



SRC 4 Minutes

Tuesday, 10 May 2016

ANUSA Boardroom

Appendix A: SRC4 Agenda, including reports and other reference material

Item 1: Meeting Opens and Apologies

Meeting opens: 6:06pm

Apologies received from: Raqeeb Bhuyan (proxy), James Lawson, Zac Rayson, Harriet Roberts, Arlene Mendoza, Eben Leifer (proxy), Maddison Perkins

Item 2: Minutes from the Previous Meeting

Requested amendments to the minutes from SRC3:

- "We were tossing up whether we needed a no-confidence against Helena or explore review"

Amend to:

"When I started thinking about this about a month ago, I was tossing up whether I needed to pursue a no-confidence against Helena or explore review."

[Amendment requested by R. Bhuyan]

- References to New Matter should read: "UMatter"

[Amendment requested by El. Kay and C. Allan]

Motion: That the minutes from the previous meeting be accepted.

Moved: Cameron

Second: Kat

Status: Passed

Item 3: Executive Reports

3.1 President's report (B. Gill)

- Report taken as read
- It has been a challenging month – most difficult for me in my time as President; huge projects this use, plus other incidents this month... but also some successes

- Report on Requirements Analysis from ICT business analyst have come in, meaning we can pursue OrgSync replacement
- Have not gotten to payment to office bearers' report
- Mental Health higher ed symposium yesterday was a success

- 50% of cases we see are financial and academic
 - This year, looking to exceed 1,000 student consultations – our communication is having a positive effect
 - But # of emergency grants is lower at this stage

- Q (Michael): how did mental health symposium go?
 - Well – new endeavour for this year; 4 workshops (online harassment, cultural diversity, healthy university...)
 - Online harassment: clear outcome that there needs to be clearer guidelines about what it is and how we can support mentors
 - ANU doesn't currently have a policy for how to deal with online harassment; policies are out of date – ICT permeates every aspect of daily life and policies need to reflect this
 - Interacting online as ANU student should mean ANU can do something about it, but the policy isn't clear – need to refine
 - Cultural diversity – not providing culturally appropriate services; we can do more – develop partnerships w different universities around the world to supply Skype counselling sessions through overseas universities
 - Healthy universities: chat with woman from USyd who is equivalent to Wellbeing Educator (as discussed last year)
 - Peer support models: I couldn't attend because it overlapped

- Q (Kat): could we discuss further ways to engage with Arts Students and Honours Roll
 - Yes!

Motion: that the President's report be accepted.

Moved: Tom

Seconded: Max

Status: Passed

3.2 Vice President's report (C. O'Doherty)

- Taken as read
- Note: caught up with almost all college and gen reps so far; Sam will contact others
 - We want to touch base to see how you are tracking, make sure you are getting the most out of your role

- Apologies re: timesheet – we only just got access to settings to auto-generate timesheet
 - Will have this in my next report
 - If you have Qs, ask me

- Q (Kat): When is S&C Week?
 - Wk 3, Semester 2

- Q (Supriya): did you know CASS is also supporting Stress Less Week pencil cases?
 - Apologies, I should have noted this!
 - Thank you CASS!
- Q (Tom): when could we get a new table for department room
 - This break – 150% it is happening and on my priority list
- Q (Zoe): Just confirming date of S&C Week?
 - Week 3, not Week 2. If there are issues with this, we can discuss

Motion: that the Vice President's report be accepted.

Moved: James

Seconded: Sean

- Michael: flagging as Raqeeb's proxy: he will not be accepting any reports that do not have a timesheet in them as a matter of principle

Status: Passed

Against: Raqeeb (noted)

3.3 Treasurer's report (S. Macdonald)

- Report taken as read
- Sponsorship – new deals in place
- AGM coming up and audited statements presented
- Q (Ben Creelman): Point 6 of report; Student Representative Finance Committee?
 - Recommendation from EY report; it has PARSA, ANUSA and others; Brendan chairs this committee
 - Hard to get things going in this committee – only one meeting so far
- Q (Ben Creelman): records and minutes of those meetings
 - Minutes exist; I can circulate them
- Q (Michael): What is the role of financial review committee
 - Assessing our financial policies and assessing against them; reporting to general meetings
 - Role is up to them; can look into interests – I outlined my goals and asked them if they wanted to get on board
 - ANUSA financial policies introduced in 2014 by Dallas; but many don't reflect present practices
 - Hoping to review

Motion: that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Moved: Caitlin

Seconded: Tom

Status: Passed

Against: Raqeeb (noted)

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[The Chair passes to Cameron to allow Sam to give his report. Cameron's nomination was not subject to dissent]

3.4 General Secretary's report (S. Duncan)

- AGM is on the 26th - if we don't reach quorum, we will not be able to pass budget or audited financial reports. As a result, we will not meet constitutional requirements. Bring your friends
- Election reform passed. New regulations now posted online
- Day on the Green: all college reps to get back to Sam re: Day of the Green. Potential to roll events into 1 event.

- Q (Michael): will respondents be anonymous for the survey, and will results of the survey be public public
 - Hope there is rapport amongst SRC to allow non-anonymous feedback
 - Have not decided re-releasing results

- Q (Emma): is ANUSA going to fill casual vacancies?
 - 2 spots: Zoe and Jackson.
 - Process of filling gen rep spots is to go through ticket convenors. Have been in touch with Open convenor. They nominated Fred, who became Queer officer. So now there is spot again. There is no timeline.
 - Let's will fill their spot soon.

- Q (Emma): will we be getting more info re ANUSA retreat (redirected to Clodagh)
 - 18-20th retreat
 - Deposit is paid and locked in

- Q (Michael): do you feel like the GAC casual vacancy was sufficiently advertised
 - The vacancy occurred just before release of agenda for SRC, and the next SRC is a while away. So it was appropriate to fill vacancy this SRC. This reduced time to advertise.
 - Arguably not advertised enough
 - Given the Constitution requires the spot to be filled at the next SRC, tonight was an appropriate forum to fill the vacancy

- Q (Tom): can you confirm whether the Aboriginal Officer has replied?
 - Has not resigned.
 - I cannot start look to fill the space until he resigns officially as per Constitution

Motion: that the General Secretary's report be accepted.

Moved: Caitlin

Seconded: Max

Status: Passed

Against: Raqeeb (noted)

[The Chair passes back Sam]

3.5 Education Officer's report (J. Connolly)

- Report taken as read
- Budget Night Party last Tuesday – substantially larger turnout than last year – great
 - Two speakers, positively received, good analysis of the budget and its impact on higher ed
- Tomorrow is Post-Budget Student Speakout
 - Voice opinions on the budget and its implications for students and higher ed sector
 - Looking for volunteers – between 12pm and 2pm
- Attending Ed Com (NUS) in capacity as Ed Officer
 - Skills-based conference, workshops, professional development
 - Doesn't matter that were not accredited with NUS
 - Will be speaking with Ed Officers across the country to discuss how they manage the dynamic of inter-external education in their Associations
 - I will be researching this further as it is an interest of mine
- Analysis of budget – please direct your questions to me
- Q (Tom): (1) how awesome was that CT article! And (2) how can students attend the conference if their student Association isn't affiliated?
 - Good article, good coverage, just heavily emphasised that dereg is no longer being pushed by federal government which glosses over that options paper is considering a 20% cut to higher ed and nearly \$2b of savings unaccounted for in budget
 - Students can attend, reg cost is \$125 – other students can attend, you could use money from department budget; I will be looking into a SEEF application to take interested students along too
 - It really helped Laura Campbell to attend – she learnt invaluable skills, so there is utility in sending other ANU students
- Q (Michael): Politics in the Pub: why did it not go ahead, who were the other societies involved?
 - ANU Labor Club, ANU Left Club, Liberal Students' Club, Greens on Campus
 - Didn't have sufficient time to properly organise speakers; proroguing of Parliament meant Senators' availability was diminished
 - Clubs worked very hard to make it work but the circumstances made it impossible

Motion: that the Education Officer's report be accepted.

Moved: Helena

Seconded: Supriya

Status: Passed

3.6 Social Officer's report (H. Hu)

- Report taken as read

- Planning for Bush Week ongoing – please look into applications
- GAC: regular meetings = Friday 2-5pm
 - 2-2:30 internal, 2:30-5 open to any interested C&S
 - Monthly policy meetings; starting 18 May – please send policy suggestions to me to be added to agenda
 - GAC consultation hours to be daily (one hour per day) – coming soon!
 - Resignation from GAC member to be filled tonight
- C&S Working Group: if you have interest in GAC issues and C&S support, please message me
- Social Committee – now standing body available for use by any C&S, Committee or Rep – short on hands, give me notice and we are available
- 19 May – first C&S networking event; all exec, committee members welcome
 - Network, meet people, exchange ideas, ask about event planning and think about new initiatives
- Q (Michael): will working group look at internal committee structure of GAC
 - We will gather people and allow anyone to address anything with my support
- Q (Michael): Are you going to be using regulations drafted by Raqeeb and I
 - I'm open to doing this
- Q (Michael): why was boardroom chosen and not BKSS?
 - I just went on auto-pilot, but if you think BKSS would be better, I can discuss with them
 - Might be issues for accessibility for those who don't want to be a part of the event

Motion: that the Social Officer's report be accepted.

