



ANUSA 2019 Annual General Meeting AGENDA

Thursday 6:15pm 30 May 2019

Item 1: Meeting Opens and Apologies

Meeting open: 6:20pm

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

“We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on, the Ngunnawal and Ngambri peoples. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region. We would also like to acknowledge and welcome other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who may be attending today’s meeting.”

Apologies

1.2 Chair outlines standing orders for the meeting

1.3 Passing of the previous Annual General Meeting’s Minutes

Proposer: James

Seconder: Kai

Status: Passed

1.4 Passing of Special General Meeting 1 2019’s Minutes

Proposer: Bec

Seconder: Felix

Status: Passed

Item 2: Reports

Item 2.1 President’s Report (E. Lim) (Reference A)

Encourages self-care during week 12 and exam period, support services are available. Huge changes at ANUSA, the student body and the campus over the past year – moved offices. This time of year is busiest for service provision. Come say hi at the new office. New financial controller has been appointed, they start next month – thank you to the staff and Dash for assisting in this process. ANUSA has moved to Bank of Australia.

Questions:

Q: First year portal in the works?

A: At this stage, were unable to get something up for 2019 intake. It is not off the cards for before 2020.

Q: Last year, there was an ANUSA app in development – still happening?

A: Taken on notice.

Q: At the last OGM, the probity report was meant to be passed – has it been?

A: Defer question to General Secretary or take on notice.

Proposer: Tanika

Seconder: Dominic

Status: Passed

Item 2.2 Treasurer's Report (D. Jose) (Reference B)

Audit was passed, means that ANUSA is not exposed to material risks. Have a term deposit - \$1.9m there which is locked in at 2.7% interest rate which will mature on Aug 20 – planning on bringing this to Bank of Australia.

Questions:

Q: Why is motion to accept audit in other business?

A: Not received on time.

Q: 2017 Financial Review Committee could not access any info – what is the plan for this year to allow a review?

A: Dash will be with them to prevent this.

Q: Given that ANUSA's savings will be transfer to a new bank, what interest rate can be achieved at Bank of Australia?

A: Taken on notice. Interest rates may change.

Proposer: Cael

Secunder: Isabella

Status: Passed

Note there is no Financial Review Committee report as they did not answer any communications from ANUSA.

Item 3: Election of Financial Review Committee

Elected: Xiaoman (Maddy) Wang, Piri Mohanapriyan, Aishhwarya Venkatraman

Item 4: Motions on Notice

Motion 4.1: That the members of ANUSA pass the 2019 Budget as found here:
https://drive.google.com/open?id=1gWuKzdoC9_0OgXk5McpaIjP21ULR5qFN

Moved by Dashveen

Seconded by Tanika

Mover: Previous general meeting did not reach quorum, could not pass budget. The budget is not controversial.

Secunder: Waived speaking rights.

Mover: Waived right of reply.

Status: Passed

Motion 4.2 That the following amendment be made to the ANUSA Clubs Regulations

Amend Section 6.1.7

“The Council Executive may approve, or partly approve, any application for a monetary grant which it believes will bring benefits to students at the University.”

to

“When exercising its discretion in relation to a grant that allows for discretion, the Council Executive may approve, or partly approve, any application for a monetary grant which it believes will bring benefits to students at the University. In determining the level of discretionary grant to be

awarded, the Council Executive shall make Rules publicly available which set out how the Executive shall exercise its discretion.”

Moved by Jason Pover

4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 5.1 moved en bloc.

Proposer: Jason

Proposer: 4.2 is about when CC has discretion in relation to a grant, they have discretion – making it clear. When there is discretion, grants can be partly approved instead of fully approved. 4.3 deals with non-discretionary grants – sets out requirements for clubs to qualify for non-discretionary grants. 4.4 puts power to make rules into the regulations – gives this power a clear source.

Seconder: Jacob

Seconder: 5.2: Communications and Affiliations Officers were left out of lists for elected representatives – clearly a mistake. Amendments reflect current practice.

Mover waives right of reply.

Status: Passed

Chair moved to Eden with no dissent.

