



MINUTES - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL 3 2012

Tuesday 24th April 2012

6pm, ANUSA Boardroom

Attendance List:

Executive

Dallas Proctor- President of the Association Alice McAvoy- Vice-President of the Association Tara Mulholland- General Secretary of the Association

Phoebe Malcolm– Social Officer of the Association Tom Barrington-Smith – Education Officer of the Association

Department Officers

Stuart Ferrie – Queer* Officer of the Association Raymond Tan– International Officer of the Association

Christopher Karas- Disabilities Officer of the Association Peta Olesen- Environment Officer of the Association

Raymond Tan-International Officer of the Association

Faculty Representatives

Jack Hobbs

Alison French

Justin Steele

Morgan Wood

Maea Lenei Buhre

Vaibhav Sagar

Ordinary Members:

Galvin Chia Vincci Lee

General Representatives

Charmaine Yong- General Representative
Alex Clarke- General Representative
Lillian Ward- General Representative
Jeff Sun- General Representative
Thomas Nock- General Representative
Ben McMullin- General Representative
Samantha Teong- General Representative
Kai Kamada-Laws - General Representative
Sasha Silberstein- General Representative
Simone Proctor- General Representative
Amanda Joyce Neilson- General Representative
Harry Wall- General Representative

Item 1: Meeting Opens and Apologies

Meeting opened at: 6:06pm

I have received apologies from: Ryan Turner

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.

Moved

Procedural Motion: That ANUSA Standing orders be suspended to allow for Marnie

Hughes- Warrington to speak **Moved:** Dallas Proctor **Seconded:** Alice McAvoy

Motion passed

Standing orders resumed at 7:00pm

Item 2: Minutes from the Previous Meeting including Matters Arising

MOTION: That the minutes from SRC 2 2012 be accepted.

Moved: Tara Mulholland **Seconded**: Vaibhav Sagar

Motion passed

Procedural Motion: That the meeting proceed directly to discussion item 5.4 ANUSA

Crisis Plan.

Moved: Amanda Joyce-Neilson **Seconded:** Alexander Clark

Motion Passed

Item 5.4 ANUSA Crisis Plan

- Amanda Joyce-Neilson: I just wanted to speak about how we can improve internal notification periods in relation to what happened with Fleur. It reflected an unprofessional nature. It seemed that the news went public before it came out to the organisation. I didn't like that the organisation that we campaigned for and supported when it came out and supported.
- **Alexander Clark:** I heard instances of students coming up to ANUSA reps wanting information and the ANUSA reps not knowing anything.
- **Amanda Joyce-Neilson:** We need to present a uniform front.
- **Alice McAvoy:** I agree. It's not great that Woroni found out early, Fleur wanted to send a special notice to ANUSA. It put the executive into an awkward position personally.
- Amanda Joyce-Neilson: It's difficult that it came up because of something personal. But ANUSA may need to think about how to react in stituations of crisis.
- Dallas Proctor: It anyone wants to contribute to this contact Amanda Joyce-Neilson or Alexander Clark.

Item 3: Reports and Matters Arising

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

- Taken as read
- Important stuff about SSAF you should

Ouestions

- How much has been assigned to ANUSA?
 - o Dallas Proctor: 28.5% of total ssaf revenues.

Motion: That the President's Report be accepted

Moved: Vaibhav Sagar Seconded: Morgan Wood

Motion passed

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

• Taken as read

Ouestions

- **Vaibhav Sagar:** What's with the college reps and SELT promotion?
 - **Alice McAvoy:** It's a good think for faculty reps to start thinking about now.

Motion: That the Vice President's Report be accepted

Moved: Vaibhav Sagar **Seconded**: Phoebe Malcolm

Motion passed

Chair passed to Phoebe Malcolm

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

Taken as read

Questions

- **Tom Barrington-Smith:** Is there going to be another election reform meeting?
 - o **Tara Mulholland:** Jan O'Connor 11:15 used to be returning officer but mentioned could be changed. Not sure who will be.
- **Galvin Chia:** Have you managed to get in contact with the New Democracy foundation?
 - **Tara Mulholland:** We've been in email contact, the plan is to look into more big picture changes.
- **Connor Drum:** What is a closed campus election?
 - o **Tara Mulholland:** It would only allow ANU students to campaign in the election
- **Harry Wall:** What about nline elections?
 - o Tara Mulholland: Not this year. Looking into having it entirely online
- **Samantha Teong:** What's happening with the ANUSA photos?
 - o **Tara Mulholland:** They are due by Friday.

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

Moved: Vaibhav Sagar

Seconded: Morgan Wood

Motion passed

Chair passed to Tara Mulholland

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

- Taken as read
- Sponsorship opportunities- I want to look at a better way of actively approaching companies.

Questions

- **Amanda Joyce Neilson:** I have been chased up by Bruce guys that want tickets from O-week
 - o Rashid Kazak: I'll get on to that.

MOTION: That the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

Moved: Vaibhav Sagar **Seconded**: Morgan Wood

Motion passed

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

- Education committee 3 this afternoon was really interesting, talked about the cuts, campus crime stoppers (compulsory course costs), going to chase up the other faculty reps, being able to place course costs on HECS.
- Launch of fund our future campaign, quality survey by students aiming for 10,000 respondents, linked that on a few Facebook groups, takes only 2-3 minutes. The questions cut to the point

Questions

- Alexander Clark: How is the National Concession Card going?
 - Thomas Barrington-Smith: SCDESC is currently meeting to speak about the National Concession card, The ACT and NT are the only ones in full support. Money is the main issue. Campaign issue. Andrew Leigh is preparing a response to that-positive factors that may not feed into that much.