Moved: James

Seconded: Zoe

Status: Passed

Against: Raqeeb (noted)

Item 4: Department Officer Reports

4.1 Indigenous Department (R. Larkin)

- No report submitted

4.2 Women's Department (L. Burdon-Smith)

- No report submitted
- I didn't submit a written report, but will next SRC; I prioritised pastoral care over reporting
- Arts Week – Spoken: Women Armed with Words – autonomous in members and audience which was great

- In collab with Paper, Scissors, Pen and PARSA
- Funny Girls – autonomous thing happening with department
 - Started by Codie Bell, noting not enough women comedians in Canberra; produce more confidence in women to take the mic
 - First event was fun!
- Women’s Dep Social Group happening: movie nights, pot luck dinners, etc.
 - Run by our Social Officer
- Planning for Bush Week – comedy gala on the cards pending directors and themes
- NOWSA: Network of Women Students Australia – national women’s conference
 - Expressions of interest closed last Wed – heaps of interest
 - \$5K in SSAF, looking at other options to send more women

4.3 Queer* Department (F. Hanlin)

Procedural Motion: to move a motion to endorse Fred as Queer* Department Officer.

Moved: Ben Creelman

Status: Passed

Motion: that the SRC ratifies the decision of the Queer* Department to fill the position of Queer* Officer with Fred Hanlin.

Moved: Ben Creelman

Seconded: Tom

Status: Passed

- Report taken as read
- Looking into projects for IDAHT (International Day against Homophobia and Transphobia) – running Queery on this topic
- Closing expressions of interest for Queer* Collaboration Conference (in Perth)
 - Waiting on response from SEEF; also pursuing external sources
 - \$800-900 per students – a bit tight
- Working on S2 projects: Pride Week, Queer* Ball – starting now
- Q (Fred): has the transition gone smoothly; handover adequate
 - Handover adequate as much as it could be – Jade has done as much and more than she could in her situation
- Q (Linnea): have you considered accessing alternate funding mechanisms available for departments
 - I have!
- Q (Zoe): dates for Pride Week?
 - Not yet settled – traditionally Week 8, looking at before the break if possible

Motion: that the Queer* Department Officer’s report be accepted.

Moved: Tom

Seconded: Michael

Status: Passed

4.4 International Students' Department (Z. Feng)

- Report taken as read
- ISD is very event based – second social sports session 2 weeks ago (futsal)
 - Turn out not as good as basketball; table tennis this week
 - Hoping to decide which sports and how many each week moving forward
 - Funding is issue, looking into alternate funding as well
- Second tour last weekend – to War Memorial
 - Raining on Sunday; 45 registered, 20 turned up; still fantastic
 - Next tour will be in semester break
- Plan to have International Week in S2
 - Didn't know S&C Week would be W3 so we will work this out to ensure there's not clash
 - I want to work closely with everyone; first step to reach out to other departments and mental health committee – something touching international students and not taken care of in the past
 - I want to tackle this problem
 - If you want to work with us, let me know – I can make something happen
- Q (Michael): updates on issues or advocacy projects you are working on:
 - Post-Budget Speak Out – we are working with James on this
 - Advocacy Department has been working on core policies – my idea for them is to implement these into events
 - Trying to plan events like multicultural talent show or cooking party – big ideas, big events
 - Not able to do these yet b/c Wk 11, but pretty sure we will see results in S2

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

Moved: Caitlin

Seconded: Helena

Status: Passed

4.5 Disabilities Department (T. Kesina)

- Spoon Week – happened!
 - Reviewing how it went and whether we achieved goals in Wk 12 collective meeting
 - Big thanks to DSA team, deputies, secretary and publicity officer, wider collective and volunteers
 - Props to Eleanor, Kat, Linda and Bella
 - Attendance up from last year
 - Bit disappointing Woroni edition wasn't out in time – we had a lot of contributions
- Spoons Space

- Building works technically complete but kitchen unit installed incorrectly and leaked; to be actioned “sometime in future”
- The sign was printed incorrectly – I will be following this up
- Fridge, microwave and other appliances to be provided in space
- Semester 2
 - Autonomous discussion group – many applications for facilitators; I will get back to you soon to confirm which ADGs are going ahead
 - Continue advocacy on Action Plans (Disability and Education) and continue working with Ben
- Meeting next week – if you identify as having a disability, please show up
- Q (Michael): publication of spoon week publication after the week something you knew would happen? Did it detriment awareness and attendance?
 - We were given different timelines – Wed, Friday, then Monday
 - We had an article in the previous edition advertising the week, but hard to tell
 - Would be nice if we could have it in future

Motion: that the Disability Department Officer’s report be accepted.

Moved: Ben

Seconded: Clodagh

Status: Passed

4.6 Environment Department (V. Herbert and Z Neumayer)

- Report taken as read
- Environment picnic last week w Fenner School and AYCC
 - Went really well engaging people with environmental interest; networking, collaborating
- Cowspiracy: militant vegans in attendance
 - Engaged a lot of people in wider community, not just ANU students which was incredible
 - Great speakers
- Still trying to get keep cups on the ground – to be 50cent discount for people who bring in own cups (sustainability)
- Climate Week (S2): dates completely unknown at this stage
 - Documentary screenings, mural, all ideas but many involved
- Australian Students’ Environment Network – 7-11 July in Brisbane – please share in your networks that expressions of interest are open
 - We have set money aside in budget to get people there

Motion: that the Environment Department Officer’s report be accepted.

Moved: Fred

Seconded: Daniel

Status: Passed

Item 5: Discussion Items/Motions on Notice

Motions on which debate was adjourned at the SRC 3:

- 1. Motion:** That GAC produce a policy document in accordance with section 3.1 of the GAC review and recommendations.
Moved: Raqeeb Bhuyan
Seconded: Michael Turvey
- 2. Motion:** That GAC follow meeting procedure outlined in section 3.2 of the GAC review and recommendations.
Moved: Raqeeb Bhuyan
Seconded: Michael Turvey
- 3. Motion:** That the chair of GAC report which is in accordance with section 3.4 of the GAC review and recommendations.
Moved: Raqeeb Bhuyan
Seconded: Michael Turvey

Amendment: that Motion 3 read: "That the chair of GAC present a report to SRC in the future, in accordance with section 3.4 of the GAC review and recommendations."

Moved: Caitlin

Status: Passed

- 4. Motion:** That GAC should act with the intention of achieving the objectives described in the GAC review and recommendations, in the time described by these recommendations.
Moved: Raqeeb Bhuyan
Seconded: Michael Turvey

Status: Withdrawn

Motion: Motion by the ANU Refugee Action Committee:

Mover: Litia Roko

Seconded: Anna Dennis

In March this year the ANU Refugee Action Committee collected close to 800 signatures from ANU staff and students calling on Vice Chancellor Professor Brian Schmidt to make ANU a refugee sanctuary. Many churches, mosques, union and other community organisations around the country have pledged their support to asylum seekers at risk of deportation by offering sanctuary, and it is our belief that ANU, as a community of scholars and students from around the world, should embody and promote the values of humanity, inclusiveness and tolerance by doing the same.

Following on from the UMSU Students' Council unanimously passing a motion offering sanctuary in late March, we call on the representatives of ANUSA to make a similar offer by endorsing the following statement:

MOTION:

This meeting of the ANUSA Students Representative Council notes:

- i. that 267 asylum seekers, including 91 children (37 of whom are babies born in Australia; and 36 at school) are presently in Australia having been brought here by the immigration department from offshore detention centre of Manus Island and Nauru;
- ii. that they were brought for medical attention and mental health treatment that was not available on Nauru or Manus Island;
- iii. that they have spent around two years in detention and have not been processed;
- iv. that the detrimental effects of long term detention are well known for both children and adults;
- v. that Nauru and Manus Island are not safe for asylum seekers or refugees;
- vi. (vi) that five state and territory leaders, including Labor leaders in Victoria, Queensland and the ACT have called on the Turnbull government not to return the 267 to Nauru.

We further note that the Immigration Minister, Peter Dutton has recently stated the Government is committed to sending this group of asylum seekers, including the 72 children, back to Nauru. We therefore declare our complete opposition to any asylum seeker or refugee presently in Australia being sent to Nauru or Manus Island.

Accordingly, we:

- i. call on the government not to send any asylum seeker or refugee to Manus Island or Nauru;
- ii. call on the ACT government to not cooperate with any attempt by the Federal government to return any of the 267 to Nauru;
- iii. call on the ANU Vice Chancellor Professor Brian Schmidt to declare ANU a Refugee Sanctuary;
- iv. will provide all appropriate moral, financial and material support for the campaign by community and refugee advocacy groups to prevent asylum seekers being returned to Manus Island and Nauru.

Status: Withdrawn (Mover and Seconder absent from meeting)

Item 6: Elections

Item 6.1 Election of Grants & Affiliations Committee (GAC) Member

There is one casual vacancy in the Grants & Affiliations Committee.

