



AGENDA – ANUSA STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC) 1 2023

Wednesday, 22 February 2023 6:15pm, Zoom and Granee Room, Chifley Library

Item 1: Meeting Opens and Apologies

Meeting open 6:20pm

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

1.2 Apologies

Item 2: Passing the previous meetings minutes

Ben moves

Luke Seconds.

Majority passed.

Item 3: Executive Reports

3.1 President's report (B. Yates) [Reference A]

Mostly as read. Huge thankyou to everyone helping for Invasion day, especially Indigenous department and Bella Humphries. ANUSA has a great relationship with the Tent Embassy, and should continue to engage.

Huge shout-out to Charlotte for smashing O-week out of the park. Lots of praise.

Really proud to see departments and EAG stalling throughout O-week. Really powerful symbol of what we want this union to come.

Legal observer project launched. Chris (?) ran the program on the day. REally collaborated with the uni.

Grace has shout-out for BKSS. Transformed it over the break and has done an outstanding job. Awesome engagement, particularly for breakfast.

Lockout fees – launched petition yesterday. 700 signatures so far. Word there may be movement on that soon. Should be able to get wind on that change.

Questions?

Why choose to take platform at O-week address? Did not criticize ANU in any particular

way, while saying disobedience is a crucial part of ANU life. Worked with Vice-Chancellor without highlighting his role as an opponent for student interests.

Ben response: Ben thinks he made the right call and he is glad that he used that platform to correct that. The MC flattened it by endorsing it. If Ben organised the action, he doesn't agree with the characterisation in terms of the union.

Clarification: 40 minutes after O-week action. Argument put forward against action is alienating students. MC is not phased... Do you still agree?

Bens Response: So Ben doesn't think it is alienating to disrupt university events.

Wren: Do you think that climate change is not relevant or ... to students?

Ben: Climate change is relevance to students however it isn't acceptable to assume that all students have a platform to completely understand the extent of the university's history of climate change

Nick: Do you think that us saying there is a March NDA is not enough context explaining why we were there and saying that Uni has lot of investments in fossil fuels is sufficient context, and why didn't you say that.

Bens Response: For a lot of students to come into it expecting to see a completely passive event

Procedural from Charlotte: Vote for all reports en bloc.

Passes

3.2 Vice President's report (G. King) [Reference B]

Grace (he/her)

O week was awesome, shout out to all of the volunteers. BKSS is back open, it has been open since O week and it is going well. Spent a lot of summer upgrading the space and training new staff. Made progress on politicising space and it has been successful so far. Mutual aid is back and its awesome that it is back. Sovereignty day was awesome, and it was great that we could use our resources.

Upcoming: inviting a bunch of unions to have a variety of events about union movements and workers' rights to encourage people to join their unions. Shoutout to Mira for Hybrid learning, and lockout campaign has been good and it would be great if we could identify them:

No questions.

3.3 Education Officer's report (B. Tucker) [Reference C]

Introduces themselves. Continuing some work from last year with changes to make it easier / better. Favourite thing to point out was ANU Counter Course Guide. Encourages people to get one if they haven't got it already. If you're a radical student union you need propagation of ideas and clear what the union stance is on lots of stuff. Tricky – lots of space with family's health and felt for three weeks MIA over January. People only had 6 days to get their articles to Bea. 4000 copies for \$2700 pretty cheap. Thanks to Woroni for details on printing.

Lot of work over break – particularly in leadup to O-week. Really successful discussing cuts and changes to the university. Looking very closely for more announcements of cuts. Really thinks there will be more cuts. Ready to respond to those.

EAG meetings have started back up – on Mondays. Two working groups that the EAG having – antinuclear working group and course cuts working group. Come along! 1pm upstairs on balcony [near BKSS]. EAG has been screenprinting own shirts. If you want one ask.

Questions:

Azraa (she/they): Process of selecting writers for counter course guide?

Bea's response: Put out a google form on schmidtposting to invite people to contribute, people filled in the form within the timeframe was replied to and accepted every student.

Wren: On the Stunt on the o-week ceremony, told executive that you would not support on basis of alienating student. They got applause etc and people coming up to them to celebrate. Do you stand by your stance the stunt would be alienating for students?

Bea's response: I never said it was alienating for students. Bea said it was confusing and didn't make sense, because Bea didn't see how it was connected to the university in the first place. Why is the first action to stuff up an ANU event with no common event. Bea has had a bunch of students come up to you and say that they didn't get it, depending on the person.

Azraa: Can I clarify that you think ANU students should be the only students that can run campaigns and affect change and national campaigns can't?

Bea's Response: The National Day of Action doesn't have any specific demands of the ANU so when you are intervening on an ANU event, as a new student you would think what is going on and how is the uni related to climate change. Bea could be wrong and believes that it could be pretty mixed.

Wren: I think the argument made is basically against radical left-wing action in general if you think people will be alienated, you ran on position that you would be radical grassroots student union.

Phi interjects to remind people they must ask questions for this procedural.

Bea's Response: Bea doesn't think that a strategy the most radical thing that you can do at the first moment isn't the best solution. But if you are trying build a massive movement of people, you have to go through people's politics where they are in a place where you are able to listen. Bea doesn't think that the most radical activity at the beginning is not a good decision, there is a strategy to get people to come along to movements

Izabella (she/her): Take point. I felt like it was effective, kind cool. Considering you represent different thought process. How do you plan to engage with org. Committee on NDA?

Response: Bea considers talking to people and stalling is really important, people continuously came up to the stall to chat is important. There has to be some explanatory moment where it isn't straight up with the university. Bea doesn't think that it is the only thing that could be done. Bea put 3000 posters in bags on Mondays.

Wren (point of clarification): As part of stunt explained intentions. Doesn't think it is radical

Azraa: Follow-up. You were saying action at commencement doesn't really make for understanding of why we're doing it. Couldn't you make the same argument for other climate movements? Idk does this make sense?

Reponse: I think that most people who come to a protest and who you have spoken too who have been engaged in stalling, it sounds like it went well. Maybe I am wrong. I think it is a little different but it depends.

No further questions

Pass chair to Charlotte: No dissent. Charlotte takes chair from Phi.

3.4 General Secretary's report (P. O'Neill) [Reference D]

Phi: Massive shoutout to Charlotte and Grace for O-week and BKSS, I was clubs officer last year and I completely understand how busy O-week is and for effort required for BKSS. Organising the working bee at the last OGM I was bound to consider election regulations. Campaigning zones – where people can and can't campaign, one which was brought up last time was Kambri. Spending caps – meeting a lot of people and discussing. Been working with Kai to move SRCs over to a bigger room and have dual delivery in a larger room. Wrote an article in the encounter course guide, check it out! Rest of the report as read.

No questions for Phoenix.
Chair passed back to Phi

3.5 Treasurer's report (K. Ha) [Reference E]

Introduction. Take report mostly as read, want to point out that we're making negative profit but haven't got SSAF funding until now. All O-week expenditures aren't updated to expenditure report. Next general meeting it will be updated. Shoutout to Abirami and Brandon to facilitate O-week sponsorship. Department and officer training on financial reporting has been draining, so want to thank.

No questions for Kat.

3.6 Clubs Officer's report (C. Carnes) [Reference F]

O week happened, thank god it is over. The theme was Pandamonium, thank you to the volunteers and the volunteer coordinators, the department officers, my fabulous o week coordinators for the 2 Mia's. Triumph of the week is definitely to them. Putting market day back on uni ave was an amazing change. I wont speak much about the party, this kind of event is no longer a sustainable event for anusa to run, and it is my opinion that it is not the position of student union during Most of her report as read. Qpay has been tricky so far. The exec as long as the SRC, is incredibly exploited through wage theft. Some of us work a lot more then others and this should be flagged.

Izabella: Think market day was pretty cool. Layout was a bit confusing. Commbank was really in the middle, yet young workers centre was shaded and off to side. Why was this decision made?

Response: This is something that I originally wanted to change about market day, the unfortunate reality is that market day is incredibly expensive amount to run, around \$30,000. Lifeblood and Commbank alone fund a lot of that. Charlotte is trying to work on a way around. The purpose of market day is to show the clubs of ANU off, unfortunately it was just the case that everything was so hectic and that everything just happened quickly at the end.

Harry – he/him: Can you give any info about clubs funding limit percentage?

Response: I don't know it off the top of my head

Kat: it should be decided after today's meeting once all the clubs who are affiliated this year will be announced very soon, hopefully next week

Sarah Strange – She / her. Last year club's officer strongly recommended FNP should not be run. What went into your decision to run it in the first place?

Response: This was not FNP it was a good \$50,000 less than FNP, WAMBAM put in budget for the party. It is viable to run the party if you know that you could break even, it came down to costs such as matting that were unforeseen. When originally numbers were ran, it looked like we were going to break even and even make a profit, however we should break even.

3.7 Welfare Officer's report (K. Dreyfus-Ballesi) [Reference G]

Hi guys! I'm Kai (he/him) and is welfare officer for 2023.

