



## **AGENDA - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC) 3 2018**

Tuesday, April 17 2018 6pm, STB s1

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

**Meeting opens:** 6:13PM Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April

**Apologies:** Victor, Sam, Chloe, Jessica, Petal

**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.

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**Item 2:**

**Motion:** Minutes from previous meeting be accepted;

Q: Where are the minutes?

R: The minutes were given out with adequate time and more notice than required constitutionally.

Q: Can in the future the minutes be posted with the agenda

R: Sure

**Moved:** Ben Lawrence

**Seconded** Isabel Lee

**Status:** Passed

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### **Item 3: Executive Reports**

#### **3.1 Eleanor President Report (E. Kay)**

Report mostly as read.

#### **Questions**

Q: Was the media policy passed in last SRC?

R: Media policy stems from clause in constitution has been dated back to 2011.

Q: Can you comment on the NUS letter and if the KPIs are still valid?

R: Logic of KPIS absolutely stands and five campuses working together of what we would like to see a national union doing.

Q: (Brandon): Last year, Harry Fang created a bike share program. Can you comment if its still in the cards or abandoned altogether?

R: Limited progress was made on that project and not much to take on.

Q: Jessica whiting: Refer to Item 1B (talk about respectful relationships) You say in the item that the student working group has been very frustrated with the lack of momentum?

R: The university has made some strong statements on what they are willing to do on changes for the discipline rule and a really important and symbolic statement for the university. We would like to have seen more from a university than a change to the discipline rule. Speed is frustrating and there is a lack of clarity about where we are heading.

Q: Do we have less leverage in the NUS now given 3 out of the 8 did not take the KPIs to the SRC?

R: Percentage wise – its double 20% of our budget its not a small amount –I think we have strong leverage to the NUS and 5 really key campuses care about this. Not just about finances and students are working together.

Q: Give us an account of the policies on the website?

R: Looking to make sure we have the correct policies and working with PARSA to make sure all the policies are correct.

Follow up Q: An SRC or an OGM or an SGM?

R: Will take that on notice and follow up.

**Motion:** That the President's report be accepted.

**Moved:** Tess

**Seconded:** Amy

**Status:** Passes

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### **3.2 Vice President Report (T. Masters)**

Report taken as read.

#### **Questions:**

Tess: Wanted to note an update on the skill up program, launched it and will be including a workplace briefing by unions ACT by equipping people with the training that they need to gain casual employment and obtain knowledge about their rights and entitlements. SR and CC key performance interviews through the project. The draft of questions has been finalised and has been distributed to Alex Culluton, the wellbeing co-ordinator.

#### **Questions**

No questions

**Motion:** That the Vice President's report be accepted.

**Moved:** Mathew

**Seconded:** Eleanor

**Status:** Passes

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### **3.3 Treasurer Report (M. Chang)**

Report taken as read.

A stall will be on campus – feeding for future campaign. Tax help volunteering will be going on. The registrations close April 20<sup>th</sup> and very happy to come talk to me about it if you are interested.

#### **Questions:**

Q: Have all the collectives of departments passed their stipend motion?

R: Most of the departments have passed the motions and will take that on notice.

**Motion:** That the Treasurer's report be accepted.

**Moved:** Brayden

**Seconded:** Mathew

**Status:** Passes

*The Chair passes to Benjamin Lawrence. Ben's nomination was not subject to dissent.*

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### **3.4 General Secretary Report (E.Lim)**

Huge thank you for everyone who attended last SRC and appreciate very much. SRC 4 date has changed to the 1<sup>st</sup> of May because it was budget night when it was proposed to be. Also honoraria nominations are open. Another thing I would like to flag is the governance review. Really encourage you to read where we are at for that.

#### **Questions:**

Q: You flagged in your report that struggle to maintain quorum at OGM. It was 4pm on a Thursday could better time be organised in future.

R: BKSS was available then and we had a very long SRC early that week so made it earlier.

Q: In your report you talked about exec having too much power in a board within a board.

R: There are certain things in the constitution that allow exec to do things outside SRC. In the governance training, it was flagged as a problem because there was a board within a board because it was not good governance practise.