Nominations for the positions were received from the following candidate:

1. Cameron Allan
 - Q (Michael): experience and conflicts of interest
 - I am a Gen Rep on ANUSA – and Education Officer of Asia Pacific Students' Society
 - Financial experience: I have been heavily involved in many big events, BNO, sponsorship and managing budgets
 - IAC President, affiliated but don't claim anything
 - Q (Ben Creelman): just to clarify, you have held exec position in GAC affiliated C&S

- Last year: first year rep position on Asia Pacific Students' Society and LSS
- This year: IAC, Oaktree and Asia Pacific Students' Society

Status: Cameron elected

Item 7: Other Business

- Tom: raising payment stuff? Can we suspend standing orders? Or just discuss?
- Ben: reviewing the whole remuneration issue for months
 - Had intended to have papers out today, but will be out this week
 - Payment to executive members – expert legal and financial advice is to treat executive as employees of the association
 - Currently no legal relationship between exec and Association – but we could make a strong argument that we are employees
 - Currently we can get paid minimum wage outside of award; risk is that I could take my employment to Fair Work and if they agree, my estimate would be ANU8 or above (>\$80K / year)
 - B/c we created our own Enterprise Agreement in 1989 that is linked to the ANU Enterprise Agreement means that this would be unavoidable
 - We can create a new classification system under our own Enterprise Agreement that could keep us down to \$42K for example; bringing hourly wage from ~\$17 to ~\$19
 - To AGM: final consultation report and discussion paper, including viable rates of pay to address the issues noted above
 - Hoping to hold forum as well
 - Other issues = Department: current proposal is that department payment would be split into stipend (guaranteed to Dep Officer) paid in arrears either monthly/fortnightly/etc.
 - 50% would go to stipend; taxable
 - Other 50% would go to Department; Dep could choose to divide that amount between other officers or give it all to Dep
 - This allows for flexibility which is critical
 - Amount = to be discussed more in long term; in short term, will be increased in same percentage as executive is increased; this is negotiable; discussed at forums next week or AGM
 - At end T3 (last SRC), we will work with each department to put a motion to the SRC to vote for the amount of money available to the departments next year
 - Issue: noting doesn't consider people elected for the following year; but this was suggested by paper
 - If not put to AGM, this all stays the same as last year
 - New idea, still will take review; but feedback is that we are heading in positive direction; long term solution on the horizon

- College Reps, Gen Reps and other Committee Reps – go through honoraria nomination process (as flagged in January)
- Linnea: this will be a big deal and big discussion at AGM
 - Really important for you to know this is coming and know what's on the agenda
- Tom: I support increase in pay to both exec and department officers; prelim amounts are very reasonable
 - Certainty of pay
 - Review trying to answer whether or not reps should be employees or not
 - Resolution that exec should be employees but dep officers should not
 - I don't really care so long as officers are paid and treated comparably to exec
 - Dep officers not employees to ensure autonomy is retained; trade-off is legal protections
 - Need to discuss appropriate trade-off; at the moment perhaps impinging autonomy too much; by keeping it in policy and keeping involvement of exec = future exec could wreak havoc with that process; should it be policy or regulation?
 - Constitutionally mandating minimum for departments?
 - Distribution of pay
 - Positive – I like the mechanism
 - Stipend v honoraria is good system; should it be 50:50 / consistent across departments?
 - Simply allocate honoraria and no stipend? Less stipend more honoraria?
 - Amount of pay
 - Fairly important to acknowledge that dep officers do similar work as some exec, not unreasonable to suggest that they receive a similar amount
 - Process has been going for long time; Greg pegged dep rise to exec rise; this makes sense
 - Personally I think it wouldn't be unreasonable for higher hour departments to pay \$16K in overall payment amount, given honoraria often split with deputies
 - Really important to get this right – thankful to Ben and exec and consultant Greg for their work; confident and hopeful we can determine something
- Q (Ben Creelman): when is report being released
 - Sometime this week; forum next week

Item 8: Meeting Close

The next meeting of the Student Representative Council is scheduled to be on Tuesday, 26 July 2016 at 6pm. Location to be confirmed.

Meeting Close: 7:23pm

APPENDIX A



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AGENDA - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC) 4 2016

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6pm, ANUSA Boardroom

Item 1: Meeting Opens and Apologies

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

1.2 Apologies

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Item 5: Discussion Items / Motions on Notice

5.1 Motion by the ANU Refugee Action Committee [Reference K]

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5.1 Election of Grants & Affiliations Committee (GAC) member [Reference L]

Item 6: Other Business**Item 7: Meeting Close**

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Expected Close of Meeting: 7:30pm

Released: 7 May 2016 by Sam Duncan

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ben Gill

Executive Summary

1. Project Updates
2. Condolences (TW: Suicide)
3. Student Assistance Unit Update
4. Communications & Engagement Statistics
5. Timesheet

Further Information

1. Project Updates

Project	Status	Expected Completion	Comments
OrgSync Contract & Replacement	Ongoing	Jul-16	We have begun discussions with ANU Legal re data sharing agreements and have opted to hold off sending the requirements report to vendors until this is resolved. At this stage I am still confident we will be able to meet our development deadlines for an online election system, though this will require prioritizing this development aspect over others. Additionally, we have been advised that there will be a mid-year SSAF round as student enrolments were higher than projected and as such there is ~\$200k available for bidding. This is ideal as it would allow ANUSA and PARSAs to develop a joint bid rather than adjust 2016 budgets.
Payment to Office Bearers Review	Ongoing	May-16	The review has been completed and reports will be made available to the SRC shortly (prior to the meeting). Following the discussion at SRC, I aim to circulate documents to the broader student community and hold two forums in Wk 12 this Semester. This will be to receive feedback and make any necessary adjustments, prior to bringing the recommendations within the report to the AGM on the 26 th May.

EAP Research Project	Ongoing	Oct-16	This project is on track. Feedback regarding our ethics application for focus groups and interviews has been received and Tom and I will be meeting in the near future to respond. In addition, we have been given Qualtrics access to transition survey form Survey Monkey to this system. This was a requirement at Survey Monkey hosts data outside Australia, whereas Qualtrics hosts internally. As such, once survey design is complete we will be proceeding with another ethics application for this aspect of the project.
Mental Health Symposium	Complete	May-16	The Mental Health in Higher Education Symposium is being held on the 9 th May 2016 and I would encourage you all to attend. Clodagh and I will be MC'ing on the day. As this occurs pre SRC, I am happy to provide a verbal update as part of my report if requested.
SSAF Capital Works	Complete	Apr-16	A draft allocation has been announced with feedback due by COB 10 th May 2016. This includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - \$57,500 for Health centre refurbishment - \$100,000 for Science Precinct activation - \$50,000 upfront for South Oval Pavilion, with remaining \$850,000 provided the project is approved through ANU's capital works processes. This is a great result, especially with respect to the Health Centre being able to install an accessible door.
International Employment Discrimination Project	Ongoing	Nov-16	No progress to report.
Honours Roll	Ongoing	Nov-16	The second honours roll was attended by close to 20 students and focused on how to structure a thesis. Feedback has only been positive to date. Longer term, it has been raised that we may wish to consider having a Science and a Arts stream as there are differences in the advice that would be given to the different cohorts.
ANU OK	Ongoing	N/A	Next steering committee meeting is 18 th May. In addition, it is hoped that the new Friend Walk feature will be implemented before examination period. If you are interested in testing the feature prior to implementation please let me know at sa.president@anu.edu.au .

2. Condolences (TW: Suicide)

We were deeply saddened to hear of the loss of a member of our student community to suicide in late April. As can be appreciated, this has had a huge impact on the community and those directly affected. On behalf of the Association, I would like to extend our condolences and deepest sympathies to the family and friends of this student. Additionally, I'd like to take this opportunity to encourage you to reach out for assistance during this difficult time. Or, if at any time in the future that you may need assistance, be it with loss, university or any other life events.

There is a [comprehensive list of support services available on the ANUSA website, including free in-person, phone, online and email options.](#)

If you feel distressed as a result of this I would encourage you to phone ANU Counselling on 6124 2442 or Lifeline on 13 11 14.

3. Student Assistance Unit

2015 Statistics

Between January and December 2015, the Student Assistance Unit had 844 student visits and provided 591 evening meal, 553 lunch meal vouchers and 68 grocery vouchers to students in need. Figure 1 below provides a monthly breakdown of service utilisation throughout 2015. Note that data for January through to March are summed together.

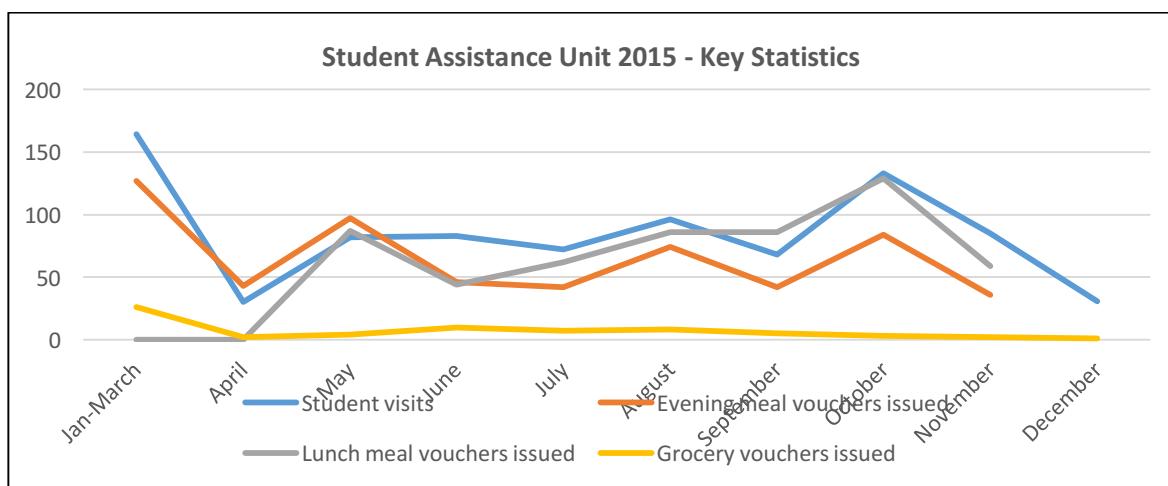


Figure 1 2015 SAU Key Monthly Statistics

A key observation from the data is that service use spikes as we begin the academic year and as we approach key assessment periods.