1. This year plan is for campaign on affordable housing / accommodation for students. Few different forms that could be done – state, federal, ANU. Interested if you know somebody interested speaking about housing distress. Writing report and needs testimonials with name/face. Reporter asking for people for print article about housing in Canberra.
1. ANU Cares: Like a new psychology practice running out of research school psychology. Looking at how funding works. In addition to anu psychology, supporting ANU and wider community. Consultation on student needs.
1. Looking at upgrading SRCs from Graneek. Hopefully in Marie Reay. Need microphones that can deal with that capacity for dual delivery.

Interested in any of above, read the rest of the report.

Izabella – Context is NUS disabilities. Particularly interested in ANU Cares. Are they qualified therapists or students? What is their background?

Response: It is a combination of both qualified practitioners and post graduates, they are looking for a placements which is severely lacking. Also, there is a PowerPoint that they sent me with more information if you were interested.

Item 4: Department Officer Reports

4.1 Indigenous Department (A. Knack) [Reference H]

Introductions. She/her pronouns. Take report as largely read, would like to say thanks for ANUSA exec for support over O-week. Largely successful, had a joint picnic with BIPOC department and barbecue with Tjabal centre. Had welcome dinner the other day. Attended a few meetings [couldn't keep up].

No questions.

4.2 Women's Department (P. Denham) [Reference I]

Introductions. Highlight:

- O'week: Thanks for deputies and Anna department member, Made a good impression on new students.
- Birth control subsidy only needs to promote it. Bit different to last year, but details will come
- Collective meeting 1 happened on Monday.
- Rights relationship respect module: replacement for consent matters. Has some issues with it, wants feedback. Pass it on anonymously to correct people. Bossy and revue are looking for people to get involved.
- Elections coming up for department committee – treasurer, web & design, social media, secretary – week 3. More info reach out.
- Wrote article for counter-course guide.

Izabella: ANU medical centre comes up that they're not queer friendly and limited number of female doctors. Is this something going to be on your radar / priority list relating to better care?
Response: Yes totally, so I know that Avan definitely did work on it, it is certainly on my radar though

4.3 Queer* Department (J. Jayawickrama) [Reference J]

Jehan he/him

- Report as mostly read.
- Thanks to the department and deputies for being incredible for the last few months, it was super successful during o week. We had 5 events and they had great turnout
- Focusing on Queer house maintenance, there are rabbits in the wall, it is being worked on.
- Collaboration with someone from student safety and wellbeing
- NUS Queer Office and Womens Department collab to co-host the event. People can check the event out on socials

4.4 International Students' Department (P. Jamwal) [Reference K]

Introductions. Take report largely as read, highlights:

- Good O-week. One store for department event & market day, and also bipoc stall and speedfriending event.
- Recruited for three portfolios – social and wellbeing and education and still accepting apps for gen rep potions.

- Part of anti-racism task force with Paria and Aleisha. Meeting went well but lots of room for opinions and discussions to take place. Key points include having councilors with BIPOC / international background within anu counselling.

4.5 Disabilities Department (M. McCarthy and M. Robson) [Reference L]

Mira she/her, report largely as read. Massive shoutout to publicity and social officers for their work during o week. Great turnout
New EAP system within ANU, if anyone is having difficulty applying for a new EAP email the officers which is in their report.

Azraa: Were you consulted on new EAP system?

- So we were told, in early 2022 they were told that they were working on a new system and students in the DA were being involved. They were told it was being pushed back. They were never told nor consulted about any of the EAP system, the feedback from the system is negative. The disability officers are not happy with the decision.

4.6 Environment Department (R. Michelson) [Reference M]

Broad strokes, stalled every day bar one of O-week. Thank Bea and some people from walk against woodchips for allowing to take breaks. Thank uni students for climate action and other for NDA for climate action. Take mostly as read, but mention of school strike for climate. Met on Saturday and they outlined the help they need – outreach, providing equipment, etc. Speaking outside of department on climate change, government ineptitude, at Glebe Park at 11. Think getting ANUSA support and putting together walking group would be productive.

4.7 Bla(c)k, Indigenous and People of Colour Department (P. Najafzadeh) [Reference N]

Introductions. Highlights:

O week was really successful, more people then expected show up. On market day there were a lot of SR's who came up asking for resources. There were also a few concerning comments made, the BIPOC department is not responsible for educating people on autonomous events. The anti-racism task force went very successfully, there were multiple people from different positions pushing for reports. Shoutout BIPOC baddie of the month for making the graphics on instagram.

Grace moves for 10 minute break. Motion passes.

Meeting continues at 7:38pm

Item 5: NUS Delegate and Office Bearer Reports

5.1 Azraa Hussain [Reference O]

NUS delegate last year in ANUSA elections, get to go to NATCON which is basically AGM. People get to put up motions to go into NUS national platform for following year. Very intense four days, lots of shouting and screaming. Happy to take questions about contents.

- Clearly not prepared for this. Apologies.
- Explained different factions. Full disclosure, member of ALP and NLS.

- Lots of contentious motions, lots of very aggressive debate. Made for overall negative experience for medical wellbeing. Got through it. Conference did not end on great note – Unity pulled quorum. Does not think that was a great thing for the NUS, particularly in situation currently.
- Observation was that speaking times were sig. Reduced because lots of motions to get through– caused uproar. Accessibility of natcon is not great. Sitting in room for 10 hours is not great at all. Severely ill for days after natcon.
- Really appreciate ANUSA is not as aggressive in debate as natcon.
- 4th section highlighted how 3 other delegates of ANU voted. Clear about how voting happened on the floor. Certain things were found to be ‘interesting’ and didn’t like how student union thought of certain issues.
- Affiliation to NUS is a contentious issue for this SRC, know lots of convos about it in following year. If want to remain radical and progressive, need to engage with national union in meaningful way even if you don’t agree with politics.

Questions:

Alex (Student media) - How do non-delegates pay to get to natcon?

Response: can’t speak for any other factions, by own faction, all chip in and pay tithes Depending on income, lots of fundraisers in other states

Point of clarification: Enviro office has paid in past, and ANUSA should pay

Question: Sam: love your report, on a scale of 1-10, how slay is it that you included the voting records of the ANU indie trio in your report?

Not going to rate, but thinks it’s important for people to know how their reps voted. Indies don’t bind like factions do, so important to find

Question: Ben: just to clarify on Unity’s behalf regarding NUS attendance, all the people who aren’t delegates pay for themselves to attend, so paid for own attendance and accommodation as an observer and incoming Ethnocultural Officer

Question: Kai: Do you or other NUS delegates know whether their votes can be bound by the SRC?

Response: From my understanding, no. The NUS is a national body, so ANUSA delegates go to represent ANU students, don’t think that’s an issue, our votes will go towards informing the national union on the direction it should take.

5.2 Beatrice Tucker [Reference P]

Really important as it is verbal. Gotcha

Apologies for not submitting – O-week doesn’t lend itself. Has submitted but will be used to sub in.

Natcon is absolutely bizarre. For me, incredibly frustrating as can’t discuss motions freely, moved speaking or right of reply to a minimum. Despite lack of time, SAlt did a great job prosecuting arguments to force Labor to consult their politics.

Both Unity and NLS moved to remove reference to Labor Party from any motion. Example of refugees. Even attempted to gag certain roles including education officer after pro-industrial Uni Accords. Students continue to be product served for industries. Gaggings shows abuse of power of labor factions and the power of the party, not for students. Was critiqued for not discussing amendments beforehand, was mistook that could discuss motions or amendments on floors.

Found myself voting with SAlt on most motions and some labor members have said have condoned SAlt's beliefs. Will not vote against beliefs. Rejects claim to vote in right-wing way. Recommendation is that ANUSA should affiliate with NUS this year. Any union is no union, despite all this. Really want to commend SAlt for their work at conference.

Clarification/question: Azraa: If the motion you are referring to about not being amended is about our conversation about making queer spaces more culturally safe, would have assumed that if you had an issue with the wording, you would have approached me about it because we know each other outside of the Conference.

Answer: I wasn't critiquing NUS processes. Created a culture of retreating to safe spaces and retreating rather than fighting.

5.3 Ben Yates [Reference Q]

Take report mostly as read, highlighting that agree with what Bea has said, and that we should be affiliating this year, and echo Bea's statement about Salt. It is a fantasy to believe that there is any other organisation out there that can achieve the radical outcomes we are after. Most of votes aligned with SAlt at the conference. Recommends that people go to NatCon if able, shows the failures of reformism, shape of student politics, how institutional politics is failing students. Accredit unconditionally.

Question: Lara (she/her): Referring to section about physical violence, as ANU student not as NLS. Disappointed as I felt unsafe and you chose to blame factional differences rather than an event that was physically intimidated. Izabella and I spoke to you at conference and you were supportive. Why have you changed your tone?

