



AGENDA – ANUSA STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC) 3 2024

Wednesday, 17th April 2024

6:15pm, Zoom and Marie Reay room 2.02

Item 1: Meeting Opens and Apologies

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

1.2 Apologies

Item 2: Passing the previous meetings minutes

[Minutes SRC 2](#)

Procedural motion to move all executive reports at once

Passes

Item 3: Executive Reports

3.1 President's report (P.O'Neil) [Reference A]

ANU conducting thorough review of Mental Health strategy and talking to as many students as possible. There have been advertisements in the newsletter and we have consulted with the SRC. Apparently today there is some consultation in res halls with the new 24/7 staffing model in which professional staff are able to provide pastoral

care at all times. Weeks 9/10 there will be open consultations for all students. This is a big but important change leading to more pastoral care and support for SRs but it's important it's done right. Let me know if there are any questions. I've been doing activism and advocacy work - shoutouts to BIPOC Officer, Indigenous Officer, Seungbin for Democracy Society protest. Charlotte and I have been working on Extenuating Circumstances reforms so students can get multiple deferred exams instead of just one - no updates on this yet.

Sarah: Have you emailed the NUS yet?

Phi: Not yet

Sarah: Will you promote the union's divestment campaigns as a University Council member?

Phi: Yes

Wren: Has anyone discussed this matter at uni council yet?

Phi: It's confidential

Q (Matthew): Can you explain [blank] being left behind?

Phi: Sorry, I had work left behind from my trip to the NT last week.

Q (Matthew): When were you aware that Mr Fraser was going to speak at the Democracy Society event? What work is now being done with DemSoc to reduce the likelihood of protests

Phi: We're having followup discussions with DemSoc, it's not appropriate to disclose that yet.

Q (Matthew): What were the student complaints about ANU counselling?

Phi: It would be inappropriate for me to talk about individual complaints, however we are seeing really high waiting times for both counselling and ANU Medical Centre - bulk billing is also increasing wait times for medical centre.

Florrie (Disabilities Officer): There are many factors impacting wait times - it's very difficult for us to get staff as ANU has a very homogenous sort of patient and we can't get trainee doctors.

Q (Matthew): What representations have been made to ANU?

Phi: I've talked to ANU about wait times for all uni services - I have weekly meetings with the directors of student experience, we also have representation on the medical centre board.

Q (Matthew): About the Australian Institute of Company Directors training, did you receive this as a member of council or as President?

Phi: As a council member, however each of the executive members take this training paid for

by ANU

Q (Matthew): What did you learn?

Phi: Universities are a neoliberal institution. I've learned that I have to follow legal requirements and about financial auditing but i've learned that unis are becoming overly corporatised.

Q (Matthew): Can time sheets be more precise instead of just general? Do you see merit in that?

Phi: The timesheets are just 'I worked this many hours', we do report to weekly executive meetings in which we discuss our activities and also SRC. I'm happy to discuss accountability etc.

Q (Matthew): Why do we not publish time sheets in detail?

Phi: It's not standard for any workplace to publish this, people don't need to know when we take sick leave and so on.

Matthew: Thank you

3.2 Vice President's report (C.Carnes) [Reference B]

Charlotte: The BKSS lunch express, free lunch 1pm every day, has taken up most of my time since SRC2. The meals are donated by Chartwells, though we are in a trial period until early May where we see how things are going and decide whether to permanently commit. It's a great partnership so far but demand is double supply, we only receive approx 35 meals a day.

Q (Matthew): What do you do outside of the BKSS

Charlotte: I've been working on things outside the BKSS, mostly the extenuating circumstances application and other matters that come up in my election policy, I also sit on the Academic Board which is the peak academic board.

Q (Matthew): What's the process for getting executive leave?

Charlotte: I'm not involved with that, that's up to Phoenix, they have access to all of that.

Q (Matthew): Was public notice provided that Charlotte was acting president?

Charlotte: We don't provide public notice except for people who email someone who is on leave.

Q (Matthew): How far in advance were you made aware you would be acting president?

Charlotte: About a month, it was a training course, I also acted when they were at natcon

Q (matthew): Are these arrangements consistent with best practise

Charlotte: I have no problem with these arrangements, I'm the best person to be acting president because I work the most hours and I'm in the office every day

Q (Matthew): Does your timesheet separately list the time you worked as president and as acting president.

Charlotte: No but it's all listed.

Q (Matthew): How much time did you work on the democracy society stuff?

Charlotte: About 10 hours

Q (Matthew): Did you attend company director training?

Charlotte: I already did last year, so not this year.

3.3 Education Officer's report (L.Manning) [Reference C]

Luke: Most of my work has been on Palestine as well as taking governance training. Last night I organised with USYD officers a disruption event to an online event held by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, they are linked with the Israel military so we disrupted it. I was also involved with a global event regarding economic disruption for Palestine.