In addition to meal and grocery vouchers, the Student Assistance Unit provides emergency grants. In 2015, a total of \$16,618 was provided to students in need. Figure 2 below provides a monthly breakdown of emergency grants provided.

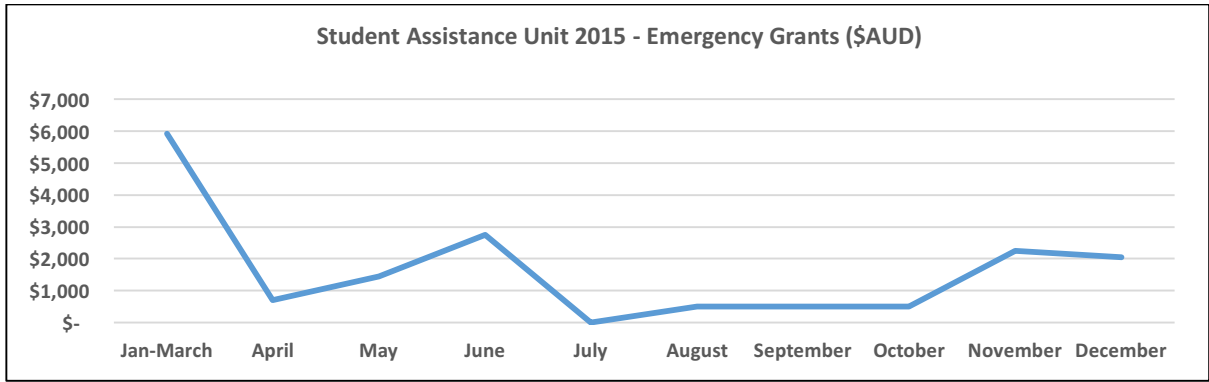


Figure 2 Student Assistance Unit 2015 Emergency Grants (\$AUD)

Lastly, of the 844 student visits throughout 2015, the primary reasons for the visit are outlined below in Figure 3 as a percentage breakdown. From this, it can be seen that financial difficulties and academic issues are the primary drivers for undergraduates accessing services.

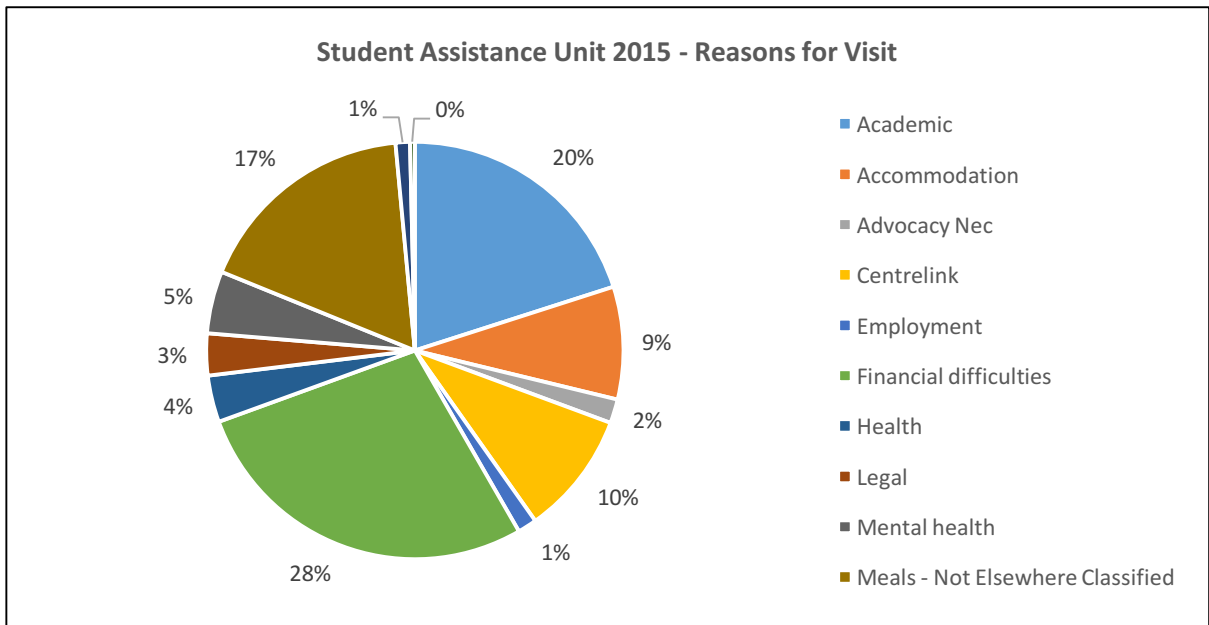


Figure 3 Student Assistance Unit 2015 - Reasons for Visit

2016 Statistics

Figure 4 and Figure 5 below provide a comparison of between 2015 and 2016 of key statistics and emergency grants for the Student Assistance Unit during January and March.

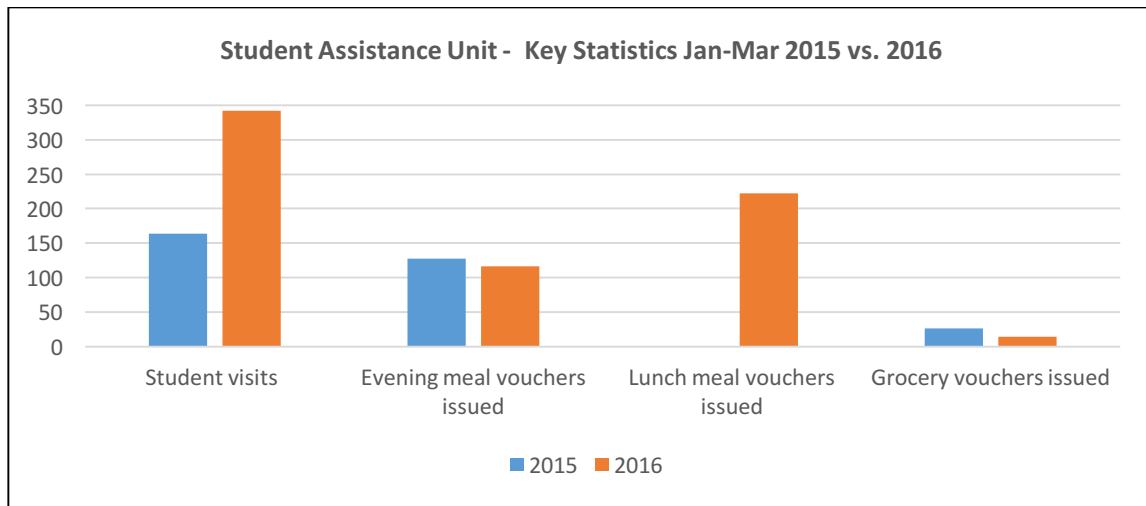


Figure 4 Student Assistance Unit - Key Statistics Jan-Mar 2015 vs. 2016

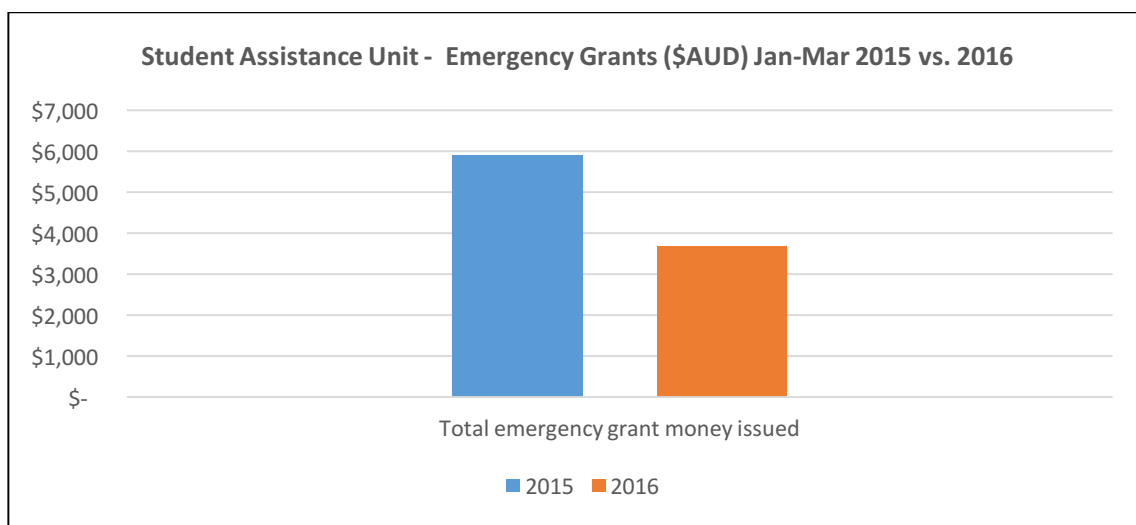


Figure 5 Student Assistance Unit - Emergency Grants (\$AUD) Jan-Mar 2015 vs. 2016

4. Communications & Engagement

Newsletter

During 2015 the Association was successful in adding the ability to send out a fortnightly newsletter to all undergraduate students as part of its communication strategy. The first of these newsletters was sent on the 1st June 2015. Since then, a newsletter has been sent fortnightly during academic term with an average open rate of ~25% and click rate of 20%. With a current subscription of over 12,000 students, this means more than 3,000 students are reading our content and 2,000 engaging more deeply by clicking for more information.