Motion 4.3

That the following amendment be made to the ANUSA Clubs Regulations

Amend Section 6.1.8

“In determining the level of grant to be awarded, the Council Executive should take into account:

- a. the intrinsic value of the Club (or the specific event for which funding is being requested) to the University and in particular to the student population;
- b. the contribution made by the Club (or the specific event for which funding is being requested) to university life and the University's public profile;
- c. the degree of self-help (e.g. sponsorship) undertaken by the Club;
- d. the degree of membership support through membership fees and members' financial contribution to events;
- e. the number of participants taking part in or benefiting from the activity/event for which funding is being requested;
- f. the efficiency with which the Club operates;
- g. the extent of publicity of events;
- h. the extent to which the activity/event furthers the aims of the Club; and
- i. any such reasonable criteria as the Council Executive deems appropriate.”

to

“The Council Executive must fully process a grant application, and does not have discretion to not do so, where and only where;

- a. the grant application was compliant with the terms of the funding policy and other relevant instruments with regard to the type of grant applied for,
- b. the Clubs Council budget exists to pay the grant,
- c. the relevant grant does not provide for a discretion on the part of the executive to block or reduce the grant, and
- d. The Club is otherwise not ineligible to receive the grant.”

Moved by Jason Pover

Status: Passed.

Motion 4.4

That the following amendment be made to the ANUSA Clubs Regulations

Amend Section 5.1.4

“In such cases that the Constitution, these regulations, and the Council Policies are silent, the Council Executive has discretion to make decisions.”

to

“In such cases that the Constitution, these regulations, the Council Policies and any bona fide agreement entered into by the Association relating to the funding of Clubs are silent, the Council Executive has discretion to:

- a. make decisions at their discretion; and
- b. make Rules, where the decision is of standing and prospective effect. Rules shall be made publicly available. Rules may bind Clubs and members of the Council Executive.”

Moved by Jason Pover

Status: Passed.

Motion 4.5

That the following amendment be made to the ANUSA Electoral Regulations

Amend Section 2.4 to

2.4 Ballot

2.4.2 Candidates' names must be annotated on the ballot as follows:

- (a) except where section 2.4.5(c) applies, if a candidate has indicated on their nomination form that they are running as a candidate endorsed by a registered ticket and the Returning Officer or their nominee has verified this endorsement in accordance with section 2.3.3, that ticket name must appear on the ballot in brackets next to or beneath the name of the candidate;
- (b) if (a) does not apply, "Group Unspecified" must appear in brackets next to or beneath the name of the candidate.

2.4.5 The ballot for the election of General Representatives to the SRC:

- (a) must group candidates according to the ticket or party to which they are aligned, and group together all "Group Unspecified" candidates in a single group titled "Not Grouped";
- (b) must display these groups in an order determined by the drawing of lots by the Returning Officer or their nominee;
- (c) must list the registered ticket name at the top of each group endorsed by each registered ticket;
- (d) must list candidates within these groups:
 - (i) in the order requested by that group, if that request is received in writing by the Returning Officer or their nominee before the date of the drawing of lots; or
 - (ii) if no order is requested, in an order determined by the drawing of lots by the Returning Officer or their nominee in accordance with section 2.4.3; and
- (e) must display the group entitled "Not Grouped" to the right of the groups endorsed by each registered ticket; and
- (f) must list candidates within the group entitled "Not Grouped" in an order determined by the drawing of lots by the Returning Officer or their nominee in accordance with section 2.4.3.

Moved by Kai

Seconded by James

Procedural to move 4.5 and 4.8 en bloc.

Motion to stop reading of motion passed.

Moved by Kai

Proposer: 4.5 gets rid of 'independent' from the regulations. 4.8 gets rid of the same thing. Independents only really lose the label 'independent'. 4.5 – 'independent' as a name does not really make sense, as it can mean many different things.

Seconder: Bec

Seconder: Waives right to speak.

Mover waives right of reply.

Status: Passed

Motion 4.6

Removed at the request of the mover

Motion 4.7

That the following amendment be made to the ANUSA Electoral Regulations

2.9 Limits on campaign expenditure

2.9.1. The campaign expenditure by a ticket must not exceed the amount set out in schedule 1 of this regulation.

2.9.2. Schedule 1 shall be updated periodically by the Probity Team in accordance with formula $x=150* y * [\text{Square root of}] n$, rounded to the nearest whole number where;

- a. x shall be the total limit on campaign expenditure for a ticket;
- b. n shall be the total number of positions being run for on a ticket between 1 (one) and 38 (thirty-eight), one individual may count for multiple positions where the positions are such that those positions could be simultaneously held;
- c. y shall be a value designated by the Probity team to account for CPI and other factors that may affect the cost of running a campaign that shall not be less than 1. Any change to y shall not create significant changes in the funding limit between years and may be disallowed by SRC; and
- d. the cap is rounded to the nearest dollar.

2.9.3. The forms of expenditure that are covered by the limits on campaign expenditure set out in these provision include:

- a. banners;
- b. merchandise;
- c. clothing and costumes;
- d. advertising Material;
- e. animals, both in terms of procurement and upkeep;
- f. graphic design beyond that provided by ANUSA; and
- g. other expenditure deemed by the Probity team to be covered.

