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## MINUTES - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL 7 2012

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2012

6pm, ANUSA Boardroom

### **Executive**

Alice McAvoy- Vice President of the Association  
Rashid Kazak- Treasurer of the Association  
Tara Mulholland- General Secretary Association  
Phoebe Malcolm- Social Officer of the Association  
Tom Barrington-Smith- Education Officer of the Association

### **Ordinary Members**

Eric Chan  
Louise Stockton  
Vincci Lee  
Galvin Chia  
Tasman Vaughan  
Aleks Sladojevic

### **Faculty Representatives**

Justin Steele  
Vaibhav Sagar  
Jack Hobbs  
Matthew Birtwistle  
William Gort  
Roseanna Bricknell  
Junyan Tan  
Thomas Brazier

### **General Representatives**

Charmaine Yong  
Samantha Teong  
Alex Clark  
Ben McMullin  
Matilda Gillis  
Lillian Ward  
Jeff Sun  
Thomas Nock  
Edward Byrne

### **Department Officers**

Renee Jones  
Stuart Ferrie  
Christopher Karas

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

Meeting Opens at 6:15pm

I would like to show my respect and acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, of elders past and present, on which this event takes place.

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

**MOTION:** That the minutes from the SRC6 2012 be accepted.

**Moved:** Tara Mulholland

**Seconded:** Vaibhav Sagar

**Motion passed**

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

### 3.1.1 President's Report (D. Proctor) [Reference A]

- Handover is underway to maximise the potential of ANUSA
- SSAF Negotiation meeting
- Dallas has been hassling DOI
- Negotiated support costs down to \$0
- Sent them a list of demands and they responded within a week
- Submission to F&S
- Start building something with the SSAF money
- Marnie Hughes Warrington, got her to chase it up.
- She talked to them and they said it was merely a matter of approving it by Council
- Dallas- \$700 just cuts, meeting with greyhound
- Joint events with PARSA
- Jobs, internships, competitions

*No Questions*

**MOTION:** That the President's Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Vaibhav Sagar

**Seconded:** Rashid Kazak

**Motion: passed**

### 3.1.2 Vice President's Report (A. McAvoy) [Reference B]

- Mental health week is next week, lunch on Friday, Mental health consultant employed by SSAF
- Free up the Counselling centre to take up more 30 minute appointments
- Please come along, heaps of ANU staff, Co-op is putting on a free lunch. 12 noon not this Friday but next Friday
- Safety on Campus- unisafe committee to get back together to talk about basic services, we want to be proactive and preventative (Luce is taking it over- if anyone wants to come along, let me know)

- UAEC Committee- mentioned Fenner Hall exchange, ANU is trialling a new version of virtual colleges, 100 students available to participate in sports and arts
- Report from student equity about high school areas
- Gender pay gaps in ANU staff, almost in every pay level of ANU staff there was roughly 5-15,000 pay level difference between women and men- significant distinction in all of the levels
- University, Dean of Students, ANUSA- JCLDS trying to convert students, working on policies. Instance where they've been dound knocking on doors twice. Policy is being formulated
- Review of the Tjbal Centre has been postponed
- SSAF negotiations, Aleks, Tas and Shan have been leading the way on this. The university approached us a month ago for big ideas. International students paying SSAF,
- Proposals for more staff
- Special clubs and societies room, proper badge makers, negotiations being held by Marnie
- F&S have not been invited, looking promising

### Questions

- **Renee Jones:** Has private office space for Queer\* and Women's come up as a big idea?
  - **Aleks Sladojevic:** Plans for Pauline Griffin haven't been transparent. Space to be set aside for students
  - **Renee Jones:** Queer\* and Disabilities along with other collectives really need space.
  - **Alice McAvoy:** Common rooms have been allocated funding, we want to have ANUSA administering those spaces.
  - **Renee Jones:** I cannot stress enough how important it would be for officers to have a space
- **Galvin Chia:** What's the process of consultation of SSAF for Clubs and Societies and other student groups
  - **Shan Verne-Liew:** We've had a Union Court stall and engaged in outreach with Student Space staff. We've also met with all the presidents of different international clubs and societies and spoke about making access to capital to easier. Option was there for all students to engage.
  - **Aleks Sladojevic:** We're also meeting with other stakeholders like PARSA and Student media to discuss multi-year projects and collaboration between different students associations on campus. We're speaking about bringing welfare together and . How welfare is done- student assistance unit. PARSA has a stake in that- Welfare unit for all students. Sharing of a financial officer- Union, PARSA and Student media
- **Galvin Chia:** Have you identified access and equity issues with 10,000 students who are paying SSAF?
  - **Aleks Sladojevic:** We want a welfare officer who can speak a second language and free breakfast in student space.
  - **Renee Jones:** The ANUSA 2013 executive have put up a budget wall in the student space.