Response: Line that is there is "political conversations.. More aggressive." Also saw members of Labor being physical violent in that altercation. A member of Student Unity actively pushed Bea out of the way. Don't have much more to add, what I did see was an incredibly hostile form of engagement. Respect that you felt unsafe, put another option on the table, reporting what I saw. Not my job to make you feel safe. It was deeply factional, members of your factions were pushing anybody who wasn't wearing one of their t shirts.

Harry: In your report, do you think it's hypocritical that you say NUS should adopt SA politics, but your presidency so far is the opposite of that, re the Commencement Stunt, the lockout campaign being just a petition. Don't you reckon there's a bit of a contradiction?

Answer: That's really good question. Didn't run if was satisfied. Changing things is really hard. Will accept critique. Addressed commencement, made a strategic campaign for lockouts as students off campus are hard to mobilize over summer. Nobody has contested until now.

Sam: As a member of Unity at top of conference floor, why was the incident where SA was ambushed mischaracterized (?)

Response: I think people have different recollections of the incident. If you think I just endorse SA strategy, I did vote with them for the whole conference, bar a handful of times. Think it is a radical, mature strategy for a national union.

Azraa: I want to go over physical violence. In hypothetical, if NLS and Unity weren't barricading, do you want to let them go ham and get physically injured rather than push people over? It gets really aggressive in there. Would you want us to get loose?

Response: Maybe it's important to give some context. My recollection was that all that day, SA had been attempting to get NUS/NLS to commit to position on RDB. Eventually did agree. Don't think it's bad to go up to somebody after a conference and ask questions, but is bad to assault people and engage in an intimidating way. Unhappy for you that you felt unsafe, but reporting what I saw which was an extremely escalatory move by the Labor factions.

Ben (not Yates): We can go back and forth all day, I was someone who was chairing an ethnocultural chapter and Unity's team at the back, the exit used by NLS that day wasn't used as proxies had to be counted. Had to make a physical barrier.... This was a request put in my organiser to avoid violence. Regardless of what discussed, violence shouldn't be used.

Response: Mostly a comment, hear what you're saying. My observation was that there was a predominant perspective that violence was far worse if directed at Labor, somebody said "Shut the fuck up you white bitch." Kind of baffling, if that had been directed at a Labor member, would have been reported in arduous detail. Huge double standard applied, huge tolerance of violence and of disrespect towards Socialist Alternative.

Azraa: Want to flag that there were no members of SAlt in room who participated in violence, not saying they weren't violent;. Are you saying that SAlt did not be violent at all?....

Response: I definitely think there were members of SA who behaved in unacceptable was, there are also comprehensive examples of members of Labor factions behaving poorly as well.

Clarifications: Chair of NLS member who made previous comment named them.

Procedural to move to next report – Passed.

5.4 Samuel McRae [Reference R]

Elected last year, voted on policy motions, had a good time at conference, can see how inaccessible it was. Particularly with pre-conference. Thank you to ANUSA team in helping the delegates get there. Was exhausting, found it fulfilling and valued being there for the debates .Votes were bound to Student Unity, have been a member for a number of years. If you have any questions about how voted or how I feel, please reach out. On some key NUS points, factions are unavoidable, do govern NUS particularly Labor factions, important that we condemn all govs across the country.

Important to point out that conference leaders are elected democratically. Beautiful exercise of democracy. Commend Azraa for including the way that the ANU indie trio voted. Expressed some optimism for the Voice. Hope ANUSA SRC aligns itself with NUS on this. Highly troubled that we are hearing opinions from the President in the Australian. The quote was interesting and I am interested to see how the student engages on the voice. Think the collective power is much more likely to exact change with the federal government. Congrats to Isabella and Ben, thank you to everybody who supported me on the journey.

Ben Yates clarification: My bad to think to talking News Corp like other journalists. They took out of context when he said ANUSA wasn't committed yet.

Q: At conference, Student Unity voted in favour of nuclear energy. What is your opinion?

A: I do not support. 51 – 49 of Unity voted in favourite. Expensive, dangerous, far more better options

Skye: your faction sat with what is left of the Liberal faction during the conference and were happy to accept their votes. Does that cause you any reflection or any discomfort?

A: With Liberal delegate from Sydney, never interacted with her. She sat with Unity, was free to sit wherever she pleased. At NUS factions put all over the place. Wasn't keen on idea of Liberal member at NUS, and would not be privy to any agreements between Unity and the liberal member.

Beatrice: you mentioned to me around conference that you weren't happy with the way Unity voted on certain things. How in the future do you foresee being part of a faction that your politics don't align with, and what do you plan to do about it?

A: I think my politics do align with Unity – with any large group of people, there is going to not be 100% of agreement. With the independents ticket, they don't all agree. I didn't agree with everything Unity said. First Natcon, was confused. If would go back, would know more to speak my mind. Proud member of Student Unity.

[Audible laughter]

Phoenix: reminder to not speak when others are speaking

Ben N clarification: Liberal didn't vote with unity, recollection of why they sat with Unity was SAIt got agitated towards them. Maily a safety and wellbeing concern.

5.5 Skye Predevac [Reference S]

Introductions. Report was pretty short, only going through bigger problems with NUS. NUS is a pretty horrible institution, useless at achieving goals esp. Under Labor government, doesn't set out for much.

Structured around faction system – not accessible to independents. None motions put up were voted on, due to Unity pulling quorum before urgency motions. Didn't know how cogs worked. Only factions knew.

Talk all we want about violence, but clogging system around fistfight every time amendment comes up. If you can tear up an amendment before it reaches the chair, you can stop thje amendment going through. Completely inaccessiblecompletelyly violent.

Built around building labor comradery.

Campaign budget \$2000, bar budget \$4000. Motion around TSwift's party, nuclear energy, Victorian socialist commiserations, jokes that don't work well for conference.

Officebearers had taken substantial salary and did nothing the whole year, esp. Welfare who had done a report (accessible behind paywall) and conducted wedding outside Parliament house.

Would challenge the idea that the NUS has been democratically elected. Most NUS delegates are elected unopposed. Not a specific faction's fault, but not a genuine reflection of the views of students across the country. That said,

Agree affiliation with some form of student peak body is necessary

Generally amendments were aligned with what Labor was going to do, e.g change the age instead of \$88 per day.

Will also say that I will defend every single vote I made during that conference, and would be willing to answer any questions about them

Point of Clarification: on unopposed delegates, if a uni is sending 7 unit delegates out of 7, another faction is free to contest that

Azraa: Make a very valid point about how conference runs – only learnt about it three days before due to faction. As we send delegates and affiliate to NUS we need to know these processes. Would upskill make you more amenable to the NUS if it allows for more transparency and engagement?

Response: Think the processes and transparency and accessibility of the Conference systems is something I care about it, but not fundamental problem of NUS. Fundamental problem is politics of it and how it directs its funding.

Sam: Pick question from motion Azraa. In report. Specifically you voted against 5.3 - duty of care to university. You mention how many motions were jokes, but on a motion about SASH, would you be incorrect to say it was mostly joke motions?

Response: Didn't say that it was mostly joke motions, just that there were too many. To the other point, I think from memory that the reason voted against that is because as compared to the status quo that would be an improvement, there are more systemic and fundamental changes that NUS could push for that would deliver much more wide-ranging changes for student welfare — better alternatives to direct campaigning towards

Isabella: Know I'm an NUS office bearer. I take the point about last NUS welfare officer. Many office bearers like myself that are unpaid. Is it fair for me to expect much support from ANUSA in that case?

Response: I think the fact that you're unpaid sucks. Generally, campaigning and organising positions should be paid. You should be able to expect generally the same level that any other student wanting to run a campaign should be able to receive. There is special consideration with power of NUS behind you, but should not require ANUSA to give a huge amount aside from affiliation fees.

Azraa: We've started to talk about NUS campaign budget. If we continued to give \$10000 would you expect them to do more with less money when we're struggling to mobilise students on campus?

Response: I just think that the amount of money hasn't really been a main criticism of NUS. Two main criticisms are how money is spent in terms of which campaigns, and that the money is directed towards office bearers who don't do anything, towards organising a conference and paying for drinks. IMO not the direction that money should be going. If had a guarantee that an extra 30 grand would be spent appropriately, might be a different story

Ben N: We've been saying how we heard office bearers aren't paid enough – uni should be providing more stuff, and we independently decide to spend funds. Should ANUSA be paying total amount so office bearers can get paid and act autonomously as we deserve here as well?

Response: I agree that you should be able to function independently and autonomously, but don't think ANUSA going to 45000 ... Would be much more sympathetic if knew it was going to be used to pay autonomous officers, but that's not how NUS spends money. It goes to non-autonomous office bearers who use NUS to resume-build.

Harry procedural – Ben and Beatrice to answer question about whether 10000 is the right amount to accredit etc. Should increase? Particularly after going to NatCon

Ben Response: Last year I was of the opinion that we should not accredit, but changed mind in that there is no alternative to NUS. In regards to accreditation, if we increased accreditation fees, it would be spent terribly, wouldn't go into campaign budgets or autonomous office bearers. Office bearers paid 4 days a week, Pres paid full time. Shocked when it would be spent better by autonomous officers.