Q: Regularly at SRC, I hear executive members that people say I will take that on notice.

R: Send me an email and cc the member you wish to follow up on then it will be the right procedure to follow on notice.

Q: Referenced in your report the ANU council is looking at tightening up student constitutions and is there any idea for some sort of plan like that for this year.

R: Call was made to make sure we put our best foot forward and have many constitutional changes passed in one go.

Q: Regarding the honoraria committee have people been decided for that?

R: It is in the constitution of who those members are, without specifying which gen rep and which college rep will be sitting on that committee. The president and treasurer will also sit on it. There will be updates asap.

Q(Ariel:) The dispute committee made a notice...

R: Will get back to you on that ASAP

Q(Howard) point of clarification: Honoraria committee last year and my understanding they should be elected by members of their group. Subsequently informal elections happened and that's how last year's honoraria committee was chosen.

**Motion:** That the General Secretary's Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Laura

**Seconded:** Lachie

**Status:** Passes

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### 3.5 Education Officer Report (H.Needham)

Q: Do you feel it is acceptable for NUS office bearers to organise meetings of protest against personal and political views?

A: I do not think his behaviour was acceptable

Follow up Q: Will he be invited to come to more ANUSA events.

A: Is it possible you can send these queries to the education officer.

Q: Do you think there was miscommunication with Brian?

A: it was not miscommunication.

**Moved:** Eleanor

**Seconded:** Tess

**Status:** Passes

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### **Social Officer Report (A.Bonan)**

Report taken as read.

Q: Anya, do you know at this stage what the theme of the Clubs and Societies Ball will be.

A: At this point the theme will be dependent on the venue which has not been decided yet. Have been investigating a few venues which we have to meet. Later in the year, I will open up the suggestions for themes.

**Moved:** Mathew

**Seconded:** Amel

**Status:** Passes

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### **Item 4: Department Reports**

#### **4.1 Indigenous Department (B. Edwards):**

Report taken as read noting that the website is up and running thanks to the secretary.

Q: I think it is very great the indigenous department is running campaign, are there plans to include sister girls in this campaign.

R: I don't see why not, if anyone knows anyone interested let me know.

Q: Does the Indigenous Department exist in terms of getting space?

R: Students have been put in a basement room so far and they do not have a space anymore and hoping it will be back up by June.

**Moved:** Amy

**Seconded:** Jharna

**Status:** Passes

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#### **4.2 Women's Department (L. Perkov):**

Report taken as read.

If you are a member of the department and interested in getting involved in the working group for woman's health then please do so.

Q: Do you think it's a concern if the logo changes often?

R: In my opinion it is not a functional logo and also grammatically incorrect. Will get the collective feedback hopefully by April.

Q: Were you on notice with a number of department officers taking leave and can take leave with stipend this is looking like employment.

R: I followed the provisions of my constitution and use the term on leave to describe it and we are not technically employees.

**Motion:** That the Women's Department Officer's report be accepted.

**Moved:** Poppy

**Seconded:** Anabelle

**Status:** Passed

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### 4.3 Queer\* Department (M. Mottola)

Report taken as read.

We have the Ursula hall president Christina who will help me field and answer questions. The pride party had a meeting today and was very productive and will be a whole lot more intensive than we originally thought. Amy and I went to a conference and report is forthcoming. Forgot to attach a time sheet. Then will brush through what's happening in terms of queerphobia on campus.

NUS queer officer and myself have launched a national campaign in response to the bullying that occurred in Ursies and had an interview with ABC and will be pushing with Christina to take a firm stance against queerphobia on campus.

#### **Questions:**

Q: Regarding the pride party do you have a ball park budget you can release to the SRC.

R: Originally, we were looking at about \$5,000 from SEEF and \$1,000 each from Social Interhall Committee and Queer Department. We are still working out how much extra it will cost and roughly \$2,000 extra. Also looking at potentially sponsorship from a few places.

Q: Poster campaign and already in Ursula hall in community.

R: As I said in my report, we received a complaint about the way they are put up in the colleges, we are looking through all this stuff and codes of conduct, education campaigns through the ally network. This campaign is across institutions as well.