- **Aleks Sladojevic:** We've brainstormed all that we can do- surveys, stalls, student media. Tried to consult. SSAF negotiations will be quite quick, action points to work on. Marnie doesn't want each students association to submit a budget, she wants long term projects.
- **Alex Clark:** What happens to projects that require continuous fundin if there is a change of government and SSAF is gone?
  - **Alice McAvoy:** The university is keen to support from ANUSA, they think the increased staff numbers are a good idea. There is no binding support the staffing roles. Although that's not a binding contract, it is a promising project for those
- Is the intention to spend all the money or can you roll it over?
  - **Alice McAvoy:** Three aspects: ANUSA does have reserves, we can keep money as long as it's allocated within that portfolio again, we could have thought more about what is in the best interest of ANUSA now, putting SSAF to its full potential
  - **Rashid Kazak:** The university funds staffing separately, funding is not contingent on the general pool of university funding. Admin officer we pay out of regular funding, lawyer separate agreement, get them to fund staff separately.
- **Stuart Ferrie:** Who is planning to sit on unisafe committee?
  - **Alice MxAvoy:** Department officers, student reps, gen reps, either President or Vice President. Mental Crisis Centre or CRCC, keeping them consulted in the agenda
- **Ben McMullin:** Is there any information about the review of the Tjabal Centre?
  - **Alice McAvoy:** Not much, partly because Liz Deane is no longer in Chancelry, partly because it's not in the right time in the student life cycle

**MOTION:** That the Vice President's Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Vaibhav Sagar

**Seconded:** Stuart Ferrie

**Motion passed**

### 3.1.2 General Secretary's Report (T. Mulholland) [Reference C]

- Not really that much.
- I will be doing polling for the ISD elections, currently doing nominations forms.
- If the 2012 ANUSA reps could provide a report for the annual report, sent soft copy already. Need by today/Friday.
- Two meetings left for the semester OGM, CRC.
- Everyone should come to the union OGM.

*No Questions*

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

**Moved:** Vaibhav Sagar

**Seconded:** Phoebe Malcolm

**Motion passed**

### 3.1.4 Treasurer's Report (R. Kazak) [Reference D]

- Everything I've been doing is related to the investigation, made significant progress

- Luce gave us the job posting, we don't have to pay them according to ANU's enterprise agreement
- Dallas spoke to Peter Ship, Peter and Dallas believe that the Union Finance committee should do the finance for ANUSA, Woroni, Union
- Better than the alternate proposal that we subcontract our work out to the Union

#### Questions

- **Renee Jones:** Have we payed out NUS fees?
  - **Rashid Kazak:** We are still considering whether or not we pay them. We don't want to pay NUS as we haven't received support this year.

**MOTION:** That the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Vaibhav Sagar

**Seconded:** Matthew Birtwistle

**Motion passed**

#### 3.1.5 Education Officer's Report (T. Barrington-Smith) [Reference E]

- Election scorecard and politics in the pub- locked down Jason Hinder, Meredith hunter, Trisha Jha SLP, still waiting to confirm a Liberal candidate (Elizabeth Lee- tweet here)

#### Questions

- **Renee Jones:** how are we delivering the scorecard?
  - **Tom Barrington-Smith:** Canberra Times ad, posters, largely online.
- **Galvin Chia:** Vice Chancellors of the G08 will be pushing to deregulate HECS over the summer holidays
  - **Tom Barrington-Smith:** I did read the report from Grattan that suggested that students in Australia aren't paying enough for their education. If anyone is able to get away with charging more it would be a place like ANU. For this to happen it will have to be passed by parliament

**MOTION:** That the Education Officer's Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Vaibhav Sagar

**Seconded:** Rashid Kazak

**Motion passed**

#### 3.1.6 Social Officer's Report (P. Malcolm) [Reference F]

- End of term party happened- next big thing is clubs and societies awards night.
- Please RSVP if you are on ANUSA and want to come let me know
- 103 nominations for 27 clubs
- Winner and runner up from every club, 15<sup>th</sup> of October, if anyone has a passion for judging clubs come and see me
- Diary: same design as last year because its so cheap
- End of semester party- student space or ANU Commons

#### Questions

- **Tasman Vaughan:** Are you putting advertising in the diary

- Phoebe Malcolm: It's a deal they have, in exchange for dealing with putting the diary together they put in their own advertising.