Bea Response: 20/25 is a pretty good amount, we are a pretty small university with 10k undergrad, don't really see what the NUS has provided. Really interesting culture at NUS that campuses that have accredited owe money. No work reaching out to other campuses, Unity making sure re-affiliation occurs at existing members. ANUSA running over-cost, cutting into reserves, not in a position at this moment to raise amount.

Procedural – Harry to ask one more question
Motion passes

Harry: I disagree with arguments around money. Do you think giving 35k more to NUS is better than losing 100k at a Friday Night Party?

Ben: obviously a strategically framed question, not useful to be losing money on parties, not core business of student union. If I get a cheque in the mail tomorrow, do I think it should go to NUS affiliation? No, should go to our campaign budget as we can do more on this campus. If I got a 2 million dollar cheque, sure maybe. NUS is ultimately funding Labor ppl to CV stack at the moment. In future, hopefully different.

Beatrice: I think all money should go to EAG budget line – it only has \$1000. All budget lines could be raised – could pay department officers a living wage. Feels question was weird strawman argument.

Questions back to Skye: No more questions.

5.6 Luke Harrison [Reference T]

NUS ACT Branch President. Sit on National Exec of NUS, and coordinate with state vice president ACT. Wanted to report as there is lots of discussion around disconnect between ANUSA and NUS. One small attempt to create connection, talk about NUS campaigns and keep me accountable.

1. What have I done so far?
 - a. Wrote in Counter-course guide
 - b. Organised NUS stall at market day
 - c. Attended mardi gras street rally in Sydney, supported by NUS Queers
 - d. Work on National Day of Action
 - e. Attended NUS Presidents' Summit
 - f. National presidents meeting.
 - g. Denied chance to nominate for any committee – factional deals were done and only factional members could nominate.
2. What is happening in the NUS?
 - a. Campaigns:
 - i. Welfare general NU campaign, change the age, lobbying campaign mainly aimed at Centrelink to lower age of independence to 18 among other things. This campaign has been going on for a number of years, yet to see change. At Pres Summit, argued for a different campaign not a lobbying campaign.
 - ii. Voice to Parliament. At Nat Con voted on that NUS supports Voice to Parliament. Campaign in its early stages
 - iii. Education Officer: Climate NDA, students for affordable housing. Snap rally happening in Syd on Friday
 - iv. Women's: looking to construct a campaign around SASH on campus, still in early days
 - v. Queer: fight Religious Discrimination Bill, some other small campaigns such as Mardi Gras street rally, trans day of visibility, IWD fight for accessible abortions
 - vi. Disabilities: hybrid learning
 - vii. Small and regional: mental health in the regions,
 - b. NUS will take part in Uni Accords. Run out of time to talk about Pres Summit

Questions:

Grace: Can you expand how do you want to join committees

Response: Kinda not democratic. Different factions at NC organized together to make deals about who can sit on committees. Not part of any faction so not allowed in on any of those deals. Open nominations were not allowed, only found out on the day.

Question: on committees being democratically elected, what is the difference between that and you being elected at ACT pres?

Answer: It was an open EOI form, and I submitted my interest.

Question: remember EOI coming out, stated that if you're part of a faction there's pretty much no chance of you being selected.

Answer: not a question for me, I didn't make the form

Ben N: If you didn't run for gen rep, shouldn't the gen rep be filled by a person who ran for gen rep? Am I misreading the constitution?

Ben Y: Constitution says that ticket who elected the Gen Rep gets to decide who the replacement will be. Standing interpretation that every member of the ticket is allowed to apply. Don't have to have run for gen rep.

Ben N: Doesn't this take away from those students who voted?

Ben Y: Agree, but not time or place.

Procedural to give Ben N a minute to explain office bearer ethnocultural. Motion passed.

Ben N: Ethnocultural part was not included in the report. Presentation was chopped and changed, so will do this now.

At Pres Summit, did say that approach this year is NUS working for unis, not the other way around. Want to reach out to all relevant office bearers and see how they want campaigns to run and what support they would like. Have reach out to Presidents to get in contact with relevant officers. Hoping to have ongoing connections for sharing events. Will have some asset building such as insta, fb, twitter. Mainly want to focus on EthnoCon, information to come. Plan to work on accessible healthcare, safe spaces on campus, democratically elected positions across the country.

Procedural to hear from NUS ACT Education Vice President Nick – procedural passed.

Nick: on some of the liberal arguments against basic democratic function of the union. People were elected into a delegate organization, that's the way things functions. People have been making argument that NUS is structurally right wing, that's not the case. Unfortunate reality that Labor factions have s much support, in order to build opposition to that we have to politically battle them, exactly what SA is trying to do nationally. Coming into this year, on affiliation fees, the idea that it is structurally right wing was used to argue that we should pay only 10000, an anti-union argument. Highlight SA current campaigns which are good and should have engagement, Get a Room about housing crisis and hostile housing market, lots of students do not have a house. There have been good protests and campaigns. A SA member has been arrested and charged, atrocious but sign of a good campaign. NDA, motion later for ANUSA to put resources and political support. Fighting against greenwashing of Labor government who make it look like they're fighting for

climate justice. There are lots of good campaigns going on at the moment at a local level and national scale. National delegated organisations are essential. have to respect it and fight it on a political level.

No questions for Nick.

Item 6: NUS President Summit Reports

6.1 Ben Yates and Phoenix O'Neill [Reference U]

Chair passed to Charlotte.

Pres sum is a meeting of all Presidents, some Gen Secs and Ed officers come. It was not violent, which was a relief as I had heard about what had happened at NatCon. The way that people spoke about this appalled me. What was disappointing was that all discussion was suppressed all weekend. As one of the biggest chances to have leaders from the biggest unions in the country, felt like a corporate conference, waste fo everybody's time. Know zero people from other campuses better, no opportunities to work together and build things. There were some productive conversations. Time and space was given to Ramsey Foundation, really racist and presenters were encouraging student unions to apply for grants from them. NUS is only committing to 50% SSAF campaign, and then being taught to apply for grants from wage-thefting racist billionaires whose values won't align. Was upset at voices amplified there and no discussion/organising time, though one or two exceptions. Media training was good. Support reaccreditation, but when best opportunity to be a national union is wasted, it is extremely frustrating.

No questions for Phi.

Chair back to Phi.

Procedural to take a 20min break moved by Grace. Procedural passes.

Meeting resumes 9:23pm

Item 7: Discussion items/Motions on Notice

Motion 7.1

Confirming General Representative Appointment

The SRC confirms the appointment of Luke Harrison to replace the General Representative vacancy left by Aidan Harris' resignation.

Moved: Ben Yates

Seconded: Charlotte

Ben & Charlotte waives speaking. Motion passes.

Motion 7.2

Campaign to Keep ANU Hybrid

Preamble

ANU's plan to move classes in-person only disproportionately affects disabled and immunocompromised students, working students and parents and carers. Keeping classes hybrid will ensure all students have equal access to tertiary education. This petition will be presented to ANU once we reach 500 signatures, and will be the first step in our campaign to Keep ANU Hybrid.

Motion

ANUSA endorses the DSA's petition to Keep ANU Hybrid.

ANUSA will post the link to the petition on Facebook with the above preamble.

Moved: Maddi McCarthy

Seconded: Mira Robson

Maddy speaks: ANU is pushing to go back entirely to online. Wants ANUSA support.

Mira waives right to speak.

Amendments on notice:

1. Keep NUS' 'We need both' campaign
2. Oppose implementing plan in a manner leading to job cuts.

Both friendly amendments pass without vote.

Kat: As an international student, can't agree with motion more. Emphasising that intl students are doing degrees online because of expensive flights etc. Can't agree more.

Isabella: NUS Disabilities officer. Emphasise this is an ANU pressing issue, but not only ANU> National campaign is so important as well. Some unions don't have disabilities officer. Needs to be intersectional – in law that international students can't do more than 1/3 of their degree online. This needs to be removed. Women, carers, first-nations people will all be affected.

Wren: think that this petition is really good and ANUSA should support, outrageous that uni VC are joining with ruling class to push that living with covid is normal, normal that life expectancy has declined. Outrageous that there is an assertion that we should be crammed abck into classrooms. Absolutely vital to allow to keep happening. Important to acknowledge that uni VCs will try to do these types of things in an underhanded way that fucks over staff as well. Staff rights should be preserved at same time as students'

Motion put to a vote. Motion passes.

Motion 7.3

The Campaign to restore the Daley Rd bus

Preamble

In 2019 the 3 and 81 bus routes were axed by the ACT government, leaving students without safe, reliable or cheap means to go elsewhere in Canberra and back again. There is an ongoing petition drive to restore this bus route, to be presented in the ACT legislative assembly on the 20th of March. But before this point we must ensure that as many signatures are on the petition as possible, so as to give it the highest chance of succeeding.