MOTION: That the Education Report be accepted.

Moved: Vaibhav Sagar **Seconded**: Rashid Kazak

Motion passsed

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

- Term 2 bar night has been cancelled because Unilodge and ANU Bar cancelled
- Looking to do something at the end of the semester

Questions

• **Ben McMullin:** How's Bush week planning going

- **Phoebe Malcolm:** Bush week directors are being elected at OGM, follow Purdy, I don't want to do too much without directors.
- Sean Munro: What are the security concerns with Universal Lunch Hour?
 - **Phoebe Malcolm**: Beforehand we had an agreement that I wouldn't have to put in applications every week, but they have now changed their mind. They said it wasn't approved but we could go ahead.

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

Moved: Vaibhav Sagar

Seconded: Thomas Barrington-Smith

Motion passed

3.2 Department Reports

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

Renee was not present but she submitted a report.

Ouestions

- **Sean Munro:** What is Canberra Rape Crisis training?
- Kai Kamada-Laws: Is ANUSA giving support to NOWSA?
 - o **Alice McAvoy:** I've been meeting with Renee, we're happy to give support with NOWSA.

MOTION: That the Women's Department Report be accepted

Mover: Vaibhav Sagar **Seconded**: Stuart Ferrie

Motion passed

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

 Motion in this Thursday's meeting about the changes to ANUSA regulations- looking at a tickbox system for membership of the Queer

MOTION: That the Queer* Department Report be accepted

Mover: Vaibhav Sagar **Seconded**: Rashid Kazak

Motion passed

3.2.3 Environment Department Report (P. Olesen) [Reference I]

Take it as read

Questions:

• **Dallas Proctor:** I thought the skill share thing was amazing. I understand that some of them might no correspond with the Environment Collectives views, I'd love to work with you on that.

MOTION: That the Environment Department Report be accepted

Mover: Vaibhav Sagar **Seconded**: Stuart Ferrie

Motion passed

3.2.4 International Students' Department Report (R. Tan) [Reference J]

Questions

- **Benjamin McMullin:** does anyone know what the recent visa regulations are?
- **Dallas Proctor:** It changes very often, I'll ask Don, streamlining to make it easier for Chinese and Indian students to come

MOTION: That the International Department Report be accepted

Mover: Vaibhav Sagar **Seconded**: Lilly Ofori-Ward

Motion passed

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

- Taken as read
- Disabilities subcommittee is taken as read because they are never on hold ever.
- We have our first event planned Universal Lunch Hour on the 31st of May we are doing an awareness campaign of hidden disabilities campaign so it's important to see them.

Questions:

- **Harry Wall:** What is your universal lunch hour about?
 - Christopher Karas: We are working off the spoon theory, someone with a disability has a limited number of spoons. It's mental and physiological, covers everything that is not physical.
- **Alice McAvoy:** If your account hasn't been touched since 2008 maybe you could apply for a not for profit account.

MOTION: That the Disabilities Department Report be accepted

Mover: Vaibhav Sagar

Seconded: Maea Lenei-Buhre

Motion passed

3.2.6 Indigenous Students' Department (I. Morphy-Walsh)

Isobel was not present.

3.3 Committee Reports

3.3.1 Grants and Affiliations Committee (P. Malcolm) [Reference L]

Motion: That the GAC Report Report be accepted:

Moved: Vaibhav Sagar

Seconded: Thomas Barrington-Smith

Motion passed

MOTION: That the Changes to the Clubs and Societies Handbook be accepted

[Reference M]

Mover: Phoebe Malcolm Seconded: Peta Olesen

Motion passed

3.4 General Representative Reports

3.4.1 Alexander Clark [Reference N]

- Taken as read, if anyone has any ideas for the Union let me know
- I'd be interested in sitting on Union meetings
- Rashid Kazak: I think it's important to improves the links between ANUSA and the Union

Item 4: Elections

4.1 Election of Disputes Committee (Received 4 nominations)

Not less than $2/3^{rd}$ of those present and voting.

John Whitcombe Abe Williamson Eugenia Kavuneko Maneka Sivanathan

Were all unanimously confirmed as the 2012/13 ANUSA Disputes Committee

4.2 Election of Probity Officer

Not less than 2/3rds present and voting.

Connor Drum Doug Wyllie

Were both confirmed as the 2012/13 ANUSA Probity Officers

Item 5: Items for Discussion

5.1 Water Bottle Free Campus (P.Olesen) [Reference O]

- In team with Alice and the EC committee we are looking at running a bottle free campus at ANU
- ANUSA were already thinking about new drink bottles we came up with the Aquaskin drink bottle, the bottom one is completely clear. The question was around funding.
- Chapest is \$3 per bottle

Questions

- Vaibhav Sagar: Is it still made of plastic?
 - Peta Olesen: they are an environmentally friendly alternative/ MPA and PET free
- Rashid Kazak: Have you spoken to them about reduced pricing?
 - o **Peta Olesen:** This is the quote they gave to us.
- Phoebe Malcolm: does that price include printing?
 - o **Peta Olesen:** Yes it does.