**MOTION:** That the Social Officer's Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Justin Steele

**Seconded:** Lilly Ward

**Motion passed**

### 3.2 Department Reports

#### 3.2.1 Women's Department Report (R. Jones) [Reference G]

- Pledge Universal Lunch Hour is next week- hopefully will be successful.
- After this meeting if you want to be in the film come see me
- Helping AJ with pink ribbon brunch
- Resource book/guide for future officers. I have to write a report and turn it into a resource
- Unisafe
- Write a letter to your MP about RU4it?

*No Questions*

**MOTION:** That the Women's Officer's Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Vaibhav Sagar

**Seconded:** Lilly Ward

**Motion passed**

#### 3.2.2 Queer\* Department Report (S. Ferrie) [Reference H]

- Pride week was week 5, postering, volunteering (had a few issues).
- F&S about Queer\* Space
- Sex Gender Diversity Group- Penny attended the meeting
- not changing their policy until the Commonwealth has changed theirs- protects sex but not gender, marital status
- F & S refuse to budge on gender neutral toilets- single occupancy toilets- CSIT and Copeland
  - **Rashid Kazak:** Unisex toilets at the art school
- New gender diversity module
- Diversity month- it was a bit of a joke
- Film group did a good job
- Open house at the Tjabal Centre didn't really happen
- Campaign for this semester has been writing a handbook
- A couple of people in the collective have been investigating with this in the Human rights Commission- ADFA group
- Equal Marriage Rally on Saturday

### Questions

- **Ben McMullin:** Where is the Petrie Plaza?
  - **Stuart Ferrie:** At the carousel
- **Renee Jones:** Could we get a Queer\* space by 2013?
  - **Stuart Ferrie:** We're going to go quite hard with F&S, we are really angry. We've taken it to the DVC. If it doesn't get resolved we're going to the VC. We are really frustrated, the attitude of F&S is to keep postponing, we'll try our hardest
  - **Aleks Sladojevic:** The trouble this year has had with F&S, they haven't spent any money. Try to deal with them less and have pressure from higher up. Raise with Marnie and Luce.
  - **Alice McAvoy:** The oldest person in the Chancelry is the VC, not much institutional knowledge.
- **Aleks Sladojevic:** What are some of the campaigns/ideas for next year?
  - **Stuart Ferrie:** As officer you don't have direct autonomy over the campaigns, continue on with sex and gender diversity, space relocation, does depend on what issues come up.
- **Aleks Sladojevic:** Is the handbook annual?
  - **Stuart Ferrie:** It is likely to be annual.

**MOTION:** That the Queer\* Officer's Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Vaibhav Sagar

**Seconded:** Renee Jones

**Motion passed**

### 3.2.3 Environment Department Report (L. Alexandra)

*Environment Officer was not present and did not submit a report*

### 3.2.4 International Students' Department Report (C. Szer Rei) [Reference I]

**MOTION:** That the International Students' Department Officer's Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Stuart Ferrie

**Seconded:** Vaibhav Sagar

**Motion passed**

### 3.2.5 Disabilities Department Report (C. Karas) [Reference J]

- National Youth disabilities conference
- ANU seems to be leading towards a National Trend of establishing disabilities collectives.
- Helping UNSW
- People with disabilities can have a lonely experience at university so providing inclusive events. If you can take that on board that would be fantastic

*No Questions*

**MOTION:** That the Disabilities Report be accepted.

**Moved:** Vaibhav Sagar

**Seconded:** Alice McAvoy

**Motion passed**

### **3.3 Committee Reports**

#### 3.3.1 Grants and Affiliations Committee Report (P. Malcolm) [Reference K]

- **Tasman Vaughan:** How much do you anticipate would be spend?
  - **Phoebe Malcolm:** Wouldn't surprise me if we hit \$100,000
  - Dallas has also been doing campaigning and telling people to come back and reapply if they have been denied in the past