“Are you an on campus student who struggles with lugging groceries to and from civic, finds it hard to get around Canberra or feels unsafe walking home at night? There was once a bus that solved all these problems, and there can be again.

If enough of us come together and sign this petition to restore the bus line we can win, and whether you're on Daley rd, somewhere else on campus, or a sympathetic townie, this would be a huge victory for student welfare.

SIGN THE PETITION HERE: <https://epetitions.parliament.act.gov.au/details/e-pet-002-23>

Leave a comment if you want to get involved, or if you want to know more”

Motion

The SRC calls upon ANUSA to post the quoted text from the preamble onto the facebook page and to include promotion of the petition in every newsletter until closing. The SRC also calls for contact to be made with the IHC, clubs and societies for them to promote the petition, and strongly encourages any ANU student to sign the petition.

Moved: Skye Predevac

Seconded: Mickey

Skye: will not use three minutes lol. I'm sure everybody has seen the posters, pretty simple, if you haven't signed already, you should it's pretty unobjectionable. This is a motion to get ANUSA behind it and to share it around.

Mickey waives right to speak.

Aveline (I think): useful petition, the fact that we don't have a bus going thru the ANU at all is pretty atrocious. Important to look at how this came to be under Labor/Greens coalition, cutting shit tonne of public transport, supposedly most left-wing government in country. We should oppose public transport cuts in future as well.

Isabella: I think this is a slay campaign, a good idea and safer for students with disability. My hat is off to you, best of luck with the rest of the campaign.

Grace: Want to add that I really hope that we can use this momentum to go further than just this one bus, push for more routes and more frequency, the cuts even over the summer are disgusting and not good enough, we don't do nearly enough about it. Considering success so far and momentum, using this in ACT-wide campaign.

Skye waives their right to reply.

Motion put to a vote. Motion passes

Motion 7.4

Preamble:

There is no doubt that we are in the midst of a climate crisis. Thousands have already been killed or displaced due to natural disasters that are denoted as "once in a century." From floods in New Zealand and New South Wales to bush fires in Chile, the climate crisis is here.

Despite this, the Labor government has proven itself to be on the side of corporations and fossil fuel companies. The Albanese Government have approved 114 new fossil fuel projects and have completely exempted exported carbon emissions from the reporting mechanism in last year's climate bill, allowing coal mines and gas projects to feed emissions without public scrutiny.

What is needed right now is not new coal and gas projects, with some creative accounting and a heavy dose of greenwashing, but a rapid shutting down of existing fossil fuel infrastructure and a just transition to renewable energy production.

State Labor and Liberal governments have responded to climate movements in recent years by passing a spate of repressive laws designed to criminalise disruptive protest. It is incumbent on all climate activists to oppose this repression and defend the right to protest. Politicians won't save us, we need to continue coming out onto the streets.

The upcoming National Day of Action called by the National Union of Students will be an important step towards rebuilding a climate movement willing to challenge the Labor government and unabashedly call for the kind of radical action required to avert worsening climate catastrophe.

Motion:

ANUSA supports the National Day of Climate Action and its demands.

ANUSA condemns the Labor Government's commitment to protecting and expanding the fossil fuel industry.

ANUSA will strongly encourage all students and staff to attend the rally. This includes sharing the event on all ANUSA social media pages and paying for those posts to be sponsored.

Members of the SRC are strongly encouraged to attend this rally. Those members of the SRC who cannot attend must send their apologies to the General Secretary.

ANUSA will publish the preamble to this motion in full on their facebook page and email list, with a link to the facebook event for the rally and the time, date and place of the rally, by the end of this week.

Moved: Luke Harrison

Seconded: Nick Reich

Speaking:

Luke (for): Midst of climate crisis, Labor and Liberal governments have done nothing. Strike until we win for climate crisis.

Nick (for): clearly the Labor government is engaging in high levels of greenwashing, with Climate Bill being only a reporting mechanism not reducing emissions, not reporting exporting emissions, waved thru by the Greens unceremoniously, those in power are not doing much to resolve the climate crisis that is only going to worsen. Requires militant student organisers getting out on the street to demand something far more radical, set the tone that activism is back on the agenda and the climate movement of 2019 needs to be revived. More resources, more time, everybody here coming along and arguing to people about the role of the Labor government is important.

Isabella (for): Condemns the labor party. Climate change is bad, esp. For disabled people. See you on the National Day of Action.

Aveline (sorry, again not sure) (for): in the climate around climate activism, important that we do stuff like this at a national scale, especially in the face of the Violet Coco stuff that happened last year and other stuff that we will discuss. As big of a scale as possible, as big and loud and angry as possible, not a time to have a sit down and be sad, time to be ferocious about what the government is doing that is going to burn us, drown us, starve us. Most important thing that we can do for climate change, and this will only ever get worse under capitalism.

Luke ROR: 17 March, 1pm Kambri, see you there

Motion put to a vote. Motion passes.

Chair moved to Charlotte

Motion 7.5

Preamble:

Motion against the Housing Australia Future Fund (HAFF) and in solidarity with student fights for better housing across the country

The Labor Government's Housing Australia Future Fund (HAFF) does not do enough to address the housing and cost of living crisis in Australia. The Fund will not give relief to the hundreds of thousands of students who are struggling with exorbitant rent prices.

The HAFF proposes that the government will invest \$10 billion dollars into a future fund, where the profits made will go towards housing. This means that the Government will be relying on returns from an investment fund for any funding to build 'affordable housing' over the next five years. Last

year, Australia's Future Fund lost 3.7%. Their CEO called it a "tough time in investment markets". For the Government to propose that we begin to rely on investment funds to fix the housing crisis - and to do so the year after the instability of their other Future Funds - was proven is extremely irresponsible. The Government should be directly funding the building of public housing rather than gambling the money on an unreliable investment fund.

Even in the scenario that the fund does manage to make the money that the Government proposes it will (\$500,000 p.a.), it is still not nearly enough of an investment in affordable housing. The target of 30,000 social and affordable homes – emphasising that this is merely a target, not a promise – over five years from 2024 is far beyond what is needed in Australia. Statistics cite the shortage in social and affordable housing in Australia as being somewhere between 437,000 to 640,000 homes. It is expected to go up by 75,000 over the next five years. This means that the HAFF will not even meet the growth in supply - creating a worse social housing crisis than our current one. On this note, the lack of definition of what the 'affordable housing' funded refers to is highly concerning. There is a lack of any real commitment to public housing receiving the funding, rather than property developers. To call this fund an ambitious housing policy is a complete misnomer.

Combining this with a complete lack of funding or support for renters, the HAFF will completely fail to alleviate the pressure for students in the housing crisis. Students at the ANU overwhelmingly are occupants or renters who have been hit with enormous rent/tariff increases in the past few years. There is a severe lack of public housing in Canberra and our rental market is currently the worst in the country for both cost and vacancy rates. The HAFF will see this crisis become worse in Canberra, which only strengthens the ANU's monopoly on student housing. To improve housing for students, the Government needs to focus on people, not profit. For a start, this would look like directly funding public housing, rent reductions and freezes, and for ANU an end to privatized student housing.

Motion:

1. ANUSA condemns the Labor Government's Housing Australia Future Fund as a solution to the Australian housing crisis
2. ANUSA will make a Facebook post supporting opposition to the HAFF, which will highlight the Fund's failure to address students' needs in the housing crisis
3. ANUSA will commit to fighting for real housing reform that prioritises people over profit.

Mover: Phoenix O'Neill

Second: Kai Dreyfus-Ballesi

Phoenix (mover): explaining the HAFF, Labor gov has passed HAFF thru the Souse going to the Senate soon. Works much like Super, gov invests 10billion into future fund where profits will go towards housing. FFs last year lost money, so gov is responding to cost of living by putting money into unstable funds. Regardless, an extremely flawed approach to housing. The amount of money that Labor is proposing to make is still not enough for public housing, housing problem will still get worse. The idea that we are investing money into fund rather than actual housing is horrendous. Actually doesn't support renters, public housing, doesn't address problem, only another way of

privatising a public problem. If we all shared our housing problems, we would be here all night. Students in particular are being slammed, housing at ANU atrocious also due to privatisation. We need to be fighting for more, this policy is being called ambitious which is laughable and it is making the housing problem worse. ANUSA needs to overwhelmingly condemn this ad commit to fighting to real housing reform and commit to people over profits.

Kai (Seconder): I'll be brief. Housing is a human right. We need more housing that is publicly owned and not assets that people sit on to accumulate wealth. Gvt should not be incentivising people to invest in property – it's a complete farce that this will improve housing crisis in Australia.

Brandon (He/him) (against):

Don't know why as a council we would vote against the first serious piece of legislation in years. The bill itself acknowledges that it is not a complete solution, tasks the gov with developing a plan. Will make a tangible positive difference and a concrete pathway for further improvement. We should instead focus on programs that are explicitly making housing worse, including Liberal and Greens actions. Inner West, Canberra etc block affordable housing being built around the ANU. Inner city Melb stopped a nursing home being built. We as a council would have completely wrong priorities if we condemned this. Happy to work on any motions or policies that will tangibly help the housing crisis, but this isn't it.