- Phoebe Malcolm: What about the water fountains?
 - Peta Olesen: I think it would be better to have them in conjunction.
- Alice McAvoy: Can we print different logos?
 - Peta Olesen: We could do as many logos as you want in an individual batch.
- What's the bottle capacity?
 - o Peta Olesen: About 600ml
- Rashid Kazak: I might contact the company for a pay system, where we take
 delivery and we can gauge it based on that.
 Colleges will be keen if they get the logo on them.
- Benjamin McMullin: Is it the same as the Vapour company?
 - o Peta Olesen: It's different, it's 100% Australian owned

5.2 Friday Night Concert Tickets (P. Malcolm)

- **Phoebe Malcolm:** The O-week directors and I had an agreement with the colleges that we would sell them tickets for \$35 instead of \$40. Despite that there are a few colleges who want their money back we don't want to stuff up the colleges finances but we did make them very aware of the terms of the contract.
- **Rashid Kazak:** I dealt with all the colleges, they all signed the liability disclaimer. They were aware of what they were signing. We did make a provision for them to buy a lower amount.
- **Dallas Proctor:** I completely disagree with Phoebe and Rashid, I don't want to take BnG to court, the people who signed the things weren't proper representatives, I don't want to have a fight with Halls and Negotiations, we will need them in the future. What they did was not responsible, the only real money that we have lost is the money that we would have made in the difference of the ticket sales.
- **Phoebe Malcolm:** The solution that we are proposing is that we cancel the debt but charge them \$40 for each ticket that they sold.

5.3 General Representative Reports (D.Proctor) [Reference P]

- **Dallas Proctor:** This is a kind of pointless discussion as not many gen reps are here. I don't know what people are working on. I don't want it to come off in a harsh manner. There will be lots of small tasks that should only take half an hour to an hour I want a way of people having a task list that people can tick off
- **Lilly Ward**: Sounds good, ASANA is messy for gen reps. Clear up what we are meant to do.
- **Tom Nock:** coming in well into the current execs term, I think it would be a very good way to give gen reps some direction. I fully support this direction.
- **Harry Wall:** I support this, we could use a google group and once you do threads you get used it. We found the google group was better. Alice: leave that to the gen rep groups to decide.

Item 6: Date of Next Meeting and Close

The next meeting of the Student Representative Council is scheduled to be held on Wednesday 9th May at 6pm in the ANUSA Boardroom.

Meeting Closed: 8:47pm

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dallas Proctor

SSAF

Several amendments made to the contract. The university will not compromise on a) general reserves or b) category-based reporting. Other student organisations have already signed the contract and I feel that the document is sufficiently amended to allow us to sign it.

As for other aspects of SSAF, the focus needs to be on identifying areas where it should be spent – especially in terms of capital. The structure of the Student Associations Committee means that decisions will be made by 50% students and 50% staff. It will be interesting to see how the meetings run, and whether any additional external campaigning will be necessary to ensure that staff make their decisions in the interests of students.

An initial list of proposed spending has been given to me, and I will post this up on Facebook soon so that students can say what they like and what they don't.

Funding Cuts

Rally is being held this Thursday at 12:30pm in Union Court. I hope to see all reps there. Opinions as to what constitutes an appropriate student response have been mixed. ANUSA has decided to take a firm stance that no cut is good. The reason is that we are a lobbying group that has to put student interests above all else.

All students are being encouraged to attend. Students need to show that they are concerned and that they are watching the process closely. Critics of ANUSA are right in that we do not know where the cuts will fall as yet, however I perceive this stance to be quite naïve. As with all bureaucratic processes, "proposed" cuts won't be announced till quite late in the process – at which point consultations will likely not be taken seriously. The real, influential, decisions are being made right now – and being students outside HR structures, rallying is one of the only ways that we can assert that resources for undergraduate education are off limits.

Housing Review

Launch went very well, with the Acting Vice-Chancellor Cram making a great speech. I am to meet with Luce Andrews (Director, Residential and Campus Communities) to discuss our recommendations.

Course Review

Following meeting with DVC-A, I have a list of programs that are to be cut. Process seems quite sensible, with changes to go through University Education Committee. Will discuss more at CRC.

Sponsorship

PWC and Groovin the Moo have been generous to ANUSA. We must now fulfil a set of obligations, including postering/FB/etc.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Alice McAvoy

The last month Dallas, the rest of the exec and I have been working on a number of education issues: budget cuts, SSAF. See Dallas' report for more detail.

SELT Data

As mentioned at CRC, I have been meeting with the university to discuss ways to improve their response rates for the SELT surveys. The university has agreed to make the results more easily available which is something that ANUSA has been working on for several years. Will be working with College reps to promote the surveys for the latter half of this term.

Mental Health Committee

We are organising a major event for May 10th Universal Lunch Hour. The committee is organising information pamphlets, speakers and some other fun stunts. Come to the meeting on Friday 10am in the ANUSA Boardroom if you're keen to learn more.

Safety on Campus Committee

Safety on Campus Committee will be meeting this Thursday at 2pm to discuss the recommendations in the Talk About It Survey provided by NUS as well as to talk about further initiatives to improve safety on campus. Please come along if you're interested

Fortnightly Newsletter

The first fortnightly newsletter is due to be sent out this week. Big thanks to Galvin Chia, for compiling the first ever electronic bulletin from ANUSA. Hopefully it should be in your inbox very soon.

Housing Review

Congratulations to Fleur Hawes, Leah Ginnivan, Galvin Chia and Shan Verne Liew on the publication of the ANUSA 2011 Housing Review. It is a fantastic document which I recommend reading through. We are excited about having this for students as we go in to the next round of tariff negotiations.

GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Tara Mulholland

Election Reform

Meeting with Jan O'Connor at 11:15am this Friday to discuss the changing role of the Governance Office in ANUSA elections.