Q: Why did the harassment occur and what is the response by the student body.

R: Christina: The response happened last year after the event and after observer released their article we decided we would draft a code of conduct.

Q: Mathew: In terms of queer departments stock not having capacity with deputy's and having the opportunity to turn this into national conversation as well, that's where this has come from.

Q: Vice Chancellor Brian Schmitt on the issue talked about the Ally network as a way to prevent this.

R: Mathew: I see the important role the ally network has on campus.

Q: I do not remember seeing consultation with members of the Queer department.

R: This was done through our formal processes of collective meetings and I assure you I worked on these posters and its also on posters across different university campuses which I am proud off.

**Motion:** That the Queer Department's Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Kathryn

**Seconded:** Braedyn

**Status:** Passed

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#### **4.4 International Student's Department (M. Kim)**

Mina: Kathryn is the new VP and she is a member of the SRC and will be acting in her capacity as the gen rep in any ANUSA meetings. Wanted to correct an error in my report in regards to the day of the university.

**Motion:** That the International Student Department Officer's report be accepted.

**Moved:** Eleanor:

**Seconded:** Laura

**Status:** Passed

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#### **4.5 Disabilities Department (A. Bryan)**

Amy: I will mention the construction work between pop up village and Copland. Significantly affects community and we can sympathise it is a struggle for getting around campus. Some students had to spend thousands of dollars on extra equipment to get around the university for accessibility issues at the moment. This change will significantly impact the department, especially as the disability space. Any kind of additional barrier to entry Is going to impact their barrier to entry.

**Questions:**

Q: Were access and conclusion consulted and what is the impact

R: At the moment a number of students access the space and people will not walk the extra distance and it is not convenient.

Q: Last SRC I asked what would be included in the public works information.

R: I am happy to email you a personal copy.

Q: What is the DSA planning to do with the closure between pop up and Copland and a second question were there ever considered any options to consider alternative routs for these sites.

R: In terms of capacity to make noise, we are looking at where our relationships are within the university and what kind of capacity we have. We will be looking at what other actions we can take. Some of the discussions of the accessibility of the SRC has been implemented and will be looking to integrate those into our plans as well.

**Motion:** That the Disabilities Officer Report be accepted?

**Moved:** Kathryn

**Seconded:** Mathew

**Status:** Passes

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**4.6 Environment Department (P. P-Evans)**

Report taken as read.

**Moved:** Tess

**Seconded:** Eleanor

**Status:** Passed

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**Procedural:** Take 5-minute break after the Club Council Report:

Moved: Tess

**Seconded:** Mariah

Status: Passed

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#### **4.7 Ethnocultural Department (J. Chamlagai)**

Report taken as read.

#### **Questions:**

Q: Which demands are not met by the Ramsay Centre and do you have a chance to campaign so those demands are met?

R: Some of them were kind of met and some of them were not. One of the things we asked to change the name to western 'studies' rather than 'civilisation.' There really isn't an opportunity to push for anything further in terms of these demands.

**Moved:** Braedyn

**Seconded:** Eleanor

Status: Passed

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#### **Item 5: Clubs Council Report**

##### **1. Clubs Council Chair (L.Pope)**

Report taken as read.

#### **Questions**

Q: Will anyone be cut off for Voldemort-foetus?

A: I was very tired when I wrote the report and I did mean to take it out but however I did not and basically we are going to regulate everything similar to world domination.

**Moved:** Mathew

**Seconded:** Braedyn

**Status:** Passed

**Procedural:** That a 5-minute break be taken after the Club Council Report.

*Break taken at 7:16*

*Meeting resumed at 7: 24*

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### **Item 6: Disputes Committee Election**

General Secretary: Eleanor and myself will not vote and will be counting and our scrutineers will be Celeste and Lewis.

***Procedural: That Probity elections be moved to SRC 4 as we have less than 3 nominees.***

Moved: Tess

Q: Is there anything the SRC could be doing between now and the next SRC to make that election happen.

R : Please share the probity application form thing and it is a really really important role. It is so important and makes a really big impact on ANUSA.

Moved: Tess Masters

Seconded: Eleanor Kay

Against: noted Ben Lawrence

Status: Procedural passes.