Q (Matthew): Under s10(13)(h) of the ANUSA constitution, education officers are supposed to engage in activism relevant to students' education, how do you understand that?

Luke: Much of my work has been on Palestine, this is an education issue, we have partnerships in this university with weapons companies that supply weapons to Israel. Global issues are student issues.

Q (Matthew): Do you think broader students outside the SRC agree with you about your role?

Luke: I was democratically elected on an activist policy, students saw my platform as their understanding of what the Ed Officer should do.

Q (Matthew): Do you differentiate between academic and other activism on your timesheet?

Phi: I've had conversations with Luke about reporting that

Q (Matthew): What percentage of your time do you spend on academic vs non-academic activism?

Luke: Maybe 20% on academic stuff, 80% on Palestine and other activist stuff, other members of the exec do the academic stuff.

Q (Matthew): How long was the company directors' training?

Luke: A day and a half but also pre-reading approximately)

Q (Matthew): How does that compare to typical week's activities?

Luke: All one-off

Q(Matthew): Key takeaways?

Luke: Budget sheets, financial training considered valuable.

Q (Matthew): Anything particularly valuable?

Luke: EWAG finance items important

3.4 General Secretary's report (M.McDonald) [Reference D]

Milli: Last two weeks have been fantastic, we already signed the contract on the governance review, Sally (the consultant) will be visiting soon to see our operations and interview people. The entire SRC will be consulted, there will be a questionnaire. Next week I will start the governance working group.

Sarah: No idea about when future meetings are? Notice for meeting put up 2 hours before. Could you please put the future meetings up on a schedule?

Milli: Yes

Q (Matthew): What's the timeline for governance review?

Milli: End of July but it might be moved back or forth

Will: Any question Sarah?

Sarah: Was going to ask about governance review, which has been addressed

3.5 Treasurer's report (W.Burfoot) [Reference E]

Will: Financial policies framework is done, updated from 2014. I've generally taken the approach of continuing what Katrina and other treasurers have done, consolidating the policies where I can, refining them because they're out of date. I will put it out for consultation. We got 55k from the uni through SSAF reserve funds, end of financial year statements will be passed at AGM. Attended company director's training, though ANUSA is a unique organisation it still helps. I highlighted things in the expenditure report that are worth highlighting. Our grocery voucher program is up 7000 dollars compared to last year, shows that students are doing badly.

Q (Matthew): Who pays for company directors training?

Will: Uni pays for it as they require we take it.

Q (matthew): Was it worthwhile?

Will: Yes

Q (Matthew): Why does the ANU require you take that training?

Will: We are a student-run organisation, it's a strength but students don't have corporate or financial experience usually, we should take this training so the ANU is assured we have

high standards in these areas. I'm a fourth-year economics student, not experienced at governance.

Q(Matthew): What's the major differences between ANUSA and other non-profits

Will: Every ANU student is a member of ANUSA, we have a solid membership base and democratic structures.

Q (Matthew): How are SSAF reserves distributed

Will: The timeline for this reserve round was really tight, we put up as many bids as we could and organised them, made sure they were good but speedy. We have talked about having a running register of projects we could fund with future rounds of reserve funding.

Phi: Like all SSAF, the university has full control, we are unfortunately at their mercy. The terms of reference for the student services council which distributes SSAF is secret and nobody can see it.

Q (Matthew): What goes into deciding what projects ANUSA funds? Is there a tender?

Will: We bid for things that will be good for students.

Q (Matthew): Can we get money internally before bidding for extra resources?

Will: We are spending existing money in accordance with the budget we already passed, these rounds have a purpose only of funding additional programs.

Q (Matthew): Is the budget on target?

Will: Yes

Q (Matthew): Clubs expenditure is down by more than half, why?

Will: I have no idea, Seungbin will know the answer better than me.

Seungbin: Clubs funding is up and down at random between years, last year they spent huge amounts of money, the year before not so much. The same biggest clubs spend the most money each year but they don't seem to be as active this year. But spending does increase in the second half of the year, when galas and balls are held.

Q (Matthew): Is there an increase in the budget for grocery vouchers?

Will: There is an increase in student assistance grants?

Q (Matthew): Why are staff payments increasing?

Phi: We can't talk about that here, we are negotiating an EBA.

Q (Matthew): Can we differentiate salary and benefit expenditure in our financial reports?