If you would like to come along please let me know.

Currently the changes that are likely to be implemented for the 2012 election are:

- Closed campus election
- Ensure that clubs and societies are not running events supporting tickets during campaign week
- Introduction of polling time bans
- Possibility of having enforced polling not just at the Art school but with other faculties (eg. ANU College and Medical School).
- Campaign tshirts must have the year displayed on them
- It is an offense to campaign in the student space
- Only students who check a box, which states that they identify as gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex or queer identifying shall vote for the position of Queer* Officer.
- I will place a link to the google doc listing the changes on ASANA on ASANA.

I have also been put into contact with Iain Walker from New Democracy we will be discussing more significant changes to the style of ANUSA elections (which will not be implemented in time for this year's election).

Cheap Living Guide

Unfortunately minutes, meetings, (and elections) kept me distracted from the Cheap Living Guide last term. I would really like to have the guide ready for Semester Two. If you are interested in getting in on my weekly crafter-noon sessions come to ANUSA at 2pm on Friday! Bring your recipes, share house tips, shopping secrets and craft skills!

Meeting Attendance

I'll be sending out emails regarding your meeting attendance ASAP.

Photos of your faces

Please send me a picture that you like of yourself so that we can get the ANUSA

TREASURER'S REPORT

Rashid Kazak

Hello people, So I have been having heaps of fun being a part of ANUSA (yay) and inbetween coming up with cool nicknames for my fellow executives I have been working on the following:

Executive Review:

- Have contacted several management consultancy firms to see if there was interest in conducting this pro-bono. KPMG are considering it, however at this stage it looks like it will have to be something that we pay for.
- Still have an extensive list of companies to contact, will see how it goes with them and will start getting quotes to provide an indication as to how much it will cost.
- I have concerns that the quoted amounts could be quite expensive so will try and secure a reduced charge-out rate if at all possible.

SSAF:

- While we are still in the process of negotiating and signing the SSAF contract, I have been in the process of chasing up O Week debtors so as to provide ANUSA with some financial flexibility in the interim.
- Further, ANU has provided ANUSA with a AUD 50,000 advance on the SSAF contract.

Budget:

- This has taken up most of my time.
- The budget has now been amended so as to reflect certain election promises made by the executive (such as the AUD 10,000 for the departments).
- Once it has been finalised (I still need to check some of the items on the budget), it will be posted on the ANUSA website.

Improved Efficiency Measures and Financial Structuring

- Had a meeting with the Commonwealth branch manager and we have come up with a plan to change the accounts we operate (I mean come on, who uses checks anymore) so as to help in the implementation of a new structure as to how ANUSA processes payments.

Sponsorship:

- I have spoken to a few companies that have approached myself for sponsorship with ANUSA. Unfortunately none of the opportunities seemed to fit well with ANUSA (such as working opportunities to become a bouncer at Meche), so they have been referred onto Woroni.
- Further I want to make sure that opportunities are financially significant enough so as to be worth our time and effort.
- Hopefully I will have some more news on this at the next SRC.
 Cheers, Rashid

EDUCATION OFFICER'S REPORT

Thomas Barrington Smith

Education Committee 3

Happened this afternoon and I will fill everyone in verbatim.

Rally Against Staff Cuts

ANUSA will be supporting the NTEU on Thursday in a rally by both staff and students against the proposed cuts at the ANU. The rally starts at 12:30 and I encourage everyone to come along and challenge the proposed cuts.

Fund Our Future Campaign

The NUS has launched it's fund our future campaign based on assuring quality at Universities. The next federal budget is expected to be handed down in a few weeks, and some parliamentarians have slated education as an area for potential cuts in order to "get the budget back to suuuurplus" (best said with an 'aussie drawl'.)

The campaign involves a number of steps and the easiest way to get involved is to fill out the online survey. This takes about 4 min and is more to the point than any SELT review.

Campus Crime Stoppers

I have so far received assessments from the Law fac reps and the CASS (but only for art school) relating to compulsory costs on campus. I have requested more information from the other fac reps so I can compile the information and take it to the chancelry to plead our case. Aiming to have this wrapped up by the end of semester.

UniLodge

Investigating the procedure for the pricing at UniLodge. So far ANU Housing has been uncooperative but I've been told they are consulting with ANU legal as to whether they can release the documents I've requested. If they don't ill just use FOI and get them anyway. Contracted an independent contractor to evaluate unilodge and determine a value....awaited results with bated breath.

SOCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Phoebe Malcolm

<u>Universal Lunch Hour</u>

- Run well throughout Term One
- Clubs, societies and collectives all participated
- Purchasing bean bags and a large mesh banner to build the environment
- Having some issues with ANU Security. They did not like the SSAF Lunch Hour and are now requesting that an individual application be made for each lunch.

Training

- Clubs and societies training sessions have concluded for the semester
- Relatively well attended
- Good insight into what issues clubs and societies are having
 - o GAC confusion
 - o Insurance questions
 - o Problems with ANU Security
- This is an initiative which should be continued in 2013.

Social Events

- Ran Jazz and Jugs in the ANU Art School
- Organised the ANUSA Office Warming
- In the process of organising a start of term two party scheduled for Thursday Week Eight.

WOMEN'S OFFICER REPORT

Renee Jones

afety on Campus

There has been one meeting of the Safety on Campus Committee so far and they will continue every Thursday at 2pm in the ANUSA boardroom. As per discussions in the first meeting, I am meeting with representatives from each college to discuss their current protocol for response to reports of sexual assault and harassment, the training their SR's had and whether the college is interested in participating in an ANU wide campaign on Safety on Campus and fostering better attitudes towards sexual assault etc. So far I have met with the head of Johns XXIII, Steve Foley. The meeting was very positive and productive and the women's officer and president of John's XXIII residents committee have been encouraged to come along to the next safety on campus meeting by both Steve and myself.