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Eden: Can I please have all the Disputes Committee nominees to the front and ask if you could come here because this mic isn't working.

Mariah Point of clarification: How many officers are we electing. To clarify we are allowed up to 5 dispute committee members, there is no reason you have to vote 5 in.

Speeches commence.

### **SPEECHES:**

Andrew: I ran three weeks ago, and have experience on disputes and am a 7<sup>th</sup> year.

Bella: Thanks for spelling my name right and Only conflict is that I'm on the TV team on Woroni.

Ben: I study arts and economics and sitting on committees on school cadets and very passionate about social justice and fairness.

David: I am on the international law society sub committee and being part of a team is fine and I am very co-operative. Also as a first year student I can be unbiased in my application of the constitution.

Eben: You also know me because I am painful in SRC. I have acted as chair in my role in dispute committee and currently also writing a handover on natural justice.

Jed: Outsider to ANUSA and bit of a maverick and have no conflict of experience.

Patrick: Have a lot of experience dealing with constitutional law and recently came back from the Netherlands and can handle the ANUSA constitution.

Q: Laura disappointing to see with men and what experience do you have working with Autonomous Departments. To be answered by everyone.

Eben: Had to previously act with autonomous departments and autonomy is not directly recognised in the way you would like it to and it means respecting departments.

Patrick: clarify the question a bit more and answer it a bit more in depth.

Jed: What's allowed and if we have experienced members in the team we can tackle the situation with autonomous departments.

David: Work together in defining productivity and co-operate with departments.

Ben: To be very honest , none but I am incredibly open and consider myself capable of increasing myself capable of understanding those departments.

Bella: To a limited capacity, my understanding of constitution I think is a bit awkward and departments and ANUSA constitution sit awkwardly. Conventionally there has been respect for autonomous departments.

Q: Did anyone suggest that you run for the role, if so who?

Q: do you have any shared political relationships with anyone currently on the 6 members of the executive?

Patrick: No conflict except that I took German with Eden once and I know Georgia.

Andrew: Good friends with Eleanor, I would exclude myself if people perceive there being conflict and Tess has fantastic taste in memes. Eben and Bella were pretty good on disputes from last three weeks and should not exclude myself.

Eben: Having been previously on disputes I have good working relationship with the exec and as per natural justice I am innocent.

Bella: No I do not.

Q: Evie: I really enjoyed reading all your bios except the two that were not submitted and is there any reason you did not submit your personal bio.

Eben: I had essay

Bella: I was working on Sunday because penalty rates.

Q Howard: What do disputes do in your opinion.

R: Ben: It may resolve an issue whether to remove a member of the council or impose fines.

A David: From my understanding then they should

Patrick: Regulations in the constitution and interpretation.

Q: Tess: If a law is unjust do you have a problem with people breaking it?

Jed: the system of law and individuals cannot do what they think is right against he majority.

David: Would not go ahead and because I do believe it is unjust and I will raise that concern and constitutional amendments can be made from then on.

Ben: As far as I am concerned dispute committee is not the time and place for that sort of thing and not Muhammad Ali for that sort of thing.

Bella: That's a tough question, and I kind of think it depends on the depth of injustice and the depth it would cause to others and there are always options in the way you adjudicate things.

Andrew: Tackle this by way of examples

Eben: In regards to disputes I do not think he is a law making body but a rule interpreting body.

Q: During the last election, you said you wouldn't run against because your graduating. Have you changed your mind?

A: Andrew: it would mean the disputes committee would have to continue to resolve a dispute that is currently under consideration.

Point of Clarification: Eben just made a statement that has the potential to prejudice issue for disputes.

Chair requires both parties to not mention any matters that may be or might come before disputes committee.

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**Procedural for a 5-minute break:**

**Moved:** Tess

**Seconded:** Celeste

**Status:** Passed.

Meeting Resumes at 8:39

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The five people who reached the second round of voting will be announced. Eleanor, Celeste and Lewis confirm that it was the case. Bella, Andrew, Ben, David and Eben.