Will: Great idea let's do that

3.6 Clubs Officer's report (S.Kang) [Reference F]

Seungbin: I've been focusing on the other side of my work like postgrad social events. We are looking for ideas about what to do with the money. Bush Week coordinators getting recruited, I was one last year, I realise how difficult it is so I am organising Bush Week much earlier. On clubs governance: I've been working on clubs regulations to update them at the next AGM. The general principle is to amend regulations so we have a safer, more diverse environment. I've been working on DemSoc protest and updating clubs training. On the

DemSoc protest: I was made aware of the DemSoc event on the Tuesday before, I tried to use governance to stop this racist event from taking place. But that didn't work so we organised activism because such values being propagated on campus is a disgrace. I went to company director training like everyone else.

Q (Sarah): There is a variety of clubs grants - 8 or 9 or so, discretionary. Is there any thought of reforming this system to ensure certainty without discretionary elements?

Seungbin: Refining what that looks like would be good. Thinking about creating a tier system for clubs funding and well as reforming how grants are processed. Don't have staffing capacity unfortunately, but working towards that goal eventually.

Q (Jasmine): What protest did you mean?

Seungbin: The protest against the DemSoc inviting a white australia supporter.

Q (Matthew): What moment triggered the demsoc protest?

Seungbin: Our first approach was through governance and trying to restrict or persuade the club not to hold the event. That didn't work out so I held the protest in consultation with Department Officers. I fully defend my approach, it was right to stop these racists off campus.

Q (Matthew): What are the clubs regulation changes going to look like specifically?

Seungbin: Not yet, I'm working on consulting with ANUSA staff and others to make them as robust as possible.

Q (Matthew): Why do we cap expenditure on individual clubs?

Seungbin: We don't want clubs to spend all our money, we are a fiscally responsible organisation, we can't just give them 200k unlimited.

Q(Matthew): Wouldn't it be more efficient not to have a cap but just consider clubs funding holistically depending on needs through a bidding/tender process?

Seungbin: No, that's not more efficient. A big thing to realise about clubs is that they run on passion and unpaid labour. It's hard to predict what spending will look like, we don't want to force clubs to go through a bidding process at the start of every year. Every club, even small ones, should have the same amount of access to grants. Having small clubs is what we want clubs to look like

Phi: Can you submit questions by email because this meeting is going on too long.

3.7 Welfare Officer's report (S.Predavec) [Reference G]

Skye: Four things i want to highlight. First budget protest. Second, I'm organising an open letter for a bus for Daley Road. Third, ANUSA has released a deadnaming survey, get your friends to fill it out. Fourth, i've been setting up Buy Nothing ANU, a network of mutual aid/gig economy pages across Australia where people give or sell stuff they don't want and others can get it. I'm bringing it back, please get in touch with me if you want to get involved.

Will: I'm in the Buy Nothing Turner group, they are very defensive and don't want us to make a separate ANU one. Have you talked to them?

Skye: I set up a group chat and I'm having meetings with them, Buy Nothing has many rules and processes including processes for splitting up pages, we needed to have a poll but it's gone s,o

Q (Sarah): What does the timeline look around the radical education week?

Skye: Can't give specific timeline, Luke?

Luke: Soon

James: *Moves a motion that the questioner (Matthew) no longer be heard*

Motion fails

Q (Matthew): Why is your time sheet a graph?

Luke: It visually makes sense

Q (matthew): Did the ANU provide an official response to the res hall protest?

Skye: No but there were guides given out during open day to get people to try to avoid us and so on, but they haven't otherwise responded to us.

Item 4: Department Officer Reports

4.1 Indigenous Department (F.Stevens) [Reference H]

I will take my report as read, I am holding an event where people can ask questions about indigenous issues that people may be intimidated to ask. We are finalising merch, we can come up with non-autonomous merch we can sell.

4.2 Women's Department (L.Johnson) [Reference I]

We have changed the name of our autonomous space, it is now called the Rose Room instead of the Rapunzel Room. We had a comprehensive survey, now the name of the room matches our logo. We will have an event to launch it later in the term. We are planning August First, reach out to us on a facebook group we have.

Q(Harry): Yesterday I saw an installation of flags by the Women's Department, what was that about?

Lara: Our collective wanted to do something about the Lehrmann case, during the collective meeting we came up with the idea to do social media posts and put a banner and flags up on Kambri lawns. We are always fighting sexual assault.

4.3 Queer* Department (G.Gorrie) [Reference J]

George: I'll take my report as read, like last SRC I'll flag we are promoting a petition against anti-trans rhetoric at an upcoming psychiatrist's conference, please be an ally and sign the petition and look out for future protest action. All the information is on our social media.

4.4 International Students' Department (R. Agarwal) [Reference K]

Apologies

4.5 Disabilities Department (F.Cooper, G.Wright) [Reference L]

Florrie: We have Addiction Awareness workshop next week. We are trying to find people to run our social events. We are finding out why Accessibility has been delayed by a ridiculous amount of time in processing people's EAPs and we are demanding answers as to how this won't happen again. We had a meeting with the College of Law today, we will try to push Bring Your Own Device exams, please push these issues really hard in any committees you sit on. We're the only GO8 university that doesn't have BYOD exams except USyd.