**MOTION:** That the Grants and Affiliations be accepted.

**Moved:** Vaibhav Sagar

**Seconded:** Alice McAvoy

**Motion passed**

#### 3.3.1(a) Grants and Affiliations Handbook Changes [Reference L]

- Just the second part is being changed, ideal thing would be to hire a bus which does have the area at the back. Trying to keep it open
- Accessibility allowances, for grants over \$100

**MOTION:** That the Changes to the Grants and Affiliations Committee be accepted

**Moved:** Phoebe Malcolm

**Seconded:** Rashid Kazak

**Motion passed**

### **Item 4: Discussion Items**

#### 4.1.1 Bus Proposal (D. Proctor)

**MOTION:** That SRC endorses the ANUSA Executive's proposal to purchase a minibus, as detailed in the presentation given by the ANUSA President at the previous SRC.

**Moved:** Rashid Kazak

**Seconded:** Renee Jones

**Rashid Kazak:**

- Clubs and societies would they be able to do events that they wouldn't ordinarily consider, hire a car out personally
- Insurance cost is minimal
- ANU will provide a parking space
- Can be used for Clubs and Societies and ANUSA purposes



- Potentially could be used to provide a night rider service
- Leasing out to students for individual purposes
- If any students have a disability we will pay from a private vehicle for them to use a bus.

*Questions:*

- **Ben McMullin:** How many does the bus seat?
  - Rashid Kazak: 12
- **Louise Stockton:** What is the night rider service?
  - **Alice McAvoy:** At the moment it does not include a night rider service. In the future the bus may transport students between civic and on campus late at night
- **Christopher Karas:** Is the bus going to be automatic, all people with a drivers licence be able to use it
  - **Alice McAvoy:** There is a specific training process (exactly for 12 seater) making sure that it was reasonably safe. The driver would have to have a full license.
- How can you ensure that they have a licence before they drive the bus?
  - **Rashid Kazak:** Drivers will have to register with ANUSA
  - **Alice McAvoy:** Vincci, when you hire the bus you have to provide your license every time and fill in a specific logbook
- **Christopher Karas:** It's a lot of money to be spent when students with mobility issues won't be able to use it but I appreciate the GAC handbook was changed to grant travel for students with mobility issues.

**MOTION:** That SRC endorses the ANUSA Executive's proposal to purchase a minibus, as detailed in the presentation given by the ANUSA President at the previous SRC.

**Moved:** Rashid Kazak

**Seconded:** Renee Jones

**Motion Passed**

**Votes Against:** Christopher Karas

## **Item 5: Other Business**

### 5.1 Alternative Course Guide (A. Sladojevic)

- **Aleks Sladojevic:** Amy will be taking the reigns of this project. It's still happening but Carl doesn't want to be involved.
- **Renee Jones:** Can we have it online?
  - **Aleks Sladojevic:** Marni is keen to have it online (web version)
- **Tom Barrington-Smith:** You might want to look into hiring a Publications Officer as it doesn't fall within the role of Education Officer
  - **Aleks Sladojevic:** That's true but we all do jobs that don't fall within our specific portfolio

### 5.2 Last SRC of 2012

- **Alice McAvoy:** I know it doesn't feel like it but this is our last SRC, I didn't want it to go past without thanking you guys.

**Item 5: Date of Next Meeting and Close**

The next meeting of the Student Representative Council will be held in 2013 at a time to be determined by the 2013 General Secretary.

Meeting closed: 7:37pm



## Reference A

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### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dallas Proctor

#### Handover

I have been working with Tas, Shan and Aleks to discuss the major projects for next year:

- Staffing - the Association plans to hire a number of new staff to support office bearers and to improve the quality of services and continuity
- Office renovations - new reception, Clubs and Societies resource room and desks for new staff

#### Department of Information

After negotiating our support costs to \$0, I've worked with some (very helpful) DOI staff members to update our email system, install ANU TV in our foyer, and set up a new wireless AP in the ANUSA office roof. Officers, college reps, staff and the exec can now access email accounts from mail.uds.anu.edu.au

#### Facilities and Services

After an email weeks ago to the Director of Facilities and Services, a meeting has finally been scheduled for next week. We hope to solve a huge range of issues, however are not particularly optimistic given F&S' reputation at the University.

#### Promotional Materials

A banner has been ordered to advertise the Student Space, and the large sign has arrived and is in use. I have contacted laser cutting companies about new signage for inside and outside the office.