Social Media

As of May 3rd 2016 the Associations Facebook Page has 10,295 likes, an increase of 2,200 (27%) from May 2015. This is still the primary way the Association engages with the student community. Specifically, based on website analytics over the last year approximately 65% of all sessions (active engagements with the website) are from Facebook, with 40% desktop, and 25% mobile. However, as Facebook continues to move towards a paid advertising platform the Association will need to consider how to diversify its communication channels to ensure a high

level of reach is achieved. Additionally, this diversification will become increasingly important as the Association aims to engage underrepresented groups (with respect to the Association) such as non-residential, mature entry and international students.

Website

The Association’s website is intended to be the one-stop-shop for all information pertaining to ANUSA’s activities and services. However, the existing website does not currently achieve this and due to a range of factors is frustratingly slow and prone to crashes. While the Association engaged a website developer early last year to assist with this problem, it has become evident that the fixes at the time were merely a Band-Aid.

Moving forward, with the decommissioning of OrgSync and the procurement of a new tool there is an opportunity for the Association to transition to an integrated solution. In essence, this would mean a new website front-end from a student perspective with a vastly improved functionality. For further information, please refer to the OrgSync Decommissioning section of my report.

Nevertheless, based on analytics the Association’s webpage has seen improved viewership in the early part of 2016 compared to the same period in 2015. See Figure 6 and Figure 7 below for more information.

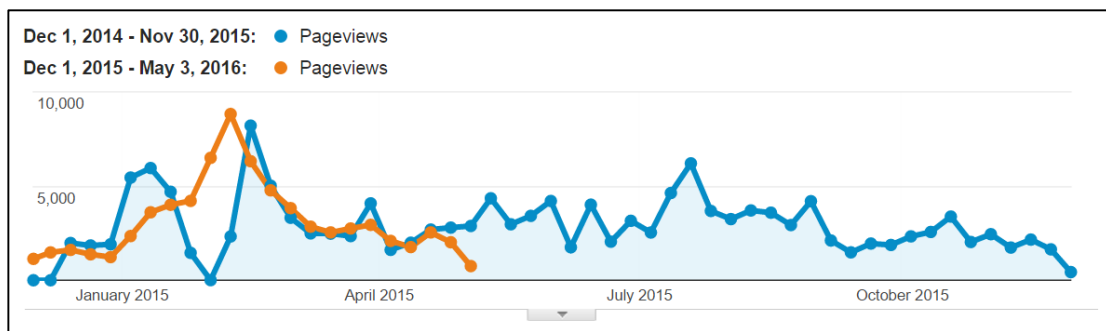


Figure 6 Comparison of pageviews from 2015 to 2016

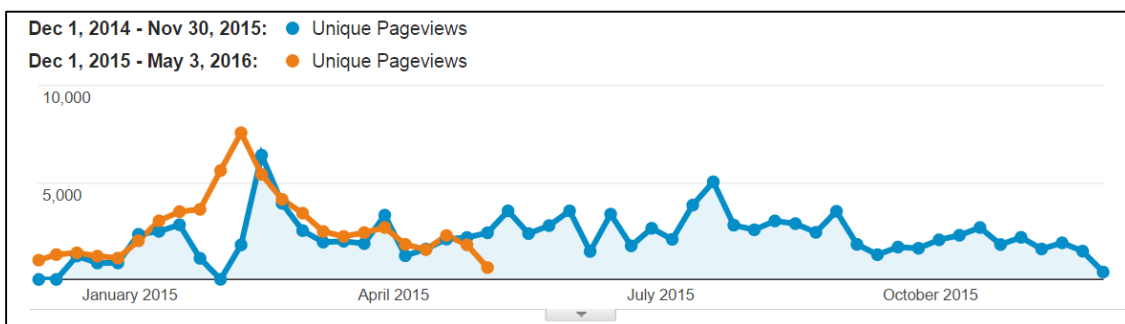
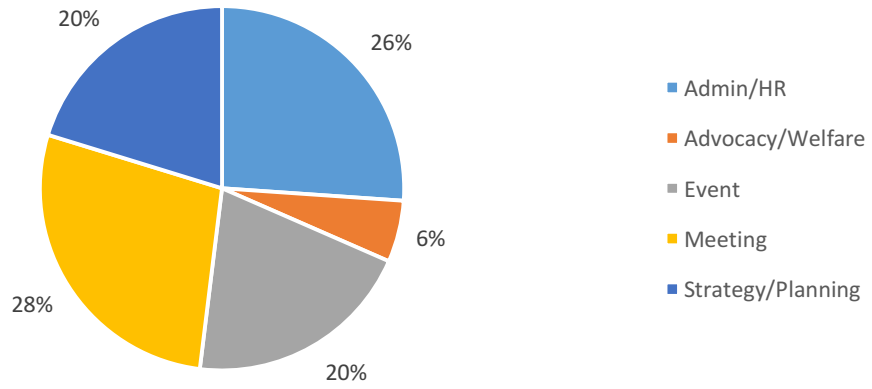


Figure 7 Comparison of unique pageviews from 2015 to 2016

5. Executive Timesheets

See below for a distribution of time recorded year to date.

QuickTimesheets Report - Report - 1/12/15 - 7/05/16



VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Clodagh O'Doherty

Executive Summary

1. Sex & Consent Week
2. Stress Less Week
3. Mental Health Committee
4. University Mental Health Day

Further Information

1. Sex & Consent Week

Applications are now open until Friday 13th May. If you know anyone that would be interested in being a S&C Week director, please encourage them to apply.

Once the applications have closed, I will be sending them out to relevant department heads for their input. We'll then discuss if we want to hold interviews and, if we do, who will sit on that panel. Once the directors are chosen, we will try to schedule a meeting with them, myself, department heads and other relevant stakeholders before the exam period.

2. Stress Less Week

We have re-named Chillapolooza 'Stress Less Week' - Chillapolooza is a little too summery.

Pencil cases and contents will be arriving this week. Thank you to JCOS and COL for giving us collateral to include. We will be printing off mindfulness colouring in sheets and providing free hot chocolate and coffee out of the BKSS from week 12 until the end of the exam period. We're also looking at getting in giant inflatable twister and some arcade games for people to use as a study break during week 12 or 13.

3. Mental Health Committee

Finally able to announce that Marcus Dahl has been appointed as the new MHC Chair. It's a hard time of year to get everyone together, but I'm excited for the year ahead for MHC now that we have a full team!

Meetings are going really well- we have a lot of regular attendees and now have a strong base of connections in the residential sphere. We're currently experimenting with different ways to run meetings so that they are more valuable to a broader range of people (e.g. not doing too much event planning and discussing more policy-based things).

4. University Mental Health Day

While the walk didn't get many attendees, the BBQ was a great success. The Counselling Centre was able to talk to a huge amount of students and have them fill out the 'Keys to Resilience' survey. They had so much fun they want to do it again!

I'd like to thank everyone who came out to help with the BBQ. We had a great mix of people from the MHC, Batyr and representatives from residential halls/colleges. A good sign for things to come with the campaign planned for next semester.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Sean Macdonald

Executive Summary

1. Year-To-Date Profit and Loss Information
2. BKSS Bookstore
3. Sponsorship
4. GAC Guidebook and Qpay
5. Training
6. Finance Review Committee

Further Information

1. Year-To-Date Profit and Loss Information

1 December 2015 – 6 May 2016	
Income	
Bookshop Commission	\$2,493
Sales - BKSS	\$1,405
Sponsorship - ANU	\$9,363
Sponsorship - External	\$37,864
SSAF Allocation	\$1,431,996
Ticket/Event Sales	\$162,386
Interest	\$3,557
Total Income	\$1,645,509
Less Cost of Sales	
BKSS Food/Consumables	\$5,249
Bookstore	\$1,211
Total Cost of Sales	\$6,537
Gross Profit	\$1,638,971
Less Operating Expenses	
Accounting/Bookkeeping/Auditing	\$442
Administration Expenses	\$540
Bank Fees with GST	\$933
Bank Fees without GST	\$191
BKSS Non-Food	\$2,179
Bus expenses	\$2,734
Cleaning	\$2,137
Consultancy	\$8,640

Departments & Collectives	\$50,366
Education Committee	\$667,47
Faculty camps	\$66,477
Fees & Subscriptions	\$2,475
Grants and Affiliations Committee	\$16,731
Interest Expense	\$1,208
Leadership and Professional Development	\$1133
Legal Expenses	\$4,075
Marketing & Communications	\$13,302
Meeting Expenses	\$995
Misc Committees (Mental Health, Safety on Campus)	\$1,530
NUS	\$165
Other Employee Expense	\$10,930
O-Week	\$229,123
Printer	\$1,546
Recruitment	\$4,427
Repairs and Maintenance	\$1,775
Salaries and Wages	\$261,285
Staff Development	\$4,732
Stationery/General Supplies/Postage	\$1,569
Student Assistance Unit Grants	\$9,892
Student Assistance Unit Purchases	\$8,296
Student Engagement	\$2,050
Student Reimbursement - Training Programs	\$159
Superannuation Expense	\$37,588
Training	\$99
Total Operating Expenses	\$764,273
Net Profit	\$874,699

Please note we have received 100% of GAC funding and 70% of our SSAF funding. This is why the net profit is currently so large. We will not be receiving our next SSAF allotment until Semester 2 Census date.