Phi: BYOD exams are 'on the agenda' but nobody has seemed to think it's urgent. Please reach out to us and talk about it a lot, reach out to the university, let's make sure they realise it's an urgent matter for students.

Florrie: We have a lot of students using fraudulent medical certificates. Don't do that. You'll get kicked out.

4.6 Environment Department (W.Somerville) [Reference M]

Most of my time has been spent on Palestine activism and campaigning against weapons companies. We had No Northrop Grumman protest/pinata bashing event in week 5. It was small unfortunately but successfully launched the petition. We'll continue to build that. I've been working on refugee rights by supporting Palm Sunday rally and opposing the latest Labor Party bill requiring refugees to cooperate in their own deportation as well as blanket bans on entire countries migrating here. This is racist and draconian, we had a snap rally and we're looking to organise with the Refugee Action Committee. Founder of Palestine Institute for Sustainability is touring Australia to talk about land rights/environment in relation to Palestine, I'm going to be on a panel with him and I'll be promoting that. I've been working with Rising Tide which blockades a coal port annually, I've been promoting their events and I booked stalls for them on campus. We'll work with them in the future.

Florrie: You know there's a RAC ANU meeting tonight?

Wren: Yes.

Harry: What pinata?

Wren: We made a pinata of a fighter jet and smashed it as a stunt to get people to look at the petition to divest from weapons companies.

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

Selena: In W4 we had a small fundraiser for Palestinian family, raised 187\$. We are doing other major fundraisers in future including a fundraiser in Week 8 for PARA, 90% of ticket sales will go to them and the other 10% will be Paying the Rent to the Tent Embassy. We had a digital zine out for International Day Against Racial Discrimination. We have an update on Ursula Hall report, the head of that hall won't meet with me, so I'm escalating that to the Dean of Students. We made a Palestine chalk mural, it's been rubbed out, if you know

someone did it deliberately let us know. Thanks to 'BIPOC Baddies', our Department Executive.

4.8 Parents and Carers' Officer (F.Aruin) [Reference O]

Fariba: Most of my report is written. Past events are mostly during O-Week, we had 4 events. Later I have worked as hard as I can representing Parents and Carers but I couldn't recruit any other committee members except a Treasurer. Please sign up. As P&C Officer I feel like we have tried to reach out to our audience but we've been seriously struggling. ANUSA doesn't have a formal approach to reaching out to the audience, my role is undefined as I see it. Thus we are trying to create a committee Constitution to make it clearer what my role should be.

Item 5: Elections

5.1 Election of returning officers for the election of disputes committee:

Chair to open nominations for RO and Deputy RO. The SRC approves the outcome of the election:

Milli nominates for RO

Phi nominates for Deputy RO

Mover: Skye

Seconder: Harry

Passes

5.2 The election for members of the disputes committee:

The candidates for disputes committee are:

Mustafa Najmus Shantanu

Kai Watanabe

Louis Gordon

Tarikul Islam

Hetong Wang

Adnan Azmie

Q (Harry): What's the disputes committee?

Milli: Final appeals body for all ANUSA Disputes.

Harry: With disputes committee, would there be any guidelines with conflicts of interest?

Milli: Policy laid out for conflicts of interest. Include but not limited to, political affiliation, etc.

Harry: Did anyone declare any conflict of interest?

Phi: Not for disputes.

Fariba: What information can I refer to?

Milli: Candidates had the opportunity to present statements. Up to the candidate.

Mickey: Can we wait till the next meeting on the condition that candidates present statements?

Sarah: Can we move a procedural to confirm Kai to the committee and nobody else?

5 minute break moved and passes

Milli: Separate this into 2 different motions, first to confirm Kai - second to have the rest tabled.

Motion: Confirm Kai Watanabe to the Disputes Committee

Mover: Mickey

Seconder: Seungbin

Passes

Motion: Put motion 5.3 on the table, deferring the Disputes Committee election to next meeting

Mover: Luke

Seconder: Mickey

Passes

5.3 Confirming the election of members of the disputes committee:

The SRC confirms the result of the election

Motion Tabled

5.4 Confirming the election of the candidates for probity officer:

Jash Rajawat

Audrey Kuan

Max De Vries

Joshya Janto

Danielle Peck

Phi: Probity are people who help administer elections and ensure rules are followed. No cap on probity officers. No descriptions available. Some conflicts: one member that they have applied for Bush Week Coordinator. Will be taken into consideration.

Harry: What is the conflict of interest?

Phi: Put in just to be safe to assume as the role works with the ANUSA executive.