#### PARSA/ANUSA Joint Events

PARSA and ANUSA will come together to present two social events aimed at international students but open to everyone: Bush Dance and Australian Country Adventure. Tickets are available on our online shop.

#### Sponsorship

I negotiated \$700 of sponsorship with Just Cuts Canberra Centre and will shortly be meeting Greyhound again.

#### Enhancements to Website

New "Notices" section featuring jobs, internships, competitions and student deals

#### Sound System

We plan to purchase some extra speakers in order to have two fully operational sound systems. Unfortunately, one of the speakers has started to rattle and needs to be looked at. We are starting to get concerned about the use of the speakers by untrained students, and have decided

to implement a new system whereby trained students will be paid ~\$100/night for set-up, transport and pack-up.

**Reference B**

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**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Alice McAvoy

**GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Tara Mulholland

**International Student Department Elections**

I have agreed to be the Returning Officer for the ISD Elections. The polling will be held in the ANUSA Boardroom Elections from 9am to 4pm on Tuesday 9th October -Thursday 11th October.

**Annual Report**

I know you guys must be getting sick of sending me reports by now but I really need submissions for the 2012 ANUSA Annual Report. I sent you all the 2011 Report, which should give you a rough outline of what to write. Please send them through ASAP/ by C.O.B Friday.

**Meetings**

The remaining meetings for the semester are the CRC and OGM.

**OGM**

- Proposed changes for the OGM have been emailed to all ANUSA reps and the proposed changes are also on the website.
- If you would like to submit a motion to the agenda of the meeting please do so before the 10<sup>th</sup> of October.
- O-Week and GAC Nomination Forms are available on the website
- The Returning Officers report from the Election will also be presented at the OGM

**Union General Meeting**

ANU Bar Thursday 11 October 2012 4pm.

**Thanks to ANUSA 2012**

Thanks very much to all the work that has been put in by ANUSA 2012. It's been swell (most of the time). Best of luck to everyone in 2013!

**Gen Sec out!**

## Reference D

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### TREASURER'S REPORT

Rashid Kazak

There is nothing to report on as such given that the only thing I have been working since the last SRC has been relating to the investigation, which I cannot comment on. Suffice to say that I am working to have the issue resolved as much as possible prior to the handover period.

Significant progress has been made.

## Reference E

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### EDUCATION OFFICER'S REPORT

Tom Barrington-Smith

#### Education Scorecard and Politics in the Pub

Proving to be a big task but I'm confident it should be done reasonably soon. Aiming for a launch date by next week. To be launched shortly after the "politics in the pub" debate next week. Waiting for confirmations from polities but should be good. I will continue to follow up.



**SOCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

Phoebe Malcolm

**End of Term Party**

- End of Term Party was held at Student Space on the last Thursday of Semester
- Thanks everyone who was involved!

**Cheers!**

- The inaugural Clubs and Societies Awards Night will be held on Friday 19 October
- Nominations have closed – we have had 103 nominations for 27 individual clubs and societies.
- A selection committee made up of GAC, PARSA, and ANUSA representatives will be selecting the winners.

**Diary**

- We are still negotiating prices for the 2012 diary
- We hope to have the design finalised in the coming weeks.

**Politics in the Pub**

- Politics in the Pub will be held on Wednesday 10 October
- It will be a great opportunity for ANU students to learn about the candidates in the lead up to the 2012 ACT elections
- Hope to see you all there!

**End of Semester Party**

- I am in the process of organising End of Semester Party to be held on Thursday 31 October
- We are currently tossing up between having the event at Student Space or at ANU Commons
- Suggestions welcome.

## WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT REPORT

Renee Jones

### **The Pledge:**

The Pledge universal lunch hour is happening next week and this is an incredibly stressful sentence to write. We will be handing out bags, badges and pledge cards, have Pledge banners for people to sign, we will have a presentation of the banners being hung on ANUSA's balcony, have someone from the campaign make a speech and we will cook an exorbitant amount of food.

The Pledge campaign video has mostly been filmed, but we can always use more people in the film, and I am probably going to ask y'all to film some after the meeting. It will only take you five seconds. I promise. If I get enough people to film tonight, the video will be out tomorrow.

### **WESNET Training:**

The officer for 2013, Beth Ritchie, will be going to training provided by the ACT WSN on domestic violence. We will also be sending two people who have expressed interest in nominating for Deputy Officer.