2. BKSS Bookstore

I have been working Tess (BKSS Manager) to review the second hand bookstore and determine if we should close it down or put more resources into making it successful. Currently there are a few problems:

- It is run through the ANUSA website and is very slow;
- The system used to track the books, have changed a lot and there are multiple spread sheets currently, meaning books and details are often lost; and
- There is very little advertising about this service, meaning not many people are aware that they can get textbooks so cheaply.

I am personally in favour of keeping the bookstore around, as it can be quite profitable and is also an awesome service for students, as books are available at 60% of the retail price. We are looking at running a physical bookstore for one day in Bush Week, which will be located in Union Court. We are also looking into changing the system used and doing a proper stock take during the break so we can start implementing the new system from a new base.

3. Sponsorship

I have begun preparing the Bush Week prospectus, as I would like to be able to contacting sponsors well in advance. This will allow us to include sponsors in more events and allow them greater control over any initiatives they have. Once the Bush Week directors are chosen, I will keep them briefed on this.

I have been talking with Inkl (<http://www.inkl.com>) who are a news-reporting site. They are focused on ensuring people are away of the actual news and aren't focused on tabloids. They offer a service where you get an email every morning with the top 20 headlines, and then have a website and app you can download. I am looking at getting a student price, which will be around \$8 - \$10 a month for students which will give them unlimited access to news articles.

I have begun talking with V Adnotes, which is a product developed by V energy. It is an 'ad-blocker' you can download onto your computer and then when you are browsing the Internet, study notes will pop up where ads would normally be. You have control over the information in the study notes. I am in the early stages of negotiating with V and haven't yet seen the product myself.

4. GAC Guidebook and QPAY

I am helping the GAC Committee with their handbook by writing guides for how to organise sponsorship and talk to sponsors. I am also helping them with some basic treasurer guides, such as how to budget and plan financially for events etc.

I have been speaking to Qpay about how they can be involved with ANUSA for the rest of the year. They are running a clubs and societies networking session on the 19 May at 12pm where they will be providing pizza and showing off some of their new features. I am also talking to Qpay about Bush Week ticketing.

5. Training

Fraud prevention training was run on the 29/4 and was very useful. Everyone seemed to enjoy it and was thought about managing risk, which is an important skill. On the 17 and 18 May there will be a directorship training being run as well. If people are interested please get in touch with me and I can explain more about it and see what places are available in the training course.

6. Finance Review Committee

I have gotten in touch with the three new members – Carys, Ebony and Natasha. I have outlined their roles and also am gauging their particular interest areas. There is potential for a lot of good work to occur within this group, especially as the Student Representative Finance Committee (comprising of PARSA, ANUSA and Woroni) is ineffective, due to PARSA and Woroni not committing to meetings or responding to emails/ doing their tasks.

GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Sam Duncan

Executive Summary

1. Notice of AGM – 26 May 2016 at 1pm in The Tank
2. Electoral Reform – new Election Regulations now in effect
3. Day on the Green project – proposal with College Reps for review
4. Inspirational Speaker Series – if not this term, next
5. Ethnocultural Committee – reviewing required constitutional changes
6. Survey of SRCs

Further Information

1. Notice of AGM

I will give notice on Monday 5 May of the AGM to be held at 1pm on Thursday, 26 May in the Haydon Allen Lecture Theatre ("The Tank"). It is imperative we reach quorum for this meeting, as we will be receiving the audited financial statements and the Budget, as well as discussing important policy changes that affect the structure of the Association.

Please make every effort to be there or send someone in your place as proxy.

2. Electoral Reform Success

I am pleased to report that the proposed amendments to the Election Regulations were passed unanimously at the General Meeting on 3 May. The amended Regulations are now in effect.

Shortly I will be preparing an information pack detailing the new Regulations and what they mean for candidates, voters, Probity Officers and the Returning Officer. I will also be working with Ben to engage an online platform to create a 'test election' in the coming months.

I have approached Roxanne Missigan to act as Returning Officer this year and will report back on whether she accepts the position. Should Roxanne be unable or unwilling to act, I will look for alternative university staff with equivalent experience and impartiality.

3. Day on the Green project

I presented a draft proposal for the DOTG project to College Representatives on 2 May. I have asked College Reps to have a go at 'personalising' the proposal for their respective Academic College, updating names, titles and other College-specific references. I hope to approve the personalised proposals this week so that College Reps can forward them to their respective Colleges for consideration.

4. Inspirational Speaker Series

Unfortunately, this term has slipped by and I haven't yet planned an event as part of the Inspirational Speaker Series. I have begun contacting potential speakers and will plan for an event early in Term 3. Suggestions for speakers are still greatly appreciated!

5. Ethnocultural Committee

I met with Rashna (Ethnocultural Committee) and Ray (ANUSA Lawyer) to discuss what processes were required to give effect to the proposed departmentalisation of the Ethnocultural Committee. I understand Rashna is in the process of finalising the Committee's constitution and I have offered her my support in this process.

The ANUSA Constitution will also need to be amended to create an Ethnocultural Department. I will prepare the necessary amendments in due course, with the aim of passing these in Term 3.

6. Survey of SRCs

It was brought to my attention that previous General Secretaries have called for feedback on the conduct of SRC meetings. I would very much appreciate any constructive criticism of other suggestions for improving the way the Association conducts its meetings and governance. I will circulate a survey to all reps after SRC4.

EDUCATION OFFICER'S REPORT

James Connolly

Executive Summary

1. Enrolment Campaign
2. Policy Analysis Working Group
3. ACT Election Debate
4. Politics in the Pub
5. Higher Education Update
6. Media
7. First Year Camps
8. Graphics and alternative means of engagement
9. Expenses
10. Executive Timesheet

Further Information

1. Enrolment Campaign

The following is an update on the enrolment component of the 'Get Enrolled, Get Informed, Get Voting!' campaign. Regarding, methods of encouraging students to enrol to vote, I welcome all input. I will flag four action items:

1. Universal Lunch Hour: I did an enrolment drive during the ULH of Week 9, which was during Arts Week. Thank you to the CASS Reps for allowing this. Around 70 people took the forms and paid envelopes.
2. I have ordered more 'Enrol to Vote or Update your Details' forms so that the ANUSA Offices and Brian Kenyon Student Space will continue to have forms and paid envelopes. The provision of 'Enrol to Vote or Update Your Details' forms: The ANUSA Offices and Brian Kenyon Student Space have forms and paid envelopes. This continues to be advertised, as is online enrolment at <http://www.aec.gov.au/enrol/>.
3. ANUSA is providing assistance to the Enrol 4 Change organisation as their goals of increasing student enrolment is in keeping with ANUSA's. This includes advertising and I will be speaking at one of their events on why students should be enrolled.

2. Policy Analysis Working Group

I continue to oversee the Policy Analysis Working Group in conjunction with Woroni. Pieces on housing affordability, higher education and employability/industrial relations have been published. I am happy with the quality of these pieces. However in anticipation of compiling them into a booklet at the end of Term 2 I have requested the author of the housing affordability piece to make some edits. These edits would account for the announcement of the Liberal Party's policy on negative gearing.

The remaining pieces are on:

1. Social Issues
2. Welfare
3. The role of the government in the economy

3. ACT Election Debate

The event will be on May 25th in MCC1 from 6:30pm-8pm. I am in a position to confirm this having received confirmation of participation from Senator Gallagher, Senator Seselja and Ms Christina Hobbs.

The working group consists of myself, Waheed Jayhoon (Editor-in-Chief of Woroni) and Declan Moore (President of SASS). We are continuing to work on the particulars of the event in coordination with the campaigns of the respective candidates.

4. Politics in the Pub

Despite working with relevant Clubs and Societies on campus it now appears unlikely that a Politics in the Pub event will go ahead for Term 2. I am confident that it will be easier to organise these events in Term 3 in anticipation of the ACT Election.

5. Higher Education Update

Key issues to highlight in the higher education sphere:

- Closure of the Office of Learning and Teaching (OLT). The OLT funds research into improving education quality in higher education institutions. Its closure has been well forecast following a review but always with the expectation of a replacement body. Senator Birmingham since becoming Education Minister has failed to commit to a replacement body even though the OLT is due to be closed 30/6/16. There is considerable evidence that points to the value of having an office or institute to oversee funding into improving education quality and this would represent a significant blow to education quality.
- Cuts in funding to the Higher Education Participation and Partnerships Program (HEPPP) which funds programs including Access and Inclusion.
- \$2 billion cut to higher education announced in the Budget with no clarity as to where the savings will be made.
- The Federal Government released alongside the Budget the 'Driving Innovation, Fairness and Excellence in Higher Education' options paper. It renewed its commitment to overhauling the funding structure for universities with policies to be announced and implemented for 1 January 2018. The discussion paper floats a number of objectionable policies. These are:
 - o Lowering the HECS repayment threshold to \$45,000 from its current position of \$54,126.
 - o A 5-20% charge for accessing a HECS-HELP loan.
 - o The introduction of a household income test to be factored into the repayment threshold.
 - o A 20% cut to university funding with the shortfall to be covered by an increased in tuition fees.
 - o Deregulation of 'flagship course'. Estimates say that these 'flagship courses' will affect around 20% of university cohorts. The other objection is that once partial deregulation is passed it becomes more easy to deregulate other courses.

