

Clubs Council Executive Meeting Agenda/Minutes

13- 05- 2019

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Meeting Opened: 6:57pm



1. Acknowledge of Country

Delivered by Jason

2. Attendance and Apologies



In Attendance:

Jason
Jacob
Sam
Cahill
Abigail
Eli
Esha
Harry
Skanda
Claudia
Ben (arrived 7:30pm)

Apologies:

James
Andrea
Ji Ahn
Niam
Ebe
Emily
Paris

Absent:

Matthew
Dash

3. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest & Confidentiality

Cahil: Running for position

Jacob: I was offered and accepted a job as bush week coordinator

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4. Actionables Arising

- a. Action to move motion, publish survey, James to speak in report, talk to nick, and Ebe to reply to SALT. Jason to draft motion before tuesday.**

Jason: Ebe replied, I drafted then pulled the motion after final policy coming out, James didn't speak to in report, but I did, also didn't speak to nick but kinda a moot point

- b. James to make the availability of CCE known at 10 before the meeting.**

Jason: I don't know whether this happened but people asked questions

- c. Ebe to talk to Ji about roles re the page.**

Jason: Ebe is not here, I asked about this by creating a poorly named channel, apparently a priority but a new one

- d. Jason to talk to Mandy and Cahill re affiliations reform.**

Cahill: We agreed to start talking about it after CCM, will now look into making group

- e. James to share form for nominations**

Jacob: don't think he did, but in the inbox

Eli: did we decide if individual or coordinated

Sam: does it have to be students

Jason: some sort of communal

5. Budget and Process Reporting

Jacob: We are up to \$43, 353 spent. That is up about \$4/4.5 grand since last week.

Jason: are you concerned

Jacob: I'm not yet concerned about that as a figure but the rate is somewhat a concern.

We want to be under half for Sem 1 as Sem 2 is bigger but we probably don't need to worry, we aren't even at a third yet so it's probably not an immediate concern. I will be keeping an eye on it

Jason: what's a good target range for this Sem, \$60000

Jacob: yeah \$60/65 grand. If its up above that we will have to consider out options.

Eli: can we look at the proportion we spent of budget compared to last year

Jacob: I don't have to look to know we are over it because clubs were unable to apply for funding for most of Sem 1. So looking at CCM2 funding report last year they'd spend about \$20,000. We are well ahead but its not necessarily a bad thing. We also can't get as surprised because of the termly deadlines

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6. Portfolio Reports

Jason: Yay, all the power. Things you'd go to James for, come to me, things you'd come to me for still go to me. I am acting chair till 11:59pm Sunday. CCM happened, it was good, some interesting motions got up. There was the forum today which was attended by some here, we asked a number of questions including about size of discount and favorability for ANUFG. Chris Grange invited feedback so I am happy to coordinate that Harry: also attended forum. Got 4 responses to survey so far, which is at least better than last time. Sam was *called out* as being really nice and helpful

Esha: nothing much, not a lot of responses

Eli: have now gotten in contact with all of the execs I hadn't yet

Sam: mostly CCM prep and meeting with clubs. Mostly today, musical theatre society today. Went to this evening's car accident

Cahill: Helped clubs finding ABNs, will follow up again

Skanda: Had a chat with clubs at meeting, apparently some of my emails have been stuck in spam filters, designing survey

Abigail: ANU+ got back to me, echoed Sam

Jacob: Aside from other items, have done lots of replying to clubs emails and enquiries, meetings today, psych society ball meeting is progressing well, kpop society enquired about equity tickets, helped them out. Meeting with Sam and MTC, their shows are going to cost 40k to put on, they cannot fit in Kambri theatre so must find other venues - nowhere suitable other than Playhouse, hence the high venue costs - 30k +10k other costs. Planning to charge \$30 for concession tickets and \$50 for normal, would see \$25-30 back from each of those tickets. They will do four shows, capacity of theatre means sold out shows would give a 50k profit, if they don't sell out then it could be a 20k loss. Within 5k of breaking even seems most likely outcome. Lots of risk. Sam will work out a less risky payment solution, will need to meet with the three ANUSA trustees to talk through the risks. Unclear what will ultimately happen, working on it, will report more at following meetings.

Jason: Do they have limited liability?

Jacob: I don't know, I assume they are not incorporated.