Lip Mag Fundraiser

Deputy Women's Officer extraordinaire Beth Ritchie has been organising the next launch of feminist magazine Lip with past ANUSA Women's Officer Zoya Patel. The launch of the magazine, which will be taking place at the Food Coop, will also serve as a fundraiser for some much needed funds for Lip mag. The launch will take place on Friday April 27th from 7:30pm and \$7 entry will get you a delicious bowl of soup and wonderful music provided by local Canberra talent. Please come and support Lip!

CRCC Training

Training provided by Canberra Rape Crisis Centre is locked in for Thursday 29th May from 12-2pm in the ANUSA Couch Area. The training is free and food will be provided, however it is really important to know numbers, so please RSVP with me at sa.womens@anu.edu.au

Website

The website is doing well and got over 500 hits yesterday! If you would like to submit content for site please email me. Also if you would like to nominate someone for our 'Women to Watch' series, please let me know!

NOWSA

The conference planning is well underway, with the website to be launched very soon! Over the next two weeks we will be getting an idea of our funding situation, and from then on it is full steam ahead! If you want to get invovled in organising NOWSA, meetings are Monday nights and Friday mornings. Email me for more info**Reference F**

QUEER* OFFICER'S REPORT

Stuart Ferrie

Proposal to better support gay, lesbian, bisexual, trans, intersex and queer staff and students

This proposal was put forward last year by Penny Rumble and we're pleased that the proposal is being acted upon in what seems a reasonable manner by the university, although the wheels are unsurprisingly turning slowly.

Events

Our regular events have been going well, e.g. Queery and Queer Coffee. Our last Queery, which was combined with a movie attracted about 20 people, which was excessively cramped in our space, but the event went well despite this.

Concerns about sexual health information

It has been raised by a couple of people in the collective that trans and intersex students are neglected in terms of sexual health information and other wellbeing resources as there was recently an event run by the ANU which was divided into males and females, which churned up significant controversy on our facebook page due to the nature of the event being divided by a gender binary. This is a still contentious point within the department more widely and we are attempting to address it.

The Queer Space

We're currently preparing ourselves for moving spaces hopefully at the end of this year subject to Facilities and Services and have purchased a new television for our space. We also had a minor incident when our fridge stopped working and 15kg of sausages defrosted and had to be thrown out.

ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT REPORT

Peta Olesen

Bottle Free Campus.

Have created Aquaskin mock up to be used at EC/ANUSA drink bottles. To confirm pricing;

| Qty | Description | Price | Sub-Total | GST | Total |
|------|-------------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|
| 1000 | Aqua Skin | \$3.20 | \$3,200 | \$320 | \$3,520 |
| 2000 | Aqua Skin | \$2.90 | \$5,800 | \$580 | \$6,380 |
| 3000 | Aqua Skin | \$2.70 | \$8,100 | \$810 | \$8,910 |
| 4000 | Aqua Skin | \$2.65 | \$10,600 | \$1,060 | \$11,660 |
| 5000 | Aqua Skin | \$2.50 | \$12,500 | \$1,250 | \$13,750 |

Working with Jaden from SLC to promote in colleges along with information posters. Potential for each college to get their own logo on the front.

ANUgreen have backed away from any funding. We are continuing to monitor their progress with increasing water refill stations.

Skill Shares

A few members are setting up a space where people can come together to learn (for free), to teach, to share passions, to inspire.

The aim is to get anyone and everyone involved in participating, teaching, planning, sharing....

The aim is skilling up for fun, for community, for self-sufficiency, for sustainability, for inspiring, for bringing the amazing human creativity together!

There's a whole community out there, here's a space to commune!

We're planning on running them every Tuesday from 7pm onwards, at the Food Coop (3 Kingsley St) - starting in May.

Our first skill share will run on Tuesday the 1st May: a Bicycle Workshop-learn and share about that beast you get around on, or would like to get around on, or used to get around on, or come learn and share just because you're interested in bikes!

A five day camping convergence held annually to explore environmental and social change.

Students of Sustainability conference (SoS)2012 will be held on Dja Dja Wurrung Country from Wednesday the 4th to Sunday the 8th of July in Victoria, at La Trobe University's Bendigo campus.

This marks the second rural-based conference in recent times, and the twenty-first SoS conference since it began in 1991.

Advertising for this event will be placed around uni to encourage students from all faculties to attend. The EC will subsidise tickets for its members.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS DEPARTMENT REPORT

Raymond Tan

Over the past few weeks, the International Students' Department has been involved in several things. Firstly is the **Harmony Day Universal Lunch Hour** which was held on March 22 (Thursday). The objective of the event was to raise awareness about the "Harmony Day" festival, which is a national-level event celebrated in Australia. Harmony Day is about embracing multiculturalism and diversity in Australia and our department has feels the need to communicate the message to the international students audience. This is because in the previous years, the ISD have held Harmony Day as one of our events in Semester Two which has no relations with the real Harmony Day. So this event was a good opportunity to correct people's perception about Harmony Day and hopefully be able to embrace the values as promoted by the festival.