2.9.4. The forms of expenditure that are specifically excluded from counting to the limits on campaign expenditure set out in these provision include:

- a. the time associated with campaigning;
- b. the time associated with policy and platform development, ‘policy’ here is used in the generic sense, not as defined in the Constitution; and
- c. other expenditure deemed by the Probity team not to be covered.

2.9.5. It is a breach of the Regulations to falsify evidence of campaign-related expenditure.

And to include the following table as Schedule C of the ANUSA Electoral Regulations

Number of Positions run for on Ticket	Funding per Ticket	Funding per Position	Marginal Funding
1	150	150	150
2	212	106	62
3	260	86.66666667	48
4	300	75	40

5	335	67	35
6	367	61.16666667	32
7	397	56.71428571	30
8	424	53	27
9	450	50	26
10	474	47.4	24
11	497	45.18181818	23
12	520	43.33333333	23
13	541	41.61538462	21
14	561	40.07142857	20
15	581	38.73333333	20
16	600	37.5	19
17	618	36.35294118	18
18	636	35.33333333	18
19	654	34.42105263	18
20	671	33.55	17
21	687	32.71428571	16
22	704	32	17
23	719	31.26086957	15
24	735	30.625	16
25	750	30	15

26	765	29.42307692	15
27	779	28.85185185	14
28	794	28.35714286	15
29	808	27.86206897	14
30	822	27.4	14
31	835	26.93548387	13
32	849	26.53125	14
33	862	26.12121212	13
34	875	25.73529412	13
35	887	25.34285714	12
36	900	25	13
37	912	24.64864865	12
38	925	24.34210526	13

Friendly amendments:

2.9.2 Schedule 1 shall be updated periodically by the Probity Team in accordance with formula $cap = min + (max - min) * (\ln x / \ln 38)$ rounded to the nearest whole dollar, where;

(a) Max shall be the total limit on campaign expenditure for a ticket;

(b) x shall be the total number of positions being run for on a ticket between 1 (one) and 38 (thirty-eight), one individual may count for multiple positions where the positions are such that those positions could be simultaneously held;

(c) Min shall be a value designated by the Probity team to account for CPI and other factors that may affect the cost of running a campaign that shall not be less than 1. Any change to min shall not create significant changes in the funding limit between years and may be disallowed by SRC; and

(d) The Returning Officer or their nominee shall make an accessible table of all possible expenditure groups at the start of each election season. It is a breach of the Regulations to falsify evidence of campaign-related expenditure.

Schedule C removed.

Procedural moved for 5 minute break.

Mover: Kai Clark

Secunder: Dashveen Jose

Status: Passed

Motion to skip the reading of motion 4.7 passed.

Proposed amendment: Remove clause 2.9.3.c – ‘clothing and costumes’

Not friendly.

Mover: Zoe

Secunder: Nick

Mover – amendment: T-shirts are expensive. Means that large tickets would struggle to fit in the cost of ethically produced shirts. Other elections on this campus don't include clothes in the budget.

Secunder – amendment: Support Australian workers and Australian-made clothing.

Against – amendment: Consider not having t-shirts. May be an unreasonable expense for campaign.

For – amendment: Shirts and costumes cost a lot of money. Shirts are essential for a campaign – give student recognition. Important when we have low student engagement.

Against – amendment: Those who run small tickets may not be able to afford t-shirts that the larger tickets can. The new funding formula gives a larger limit to bigger tickets – should not be as big a drain on the budget.

Procedural to have one more speaker against the amendment proposed by Kai. Passed.

Against – amendment: New funding cap gives more money to tickets.

Amendment status: Failed

Friendly amendment: s 2.9.3.f – “graphic design other than provided by ANUSA” deleted.

Mover of motion: Kai

Secunder of motion: Felix

Mover: New funding curve. Currently works as flat rate. The reason for the change is to help smaller tickets.

Seconder: Results in a larger amount of funding for larger tickets.

Mover waives right of reply.

Procedural moved by Lachy to read out the motion.

Seconder: Kai

Status: Passed

Status: Passed

Motion 4.8

To remove the following section from the ANUSA Electoral Regulations

“2.8.6 Each independent candidate running for election in the annual ANUSA elections will be provided with 100 photocopy points.”

Moved by Kai Clark

Passed

Motion 4.9

To amend Schedule B of the ANUSA Electoral Regulations to

SCHEDULE B – EXCLUSION ZONES

Section 3.1.3 provides that it is an offence to actively canvass votes within the areas specified in Schedule B to these Regulations.