Jason: Just if this is a massive loss, then folding could be a bad option, but an option, but would need a safe way for that to occur.

Jacob: We want to avoid any situation where Canberra Theatre can sue a small student society.

Jason: What are our solutions here?

Jacob: An option for them to pay in more instalments of less money, still being determined. Ideally they apply for a grant, including absolute minimum needed to make deposits as a down payment. Then they do the show, hopefully it breaks even including value of grant that they are entitled to. Then everything is fine. Better case scenario is a small profit that can reduce the grant amount.

Jason: We should get them in touch with Ebe and help them to promote their event. Like a ball but larger scale. Can they look into SEEF funding, or help from ANUSA.

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Jacob: SEEF apparently said they couldn't have CC funding as well as SEEF. But that needs to be looked into more. In terms of an ANUSA bid, not a terrible idea but there is no midyear SSAF round this year, so no time to get it done. ANUSA could sponsor, but probably not feasible in social committee budget.

Eli: How do other theatre groups do it?

Claudia: The theatre is a black box theatre, no tiered seating, it is very small, would not fit.

Jacob: They enquired about Manning Clarke Hall but not available, or they would have to bump in and out every day and leave nothing behind, impossible.

Claudia: NUTS and Shakesoc have much smaller shows. MTC want an orchestra, set, and tiered seating, it will not fit in the theatre.

Sam: It is a much bigger show than other productions. Last year they had to go to Belconnen.

Jacob: Likely to be a grant of 5-6k, it will be within their capped funding.

Jason: This will need to be consistently reported on.

Jacob: Yes, and also there will be updates on Slack in #funding.

Claudia: Few shows have happened over the last week, have had conversations with societies and will continue discussing with them how we can make the theatre space more accessible and functional for them. Everyone seems relatively happy so far.

Jason: Marni said she would pass on feedback to you to pass on to Chris

Claudia: Tes

7. Items to Discuss or Decide

7.1. Resignation of Mandy from Affiliations (Discuss, Jason)

Jason: Mandy resigned just before CCM, didn't want to make it too public too soon

Sam: Is she okay?

Jason: yep, James more aware than me

7.2. Motion to run elections internally for the role of Affiliations Officer (Decide)

Jason: wanted to do this by motion rather than by fiat. Given that we have an existing deputy, named officers have mostly agreed that we should appoint him. If anyone has objections please do let me know, democracy is good sometimes. Background to this is that regs etc don't specify

Moved by Jason

Seconded by Jacob

Passed

7.3. Election

Nominees: Cahill Di Donato

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Jason: Cahill Di Donato has been appointed to the position uncontested.
Given this we now have a general officer vacancy and will do open EOI

8. Funding Items

8.1. German Society Student Life Discretionary

Jacob: German society's reaffiliation form was lost, they were not passed for several months, everyone thought they were re-affiliated and three small funding requests were approved, and may or may not have been paid. 1. \$80.50. 2. \$29.50. 3.48.75. Total: \$158.85 They were good applications, high quality. The funding policy prohibits funding events when clubs are not affiliated, this is sensible to avoid liability, however, here when it was our error that caused the confusion, we should give them this money. The best way to do this is to approve a student life discretionary grant for the total amount they would have been paid anyway had they been affiliated as we thought they were. This is compliant with the funding policy. The German Society do not have huge cash reserves, this is necessary for the continuing functions of the clubs. This will not damage our financial position and I recommend we pass it. If they have been paid already, the amount they have already received will be offset against future grants.

Jason: I think this is fine. Also this is a valid use of the student life discretionary grant.

Moved: Jacob

Seconded: Sam

Passed.

8.2. Greek Liquid Reserve

Jacob: They have no money in their bank accounts, they need money to function as a club.

Harry: Clearest example of the use of this grant.

Jason: We should encourage membership fees.

Eli: Do many charge them?

Jason: Very few. More clubs probably should.

Harry: Ran a collaborative event with 9 science societies earlier this year, 7 charged \$5, 1 charged \$2, one did not charge at the time.

Jacob: I don't think the lack of a membership fee in this case should stop us voting for this, it might work at a later date but wouldn't solve their current financial trouble.

Eli: I love the Greeks

Moved: Jacob

Seconded: Eli

Passed

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9. Other Business
10. Recall Actionables
11. Meeting Close

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