Turnout for the event was very encouraging as we estimated that almost 300 people came. Everyone was served sizable amount of food (Kimchi Fried Rice and Sausage Sizzles) and each of them were given flyers together with the food to remind them about what Harmony Day is all about. This was the first Universal Lunch Hour ISD has taken part in, and probably the first time when we hold food events to advance a cause. We believe that the experimentation was a success and it would form a good basis for us to hold events like this in the future for any of our advocacy efforts.

Secondly, we were working together with the College of Business and Economics Faculty Representatives in response to a proposed **change in International Student Entrance Score requirement**. One of our Faculty Reps, Matthew Birtwistle has been kind enough to provide us excerpts of their meetings with the school and the arguments for and against the proposal. While no stand has been taken yet by us, as we are still discussing about the issue within the committee, doing some research and gathering feedback, we expect to come out with a formal statement regarding our view about the issue.

As for plans for the upcoming weeks, we have got a few plans in store for the international students.

1. ISD International Ball 2012--"La noche en España" (The Night in Spain)

The International Ball 2012 is an annual ball held by the ISD. This year it features the theme of "La noche en Espana" (The Night in Spain) and will be held on 10 May 2012 at Hellenic Club in Woden.

It promises to be an exciting event and aims to raise the bar of the International Ball standard set by previous years. We gladly welcome any ANUSA committee to this event and whoever is interested to buy a ticket can contact Raymond for further details.

2. ISD International Student Visa Seminar

We have partnered with a reputable local law firm specializing in student visa and skilled migration issues to give a free talk to the students. The seminar will provide information on the recent regulation changes with regards to Subclass 885 Skilled Independent Visa and 485 Graduate Temporary Visa. It will be held between 14 May and 18 May and depending on the response, there might be more than one session held to allow students more opportunity to ask questions.

3. **SSAF Information Session**

Most of the International Students have limited knowledge about SSAF as they have yet to pay for it. An information session to provide information about the scheme and gathering feedback is planned for the International Students. The key speakers will be some ANUSA executives to allow a good discussion. Details are still being finalized and we should have more updates in weeks to come.

DISABILITES DEPARTMENT REPORT

Christropher Karas

Report from disabilities sub-committee meeting

Disability sub-committee has been placed on hiatus for six months as they have developed a working group to look at the failings of the sub-committee to make a difference. The idea of the sub-committee initially was to try and steer away from treating disabilities in a "fear of litigation" way and instead attempting to form policies that that mean more structural changes in the university that help not just students with disabilities, but students more broadly (example notes put up before lectures, proper lecture recordings for all lectures, number of ways to access course material etc).

They are attempting to get colleges onside. Currently the relationship between DSU and the colleges is adversarial due to previous management of the DSU. The university is working to make this a more constructive relationship. These are really great moves by the uni, and it seems that they are finally taking disabilities more seriously. However, responsibility for this will more to the access and equity committee.

I will be working with this group to ensure that disabilities still remains the key focus in this review and in the light of changing policies. I feel that it can be all too easy for disabilities to slip between the gaps of the access and equity committee as they focus on issues beyond disability as well.

The disabilities sub-committee will meet again in six months to review where the working group has got up to.

There have also been changes in the way that DSU operates and sees students. This has been standardized to ensure that similar disabilities get similar treatments and provisions across all staff members as the DSU. Previously different staff members gave different provisions for similar disabilities. I will be going through the centre to be "reassessed" to see how this process is working and make sure that students are receiving a fair treatment here.

DSU is also trying to crack down of misuse of the centre's resources by students. At this stage it looks like they are requiring stricter materials to prove disability that impacts on studies. This will include a focus on specialist reports, rather than just a GP report. There may be some issues that crop up around this. It is a very difficult grey area, particularly when it comes to mental health. But misuse of the DSU has resulted in mistrust of recommendations coming out of the centre, resulting in students with genuine disabilities being treated with suspicion by the colleges. This is an area that needs to be monitored at this stage.

Collective report

Collective is going well. We have our first event planned for later in the semester (31st May). This will be an awareness campaign for hidden disabilities. It is trying to directly counter people claiming "but you don't look disabled" and working toward a broader understanding of what disability is and can be in the wider student body.

Anyone interested in volunteering to help out or find out more would be more than welcome to join the collective meeting on Thursday 12:30 up here in the ANUSA offices.

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GRANTS AND AFFILIATIONS REPORT

Phoebe Malcolm

GAC Report

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Grants since 15 March

Robogals – Applied for \$2362 including a sponsorship bonus of \$1000

Approved pending receipts for \$123

Met with Singapore Students Association regarding possible night market

Agreed to sponsor them to major event funding and offer small event funding to other clubs attending.

Chinese Debating applied for \$400 for intercollege debate

Approved to the value of \$230

Jewish Society applied for semester of events.

Told only allowed to apply for two at a time. Granted \$20 for Bagel Brunch and \$250 for interstate travel.

French Collective applied for \$1070 to hold a production.

Granted \$535 and given print quota to help with advertising.

HKSS applied for \$485 for their Easter BBQ.

Granted \$242.

IRS applied for \$90 for the 'Kony, Change the World' night.

Granted \$55.

Focus applied for \$500 capital funding and \$155 to go to a conference held in Canberra. Granted \$500 in capital for T-shirts and \$8 per person who attends the conference. All receipts must be presented for the \$8 per person.

Street Performance Academy applied for \$60 for movie night.

Granted \$30.

Met with Intervarsity Debating regarding the upcoming national debating competition they are hosting.