Chris (for): Every time that Labor says this is shit it stays shit and they never get better. They continue to treat housing as a commodity when the solution is to pump a 'shit tonne' of money into housing. We should vote this up and do what we can to put up the 'get a room' campaign from the NUS. Makes note of other protesters.

Ollie (he/him) Question: Point 2 of motion – Will the facebook post include sentences such as 'people not profit' (full sentence is important).

A: We'd be quoting the preamble, so yes.

Ollie (he/him) Against: not going to send time defending the housing fund, but the myopic approach encapsulated in those sentences and are Greens policies pretty much. No denying there are many factors leading to current situation, but simplifying the issue into people not profit, rent reduction and freezes doesn't help at all. Need to contextualise into what every government is contributing. Currently low income rent assistance is radically insufficient, needs to be increased, different approach to rent reductions which is only a band aid solution to this issue. Primary issue is supply and policies like negative gearing. Over simplification doesn't really help, isn't productive and shouldn't be included.

Sarah (for): I actually agree with lots said, including increasing supply. Why this motion says there should be a vast increase in public housing. It's also why Kai's report including petition increasing supply by changing zoning laws. This motion is sensitive of needs of the wider Canberra community, not just on campus. Waitlist of Canberra public housing with risk factors is 1150 days, without risk factors is 1700 days (nearly five years). Fully commend as we need to build more social and private housing – not mutually exclusive.

Yerin (for): don't think it's that complicated if you're looking at it from the perspective of students or renters. If you're looking at it from perspective of landlords or governments, it would be very complicated but if you're on the side of human need, housing is a basic human right and shouldn't be a commodity, right know in Aust there are more empty homes than there are people wanting to rent homes.

Harry (for): without it turning into a Young Labor argument, weird that you have a problem with government focusing on people not profit.

Ollie Point of clarification: Wasn't issue with putting people before profit. Oversimplification of issue and not agreeing with specific dichotomy

Harry (continuing): we should be supporting this, agree with what has been said about these being structural issues, HAFF is bringing capitalist, profit-driven solution to these issues which is not going to help ordinary people. If this 10billion actually went to public housing, would have tangibly better outcomes for working people.

Phoenix Right of reply: I really hate the 'don't let the perfect be the enemy of the good' argument. This isn't good. Why are we putting \$10 billion into the stock market rather than \$10 billion into homes? We're in a housing crisis. This policy makes the issue actively worse. The real enemy of housing are those not putting funds into public housing.

Kai Right of reply: I think part of the reason \$10 billion is not being directly put into housing is because of crazy inflation and they're wanting to take money out of the economy..... I think that's a terrible reason.;

Motion passes

Chair returns to Phoenix

Motion 7.6

Preamble:

ANUSA calls on the ANU to repeal the lock-out fee for students at ANU residences. The ANU has just raised the lockout fees for students who lose access to their rooms during business hours from \$15 to \$100. The fact that such a fee existed in the first place was already objectionable, but this fee hike is entirely unjust and unreasonable.

This massive hike in the fee has come in the middle of a cost-of-living crisis. Students at the ANU are already struggling, many living below the poverty line. On-campus fees are already prohibitively expensive, with fees being hiked every year. Many students will have to choose between paying this fee and their groceries, rent, textbooks, or not be able to pay it at all.

The impact of this fee on student safety is paramount. Phoebe Denham, Women's Officer, stated: "The increased lockout fee shows a disregard for the sexual violence and student safety issues that we have on our campus. I am concerned about students who have experienced trauma being put at greater risk of further trauma, or being forced to disclose their experiences to have the fee waived". The risk of students leaving their doors unlocked or sleeping in public spaces/other students rooms and putting themselves at a safety risk is increased by a lockout fee.

Disabled students are also disproportionately affected by lockout fees. The DSA put it that "symptoms such as brain fog are common among multiple disabilities, and with the increasing prevalence of long COVID, this symptom is significantly more frequent. This can easily lead to students forgetting room keys. Furthermore, asking students to justify why they were locked out in order to waive the fee puts a huge burden on these students, who already have to fight for accommodations in so many other aspects of university life".

The fee increase is often justified by the university by pointing out the strain that is put on Senior Residents (SRs), who have to let students in when locked out outside of business hours. However, SRs are being overworked and underpaid by the university, not by the students at their halls. This hundred dollar fee increase does not go towards paying Senior Residents more, whose scholarship compensation denies them access to the same job protection that other workers enjoy and pays them well below minimum wage. Furthermore, having to implement this fee is actually placing more stress on SRs, not less as it creates a power dynamic that is antithetical to their role of providing pastoral care. Consultation by the Interhall Council (IHC) found that "SRs will do what they can to avoid reporting lockouts."

Motion:

1. ANUSA opposes lockout fees at ANU residential halls, and finds the recent increase to \$100 completely unreasonable and unjust
2. ANUSA will share a petition against lockout fees on its Facebook page and in its newsletter
3. ANUSA will work with the IHC and residential hall leaders to fight the lockout fee

Mover: Maddi McCarthy

Secunder: Phoebe Denham

Maddi: moving this motion, but not just the DSA's campaign, will just speak to parts relevant to DANU is increasing lockout fees with the caveat that it only applies to some lockouts. We think it is an ableist move. Symptoms such as brain fog are frequent. Process to waive fee involves students explaining why they were locked out.

Phoebe: Similar to Maddi speaking from perspective as women's officer and personally. Student safety – SASH warning given. I guess what I see this \$100 lockout fee means that students who are in crisis or trauma that get locked out have to disclose their situation to get a fee waiver or sleep in common areas. None of three areas seem good. Disregard for sexual violence problem on campus. Happy to make changes without regard for student safety. We were talking about it when it was \$15. We need to talk about getting rid of this completely. It's been made worse by this raise, but we need to abolish it.

Friendly amendment: adding to end of action 3: 'and will seek to run a campaign on this issue.' No dissent, so added.

Ben (for): just want to highlight two points. 1, this is the symptom not the problem which is that students are being cut out of the communities, ANU has sold housing to international financial institutions so bankers are deciding how we should be running our residential halls. 2, has been implemented with remarkable amount of hostility towards SR teams. Some have been threatened if they do not comply. We need to start talking about SR strikes and SRs systematically boycotting this.

Ashlyn (for): She/her. I'm speaking for the amendment, because it's so important as everyone cares about it. It's a great opportunity to mobilise students living on campus. We haven't seen this at the ANU before. Seen these issues happen on other campuses and they've won. Latrobe, they're doing great. So important.

Carter (for): it's another one of these money grabs by the uni. This is not the fee for replacing your card it is a separate fee for a university that has millions of dollars of profit. There should not be any lockout fees, there should be free accommodation on campus.

Charlotte (for): I want to say that we speak about this in theory but the reality is really devastating to see. At the party, I had three people come to me panicking about losing their card, wondering where the common room will be that they will sleep in. This is a big disgrace to the university. [NEEDS revising – missed lots of middle substantive]

Harry (for) about the campaign, can be a really strong, unifying campaign if we actually try, will show first years that the student union can fight for you. Super important that we put a lot of resources into this. It's a completely fucked, punitive fee. Fights have worked on other campuses, getting SRs and residential students on board can piss off uni management etc. One that we can definitely win and I hope ANUSA puts resources towards.

Maddi Right of reply: Some SRs last year would not enforce the rule, making students hate the pastoral care team. Issues with carding. [missed]

Procedural for Phoebe to speak – procedural passes.

Phoebe Right of reply: Framing around SRs is really important. It's important that we are on the same page as SRs as we should respect them. It feels like people's bedrooms are their safe space on campus. That the ANU puts a fee in front of that door is bad. [Need more]

Motion put to a vote. Motion passes.

Motion 7.7

Motion to change the ANUSA logo:

Logos and the overall brand make a huge difference to the perception of a group. ANUSA as the student union should project an approachable and inclusive image.

The current ANUSA logo comes off as corporate and void of soul. It gives more of the impression that ANUSA is a service and that students aren't an active part of. ANUSA as the student union, only gains power from the collective action of its members and current corporate styled logo doesn't reflect that. The logo is also outdated, with the design being created around 2011, the changes that have been made to both the student union and overall design trends should be reflected. Furthermore, if a student does not know what the acronym ANUSA stands for, the logo gives no assistance and provides no further details.

The ANUSA logo should be fresh, interesting, and meaningful. ANUSA being a student union means that all parts, including the logo should be student oriented. Having a logo that is designed by a student as a part of a competition, and voted on by the elected representatives of ANUSA, ensures that ANUSA is student inclusive and that the logo accurately reflects the stance of a fighting student union.

Motion

1. ANUSA holds a student competition, starting in semester 1 of 2023 to create a new logo, judged by the ANUSA Executive and to be endorsed by the SRC at an SRC meeting.
2. ANUSA pays the winner of the competition a minimum of \$400 for the usage and rights of their design.