For the avoidance of doubt, the following areas are ‘exclusion zones’:

1. Kambri Precinct (bound by North Road, the perimeter of Fellows Oval, Tangney Road and Kingsley Street)
2. The Melville Hall Student Space;
3. The Copland precinct;
4. The Chifley Library & associated walkways;
5. The Tjabal Centre;
6. Outside the Childers Street UniLodge residences;

7. The small footpath next to University Avenue between the Copland Courtyard and Kambri;
8. ANU libraries;
9. ANU teaching spaces;
10. Daley Road; and
11. Hancock bridge;

Campaigners are permitted to campaign in all other areas.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Returning Officer or their nominee will clarify exclusion zones at the beginning of each general election. This includes but is not limited to a map of exclusion zones.

Moved by Taylor

Seconded by Bec

No dissent from floor to pass Chair back to Lachy.

Procedural motion to move to a 2 minute break

Proposer: Lachy

Secunder: Henri

Status: Passes

Proposed Amendment:

Amend point 1 to

Within the Kambri Precinct: commercial outlets, ANU teaching rooms, the Kambri Lawn, the Di Riddell building (including the stairs leading to and balcony surrounding ANUSA's offices) and the Marie Reay Building.

Amend Point 9 "ANU teaching spaces" to "ANU teaching rooms"

Remove points 4, 6 and 10

Proposer: Henri

Secunder: Zoe

Not friendly.

Proposer: Restricting one of the main areas in which ANU students spend their time at ANU is extremely difficult. If people are very unhappy about the idea of campaigning happening outside Daley Road can talk about that further. With University Avenue though this is where most students spend their time. Restricting people who don't have notoriety on campus the ability to access students. Allowing people with notoriety to coast into elected positions. Talking a lot about campus engagement at the moment, how we represent students. Students are already switched off. Role of a student union is to represent students, need a strong democratic process. How are you meant to do this if you can't reach out to people who aren't engaged? Already have a variety of restrictions like the lanyards, teaching rooms are excluded.

Secunder: I'm concerned about a lack of engagement with ANUSA that students are facing. Elections are a good time to get an exchange of democratic process, different ideas. Having active campaigners out there where people are being more active on campus. I understand last year Pop

Up was a smaller space. Having teaching spaces as a broad term is very vague. Whole bunch of things that need to be clarified to allow ANUSA elections to be better. Orange lanyard system is in place. People already have a way to not be engaged with campaigners.

Speaking against: I don't know how many people remember O Week, remember Market Day, couldn't get through Kambri. People wanted to be there and it was still very inaccessible. Matthew handled this well by responding to these issues. This reduces people's ability to opt out. Henri wanted to talk to you about campus engagement. Acknowledge past few years of elections, heaps of people avoid campaign spaces. Kambri will be more dead than if there were \$2000 fees. Also talking about the pop up being small. If you walk to class between 9am-4pm, Kambri is pack. Imagine 6 full tickets running, 6x30 people, 180 people campaigning in the middle of Kambri. As someone running I don't want to be in that space. There are people in this association who don't act in good faith. I don't want to give them an opportunity to make these spaces more unsafe.

Speaking for – None

Procedural for Madhu to speak

Proposer: Priyanka

Secunder: Isabella

Status: Passes

Speaking against: ANUSA elections are fundamentally about choice. Who you want to represent you, how to engage. In terms of engagement, DSA personally have seen an increase in engagement over the past 3 years after including exclusion zones. This is where people take time out, have a break. Inherent tendency of campaigning and elections to facilitate negative, potentially unsafe behaviours. If you read any study, talk to people in departments, they feel way safer to engage in democratic processes on their terms. Give people the right to choose. While DSA may seem small, 20% of students at ANU are registered with Access and Inclusion. With lanyards, putting the onus on people to not engage in process it's more of an opt-in not opt-out. Onus should be on campaigners to respect students.

Henri withdraws amendment.

Proposed Amendment 2:

[Adds sentence "the Returning Officer or their nominee may temporarily suspend an area for these areas so debates or other informative events may be informed."]

Speaking for amendment: So debates can happen. Debates are good probably.

Friendly amendment.

Procedural motion for 2 minute break.

Proposer: Lachy

Secunder: Jocelyn

Procedural motion passes

MEETING RECONVENES 8.04PM

Mover: Super quick. Product of electoral reform working group. Realized we needed to change it to incorporate Kambri into regulations. What we've added has aimed to strike a balance of accessibility and involvement. People can opt out without grabbing a lanyard.

