body. In order to hear the dissent as well as suggestions from these students, ANUSA held a student forum on 23 July. A motion was passed at the last SRC Meeting on 31 July, reversing the motion that was passed (to sell the bus) on 28 May. The sale of the bus has been flagged as a discussion point for this OGM.

# Student Space Accessibility – Refurbishment

One of the things we would really like to get completed by the end of our term in office is a refurbishment of Student Space so that it meets accessibility requirements. Tas (ANUSA Vice President) and I have been talking with ANU Disabilities and the Disability Services Centre to plan the best way forward. We have a meeting with Facilities and Services on 14 August to discuss any considerations



that need to be made in re-fitting the space. It is likely that the work will have to be undertaken through F&S as the building is owned by them.

#### **ANUSA Elections**

Please take note of the following Election dates, and distribute the information through your networks.

29 July 2013	10.00am	Nominations and ticket registrations open
12 August 2013	4.oopm	Ticket registrations close
14 August 2013	4.oopm	Nominations close
26 August 2013	11.00am – 4.30pm	Polling
27 August 2013	12.00pm – 6.30pm	Polling
28 August 2013	10.30am – 3.30pm	Polling
29 August 2013	10.30am – 12.30pm 1.30pm – 4.30pm	Polling

# Visit from Bournemouth University Students' Union Representatives

On 12 June, I met with representatives from the Bournemouth University Students' Union (SUBU) in the United Kingdom. SUBU were recently recognised as one of the best student representation organisations in their country and they represent about 18,000 students at their University. There is a lot we can learn from them with regard to their communication with students and how they have built their volunteer base (to comprise of over 1,400 students). I am hoping that contact with SUBU is something we can maintain in the future as it is a valuable information resource to learn how other student unions are operating. There also might be potential points of collaboration in the future.

## **PARSA's New Team**

The PARSA elections took place on 31 May. I would like to congratulate Arjuna Mohottala on his election as President. I also want to congratulate the rest of the PARSA Executive on their elections:

- Belynda Akello (Vice President)
- Louisa Tang (Treasurer)
- Naomi Rono (International Student Officer)
- Ben Niles (Equity Officer)
- Jesse Doyle (Indigenous Advocacy Officer)
- John Mwangi (Environmental Officer)
- Laura Parker (Social Officer)
- George Carter (Education Officer)
- Khushbu Agrawal (Communications Officer)



PARSA and ANUSA have been working very closely this year, and maintaining this closeness and collaboration is important for both organisations, particularly since many issues affect students across the board. Weekly meetings are taking place between the ANUSA and PARSA Presidents, to ensure that we identify potential points of collaboration, and keep open the communication channels between both Associations. We have also established a Joint Staffing Committee, which will assist in the management of our three joint staff.

#### **Free Breakfasts**

ANUSA's Free Breakfast Program will be continuing for the remainder of this semester. Breakfast foods are being made freely available to students in Student Space every weekday morning from 8 to 10am. The number of students taking advantage of this program has been steadily increasing.

# Yoga Program

ANUSA's Gold Coin Yoga Program, which runs one morning each week, has been a great success with an average turn out of 30 students each week. Students pay a gold coin donation, which goes to Beyond Blue. Feedback has been very positive and this initiative will be continuing for the remainder of this semester.

#### **Abbreviations**

BA Bachelor of Arts

CASS College of Arts and Social Sciences

F&S Facilities and Services
OGM Ordinary General Meeting

PARSA Postgraduate and Research Students' Association

SA Student Assistance

SPIR School of Politics and International Relations

SRC Student Representative Council

SUBU Bournemouth University Student Union

## Contact

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#### VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Tasman Vaughan

#### UniSafe

This committee has been reestablished after being forgotten for a few years. The committee is chaired by the Director of Residential Campus Communities, Luce Andrews, and focuses on increasing safety on our campus. There are representatives from Security and all Residential Colleges, as well as various other University staff such, such as the Director of HR.

Key issues discussed so far include lighting on campus, new systems for increasing security on campus, especially at night time, unisex bathrooms and mobile telephone coverage on campus. One big initiative that is being considered is a campus security app that would enable students and staff to easily contact security in an emergency situation. The system has been successfully used at other universities.

# **Campus planning**

I attend both Campus Advisory Subcommittee (CASC) and Campus Planning and Development Committee (CPDC). These committees deal with improving and developing our campus. In comparison to other years, its been a quiet year for development on our campus. Nevertheless, major projects that are under development include the Centre for China and the World (located behind Law School), the new Laurus Wing Development which is between the current Laurus wing and BnG, and various grounds redevelopment, including around Coombs.

My particular interest has been with the Laurus Wing development. I have been pushing to ensure that there are more common spaces and that the design of the rooms is better than the previous Laurus development. The building is passively cooled, rather than air conditioned, and whilst this is environmentally positive, I am working to ensure that the windows can be opened sufficiently to make sure this system actually works.

#### **Student space**

Student Space now has free tampons and other sanitary items! Thanks to the Women's Department for the inspiration. We also have phone chargers for hire and new board games coming soon. The second hand bookshop has been reorganized by the student space staff to ensure that the system works more efficiently and books shown as available actually are. A big thanks to the student space staff for their hard work.



## **Bush Week**

This year's festivities were a great success. This year we decided to do several events in 0 Week, the week before Bush Week. These events were primarily aimed at welcoming the 1000 new students to campus. They were really well attended. The rest of the week was a lot of fun with over 500kg of sausages cooked and large attendance at the events.

# **Access and Equity Committee**

As the name suggests, this committee deals with access and equity issues at the university. Issues that have been discussed have been equal pay for women at the university, disability access, mental health and social media policies for the university. Beth Ritchie, ANUSA Womens Officer, recently presented at the committee. The push for unisex bathrooms on campus also emanates from this committee and the committee is hopeful that there will be some developments in this area very soon.

# Study@ working group

The redevelopment of study@ is almost complete and has been named Programs and Courses. It will be launched in a couple of weeks and is a great improvement on the current Study@. Further development will occur after Open Day at the end of the month.

# **Double Degree working group**

Double Degree's will be renamed as Flexible Double Degrees next year. Students will now be able to do almost any combination of degrees at the university. Current students in the early stages of their degrees will be able to transfer into them if they choose.

Please contact me at <a href="mailto:sa.vicepres@anu.edu.au">sa.vicepres@anu.edu.au</a> if you have any questions, want to volunteer, or just want to say hi.

Thanks.



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## **CONSTITUTIONAL AMMEDMENT**

ANUSA Constitution, Section 25. Grants and Affiliations, Membership

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