Constitutional Amendments: We will be (hopefully) amending our constitution at our AGM next week. Changes include creating two Deputy Officer positions and having weekly meetings rather than fortnightly ones.

### **RU4it?:**

We will be sending off our first round of letters this week, so if you would like us to send your RU4it letter on your behalf please send a copy to [ru4itcampaign@gmail.com](mailto:ru4itcampaign@gmail.com) Beth and I will be attending a briefing on RU486 for the Parliamentary Group on Population Development. and we may get a speaking slot to talk about the RU4it? campaign. Many of the politicians who will be receiving our letters will be there, so it will be a great way to continue the conversation of the campaign.

### **End of Year Bash:**

Tentatively scheduled for 30th October. We are hopefully going to be having food, drinks and music at the Food Co-Op followed by Karaoke at Transit.

### **Collective Book Club:**

Next one will be on the Virgin Suicides. Check out the Collective Book Club facebook for more details.

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### QUEER\* DEPARTMENT REPORT

Stuart Ferrie

#### **Apologies**

Sorry about the last report and the file format issue. I've put the content of that report into this report again so people can see it and ask questions.

#### Pride Week

Another year, another Pride Week. This year, we ran a movie night, Queer Coffee/Lunch, Universal Lunch Hour, a Queery on Reclamation and Queer Ball: Tophats and Tomcats. Movie night was reasonably attended, Milk was watched, pizza was eaten and enjoyment was had (except for me when I left my keys at uni and had to walk back here at 11pm). Queer coffee has since had the time changed as attendance was much better last semester when it was at a different time, so that will hopefully pick up after the break. Universal Lunch Hour went reasonably well, despite the terrible weather. We had some issues with volunteers, but thanks to those who helped Nat set up the marquee while I was running around in the rain with a trolley full of sausages. Queery was pretty small, but a good discussion nevertheless. Queer Ball had about 40-50 attendees, which was about what we were expected, but in typical Queer Dep fashion, we overcatered. The event as a whole ran smoothly and we were happy with ANU Commons as a venue.

Notes for running Pride Week next year:

1. Postering needs to be done at least the weekend before, preferably during the preceeding week
2. Roster volunteers to actually make people do stuff on time
3. Don't run it during Election Week, as too many people were involved with elections
4. Try to overcater less
5. Service One close at ridiculously inconvenient times. Change the bank accounts over.

#### Queer Space Relocation

The bothering of F&S has resumed. Hopefully there will be more news from them soon.

#### Sex and Gender Diversity Working Group

A meeting was due to happen a couple of weeks ago, which didn't occur due to most of the people meant to be at the meeting cancelling at the very last minute. This meeting has not occurred yet, but the involved people have been queried about it. Currently in the Department though, we're trying to find all the single occupancy toilets on campus as those require no capital works from F&S to make them gender neutral.

#### Diversity Month

Interdepartmental Morning Tea went reasonably well. Film Group's movie screenings were commendable. Open House at the Tjabal Centre went mostly unnoticed due to poor publicity. All in all, publicity and organisation fail.

Notes for Diversity Month next year:

1. Do not try to put together an entire month's worth of events during the month when they're meant to be happening.
2. Do not decide that it's going to be a month during the week that was originally Diveristy Week.
3. Get more student groups involved in it from the start.

4. Lots of great ideas for events, but the timeframe given to organise them over the holidays was entirely unrealistic.
5. Publicise much better.

### Queer Officer for 2013

I've been elected Queer Officer for 2013, so with regards to liasing about ANUSA 2013 and Queer\* issues, I'm the person to contact.

### Queer Department Handbook

The Department has been writing a handbook as our campaign for this semester. The content is written and has been passed by the collective so now we're finally making a nice publishable version of it on the 12<sup>th</sup>, so we should have a digital copy finished and ready for publishing with an aim to distribute during O-week and within the Department well before that.

### Discussion of Philip Pocock (independent running in the ACT election)

The comments which he made about the recriminalisation of homosexuality in the Canberra Times ("ACT candidate: Outlaw gay sex, but no 'poofter bashing'" 23/9/12) a few weeks ago and the fact that he is a practising psychologist in Canberra concerned a number of people within the collective, so preliminary investigations have been made regarding what the Human Rights Commission can do about it, considering these statements are totally unacceptable in a political campaign.