Secunder: Needs to be passed otherwise election will be very interesting and will make Probity's job much more difficult. Thanks to the electoral working group for doing all of this work.

No speakers against.

Right of reply waived.

Motion passes.

Chair moves back to Lachy without dissent.

Proposed Amendment:

Amend point 1 to

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Amend Point 9 "ANU teaching spaces" to "ANU teaching rooms"

Remove points 4, 6 and 10

Proposer: Henri Vickers

Secunder: Zoe Rankanathan

Taylor Heslington: Not friendly

Proposer: Restricting one of the main areas in which ANU students spend their time at ANU is extremely difficult. If people are very unhappy about the idea of campaigning happening outside Daley Road can talk about that further. With University Avenue though this is where most students spend their time. Restricting people who don't have notoriety on campus the ability to access students. Allowing people with notoriety to coast into elected positions. Talking a lot about campus engagement at the moment, how we represent students. Students are already switched off. Role of a student union is to represent students, need a strong democratic process. How are you meant to do this if you can't reach out to people who aren't engaged? Already have a variety of restrictions like the lanyards, teaching rooms are excluded.

Secunder: I'm concerned about a lack of engagement with ANUSA that students are facing. Elections are a good time to get an exchange of democratic process, different ideas. Having active campaigners out there where people are being more active on campus. I understand last year Pop Up was a smaller space. Having teaching spaces as a broad term is very vague. Whole bunch of things that need to be clarified to allow ANUSA elections to be better. Orange lanyard system is in place. People already have a way to not be engaged with campaigners.

Speaking against, Lachy Day: I don't know how many people remember O Week, remember Market Day, couldn't get through Kambri. People wanted to be there and it was still very inaccessible. Matthew handled this well by responding to these issues. This reduces people's ability to opt out. Henri wanted to talk to you about campus engagement. Acknowledge past few years of elections, heaps of people avoid campaign spaces. Kambri will be more dead than if there were \$2000 fees. Also talking about the pop up being small. If you walk to class between 9am-4pm, Kambri is pack. Imagine 6 full tickets running, 6x30 people, 180 people campaigning in the middle of Kambri. As someone running I don't want to be in that space. There are people in this association who don't act in good faith including at meetings. I don't want to give them an opportunity to make these spaces more unsafe.

Speaking for – None

Procedural for Madhu to speak

Proposer: Priyanka Tomar

Secunder: Isabella Keith

Status: Passes

Speaking against, Madhu: ANUSA elections are fundamentally about choice. Who you want to represent you, how to engage. In terms of engagement, DSA personally have seen an increase in engagement over the past 3 years after including exclusion zones. This is where people take time out, have a break. Inherent tendency of campaigning and elections to facilitate negative, potentially unsafe behaviours. If you read any study, talk to people in departments, they feel way safer to engage in democratic processes on their terms. Give people the right to choose. While DSA may seem small, 20% of students at ANU are registered with Access and Inclusion. With lanyards, putting the onus on people to not engage in process it's more of an opt-in not opt-out. Onus should be on campaigners to respect students.

Henri Vickers withdraws amendment.

Proposed Amendment 2:

[Adds sentence "the Returning Officer or their nominee may temporarily suspend an area for these areas so debates or other informative events may be informed."]

Jason Pover, speaking for amendment: So debates can happen. Debates are good probably.

Taylor Heslington deems amendment friendly.

Procedural motion for 2 minute break.

Proposer: Lachy Day

Secunder: Jocelyn Abbott

Procedural motion passes

MEETING RECONVENES 8.04PM

Friendly amendment passed to include "David Cocking Sport and Recreation Centre".

Taylor speaking for Motion: Super quick. Product of electoral reform working group. Realized we needed to change it to incorporate Kambri into regulations. What we've added has aimed to strike a balance of accessibility and involvement. People can opt out without grabbing a lanyard.

Bec, seconder speaking for Motion: Needs to be passed otherwise election will be very interesting and will make Probity's job much more difficult. Thanks to the electoral working group for doing all of this work.

No speakers against.

Right of reply waived.

Motion passes.

Chair moves back to Lachy without dissent.

Motion 4.10

That ANUSA adopts the following regulation to come into effect as of December 1st 2019.