Granted \$930 in sponsorship bonus from College of Law and College of Asia Pacific. Additional sponsorship bonus to be given when proof of sponsor comes in, and grants for championship and grand final dinners to be decided upon when invoices come in. Science Society applied for \$750 sponsorship bonus, \$130 BBQ Beers, \$200 startup

grant and \$205 end of term party.

Approved pending receipts

ANU Catholic Society appled for \$155 for a retreat.

Approved for the value of \$30 pending receipts

Psychology applied for \$216.20 for a welcome event

Approved for the value \$108.10 pending receipts

International Students Department applied for funding for ball

Denied

ANU [seed.project] applied for \$291.25 for a publication and \$900 for capital

Approved for \$146 for publication and \$500 for capital pending receipts

Taiwanese Students Association applied for \$153 for a welcome event and \$186.84 for skyfire bbq.

Approved for \$76.50 and \$93.42 respectively, pending receipts

ASEAN Society applied for \$61.88

Approved pending receipts

Overseas Christian Fellowship applied for \$99

Approved to the value of \$45 pending receipts

Intervarsity have applied for \$4900 (\$1000 in sponsorship, \$800 for grand final dinner, \$800 for championship dinner, \$500 for capital, \$200 for start up club bonus and 8 breakfasts/lunches/dinners at \$200 each) for a week long tournament with a budget of over \$150,000.

Approved pending receipts

Clubs which have affiliated since 15 March

AYCC

Overseas Christian Fellowship Canberra

ANU Choral Society (SCUNA)

[seed.project]

Psychology Society

ANU International Relations Society

ANU Management Consulting Association

ANU Asia Pacific Studies Society

ANU Law Students' Society

ANU Science Communication Society

Taiwanese Student Association

ANU Intervarsity Debating Club

ANU Chocolate Appreciation Society

ANU Black Hole Society

ANU Law Revue

ANU ASEAN Society

Socialist Alternative Student Club ANU

National University Theatre Society

Indonesian Studies Association

Students In Free Enterprise

The Earth and Marine Sciences Society

Physics Students Society

ANU Dance!

GRANTS AND AFFILIATIONS REPORT

Proposed Changes to the Clubs and Societies Handbook Phoebe Malcolm - Social Officer

Page 2 - Quick Reference

Grants and Affiliations Committee (GAC)

Meets [Day and time], ANUSA Boardroom

Appointments necessary for grant/affiliation applications

All welcome to attend

To update your documentation or make a GAC appointment

Student Space Assistants Jack, Maddie and Renee

student.space@anu.edu.au

To submit your expenditure receipts

Office Administrator **Eleanor Boyle**

Level 1, Students' Facilities Building 17a

(Above the Student Space in Union Court)

sa.admin@anu.edu.au, 52444

Any further questions/concerns

Social Officer

sa.social@anu.edu.au

GAC regulations and documentation

http://anusa.anu.edu.au

Change to:

Grants and Affiliations Committee (GAC)

Meets Thursdays 2 – 4pm, ANUSA Boardroom

Appointments necessary for sponsorship or special purpose grants

All other grant applications to be made online. If necessary, the committee will contact you requesting an appointment after your application had been lodged.

All welcome to attend

To update your documentation or make a GAC appointment

GAC Student Representative Nick Barry

Sa.gac@anu.edu.au

To submit your expenditure receipts

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Page 5 - Affiliation at a Glance

All Clubs and Societies are required to renew their affiliation annually. You will need to:

1. Download and complete an affiliation pack, available on the ANUSA website

- 2. Drop your application off, including all the documentation specified in the pack, at the ANUSA Student Space ('Brian's')
- 3. ANUSA will review your application and send you a letter confirming your affiliation

If your Club/Society has not been affiliated with ANUSA in the past 12 months, you'll also need to seek affiliation approval at a meeting of the Grants and Affiliations (GAC) Committee. You can make a GAC appointment with the Student Space assistants. As a condition of affiliation, you are required to comply with the requirements set out in the *Grants and Affiliations Regulations* (2006). The key points of this document are included in this handbook.

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Page 8-9 Constitution

Constitution

Each affiliated Club and Society requires a Constitution to govern its operation. You can use the model Constitution included in the affiliation pack, or write your own.

Should you choose the latter option, your Constitution must include the following:

- Affiliation Clause
 - "This Club/Society is affiliated to the Clubs and Societies Committee of the ANU Students' Association and the Postgraduate and Research Students' Association and anything in this Constitution which is inconsistent with the ANU Students' Association Clubs and Societies Regulations is null and void to the extent of inconsistency".
- Not-for-profit Clause
 - "The assets and income of the club/society shall be used only for the promotion of the clubs/society's objectives and no portion may be paid or transferred directly or indirectly to members of the club/society except as:
 - Bona-fide remuneration for services rendered by the members to the club/society;
 - o Repayment of expenses incurred on behalf of the club/society;

- Interest at a rate not exceeding interest at the rate for the time being which is or would be charged by the clubs/society's bankers for money lent to the club/society; and
- Bona-fide rent for premises let to the club/society"

• Dissolution Clause

"The club/society can be dissolved by decision of the current membership at a general meeting or when the club/society ceases to operate due to no members being elected to the executive/trustee positions and the club/society ceasing to function through natural attrition. In the case of the club/society being dissolved any excess assets, property, funds or money remaining after all debts and liabilities are paid shall not be given to members but shall be given or transferred to the ANU Students' Association."

Where a Club/Society's Constitution is silent on an issue, the ANUSA Model Constitution will apply.

Your Constitution must allow a reasonable degree of control of the affairs of the Club or Society by its members by means of general meetings and/or resolutions, which may override or amend Executive actions or proposals.