### Sex and Gender Diversity Policies Meeting

Policy is not planned to be changed until the Commonwealth change their discrimination policies, which is disappointing as the ANU has very piecemeal policies regarding discrimination particularly with regards to sex, gender and lawful sexual activity. This could lead the discrimination policies not to be changed for potentially years. A Gender Inclusive Language Guideline has been implemented and a new HR module on gender diversity has been implemented for staff. The Ally program has seemingly stalled somewhat again. Facilities and Services are fairly unwilling to change even some of the existing toilets to unisex, even when there exist single-occupancy toilets with signs for a specific sex right next to single sex toilets. In brief, it's frustrating at the slow progress of this.

### Wider Community

I'm advising a couple of people at ADFA about setting up a queer support group there as they approached me about setting one up. There's an equal marriage rally on the 6<sup>th</sup> of October in Petrie Plaza, so you should attend if you feel strongly about the issue. ANU Queer\* Department will be at the SpringOut festival market day on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of November.

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## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' DEPARTMENT REPORT

Cheryl Cheam

### **ISD Elections**

We confirmed the dates of the elections, which will be held 9<sup>th</sup> till 11<sup>th</sup> of October. Nominations will close this Friday.

### **Harmony Day**

Harmony Day was held last Saturday at Union Court. It was a great success with many good reviews from students and clubs. 13 societies participated. Turn out was really great. We managed to sell approximately 500 tickets and even earn a bit of a profit. Though a few of the societies ran out of food quite quickly and we had to end it earlier than planned.

Among the societies that participated were:

- SSA, MSO, HKSS, TSA, Vietnamese Student Association, ASIAA, ASEAN, Japan Club, KSA, ANU Arabic Society, ANU Dance, ANU Bangladesh Students' Association

### **Reformation of Department Constitution**

We formed a quorum according to ISD's constitution to push forward any necessary reforms to the department. An SGM was held on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October. The amendment of the constitution was successful. This is to increase effectiveness of the way ISD runs, so that the next officer can carry out his advocacy role more effectively.

## DISABILITIES DEPARTMENT REPORT

Christopher Karas

### 1. National Youth Disability Conference

Louise and I attended this conference in Melbourne last week to be a part of the national community for people with disability. This was the first time such an event has run in Australia and demonstrates the changing dynamic of disability within Australia.

I am pleased to report the ANU is leading in a national trend toward establishing similar collectives in universities around Australia. We were approached a number of times to talk about our experience in starting up a collective, our role within the university, and advice about how to start such a group.

We were also able to contribute to discussions about forming a national advocacy body for young people with disability in Australia, how the national disability insurance scheme should be set up, and were able to listen to talks from some of the foremost leaders in disability advocacy training in Australia. This enabled us not only to represent ANU students interests at a national level, but also meant that the collective will have the skills and leadership qualities that will allow it to strengthen and continue into the future.

Particularly interesting from the conference – that has great relevance to us as a student association - was the overwhelming sense from attendees that life with a disability can be an incredibly lonely experience. One of the main goals of ANU Disabilities is to ensure that students with disability have the same access to social opportunities at ANU as other students. This has been played out directly this year through events such as breakfasts at O-Week and Bush Week. But I see room for improvement in the social events that are run by ANUSA. While these events are enriching for many students - are very rarely as inclusive and appropriate as they could be for students with disability. As a note to next year's social officer and O-week directors, I would like to see events run by ANUSA use accessibility and inclusiveness as measures for determining how to run events. Louise and myself are more than happy to field questions in this area!

### 2. Thanks

Last SRC so I thought I'd take the chance to offer thanks to ANUSA this year. It's been a great year. Thanks to all of you who have been so supportive over the year as we established a much stronger disability presence at ANU. It's been a steep learning curve – but a fantastic journey. Keep being committed and amazing people! <3

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## Reference K

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### GRANTS AND AFFILIATIONS COMMITTEE

#### Affiliations

Meg O'Connell – Denied, no bank statement, constitutions, list of members  
College of St Aldhelm – Denied, constitution not filled in  
ANU-MySupport – Denied, need a bank statement & member list that we can open (excel)  
Australian National University Prisoners' Advocacy - Approved  
Australian National University 180 Degrees Consulting Branch –Approved  
IAESTE Canberra – Denied, need an official bank statement as there is \$500 in bank.  
IAESTE