“Freedom of Representatives” Regulation

1. This Regulation is binding on the Association and the SRC, subject to the Constitution. Any policy provision or act that is inconsistent with this Regulation shall be void to the extent of the inconsistency.
2. No act or policy shall be valid, to the extent of the inconsistency, that purports to limit the reasonable ability of representatives to:
 - a. Advocate for students within the scope in their elected role.
 - b. Discuss and disclose non-confidential matters in public fora.
 - c. Discuss and disclose non-confidential matters with student and mainstream media.
 - d. Engage in public debate and discussion about the Association.
 - e. Make full and frank reports to organs of the Association to which representatives are required to report.
3. For the purposes of this regulation, representative means:
 - . Representatives of the Association as defined in Schedule 1 of the Constitution.
 - a. Delegates to the NUS or any other body who are elected through elections held by or for the Association.
 - b. Members of the Clubs Council Executive.
 - c. Other unpaid elected student volunteers of the Association.
4. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this regulation, this regulation does not apply in any way that:
 - . Impinges on the power solely invested in the President to speak on behalf of the Association. However, it does protect the ability of representatives to publicly voice their views and opinions about the Association in line with section 2.
 - a. Restricts the ability of the Association to make information confidential where doing so is necessary and proper.
 - b. Restricts the ability of Departments to protect their autonomy.
 - c. Inhibits the ability of the Association to prohibit representatives from engaging in;
 - i. Hate speech,
 - ii. Bullying behaviour,
 - iii. Speech that any reasonable person would conclude is damaging to the Association, and

iv. Defamation.

Motion to table the explanatory memorandum into the motion by Jason passed.

Moved by Jason

Secunder: James

Proposed amendment (Eden): That ANUSA adopts the following regulation to come into effect as of December 1st 2019 after legal advice is sought.

Secunder for amendment: Tanika

Eden: Could not seek legal advice earlier because there was a conflict. Important for legal advice to be sought on staff. Have not sought advice about insurance covering representatives for statements they make.

Procedural to suspend standing orders for two minutes passed.

Procedural to un-suspend standing orders passed.

Amendment passed.

Mover: Representatives should be able to represent students and their views.

Secunder: Previous Clubs Council Chairs have been unable to speak their own views.

Right of reply waived.

Status: Passed

Item 5: Other Business

Motion 5.1

To amend section 3.2.1 of the Clubs Regulations

Remove –

“(e) the Community Officer; and

(f) up to five (5) General Officers, the number to be determined by the Council from time to time.”

Insert –

“(e) the Community Officer;

(f) the Communications Officer;

(g) the Affiliations Officer; and

(h) up to five (5) General Officers, the number to be determined by the Council from time to time.”

Status: Passed.

Motion 5.2

That the audited financial statements (uploaded onto the ANUSA website 15/5/2019) be accepted

Moved by: Dashveen

Secunder: Bec

Mover: Waived right.

Secunder: Waived right.

Mover waived right of reply.

Status: Passed

Item 6: Meeting Close

8:24pm

Reference A – President’s Report

President’s Report AGM

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Welcome to 2019 AGM
2. ANUSA representation
3. ANUSA Staff
7. Change the Course
8. Union Court Redevelopment
9. Other projects

Welcome

The last 12 months for the Association and the student body has been filled with changes. The union court redevelopment, our new offices and changes in the University have meant that the Association has had to adapt and change with the student body. Throughout this time we have strengthened our service provision and existing core business. There is much to be proud of in the advocacy that ANUSA has engaged in, particularly through our continued advocacy in the Respectful Relationships project and in creating cultural change in this community.

ANUSA Representation

Student Partnership Agreement

The Student Partnership Agreement for 2019 has been passed by Academic Board. This marks the second Student Partnership Agreement between ANUSA, PARSA and the ANU. The document is available on the website and will be reviewed at the end of the year by the CRC.

NUS Reaccreditation

The 2019 SRC has voted to reaccredit with the National Union of Students, conditional on certain KPIs being met by the NUS. While NUS reaccreditation is always a contentious discussion at ANU, I look forward to working productively with the NUS throughout 2019 to ensure an effective voice for students on the national stage.

Clubs and MSL

2017 saw the launch of the Clubs Council, a reform that was worked on throughout 2016. 2019 has seen the second year of the Council not being led by a member of the ANUSA Executive. We have successfully transitioned into our new funding model for clubs on MSL

ANUSA has introduced a new full time staff member to assist with the Clubs Council system. The Community Life Officer assists with social events and provides support to clubs. Our Administration team also assist the Association with managing clubs funding to ensuring fair and effective funding for all ANUSA clubs.

ANUSA Staff

Community Life Officer

The new position of Community Life Officer has started. The position directly supports the Clubs Council Executive through facilitating their new initiatives, alongside assisting the Association with our social portfolio. The Community Life Officer has been an integral part of the new training sessions offered to clubs and has continued to assist with communication between the Clubs Council and the relevant operational staff in the Association.