Moved: Mickey Throssell

Seconded: Luke Harrison

Mickey (mover): you've all seen the logo, it's clearly very outdated, corporate, doesn't give the message of who we are as a student union, that students are part of the collaborative effort. This looks like we are providing them a service and makes ANUSA look like part of the university, rather than part of the students. As to competition aspect, not necessarily fixing everything, the unpaid labour to get into the competition etc, but do think it's the best way to go about it to get a logo made by a student that represents the student body.

Luke (Secunder): Logo looks so corporate. Looks matter [laughter] you know what I mean! For a student union, we need to look like a student union and it does not show who we are. We need to pay our artists well.

Charlotte (for): One of the things I've ran into through O-week most of market day people think ANU runs our events. Due to logo – flame-water thing looks 'corporate as fuck'. Not representational of student unity in any manner. Not in factional sense!

Paria (question): where has the number \$400 come from?

Mickey: did just ask around, that was the general consensus, at least \$400 as it is something we will be using for years and will be around everywhere. Person should be compensated, actively acknowledged.

Kat: (adding) previously we had a competition logo and our survey prizes are pretty much the same anyway.

Ben: really exciting, we are at something of an inflexion point, ANUSA is a big cruise ship but it is getting easier to change course, motions like this are really important. Thinking about these sorts of questions is really exciting and I encourage people to bring more motions like this.

Ioan (for/question): awesome, current one is kinda shit. Curious as to has any calculation in terms of transferring across will be?

A: (Ben) Not about to throw out every single marquee. Will be iterative. Expensive assets will not be priority projects, but with taking on postgrads we'll have an increase in market budget assets, so perfect time to do it. Will it be expensive? Yes. Will it be worth it? Absolutely. We will not put ourselves in debt, but lots of it is soft – e.g brochures and website.

Bea (point of clarification) - Bus does not have current logo on bus.

Friendly amendment from Paria to chance the amount to at least \$600 PLUS TAX (grace)
Used the last logo since 2011, fact that ANUSA has rights to somebody's artwork for so long.

Harry: Could we just pay an amount in perpetuity while we're using it?

Phi: Yeah part of amendment could be \$600 + \$50 per year.

Mickey waives right of reply.

Motion put to a vote. Motion passes.

Motion 7.8

Accessible abortions now! March 8 International Women's Day protest

Preamble:

Attacks on women's rights have been on the rise across the world. From the overturning of Roe v Wade in the US and the near-total banning of abortion rights in Poland, to the proliferation of violent sexism by popular figures like Andrew Tate, the misogynistic far-right have every reason to be confident.

Last year, national protests were called by socialists in solidarity with the rallies against the Roe v Wade ruling in America. This brought out over a thousand people in Canberra, and tens of thousands around Australia. Clearly, there is a general sentiment that there is a need to fight for women's rights.

In Canberra this protest created pressure on the government to finally legislate subsidised, free abortions within the territory and initiate an inquiry into abortion accessibility. However, even here, abortion remains inaccessible.

Despite being touted as one of the most progressive governments in the country, the Labor/Greens coalition still allows institutions to deny treatment on religious grounds. Calvary Hospital, one of two major hospitals in the ACT, does not provide abortions on this basis, despite being publicly funded.

Additionally, in the ACT, procedures after 16 weeks are completely unavailable without travel to an interstate clinic due to a lack of specialists. This is part of a broader crisis of funding and accessibility for womens and trans health procedures here. There is still so much to fight for, and an urgency to keep up the momentum from last year.

In light of this, an International Women's Day protest has been called in Canberra on the 8th of March. This will be in conjunction with protests across the country.

We also need to reclaim the radical roots of what was once International *Working* Women's Day, a day initially founded by the revolutionary socialist wing of the workers movement. In Melbourne, this day continues to feature a march organised by Trades Hall. But in Canberra, much like the rest of the world, IWD is a day of posh, corporate brunches celebrating the ascent of an elite group of women while the rest still suffer the scourge of sexism.

The protest has been called by Equal Love Canberra and is cohosted and endorsed by the ANU Women's Department. ANUSA should also support and help build the upcoming rally.

Motions:

4. ANUSA endorses the March 8 International Women's Day protest and its demands.
5. ANUSA will promote the protest on their Facebook page with \$100 spent on paid advertising in the next week, as well as in their upcoming newsletter.
6. ANUSA encourages all SRC members to attend the protest.

Moved: Yerin Park

Seconded: Phoebe Denham

Yerin (mover): one thing to note is that IWD did not used to be corporate brunches, high teas, used to be quite radical and socialist, women in the workplace. We should reclaim this legacy of working women's day. Especially important context for people living in Canberra, mosst left-wing state government but inaccessible abortion and in broader international context, far right has been on the offensive. Considering all context, ANUSA should support this. Socialists have been involved in organising, but alongside NTEU and WD.

Phoebe (Seconded): Pretty much what Yerin said about history. We need to make good use of day and history of day. We've seen some improvement on abortion access in Australia, but we need to use that momentum and use it as a starting point. Really relevant day and cause. I support it and speak about it at Women's Department meeting.

Louie (for): strongly agree, look at the way that free abortion was won in Canberra — through protest with ~2000 people marching in solidarity with people in the US. We need to win accessible abortion in the same way, stand up to the fact that places like Calvary deny people abortions, even in life threatening circumstances.

Grace point of clarification – Abortion is not just for women or so-called women.

Elliot (for): Just wanted to add on the situation in the ACT, not only does Calvary hide access to important services - no specialists in Canberra that can perform abortions past 16 weeks. It doesn't matter if it is technically legal, if you can't access it. It's a class question, connected to broader problem of ACT system underfunded, under resourced. Hasn't been a women's day protest since I've been in Canberra.

Yerin Right of reply: Way to raise expectations for students on what to expect from healthcare and government is to involve as many people as possible in protests. Approach we should take to all issues.

Motion passes

Item 8: Other Business

8.1

Solidarity with Cherish Kuehlmann, Oppose NSW's anti-protest laws

Preamble:

UNSW Education Officer Cherish Kuehlmann was arrested last Friday after a housing and cost of living protest. She faces charges of trespass. She has also been made subject to extreme bail conditions designed to inhibit activism. This is just another instance of NSW's overzealous and anti-democratic laws being used to punish and discourage activism. Violet Coco, a climate activist, was sentenced in December to 15 months in prison for a climate protest that blocked traffic on the Sydney Harbour Bridge.

ANUSA must stand resolutely against anti-protest laws and stand in solidarity with a fellow student activist. The housing and cost of living campaign should be disruptive and it is our democratic right to protest without intimidation.

Motion:

1. ANUSA condemns the arrest of Cherish Kuehlmann and supports the campaign to have the charges dropped.
2. ANUSA will share the petition to drop the charges on the ANUSA Facebook <https://www.megaphone.org.au/petitions/drop-the-charges-against-cherish-kuehlmann>
3. ANUSA opposes NSW's anti-democratic anti-protest laws.

Moved: Ben Yates

Seconded: Chris

Ben (mover): Friday last week, an activist from UNSW was arrested after a housing protest, Next step in extreme anti-protest laws that NSW has implements. We need to be vocal in our solidarity and support. The right to protest is at the base of so much of what we do, very easy to say that we're not in the same position in the ACT, but important to see that there are reflections of this across the country and at universities as well. For example security tearing down posters in Kambri. Extreme forms to imperceptible forms, we need to stand resolutely in solidarity. We need to mention that UNSW SRC has effectively denied to actively support Cherish, failure to stand in solidarity with office bearers who are doing important

campaigns. Housing campaigns should be radical activism, we should oppose harsh legal consequences.

Chris (second): Agree with what Ben said. Cherish was charged on aggravated trespass laws. She was protesting outside Commonwealth bank – not what charge was for. Situation is inspirational. This is what education officers should be doing. It raises questions around the police state in NSW. Terrible that NSW student union abandoned her. Something that student unions should not do. We should support her and build a campaign to support her and other candidates who attack government. Starts with ANUSA standing in solidarity with Cherish, putting pressure on ARC.
ANUSA should share petition.

Friendly amendment on notice

Add

4. ANUSA calls on ARC, the student union at UNSW, to fully support the campaign to drop Cherish's charges and to commit to a political campaign for housing justice.
5. ANUSA endorses the student movements for housing justice in Sydney, including the upcoming snap rally on Friday at Town Hall.

More friendly amendments about signing petition and posting photo to fb page, no dissent

Both amendments passed without dissent.

Harry (for): worth noting that in NSW shamefully even Labor opposition has done nothing, has supported anti-protest laws. Comrades in sydney are taking stands, we stand in solidarity with Cherish and Violet, we are really frustrated, will lwaywas support climate and housing protests, looks like it won't be a governemnt solution, will come from people on the ground fighting for their right to be able ot protest.