Quota is 17

- Bella is elected reached quota

- Andrew is elected reached quota
  - Ben is elected reached quota
  - David is elected reached quota
  - Eben is elected reached quota
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### **Item 8: Motion 8.1**

That the SRC condemn the lack of consultation the student body has received concerning the Bachelor of Western Civilisation currently being negotiated with the Ramsay Centre for Western Civilisation.

Moved: Sam Brennan

Seconded: Harry Needham.

Sam: Has two members who are currently MP's of the liberal party. Lack of consultation about this issue. This isn't a motion about the content of the course but a lack of consultation about that content. We are currently signing memorandums of understanding and this is a massive degree which would radically change ANU and would benefit everyone to know more about it.

Harry: Echo a lot of what was said, I am sure a lot of people have a lot of feelings about consultation. The consultation has been entirely inadequate and the way it has been carried on has also been less than ideal.

For:

Jharna: Speaking for the motion, the Ethno-cultural department in particular supports but would like to flag that as the department officer was not aware this motion was being proposed and should have been consulted.

Sam: From here on out, will definitely talk to you more about this.

Laura: Note to change the z from the civilisation to an s.

**Status: passes**

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**Motion 8.2:**

That the SRC seek a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Ramsay Centre for Western Civilisation and ANU concerning the Bachelor of Western Civilisation before it is signed.

Moved: Sam Brennan

Seconded: Kathryn

Sam: From the information we know right now, the Ramsay centre and ANU are signing a memorandum of understanding concerning the course over the next fortnight.

Q: Point of clarification: Who will be taking and taking initiative to bring the MOU information to the SRC.

Eleanor: Point of clarification: As with most matters engaging with the vice chancellor, would fall to a vote.

**Status:** Passes

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### **Motion 8.3**

ANUSA acknowledge that:

(i) fossil fuel companies cause considerable social harm, and the top 100 fossil fuel companies are responsible for 71% of the global emissions causing climate change; and that

(ii) the ANU does not invest in other companies which cause social harm, including gambling, tobacco and weapons.

ANUSA believe that:

(i) it is unacceptable for ANU to invest in, and profit from fossil fuel companies; and that

(ii) if ANU, a powerful public institution, were to divest from fossil fuels, it would set a precedent for other institutions and universities to do the same.

ANUSA resolve:

(i) to support Fossil Free ANU's position, calling on the university to end its investments in fossil fuel companies, asking that they:

Immediately freeze any new investment in the Carbon Underground 200 – the top 200 publicly-traded and government owned fossil fuel companies, as defined by the Fossil Free Indexes

Divest within five years from direct ownership in those 200 companies--which hold the vast majority of the world's proven coal, oil, and gas reserves-- and from any commingled funds that include their public equities or corporate bonds.

(ii) Calls on the Undergraduate Representative to ANU council to put divestment on the agenda for the next ANU council meeting.

Moved: Bella

Seconded: Poppy Perry Evans

Friendly Amendment(Eleanor) : In point 2 There is no longer an ANUSA representative to ANU council there is undergraduate.

Howard: Point of clarification – ANUSA does not have ability to direct undergraduate representative to do anything.

Friendly Amendment: Change to calls on the undergraduate representative.

Point of clarification: Eliza: What is ANU's investment policy

A: ANU is responsible for investment policy and does not investing gambling and likewise should not in fossil fuel.

A: Part way through last year, ANU had re invested in 4/7 companies and had 38 million dollars in fossil fuels and the investment managers they outsourced to did not have control of where they invested. This time around rather than having semester by semester strategy we have gone to students.

**Abstain:** Ashish

**Status:** Passes

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#### **Motion 8.4:**

This motion is to call upon the ANUSA exec to take strong steps in ensuring that ANUSA's goal of

1. Getting sustainable funding for department officers in the NUS

2. Ensuring that the NUS International Officer actively partakes in his role and is working in his capacity to ensure that there are campaigns for international students this year are very clearly communicated to NUS through all available means, and that all interested members of the SRC are given timely updates on this matter.

3. Supporting the Council of International Students in Australia (CISA) with ANUSA's best efforts

**Moved:** Kathryn

**Seconded:** Tess

Kathryn: NUS has not done anything for international students and I want ANUSA exec to communicate to the NUS in their best efforts that something be done to international students this year.