Legal Unit

Our legal unit continues to see high levels of student engagement. We currently have one Lawyer. The Association's migration workshops continue to reach a high numbers of students.

Student Assistance Unit

The Student Assistance Unit has introduced the new initiative of the transport voucher. This has been a great success and the Association looks forward to the continuing student uptake of the this service.

The current key issues that the Student Assistance team are assisting with, include financial difficulty, academic misconduct, deferred exams and Late Withdrawals. The Student Assistance Uni has also seen an increase of students accessing our services over the Summer teaching break, particularly in regards to financial assistance and emergency accommodation.

Financial Controller

The Association has been without a financial controller since the end of 2018. This has meant that we have outsourced many of these responsibilities to an external accounting firm. We are currently in the recruitment stage for a new Financial Controller.

Change the Course:

Residential Review and Counselling Audit:

The Nours Review into Residential Halls at the ANU was completed late last year in response to the AHRC Change the Course Report. There were some concerning parts of the review that ANUSA continues to advocate to change. We are confident that much change needs to occur in the residential space and that continued greater student consultation between the University and the student body, particularly that of the residential community, needs to occur.

Crisis Line

Following the release of the AHRC report and the continued ANUSA advocacy surrounding the unsafe burden placed on student leaders in residential halls, the ANU has established the ANU Crisis Line. This confidential crisis line is available outside weekly business hours and is being managed by Lifeline. ANUSA commends the implementation of a much needed service, however continues to advocate for greater support of residential leaders and has continuing concerns regarding the burden placed on student leaders at the ANU.

Respectful Relationships Unit

The respectful relationships unit has been established although is not yet fully operational. Although ANUSA is pleased with the amount of student consultation that has occurred between the Unit and ANUSA to date, it believes that further institutional change and work is necessary for the outcomes of the project to be realised.

Bringing Canberra Rape Crisis Centre (CRCC) to campus

As mentioned in the 2018 President's AGM report, In 2017, the President and Women's Officer worked with both the CRCC and the ANU to bringing a full-time sexual assault counsellor to campus. ANUSA's advocacy was successful and the ANU agreed to fund 60% of an FTE sexual assault counsellor from CRCC on ANU campus with ANUSA funding the remaining 40%. This is a significant service, however the ANU must continue to commit to taking steps to provide an adequate institutional response and support to students.

Ongoing Advocacy

Student advocacy on sexual assault and harassment at ANU is continuing. The Respectful Relationships steering group and working group were de-established. Replacing these groups is the Respectful Relationships Advisory Group. ANUSA and PARSA have continued the work of the Respectful Relationships student working group and are in the process of setting up an equity committee to inform that advocacy.

ANUSA representatives will continue to advocate in this space for adequate institutional response and support. Please do not hesitate to email me on sa.president@anu.edu.au if you have any specific questions regarding ANUSA's advocacy in this space.

If you are a survivor: we believe you, and it's not your fault. There is support available for you. Canberra Rape Crisis Centre offers free, and confidential service on campus. You can get an appointment by calling them on 6247 2525.

Union Court Redevelopment

New Office

The Association has moved into our new home after two and half years in Melville Hall.

The Office space has significantly changed and is an open plan design. There continues to be some teething issues with the building itself, but the Association is slowly but surely settling in to the new space. I would like to thank all those who assisted with the final move.

BKSS

The Association's new BKSS student space is open on Level 2 in the Di Riddel building. ANUSA provides free breakfast during weekdays, cheap snacks, free sanitary items and much more! The BKSS is settling in well to the new space and we continue to encourage students to access the services it provides.

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The Union Court Redevelopment continues to be one of the most significant projects the ANU has undertaken and has significantly impacted student and staff life here at the ANU. ANUSA continues to advocate for a more affordable and accessible campus. ANUSA will continue to advocate for a fair and equitable experience here at the ANU.

There have been significant points of advocacy surrounding venue hire, the accessibility of the precinct and ensuring that the space remains a place for students first and foremost. This advocacy has been challenging, however ANUSA has achieved some positive changes in this area and will continue to advocate for a campus that supports vibrant student life here at the ANU.

Other Projects

ANUSA coordinates a significant amount of other projects throughout the year including O-week and Bush Week, support for our Honours students alongside academic advocacy within the ANU and against cuts to higher education.

ANUSA completes a significant amount of work across many different student representatives. Our SRC's are available for all members and ANUSA reports are made publicly available. Alternatively, you're always welcome to get in contact with us if you have any questions or ideas for the organisation!