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Page 14 - Applying for Grants

Key Steps

- 1. Download and complete a Grant Application form
- 2. Book an appointment for a Grants and Affiliations Committee meeting
- 3. Attend the meeting to discuss the application with Committee members
- 4. Any approved funds will be made available retrospectively upon presentation of receipts for event-specific expenditure, in the form of a bank transfer to your society's account.

Change to: Key Steps

- 1. Submit the grant application online form, available on the ANUSA website
- 2. Your application will be considered and may be approved straight away. If not, we will contact you to schedule a GAC appointment, at which you will discuss the application with committee members.
- **3.** Any approved funds can be made available before the event. Please note that a condition of funding is that all receipts are presented to the Second Hand Bookstore. No future applications will be considered until this has been done.

Page 17 - Grant Structure

Clubs and societies may apply for funding in the following categories:

- Major event
 100+ attendees, e.g. ball, musical, high profile speaker
 Max funding = \$8 per ANU student in attendance
- Minor educational event
 Small event of a productive nature, e.g. careers fair, foreign language discussion, debate
 Max funding = \$6 per ANU student in attendance

Minor social event

E.g. BBQ, restaurant outing, campaign not directly relevant to ANU students Max funding = \$2 per ANU student in attendance

Capital expenditure

Includes T-shirts, website establishment, equipment purchase. Will only be funded if the Club or Society can demonstrate that the item(s) will be available for the use and benefit of all members of the society.

Max funding = \$500 per application, max 1 application per year

Change to:

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Max funding = **\$6** per ANU student in attendance

Minor social event

E.g. BBQ, restaurant outing, campaign not directly relevant to ANU students Max funding = \$4 per ANU student in attendance

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Includes T-shirts, website establishment, equipment purchase. Will only be funded if the Club or Society can demonstrate that the item(s) will be available for the use and benefit of all members of the society.

Max funding = \$500 per application, max 1 application per year

Transportation

includes flight/coach tickets or petrol where club/society members plan to travel interstate or overseas

Max funding = 50% if cheapest economy class ticket

Page 19 - Funding Caps

You can claim up to 50% of your expenses for each event, as long as your expected event profit is not more than \$200. Should your final profit exceed this In this case, ANUSA is entitled to deduct, from your grant, the value of any profit over \$200. In addition, any profits retained must be expended on other events during the year.

Over the course of a year (January to December), ANUSA may fund each affiliated Clubs and Society up to an annual funding cap of 9% of the GAC budget or \$4000 (whichever is smaller).

Change to:

You can claim up to 75% of your expenses for each event, as long as your expected event profit is not more than \$200. Should your final profit exceed this In this case, ANUSA is entitled to deduct, from your grant, the value of any profit over \$200. In addition, any profits retained must be expended on other events during the year.

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General Representative Report

Alexander Clark

In my role as Gen Rep I am hoping to focus on rural student issues and improving the links between ANUSA and the Union Board.

This coming Thursday Alice and I are meeting with Deb Tranter, the Director of Student Equity, to discuss current programs assisting rural and regional students. I am looking forward to hearing more about current arrangements from the University's perspective and following this, see what improvements can be made. I am interested in forming a support network for rural students at the ANU.

I have also met with Dallas to discuss ANUSA involvement with the Student Union Board. I have read their 2011 annual report and hope to attend as many Union Board meetings as possible for the rest of the year. This is important as it ensures another student body is encouraging the Union to keep innovating and improving. The state of the union (pun intended) building is only discussed around the annual elections, which is a shame as there is much potential.

I have also indicated to the Social Officer I am interested in being on the Social Sub-Committee and want to help out with Bush Week planning. I will be more available in Semester 2 to help out where I can in this area.

Peta Olesen

Option A



Option B



Proposed Reporting System for ANUSA General Representatives

Dallas Proctor

Context

Gen reps often report feelings of disenfranchisement from the ANUSA executive, leading to a drop in motivation levels over the year and consequent losses of productivity. Gen reps are also high achievers themselves, and find it difficult/unrewarding to prioritise unpaid ANUSA work over paid employment and study.

Current Situation

Gen reps requested to assign themselves to tasks on Asana, and then dedicate two office hours each week to complete these tasks. Tasks entered into spreadsheet by ANUSA President which is displayed for the information of the public on our website. Many reps have not identified office hours, and have not used Asana for task management. Reps who have undertaken projects do not report centrally, meaning that the VP and President have no global view (or hold conflicting views) of individual activities at any given point.

Casual assistance sought from time to time via direct emails, texts and Facebook with low response rate. Often, volunteers at events end up being friends and acquaintances of organisers – who receive no recognition for their work.

Proposed Solution

- 1. Gen Reps to be randomly split into 2 groups of 4; 2 groups of 3
- 2. Task cycle to be reduced to that of SRCs i.e. tasks assigned to group must be completed by following SRC
- 3. Where tasks projected to take longer, written approval can be sort to carry task over to subsequent reporting period
- 4. In acknowledging different interests etc, one member from each group will get to pick tasks each cycle
- 5. Tasks to be selected from Asana or elsewhere, and to be approved by President/Vice-President. Tasks to be varied in subject matter and difficulty, and include cyclical tasks e.g. roster for ULH.
- 6. Groups to report at each SRC
- 7. Master spreadsheet to be uploaded to website with all details of past achievements and current workload

Trial period to go from 24th April 2012 until end of Semester 1 Rationale

- Group motivates reps to work together
- Reps spend more time around the office and feel engaged