6. Media

In representing the education policies of the Association I have done media with the following outlets since the last meeting of the SRC:

- hit104.7 Canberra Radio
- The Canberra Times

7. First Year Camps

I have facilitated a survey to be sent out to past mentors and College Representatives in order to gauge their opinions and insights into First Year Camps. I have already had individual meetings with past organisers/participants and will follow up with a larger forum for those past mentors and College Representatives that are interested in attending and contributing.

8. Graphics and alternative means of engagement

I have facilitated a meeting between an ANU student and the Communications Officer on the development of an interactive info-graphic to model the impact of a 20% cut in funding to universities. This will be incorporated into the website.

9. Expenses

The following are expenses that have been incurred since SRC 3 (19th April) to 4th May. Total expenses under the Education Committee line item are \$1454.62.

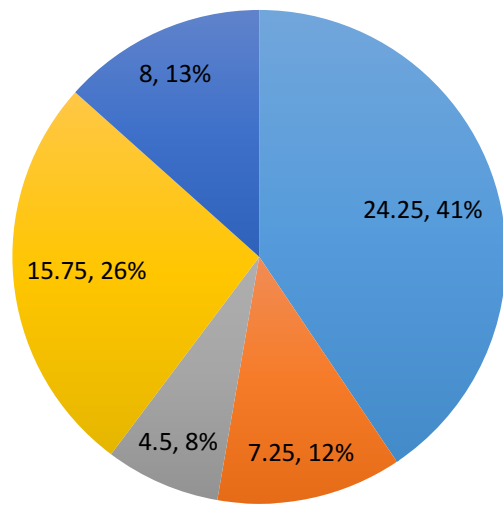
Anticipated expenses for the remainder of Term 2 include food and other materials for the Post-Budget Student Speak Out and materials including food and promotional materials for the ACT Senate Debate.

Line Item: Education Committee

Budget Night Party	\$553.43
Post-Budget Student Speak Out (figures subject to likely increase with food expenses not accounted for)	\$599.10
	Total: \$1152.53

10. Executive Timesheet

See below for a distribution of my time recorded from SRC 3 (19th April) to 4th May.



- Admin/HR
- Advocacy/Welfare
- Event
- Meeting
- Strategy/Planning

SOCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Helena Hu

Executive Summary

1. Bush Week
2. GAC
3. Clubs and Societies Program Working Group
4. Social Committee
5. Clubs and Societies Networking Event
6. Consultation hours

Further Information

1. Bush Week

The recruitment process for Bush Week Directors is ongoing, and we should engage the two directors by the end of Week 11. We have already started the planning process, such as reaching out to sponsors and setting out the organisational timeline. We will be employing the same volunteer team system as O-Week 2016. Please keep an eye out for Logistics Director, Volunteer Coordinator, and Volunteer applications! If you have any questions about any of these positions please feel free to email me at sa.social@anu.edu.au.

2. GAC

GAC has now settled on (once and for all) our permanent weekly meeting time. We will be having weekly working meetings from 2-5pm in the ANUSA Boardroom—these meetings will primarily consist of processing all budget, payment, and affiliation requests, and all Clubs and Society members are welcome to drop in to these meetings after 2:30pm with any questions or concerns.

GAC will also be holding policy meetings on a monthly/as-necessary basis (i.e. there will be a regularly scheduled monthly policy meeting, which can be cancelled if there have been no policy issues raised with GAC that need to be discussed). These meetings will commence in Week 12 on Wednesday 18 May 12-2pm in the ANUSA Boardroom. At the moment, the only item on the agenda is the production funding policy—drafts will be circulated on 10 May for feedback via email or appointments by request, and we will extend a formal invitation to all affected Clubs and Societies closer to the date.

We are also currently in the process of sorting out consultation hours for the GAC members, with the objective of establishing a GAC consultation hour on every business day. Once these times are confirmed they will be advertised, and all Clubs and Societies are welcome to drop in to these consultation hours to ask any questions about affiliations, budget/payment requests, and any other function of GAC.

I have received a notice of resignation from Alex Merrick on 6 May 2016. I welcome nominations from the student body to fill this casual vacancy at this SRC.

Please note: Meeting minutes, announcements, and other information related to GAC is currently being circulated on ANU Student Groups on Facebook—all Clubs and Society execs are encouraged to join this group. We continue to circulate information via OrgSync, and are in the process of putting minutes up on the ANUSA website as well.

Expenditure report:

Approved funds to date: \$23,438.14

Remaining non-allocated funds: \$176,561.86

Monies paid by financial officer: \$13,864.97

3. Clubs and Societies Program Working Group

Following the success of the Electoral Reform Working Group, I am launching the Clubs and Societies Program Working Group with the aim of 1) conducting a thorough, in-depth GAC funding policy review; and 2) reviewing the current support systems in place for Clubs and Societies, and how/where we can improve.

I am currently consulting with Sam for advice on how to effectively conduct the Working Group, and will release details via ANU Student Groups, Facebook, and Orgsync soon. Please keep an eye out and join up if you're interested!

4. Social Committee

The Social Committee had its second meeting on Thursday 5 May. A motion was passed to make the Social Committee available as extra hands during Universal Lunch Hour, and this will be reflected on the online booking form very soon. Clubs and Societies are highly encouraged to take advantage of the Social Committee as a permanent standing team of volunteers not only for ULH, but for any other event they may need help for.

The Social Committee can also provide manpower and also some funding for any cross-campus event idea, especially if it involves more than 1 Club or Society. We highly encourage any member of the ANU community to send any event proposals to sa.social@anu.edu.au.

The next Social Committee meeting will be held on Thursday 26 May 12pm in the ANUSA boardroom—if you are not yet a member of the Social Committee but would like to be involved, please come to the meeting!

5. Clubs and Societies Networking Event

The first Clubs and Societies Networking Event has been scheduled for Thursday 19 May at 12pm in the ANUSA Boardroom. All Clubs and Societies Executives and/or Committee members are welcome to attend—it will be an excellent opportunity to meet different Clubs and Societies, exchange ideas, and ask any questions about holding larger/collaborative events on campus. There will be food and drinks provided, so please RSVP to the invitations once they are sent out via Orgsync, ANUSA website, and ANU Student Groups.

If you are interested in presenting an idea or initiative at the event, please email me at sa.social@anu.edu.au.

6. Consultation hours

I have finally sorted out my timetabling issues, and can confirm that I will now be available for consultation every week on Wednesday from 12-2pm in the ANUSA office. I will also be available for general matters during the GAC meeting on Fridays from 2:30-5pm. All are welcome to come into the office with Functions on Campus Application forms for me to sign, general questions, or any ideas and initiatives to enrich the social life on campus!

QUEER* DEPARTMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Fred Hanlin

Executive Summary

1. Queer* Officer Elections
2. Events
3. Current working groups
4. Expenditure to date

Further Information

1. Queer* Officer Elections

Following Jade McKenna's resignation, Fred Hanlin was elected as Queer* Officer at a special meeting on the 21st of April to continue the role for the remainder of the current term, pending official acceptance of nomination by ANUSA SRC. Current Queer* Deputies have remained in their current positions. I would like to thank the other nominees who ran for this position that requires significant sacrifices in time and energy.

2. Events

The Queer* Department has continued its fortnightly Movie Nights (6pm Thursday) and Queeries (5.30pm Wednesday). Movie Nights are screenings of films centring on queer* identity and issues and are intended to facilitate a safe, social space where people can engage in media they can connect with. Queeries are discussion groups where we have a safe space to talk about issues non-queer* people may not usually engage with or understand. So far the topics have been coming out and dating/relationships.

In the first meeting of the year the collective decided to advertise these on the ANU Pride Facebook page, therefore allowing anyone to attend regardless of self identification - if you are questioning or simply want to learn more and be a better ally, please feel free to come along.

Queer* Coffee occurs every Wednesday at 1pm at the Street Theatre Cafe. This is an autonomous event and purely social.

An Art Day was held on Wednesday 4th April to help decorate the space, and further decoration will be continuing within Facilities and Services guidelines.

3. Working Groups

The Queer* Department is autonomous and so department working groups are listed below without further context - please contact me on sa.queer@anu.edu.au if you are queer* and wish to get involved.

- Queer Collaborations Conference Funding
- ISGD Policy
- Queer* Department History
- Gender Neutral Bathrooms

- Pride Week Working Bee
- Queer* Ball Working Bee
- Bush Week Working Bee

4. Expenditure from SRC 2 15/03/2016

Movie Nights \$47.84

Queeries \$0.00

Queer* Space \$277.92

Meeting Food \$32.92

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' DEPARTMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Zhengxiang (Harry) Feng

Executive Summary

1. ISD Weekly Sports Session
2. ISD War Memorial Tour
3. International week

Further Information

1. ISD Weekly Sports Session

ISD continued our weekly sports events with Futsal sessions. Despite the fact that the number of students who turned up decreased, the feedback from the participants were overall positive. In the meanwhile, ISD has been seeking funding solutions for continually supporting our weekly sports event given the cost could be significant if we want to provide the participants with multiple choices. Currently we are getting in touch with relevant stakeholders and hopefully can develop a plan by the end of the semester.