Reference B – Treasurer’s Report



TREASURER’S REPORT

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Executive Summary

- Audited statement for the financial year ended 30th November 2018
- Current financial position
- Budget

Audited statement:

ANUSA’s audited statements have been published on the ANUSA website and is accessible via this link: <https://anusa.com.au/pageassets/about/financialreportsandssaf/Financial-Report-2018.pdf>.

Current financial position:

As required, ANUSA underwent an audit on all accounts for the year ended 30th November 2018. Similar to last year, ANUSA was issued an ‘unqualified opinion’ which translates into the association complying with all Australian Accounting Standards. This includes paying any tax obligations, recording all forms of revenue, payment of legitimate services etc. This should provide assurance that the association is not exposed to any material risk (i.e. debts or contingent liabilities that could put the association at financial risk).

Key points:

The surplus from 2018 decreased to \$166,355 from \$249,983 in 2017. This is mainly attributed to an increase in salaries and superannuation (1 extra position for ANUSA staff). The difference of salary + superannuation expenses from 2017 and 2018 is \$69,863 (\$1,013,269 - \$ 943,416). This will be taken into account in the SSAF process for 2020 to increase salary and superannuation line item.

ANUSA’s strong financial position is enforced with \$1,977,290 of historical SSAF surplus deposited with ME Bank. The term deposit is locked in at an interest rate of 2.70% maturing on 28th August 2019. Once ANUSA’s Bank Australia account is up and running, I am looking towards transferring the term deposit here to help consolidate ANUSA’s financials with one bank as it will help with administrative ease. The yearly turnaround of trustees makes it difficult to constantly change authority power.

In regards to Student Services & Amenities Fee (SSAF), ANUSA had a successful bid of \$2,046,591 for 2019 funding. This represents an increase of 2.44% from 2018 funding (\$1,997,923). As per the SSAF agreement, I have invoiced the university for \$613,977 which will be our second installment of SSAF funds. The third installment of SSAF (30%) will be invoiced later in the year around August or September.

ANUSA budget 2019:

Item	Sub-Item	Budget 2019
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Accounting/ Bookkeeping		\$1,500
ANUSA Committee Projects	Sex & Consent Week + Sex Ed	\$6,000
	Mental Health Committee	\$4,000
	Language Diversity	\$0
	Mature Age	\$0
Auditing		\$16,460
Bank Fees		\$2,000
BKSS Food/Consumables		\$26,000
BKSS Non-food		\$10,000
Bus expenses		\$7,000
Bush Week		\$27,000
C&S Events	C&S Ball	\$25,000
Cleaning		\$26,000
College Camps		\$10,000
College Representatives	College Representatives	\$6,000
Departments & Collectives	Departments	\$70,000
	Additional Funding Pool	\$40,000
Education Committee		\$10,000
Elections		\$500
Equipment		\$5,000
Fees & Subscriptions		\$5,000
General Representatives Reserve		\$3,000
NAIDOC Week		\$20,000
National Science Week		\$3,000
Club Council Funding		\$150,000
IT Support and Equipment		\$8,000
Leadership and Professional Development	Retreat	\$20,488
	Conferences	\$9,756
	Staff Professional Development	\$9,756
Legal Expenses		\$30,000
Marketing & Communications	Software Subscriptions	\$3,170
	Printing	\$24,945
	Advertising	\$3,516
	Merchandise	\$1,697

	Signage	\$1,398
Meeting Expenses		\$2,000
NUS		\$12,000
Other Employee Expense		\$13,500
O-Week	Orientation Week	\$110,000
Printer		\$6,500
Repairs and Maintenance		\$1,500
Salaries and Wages - ANUSA		\$927,385
Salaries and Wages - Shared *		\$89,830
Stationary/General Supplies/Postage		\$3,000
Student Assistance Unit Grants	Emergency Grants	\$35,000
Student Assistance Unit Purchases		\$25,000
Student Engagement	Student led teaching awards	\$1,112
	Social Committee	\$5,555
	International Student Engagement	\$555
	Honours Engagement	\$11,111
	Less Stresstival	\$5,555
	Off campus Student Engagement	\$1,112
Superannuation Expenses - ANUSA		\$107,729
Superannuation Expenses - Shared *		\$15,271
Telephone		\$400
Training	Nation & Faith related club executives training	\$1,700
	Clubs Executives training	\$5,100
	Other ANUSA training	\$10,200
Utilities		\$15,500
Workers Compensation Insurance - ANUSA		\$10,000
Workers Compensation Insurance - Shared *		\$3,790
Clubs Council		\$5,000
Skill Up		\$15,000
Universal Lunch Hour		\$10,000
VC Leadership		\$10,000

Total		\$2,046,591
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