Mover: Hayden

Seconder: Luke

Passes

Item 6: Discussion Items/Motions on Notice

6.1 **MANNERS ARE FREE AT THE S.R.C.**

Preamble:

ANUSA SRC meetings are vital for the democratic nature of our student union. They are a place for both elected representatives, office bearers as well as members of the student body to debate and share ideas, hold elected office bearers to account and move motions to make our union and our university a better place.

Too often however the speaker, the chair or an office bearer delivering a report/responding to a question gets interrupted in a manner that is unbecoming of the SRC and can oftentimes disrupt the proceedings and distract from the matter at hand.

SRC meetings should remain a place for spirited debate, for holding people including the chair and the office bearers to account but this should be done in a calm and respectful manner - not rudely interrupting, bullying, speaking over the top of or other related activities.

Therefore this motion, in addition to the action items, calls on the SRC to remind itself that...

Manners are Free!

Action Items:

1. The SRC reaffirms its commitment to strong impassioned, debate and does not seek to silence any student from sharing their opinion
2. The SRC reinstates its respect for the chair and it's rulings and pledges that any disputes with such rulings of the current chair be done in a respectful manner
3. The SRC states its belief that speakers both elected and unelected should be heard in silence, with respect and not unfairly or rudely interrupted
4. The SRC states that all of its members should treat each other with the respect that each other and the meetings deserve and remind itself that its primary goal is not name calling but representing the undergraduate and postgraduate members of the Australian National University

Moved: Hayden O'Brien

Seconded: Kiera Rosenberg

Motion Tabled

Florence procedural: move to 6.7 before other motions.

Passes

6.2 **Motion: This SRC Endorses the ANUSA-NUS Budget Protest**

Preamble:

On Tuesday the 14th of May the Albanese Government will hand down its third budget. If the previous ones are anything to go by, this will do very little for students, workers, the unemployed, or anyone else doing it tough in our society. While they spend billions upon billions on subsidies for housing developers, landlords, and nuclear submarines, millions go hungry.

We need better out of this budget. That means real investment in public housing, it means making education free, and it means raising the rate of welfare payments above the poverty line, and to stand a chance of getting any of those things we need to fight for it.

On the Day of the budget, ANUSA and the NUS are working together to organise a protest outside parliament house to demand better. And ANUSA must get behind that protest as much as possible. Vote for this motion and get in touch to get involved.

Motion:

1. ANUSA endorses the Budget Protest organised jointly by ANUSA and the NUS
2. ANUSA commits to providing material support including speaker systems and logistical help to the protest
3. ANUSA strongly encourages all of its members to attend the protest and will publicise it on its social media

Mover: Skye Predavec

Seconder: Jem Rule

Skye (mover): We're so back. Basically the budgets have sucked and they will continue to - surplus instead of spending on necessary vital services. Should attend this protest if upset by this, organised by the NUS.

Jem (seconder): Skye summarized it well, it's slay. It's important to protest the budget for all the issues that it's not addressing. It's good that we're working with the NUS this time. Everyone should go.

Luke (for): Been at both meetings organising this, been good organising this. Potential to be a very strong protest.

Matthew (against): The government's budget will attempt to adjust for the long-term economic outlook while dealing with short-term challenges such as inflation. It's a complex challenge. We have to understand how the government can manage these factors. To announce a protest of a budget before the contents of the budget are released is odd, ANUSA should operate on facts not speculation instead of run to the exits with their posters

and megaphones. Of course the union should agitate on matters relevant to students and young people.

Nick (for): It was announced that 50 billion dollars is going to defense, that's taking money away from raising wages, public housing or anything to make life better for ordinary people. There is billions of dollars going into defense, we've seen the priorities of this government before and we know them very well.

Lea (for): We are a union and every single year, the Government passes a budget that leaves us in a worse off position than not. It would be a foolish decision to drop the ball in regards to this and we should get to planning with this right now. There is a track record that can be relied on.

Skye (right-of-reply): The protest will be cancelled if it is good news!

Motion passes

6.3 Motion: The SRC condemns the NSW anti-protest laws and police repression.

Preamble:

Content Warning: Police Violence

The purpose of this motion is for the SRC affirm the right to protest (anywhere) and to demand change within the justice system regarding the institution of police.

In April 2022, the Liberal NSW Government passed legislation that is now colloquially referred to as the 'anti-protest law' that attempts to prevent protests on major roads, bridges, tunnels, public transport, and infrastructure facilities. The penalty for exercising your democratic right to protest is \$22,000 or two years in jail. The right to protest is

fundamental to the safety of workers and oppressed groups. Through protests, unions and oppressed groups have won rights.

And we've seen recently that the anti-protest law has been used to oppress workers fighting for Palestine (like the mass arrest of 19 people at the most recent ZIM picket) [1] and Queer and Trans people fighting for their rights.