2. ISD War Memorial Tour

The ISD War Memorial Tour was organised on the 6th of May with the purpose of helping international students who are interested in learning about the ANZAC history to gain a better understanding of it. The event was deliberately planned two weeks after the ANZAC due to the safety concerns that ISD had for taking potentially a large group of people to the museum during the periods when it might be overcrowded.

3. International Week

After discussing with my team, ISD has decided to host our International Week campaign in the Week 3 of Semester 2. This year we are hoping to celebrate the cultural diversity we have here at ANU with not only international students but everyone of the ANU community. We are hoping to collaborate with national clubs, ANUSA departments, ANUSA mental health committee, relevant organisations on campus and anyone who wants to help us to make it a great wee filled with amazing events. For the coming weeks we will start getting in touch with the organisations we mentioned above and we sincerely urge anyone who is interested to participate in organising the international week getting in touch with us. More details of the International Week will be presented at our next SRC meeting.

DISABILITIES DEPARTMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Tom Kesina

Executive Summary

1. Spoon Week – it happened, we tried some new things, will be reviewing efficacy
2. Spoons Space building works – finally finished, with exception of mistakes
3. Semester Two plans – looking to do ADGs, more forum events, policy advocacy
4. Finance update – full Spoon Week expenditure will be reported next SRC

Further Information

1. Spoon Week

The ANU Disabilities Student Association's (DSA) premier event of the year is called 'Spoon Week'. The purpose of Spoon Week this year was to encourage students to take action, learn, and listen when it comes to discrimination against people with disability. This year Spoon Week took place during Week 10 of Semester 1. We ran five awesome events, including our launch/speaker event with Craig Wallace, a discussion on myths and misconceptions about disability, a panel on disclosure of disability in social and workplace situations, a Universal Lunch Hour & a mini-Market Day, and a launch/open day for the Spoons Space. We tried a lot of new things, and gained a lot of useful experience/knowledge/feedback. Overall, attendance averaged about 30 people across the first three events, hundreds for the fourth, and about 20 for the fifth. We did some cool things with publicity this year (Spoon Stories), but probably could've gotten stuff out earlier. We also made a lot of contributions to the Spoon Week edition of Woroni (although it wasn't published during Spoon Week), and launched a petition that we'll continue to follow up on. A huge thanks to my DSA Team (Jeshka, Shae, Jess & Sarah), the DSA Collective, everyone who volunteered throughout the week, and the humans who showed up to our events.

2. Spoons Space update

The Spoons Space building works are nominally complete. The LED lights have been installed, door handles replaced and door painted, power points lowered, a partition removed, signs replaced, and a new kitchen unit installed. Unfortunately, a few things have occurred that mean that there is still work to do. The signs that replaced the old one incorrectly spells 'Spoons Space'. Additionally, the kitchen unit that replaced the old one has been leaking water. Facilities & Services have had each of these issues brought to their attention, but as of 06/05/2016 they have yet to respond. That said, we have seen increasing use of the Space, with almost 90 people who have requested card access. Now that the building works are completed, we'll also begin to furnish the Space more completely with facilities such as a fridge and microwave, as well as two microwaves, as well as new furniture.

3. Semester Two plans

In the spirit of taking a break, the DSA is already starting to plan for awesome things in Semester Two. Said things will include the launch of our Autonomous Discussion Groups, the promulgation of our Accessible Events Guide, the beginning of our monthly discussion events on disability, and the continuing of our advocacy on issues such as a Disability Action Plan and Education Access Plans. In Week 12, we'll be holding the last Collective meeting of the Semester and discussing all these things and more in some depth. If you identify as having a disability, your input would be very appreciated.

4. Finance update

This table is inclusive of all expenditure from December 1 last year. We are still waiting on all of our invoices from Spoon Week, and have to pay reimbursements and so forth.

Expenditure from 01/12/2015 to 06/05/2016

LINE ITEMS	AMOUNT
Casual Coffee	\$1005.60
Collective meetings	\$196.09
O-Week	\$737.94
Promotional	\$598.30
Spoon Space – consumables	\$47.99
Spoons Space – non-consumables	\$223.00
Spoon Week	\$3113.00
Weekly events	\$42.28
Total:	\$5964.20

ENVIRONMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Victoria Herbert and Zoe Neumayer

Executive Summary

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1. Past Events

- **Enviro Picnic #2** – Monday 2 May – Hosted with the Fenner School Society and AYCC. About 30 people came and it was a lovely and relaxed lunch time event, with people from enviro-related groups on campuses coming together.
- **Climate Café** – Friday 29 April – Our second event for the year, where Caroline Lambert, first Counsellor for Climate and the Environment at the European Union delegation to Australia, led a discussion on the topic 'Why does Europe do climate diplomacy in Australia?' About 30 people were in attendance.
- **Cowspiracy**- Wednesday 27th April- 50+ people in attendance, a range of speakers including a local animal activist and 2 members from the ANU community.

2. Upcoming and ongoing events and initiatives

- **Climate** – This event is co-hosted by the Climate Change Institute, and is welcome to all students, academics and staff. The third event will be held Monday 30 May, with Luke Kemp from the Fenner School of Environment and Society speaking.
- **Keep Cups on campus initiative** – Currently asking ANU cafes to commit to 50c discount for each cup. Also working on posters and publicity.
- **ANU Bar plastic cups campaign** – working on getting ANU Bar to stop using disposable cups and use washable cups instead.
- **Student Bites** (every Monday 12pm). Running well with a regular roster of volunteers set up. The response from students wanting food has been overwhelming!
- **Students of Sustainability conference** – currently trying to recruit ANU students to attend the annual conference run by the Australian Students Environment Network (ASEN). It will be held at Griffith University, Brisbane, from the 7th-11th July. The EC can help support people financially and logistically to attend.

3. Expenditure report:

Expenditure from 15/04/2016 to 6/05/2016

LINE ITEMS	AMOUNT
Collective meetings (plus FFANU meetings)	\$104.07
Enviro Picnic #2 (food)	\$75.00
Cowspiracy screening	\$400

FFANU campaign materials (as part of Flood the Campus)	\$1,775.24
TOTAL:	\$2354.31

4. Fossil Free ANU

Past events:

- **#ThoughtLeaders campaign as part of Flood the Campus**
21 April – As part of the nation-wide event Flood the Campus FFANU did our own take of ANU's #thoughtleaders marketing campaign. It involved postering campus and using social media. The response from the ANU community was overwhelmingly positive, and it also triggered an interesting twitter conversation with VC Brian Schmidt (@cosmicpinot) himself.

DISCUSSION ITEMS / MOTIONS ON NOTICE

Motion 1

PREAMBLE:

In March this year the ANU Refugee Action Committee collected close to 800 signatures from ANU staff and students calling on Vice Chancellor Professor Brian Schmidt to make ANU a refugee sanctuary. Many churches, mosques, union and other community organisations around the country have pledged their support to asylum seekers at risk of deportation by offering sanctuary, and it is our belief that ANU, as a community of scholars and students from around the world, should embody and promote the values of humanity, inclusiveness and tolerance by doing the same.

Following on from the UMSU Students' Council unanimously passing a motion offering sanctuary in late March, we call on the representatives of ANUSA to make a similar offer by endorsing the following statement:

MOTION:

This meeting of the ANUSA Students Representative Council notes:

- vii. that 267 asylum seekers, including 91 children (37 of whom are babies born in Australia; and 36 at school) are presently in Australia having been brought here by the immigration department from offshore detention centre of Manus Island and Nauru;
- viii. that they were brought for medical attention and mental health treatment that was not available on Nauru or Manus Island;
- ix. that they have spent around two years in detention and have not been processed;
- x. that the detrimental effects of long term detention are well known for both children and adults;
- xi. that Nauru and Manus Island are not safe for asylum seekers or refugees;
- xii. (vi) that five state and territory leaders, including Labor leaders in Victoria, Queensland and the ACT have called on the Turnbull government not to return the 267 to Nauru.

We further note that the Immigration Minister, Peter Dutton has recently stated the Government is committed to sending this group of asylum seekers, including the 72 children, back to Nauru. We therefore declare our complete opposition to any asylum seeker or refugee presently in Australia being sent to Nauru or Manus Island.

Accordingly, we:

- v. call on the government not to send any asylum seeker or refugee to Manus Island or Nauru;
- vi. call on the ACT government to not cooperate with any attempt by the Federal government to return any of the 267 to Nauru;
- vii. call on the ANU Vice Chancellor Professor Brian Schmidt to declare ANU a Refugee Sanctuary;
- viii. will provide all appropriate moral, financial and material support for the campaign by community and refugee advocacy groups to prevent asylum seekers being returned to Manus Island and Nauru.

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ELECTION OF GAC MEMBER

There is a casual vacancy in membership of the Grants and Affiliations Committee (GAC) that must be filled by the SRC in accordance with clause 4.6 of the Elections Regulations (as amended).

Any ordinary member of the Association may nominate to fill the vacancy. Nominations will be taken from the floor.