Tess: Just seconding what Kathryn said, whether it is in the workplace or university internationals students are subject to exploitation.

Laura (point of clarification): for sustainable funding for department officers in the NUS, do you mean funding for the officer or the portfolio.

Kathryn: Portfolio most likely.

Tess: Department officers giving up their time in advocacy and its important remunerations acknowledge that.

Status: Motion Passes

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### **Motion 8.5**

That the SRC affirm and endorse the Darlington Statement, to pave the way for future recommendations to be made to the University and our Association.

Mover: Matthew Mottola

Secunder: Amy Bryan

**Mathew:** What the I in LGBTI means. This statement was created by the Australian intersex community of people and what we are doing as the motion says is paving the way for future recommendations and submissions. This is a preliminary thing. Intersex people are people who are born with sex characteristics who don't fit the medical norms of male or female. These

intersex variations are often unidentified and people go through their whole lives without even knowing there was a variation. In a related manner, not all people who are intersex are queer. A large amount of intersex people are heterosexual, then why are they included in the LGTBQI acronym? Intersex people face very similar stigma's and hardships.

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**Procedural:** To extend Mathews speaking time by 2 minutes.

**Moved:** Eleanor

**Seconded:** Amel

**Status:** Passes.

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Mathew: Human rights violations and across Australia and are seeking rights of bodily autonomy and live without discrimination. A vote for this is a vote to commit to educating yourselves about these issues.

Amy: I also want to talk a little bit to this, and did want to go through the main structural points. Medical experimentation on children happens and this does happen in Australia and there is very little peer support for families who have an intersex child and in terms of education many people might not even recognise they are intersex. A lot of the time it is labelled as a sex disorder. This is more than about recommendations for the future and recognising the harm that has been done to people in our community and reflecting in ourselves what has happened and in recognising that.

Q(Ariel): Makes reference to tokenism and sex issues and the statement expresses these things how do you plan to address these issues.

A: Amy: We plan to go back through the statement and bring some recommendations to the next SRC in two weeks and in terms of the disabilities department, A) make it clear intersex people are welcome in our community and B) engaging with stakeholders in our university to see what support networks we can have for intersex people in our university.

**Status: Passes**

*No dissent I will now pass the chair to Ben. The chair has now been passed to Ben.*

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### **Motion 8.6:**

Eden: This motion has come off the back from consultation with ANUSA staff members and ensuring that all Officers and representatives are really aware of their constitutional regulations and obligations. Without adequate knowledge of what the role is for example Disputes Committee there is potential for serious mishaps to occur. This is an induction which is independent and the reason for this is because the committee needs to be respected in having an independent and important duty. I guess also after the induction, it puts the committee in the best stead to move forward and investigate independently. Following the induction, the SRC requests

that an induction statement be made by the Disputes Committee summarising the induction process.

Mariah: (waive rights)

Amendment: Pass a handover document for future members who run.

R: The document would simply be the constitution. Not friendly.

Q: Who would have the decision on whether to approach the third party.

A: Who would have the decision to approach a third party (when to do the application).

Q: can the ANUSA staff adequately inform the disputes committee of their roles or obligations as there are concerns with media policy and bullying policy.

R: The ANUSA lawyer has a duty to ensure that it operates all of our legal requirements and it is his role to ensure the association functions appropriately and legally. That is why he is included in the induction.

Q: I was not asking about qualifications and can they be adequately informed due to issues with policy.

R: Yes.

Q: (amendment which I hope will be friendly): Can Lewis and I have an invite to this and we are currently looking to reforms and we want to be on same page as disputes.

R: This is great and talk to the disputes committee to discuss further.

**Friendly Amendment:** The SRC requests a statement be made by the Disputes Committee summarising the induction process.

Eben: Speak in favour of the motion and when I started last year there had been a dispute and essentially had to start largely from scratch and such a motion would be good and I am currently writing a handover document which is up to date and legally verifiable. It is a very important motion for natural justice.

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## Item 9

No other business

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Item 10 MEETING CLOSE: 9:38pm