Regarding the police, there is much to say about them but I will summarise very quickly. The police, as a colonial institution, exists to oppress workers, Queer and Trans people, Indigenous People, and People of Colour. A police officer has recently been charged after allegedly murdering two gay men. [2] The same officer was also investigated for tasing an Indigenous man in the face. [3]

When the Queer and Trans community fought back against police action and protested, the police made arrests. [4] This is the same story we hear all the time. The police work in tandem with the state to oppress workers and oppressed groups and are used to enforce the anti-protest laws mentioned above.

Why does this matter to ANUSA? Well, no matter if you think protests are the way to achieve change, we can all recognise that protest is healthy for a 'democracy.' And these laws and the police institution actively suppress the ability of people to protest. And further, we do not exist in a bubble here in Canberra. We are impacted too, and if some people are repressed by the law and police, it's important we stand in solidarity and join our voice with them in calling for change.

[1]<https://www.theguardian.com/australia-news/2024/mar/25/union-leader-among-arrests-at-pro-palestine-port-botany-protest-in-sydney>

[2]<https://www.theguardian.com/australia-news/2024/feb/29/jesse-baird-luke-davies-alleged-murder-beau-lamarre-premeditated-nsw-police-issue-handgun>

[3]<https://www.9news.com.au/national/man-tasered-during-arrest-in-pad-dington-nsw-police/4d993f85-61ab-4e16-b9ae-9d7aa717da3d>

[4]<https://www.sbs.com.au/news/article/sydneys-lgbtqi-community-honours-jesse-baird-and-luke-davies-at-mardi-gras/3g1m1qm7m>

Motion:

1. The SRC calls on the Minns Government to scrap the anti-protest laws.
2. The SRC endorses and supports the following petition organised by many unions and organisations that demand a review into the anti-protest laws. <https://shorturl.at/lruV0>.
3. The SRC recognises that the police are a colonial institution that plays a critical role in perpetuating violence against the working class, Queer and Trans people, Indigenous People, and People of Colour.
4. The SRC calls for the police to be kicked out of Mardi Gras and any pride event.
5. The SRC demands the police to be disarmed, defunded, and dismantled.

Mover: Luke Harrison

Secunder: Aveline Cayir

Luke (mover): Two aspects of this motion, the anti-protest laws in New South Wales that restrict the ability of people to protest. Even if you don't agree with protest as a way to achieve our goals, it's still fundamental to our democracy. The second point is to condemn the police, they're a colonial institution. I was at a ZIM picket in solidarity with Palestine, 9 people were arrested. One person who was arrested was called a homophobic slur by police. They were wearing far-right badges. They must be disarmed, defunded and dismantled.

Aveline: The motion is very good and the police targets ordinary people - fascism exists within the police. NSW is a good example of protest being effectively made illegal, and VIC where Labor has done this and conditions have become substantially worse with police powers being emboldened.

Amendment 1:

Amend point 5: The SRC demands that governments in Australia progressively work to re-allocate funding from police towards non-police prevention and social services.

Mover: Brandon

Seconder: Hayden

Brandon (mover of amendment): I'll support the motion either way but I think it's more actionable to phrase it this way, we have to conceptualise what 'defunding the police' even means practically. This amendment would be a sensible course of action.

Q(Skye): Why are you replacing point 5 instead of just putting this at the end?

Brandon: I think this emphasis is more sensible and effective compared to what the original point 5 emphasizes.

Matthew (for the amendment): It's important that we recognise the complex role that police play. We should have a constructive conversation about their role, but these conversations need to be focused on alleviating concerns about the police. It's not correct to import cultural issues from overseas like 'abolish the police' to Australia, we are a different countries to countries overseas.

Phi (against the amendment): Abolitionist literature emphasises ideas around police control and punishment - a violent arm of the state. Roles of the police in protecting the community can be replaced by other bodies. The premise that police protect the community is worth rejecting and hence the motion should pass unamended.

Hayden (for the amendment): I'm respecting that this is a sensitive issue for many.

Brandon's amendment is worded very well. I don't think we should turn this into some kind of culture war like Matthew said, we debate overseas issues all the time. We should vote up this motion, it's common sense. We need effective and realistic change rather than calling for drastic action. We need a rational approach, it will strengthen the motion rather than weaken it.

Luke (against the amendment): Difference between point 5 amended vs unamended is that dismantlement is the only avenue that can address an institution that perpetuates violence so deeply. Reject language of 'respect' in this context.

Rafferty (poc): What would our demands look like in action?

Brandon: That we're calling for a practical set of measures to work on real systemic issues in the police, to call for concrete action from the government that social services which prevent crime be properly funded. The amended version is a more effective course of actions that get us to this point.