Nick (?) (for): Shouldn't take position we glorify arrests – these are onerous, backwards laws that are designed to push people away from activism, nut I think we should say any campaign should be prepared to break unjust laws. Good campaigns should be prepared to break laws, but not glorify this as part of a campaign.

Ashlyn (?): Just found out that there is a rally on Friday, is there any way ANUSA could get more involved in that rather than just in solidarity.

Grace: the bus is cooked rn:/ hypothetically in any other situation yes, but bus is not safe to drive

Kai POC: the battery is being sorted tomorrow

Grace: friday is probably too short notice

Kai: reckon we could do it if there is appetite

Ben: we can probably compensate people for Murray's buses, or arrange carpool, email Ben if you are interested.

Ben waives right of reply.

Motion passes

8.2

Clubs affiliation

The SRC ratifies the Clubs Officers' decisions on the following club affiliation requests:

Approved	Rejected
ANU Science Society ANU Engineering Students Association ANU AFEC Students' Society ANU Psychology Society ANU Biology Society ANU Chemistry Society ANU Singapore Students' Association Asian Students in Australia Association ANU Computer Science Students' Association ANU Korean Pop Culture Club ANU Society for Arts and Social Sciences Malaysian Students' Organisation at ANU ANU Earth and Marine Science Society ANU Fifty50 ANU Za Kabuki ANU Vietnamese Students' Association ANU Debating Society ANU Labor Left ANU Middle Eastern Studies Association ANU College of Asia and the Pacific Students' Society Australia-China Youth Association @ ANU ANU International Law Society ANU Astronomy Society ANU Musical Theatre Collective ANU Japan Club Anthropology, Biological Anthropology, Archaeology, Cultural Heritage and Museum Studies National University Theatre Society ANU Anime and Gaming Society ANU Taiwanese Student Association ANU Physics Society ANU History Society ANU Intrepid Landcare ANU Esports ANU Classics Students Society ANU Cooking Club ANU Indonesian Students' Association ANU Actuarial Society	

<p>ANU Society for the United Nations ANU Democracy Society ANU Improv Society ANU Latin American Students' Association ANU Croatian Cultural Society ANU Regional, Rural and Remote Students Society ANU Italian Cultural Society ANU Korean Student Society ANU Mathematics Society ANU Navigators Society ANU Refugee Action Campaign ANU Board Games Society ANU Muslim Students' Association ANU Self Care Society Christian Students Uniting ANU Fighting Games Club Korea Australia Alliance ANU FOCUS ANU Jewish Students Society ANU Literature Society ANU Solar Racing ANU Rural Medical Society ANU R3 society Effective Altruism ANU The ANU Socialist Alternative Club ANU Greens MySupport ANU ANU Choral Society (SCUNA) ANU Coffee Society ANU Hope on Campus Robogals Canberra ANU Volunteering Society ANU Catholic Society ANU Vinnies ANU Dance Club ANU Auslan Club ANU Quant Traders ANU German Society ANU Labor Students Club Mandarin Bible Fellowship ANU Women* in STEM Society Amnesty ANU ANU Ekta Indian Students Association- ANU ANU Taylor Swift Society ANU Red Cross Uniclub ANU Bible Fellowship</p>	
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ANU PPE Society ANU Music Society Rocketry Appreciation Society ANU Consulting Society UN Youth ACT Artifex ANU Overseas Christian Fellowship ANU International Relations Society ANU Formula Sport ANU Mutual Support Society ANU French Collective ANU Law Revue Black Mountain Pictures ANU Criminology Society TABOO ANU ANU St Vincent de Paul Student Society ANU Arts Revue The ANU Knit&Flix Society ANU Dining Society	
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Moved: Charlotte Carnes

Seconded: Ben Yates

Charlotte: This is a formality. We are meant to do affiliation every year, annoying but ensures that finances and governance is kept in order. Affiliated to QPay over summer, so this is every society that did that. Just SRC saying we are happy with all of these clubs being affiliated, because we give clubs money. Nobody was rejected.

Sarah Question: A couple years ago the clubs page wasn't updated. Has this been fixed?

Charlotte: Idk how it works. It's my understanding that clubs can update their own page. We're amid moving the ANUSA website to QPay. Will have to speak to comms officer to work out how to update page in the meantime.

Charlotte (answer)

Charlotte waives ROR

Motion put to vote. Motion passes

Lol sorry I totally zoned out

Hehe all good 😊

8.3

Motion to suspend standing orders

Motion

The SRC will suspend standing orders so as to allow for an introduction and explanation of the SRC, its purpose, and the standing orders.

Ben: talked about what the SRC does. Student union, students are politically powerful class. Student union exists to activate, mobilise and affect power. Purpose of this space is that students should have agency over outcomes.

Kai: Purpose of SRC. Three key reasons:

1. SRC are the place where representatives and students can guide policy + politics of student union. Discuss that
2. Students and reps can learn about activities of union, events campaigns etc.

Phi (they / them): How to engage:

- Few ways;
 - o Ask everyone to put on masks
 - o Motions – everything is done through motions. Explanation of what a motion is
 - o Engage with motion – plz ask questions. You're not the only one wondering
 - o If you disagree / agree, speak against / for it.
 - o Exec want to be held accountable and discuss certain issues.
- Read the agenda. Good way to get on top of things.
- Way to get most out of it is to engage in good faith. If you disagree, don't assume people want to piss you off.
- Any suggestions, please let me know.
- Please say name and pronouns before speaking.
- #ANUSASRC on Twitter as a way to engage.
- Standing orders tell you how to engage.
- Some terms explained:
 - o Quorum – certain number of people to have meeting.
 - o Proxies
 - o Motions
 - o Speaking times – 5mins report, 3min, 2min for everyone else.
 - o Procedurals:
 - Interrupt standing orders
 - Adjournment of meeting
 - Closure of meeting
 - Cease debate on use a particular motion
 - Point of order
 - Point of explanation
 - Point of clarification
 - None of these can be used to rebut.
 - Naming
 - Exclusively when people are swearing in the past, moving away from this. Being true to unruly or disruptive behaviour.
 - Calling people names, being rude.
 - Hoping to not name people all year!
 - If you get named 3 times you can be removed to the meetings

8.4

School Strike for Climate NDA March 3

Preamble:

The School Strike for Climate's (SS4C) regular rallies over the last few years have been hugely instrumental in raising struggle in the fight for a climate safe future and are instrumental in building the large movement we need to win.

Additionally, promoting a culture of activism and fighting for rights, at primary and secondary school levels, is vital. It's important for tertiary students to support younger students in our fight, and is instrumental in raising future generations to fight for the right to protest.

The Labor Government's policies in continuing and promoting the fossil fuel industry, needs to be met with organisation and mass building. Tanya Plibersek only just approved another Gas project in Towrie, meanwhile the department of Climate Change, Energy the Environment and Water's carbon offset scheme has recently been under major public scrutiny. This scrutiny can be seen in the recent four corners episode last week, as well the Australia Institute condemning and are now moving to sue 'Climate Active' for its 'offset' schemes that have been shown to be a farce.

Motion:

- ANUSA supports the School Strike for Climate National Day of Action and its demands.
- ANUSA continually condemns the Labor Government's expansion of the fossil fuel industry.
- ANUSA will promote the March 3 11am-2pm rally. This includes sharing the event on all ANUSA social media account pages, adding it as the top priority of this week's email newsletter for promotion.
- ANUSA will assist in the costs for printing posters and flyers, and provide equipment where requested/needed.
- Members of the SRC are encouraged to attend the rally, and

encourage their classmates and academics to join too.

- ANUSA will support building a uni contingent / walking group from Kambri, to Glebe park, and offer assistance with first aid and marshalling where available.

- ANUSA will publish a link to the facebook event for the rally, the time, date, place and route of the rally, by the end of this week, and again at the beginning of next week.

Mover: Rex Michelson

Seconder: Beatrice

Rex (mover): don't need to speak to what school Strike is, and we've spoken about climate crisis. To speak about building national movements, although this isn't as political as a NDA, there is something to be said about national campaigns being build by primary and secondary students, good opportunity to bring students into campaign, show our solidarity and directly voicing our support is worthwhile and beneficial.

Beatrice (seconder): seeing the School Strike organise in the past has mobilised so many people in the past, big movements have come out of these students organising. What's interesting is the students here going ahead with the rally despite not knowing if they havd capacity to build big movement. Thinking of marching to Dept of Climate Change specifically.

Wren (for): It's pretty clear how big the task the climate movement faces it. Fossil fuel companies double their wealth. It's obscene how much they can profit from destruction. Important to have as many people as possible to build movement that can take on these companies and governments that bend over backwards to support the companies. It's awesome to support other organisers.

Rex waives right of reply.

Motion put to vote. Mote passes

8.5:

Phoebe updated on state of Trove. Petition putting through

Item 9: Meeting Close

Meeting closed 10:41pm

The next meeting of the Student Representative Council is scheduled to be on Wednesday, 15th March at 6:15pm at Marie Reay 2.02.

Expected Close of Meeting: 10pm

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