#### Grants

HP Club Ball amended to \$320  
Arts Revue granted \$2500  
Street Performance \$500 for capital  
iDiscount \$500 and \$600 for capital and event  
FINSOC \$500 and \$390 for event and capital  
UMES \$50 and \$38 for events  
ACYA \$37.5 and \$123.42 for events  
EKTA \$2000 for ball  
Fenner Hall is applying for \$1200 for musical – Need to have a meeting with them & proper budget  
EKTA applied for \$2000 for Annual EKTA Ball and \$3000 capital expense – Granted \$4700 for sponsorship bonus  
Micronesian and Australian Friends Association applied for \$70 for MAFA Movie Night – Granted \$53  
ANU Debating applied for:  
\$234 for Flying triallers to ANU – Denied, not student members travelling  
\$90 for World Trials – Granted \$90  
\$200 for Debates Dinner – Granted \$200  
\$300 for farewell debates and award ceremony – Granted \$300  
ANU Volunteers applied for \$581 for capital expenses – Granted \$500  
ANU Anime Society applied for \$410 for capital investment – Granted \$410  
AYCC applied for \$120 for AYCC ANU Mentors training sessions and \$38 for leadership forum – Granted \$119  
ANU ASEAN Society applied for \$79 capital expense – Granted \$79  
Singapore Students' Association \$960 for SSA's annual ball – Schedule meeting, bring proposal  
ASIAA applied \$150 for slumber party – Granted \$112  
Meeting with Singapore Students' Association ball chase up: \$975.00  
Meeting with Interhall Ball 2012 : \$8/person up to 600 people (\$4800) contingent on Ticket Sales up to 3 days before event, bank transfer of additional funds after ticket sales have been established  
Meeting with Fenner Hall: \$1, 060.00 for lost balance  
Meeting with Univibes: \$2,900.00 for total of O-Week  
Meeting with IAESTE: Affiliation  
AIESEC: coming in next week at 3:30  
Vietnamese Students' Association: \$1,200 for expenditure and major event.  
NUTS applied for: \$1125.00, 75% of Expenditure (Production Fund)  
ANU Anime Society applied for: \$622.00, contingent on budget and receipts for ANU.AU.12 event  
SIFE ANU: \$175.00 for expenditure

ANU IRS: \$300.00 for expenditure  
ANU United Middle East Society: \$555.00, 75% of expenditure amount  
HKSS applied for: \$657.00, 75% of expenditure amount for both events  
IAESTE applied for: \$450.00 (75% of expenditure); \$500 for capital expenditure  
Micronesia and Australian Friends Association: \$263.00, 75% of expenditure

**Printing**

ANU Choral Society applied for 300 A5 prints 150 A4 prints and 100 A3 prints - Granted  
AFEC applied for 300 A4 coloured pages - Granted  
ASIAA applied for 50 x A4 prints – Granted  
AFEC applied for 300x A4 coloured double sided pages: Granted  
ILS applied for 180x 28 double sided coloured pages: Granted  
ANU Debating applied for 150x A4 pages: Granted  
ANU United Middle East Society applied for 100x A4 poster and 100X A4 flyer: Granted  
ANU Choral Society applied for 300x A5 coloured prints, 150x A4 prints, 130x A4 prints:  
Granted, except for A3  
ASIAA applied for 50x A4 posters: Granted  
IRS applied for 150x coloured A4 posters and 20x A4 coloured posters: Granted  
IAESTE 20x A4 coloured posters and 40x A4 – already paid – want to be reimbursed \$12:  
Reimbursement and Printing Request Granted

GAC Fund –

Total	
Spent	75814.19
Total Left	64185.81

Productions

Total Spent	8685
Total Remaining	11315

Special Purpose

Total Spent	12000
Total Remaining	36200

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## **Reference L**

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### **GRANTS AND AFFILIATIONS COMMITTEE CHANGES**

#### **Transportation**

Includes flight/coach tickets or petrol where Club/Society members plan to travel interstate or overseas

Max funding = 50% of cheapest economy class ticket

Clubs and Societies are also welcome to use the ANUSA bus for local and interstate transport. In the event that students who use wheelchairs, or similar mobility aids that prevent the use of the ANUSA bus, funds will be provided to meet the costs of suitable alternative transport.

Max funding = 100% of alternative transport within Australia.

#### **Accessibility allowance**

Clubs and societies are welcome to apply for more funding for an event if they need to ensure that the event is accessible for student members with a disability.

For grants over \$100, the student must be registered with the ANU Disability Services.

Funding: Max 100% of claim