Rafferty (poc): Are we putting this out as a statement somewhere?

Luke: We're not posting this to social media, it's just a political stance that we should take. It will mean that ANUSA's political stance in everything it does going forward is anti-cop. They need their weapons and funding taken away.

Nick Carlton (Against the amendment): Looking at the role of the police, there is a key role of the police using newly enacted laws to target political activists against capitalism and Labor governments. This is a central point towards the original motion, and we should emphasise point 5's goal.

Skye (against the amendment): We aren't a parliament. We should stand with the demands of activist groups, defund, disarm and dismantle. I watched people be brutalised by police and people charged with conspiracy just for having a nail in their backpack at Mardi Gras.

Amendment fails

Procedural that the underlying motion now be put

Moved: Will

Secunder: Skye

Procedural passes

Motion passes

6.4 Motion “Equality over Community Connect food relief service”

Preamble:

Food insecurity is a growing problem in Australia which hits the students hardest. Different journals and articles have also tried to bring forth this problem which has become more prominent after the COVID-19 Pandemic (Monash, 2023; Shi & Farinelli, 2023; Kent, et al., 2022). And they have also reported that international students are worst affected because they must live in a foreign country, subjective to foreign exchange fluctuations, and highly impacted by the availability and price of food from their culture (Monash, 2023). However, inspite of being food insecure, these students are bound to hide the information with the fear of social shaming and fear of it affecting their visa status, despite being able to pay all the university fees on time. On the other hand, food insecurity is also a global concern because it is one of the sustainable development goals (SDG 2- Zero Hunger). So, universities also have a responsibility to address this SDG 2 by bringing different programs to deal with food insecurity withing their network. Hence, dealing with SDG 2 is a responsibility to ANU because of its commitment to the sustainable development goal as a partner.

In addressing the food insecurity issue of ANU staffs and students, ANU had started ANU Thrive Community connect which provided food to the food insecure student without any judgement and shame. The “community connect” program in ANU was a highly popular service among the students where most of the participants were international students since 2023.

In 2024, the Thrive Community Connect changed the model of offering service, causing inconvenience to many students relying on it. Quoting to the Student life team on their recent changes, “The Community Connect Food Relief service is designed to support students experiencing food insecurity. We have changed how we deliver our service in 2024 in order to better serve the students most in need of food relief support. Our Food Relief service is predominately funded through the Higher Education Participation and Partnerships Program (HEPPP), which is an Australian Government funded program.” it seems that they are being funded by the Australian Government, which is funded partially by the SSAF (students' fund) in reality. Their articulation and reality demand clarification.

As the students' fund should be accessible to all students, clarity over equality in using the Community connect fund is due. This is also a breach of ANU's policy on equal opportunities

to every students (ANU, 2022) “HEPPP funding is provided to higher education providers each calendar year based on the provider’s respective share of domestic undergraduate students from a low SES background, students from regional areas and remote areas and Indigenous students.” This statement from the student life team is a disowning message to the international students who are facing food insecurity in ANU. As cited by Taylor (2023) in the Guardian Australia, It’s a disgrace governments and universities treat international students like cash cows, enticing them to come to our shores but then leaving them high and dry during tough times. Hence, being ANU students’ association, we should advocate for equality on behalf of all ANU students.

It was found from research by scholars that some groups of students were at higher risk of food insecurity. These include first-year students (46%), those who attend classes on campus (48%), international students (61%) and students who identify as non-binary (69%) (Kent, Visentin, and Murray, 2022). With these statistics, the clear picture of international students’ struggle on food is clear as daylight. And, thus how justified is it to set the following eligibility criteria on accessing the food relief by ANU student life for international students?

[What if I am not HEPPP eligible? If students do not meet the eligibility criteria under the Higher Education Participation and Partnerships Program (HEPPP) but are experiencing food insecurity they should contact one of the following authorised Student Support Services to find the right support for their individual circumstances. · Student Safety and Wellbeing

· Residential Staff (Head of Hall, Wellbeing Coordinator, or equivalent) · Student Life · Student Central · ANU Counselling · ANU Psychology Clinic · ANU Accessibility

· Tjabal Centre Staff]

In light of these eligibility criteria, do we still believe that equity and equality is reflected towards international students? Where we are aiming at ensuring food security, why should we differentiate domestic and international, undergraduate and postgraduate, and all those hurdles to access the service? Ain’t food needed for every human being, let along students! It is very unfortunate to learn that international students paying for students’ services need to go through all these modalities to access their rightful facility from 2024.

Actions:

1. Seek for clarity on “source of fund” for the Community connect service from Student life.
2. Seek for reasons to make “access to food” means-tested, when food is considered as the basic need for humanity.
3. Demand the equitable treatment of the students to access the pantry services complying to the ANU policy (ANU 2022)
4. ANUSA might advocate for policy change for Student life regarding the “community connect” service.

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Fariba (mover): Motion emphasises that there is limited accessibility by groups of students on campus to receiving support. We should seek clarity on how Community Connect helps students access food relief. ANUSA should advocate policy change.

Seungbin (seconder): Cost of living affects everyone, international students in particular. The idea that you are allocated points and can only take certain food after going through bureaucratic processes is undemocratic and against the work of our union. They are requiring medical certificates to get food, but if you can't afford food, how can you afford a doctor's appointment?

Matthew (for): The motion raises very valid points, the university never explained why they made this decision. This is a very serious issue.

Motion Passes

Procedural to accept all remaining motions except 6.8 as a bloc

Mover: Will Burfoot

Seconder: Luke Manning

Procedural passes

6.5, 6.6, 6.9 en bloc

Mover: Aveline Cayir

Seconder: Nick Carlton

Aveline (mover): The Labor Party has put this bill up which allows refugees to be deported to dangerous situations such as death, as well as giving the Immigration Minister discretion to deport whoever she wants - tantamount to Trump's Muslim ban. Student union needs to take strong action against this. Labor is no friend of refugees and ordinary people in Australia. Sisi regime has also locked up activists going on strike, and there is a petition to be in solidarity with them. We should stand against any despot regime that performs such acts.

Nick (seconder): Nothing to hide behind for the Labor Party to implement a law such as this. This is a response to a High Court ruling ending indefinite detention - which the Labor Party has undermined with their deportation laws. Race to the bottom is being co-opted by Labor and spread to wider society. We should support the textile workers as well due to scrutiny within Egypt and internationally. Student unions can also play their part in adding to this pressure. Should not be dismissive about jobs and take real action instead of a survey in the motion. Whole bunch of leaders shouldn't pat themselves on the back.

Hayden (for the bloc): Let's vote for these and go home. Xoxo Hayden

Matthew (for the bloc): Disagrees with the deportation bill being the right response. Also would change the language with the Egypt bill, but considered good considering Egypt's importance. Leadership survey is actually shaping government policy and corporate actions on a whole range of levels, it's a very good motion.

Motions 6.5, 6.6 and 6.9 pass

6.5 Motion: Shame on the ALP's racist deportation bill

Preamble:

The Migration Amendment (Removal and Other Measures) Bill 2024 was introduced in Federal Parliament in March. The new legislation creates new Special Powers for the Immigration Minister: The Minister may direct a person to facilitate their own removal from Australia, through actions including submitting applications for travel documents, attending interviews, and providing information. This can involve people being required to engage with authoritarian regime representatives, even if they fear reprisal from the regime. The Immigration Minister will also be given powers to unilaterally end asylum status to refugees who are already on protection visas. The bill has been opposed by a range of political and human rights groups such as [Labor for Refugees](#) and the [Asylum Seeker Resource Centre](#), both groups have put in submissions opposing the bill and highlighting the racism underpinning it.

Failure to assist the Australian government in your own deportation can result in a criminal offence, with penalties of a mandatory minimum sentence of 12 months and up to 5 years imprisonment and fines of up to \$93,900.

The Bill targets people who are subject to removal from Australia after being refused a visa, including a protection visa. While it does not apply to those still awaiting a decision on their protection application, or otherwise currently seeking a review, it will apply to those who have been refused protection under the appalling 'fast track' process, a process which the Australian Labor Party has admitted does "not provide a fair, thorough and robust assessment process for persons seeking asylum." This puts thousands of people at risk of return to danger or years of imprisonment.

The Bill also allows the Minister to designate certain countries as "removal concern countries". This means that all people from these designated countries may be banned from coming to Australia, with some exceptions for immediate family members and those seeking resettlement through the Humanitarian Program. This would include people travelling for study, tourism, or business. It appears that this travel ban will be harsher and longer lasting than Trump's "Muslim Ban."

These attacks occur in a context of the Labor government trying to shore up its immigration powers following the recent high court ruling on indefinite detention as well as the ongoing legal case brought by a bisexual women's rights activist from Iran. This legislation reeks of desperation and racism and is more vile than what was attempted under the previous Liberal government. Under this legislation the Murraguppen family from Biloela would be faced with deportation or imprisonment for failing to comply.

Thus far the bill has passed the House of Representatives but has been sent to the Senate for inquiry. Therefore the Senate vote will not take place until May. This gives us an opportunity over the next few weeks to organise a campaign against it. There are significant concerns regarding its impact on refugees and asylum seekers in Australia. It would create a new regime that allows the Immigration Minister to direct people – under threat of imprisonment – to return to countries where they may have fear of persecution or death.

Motion:

- ANUSA condemns the inhumane and racist Migration Amendment (Removal and Other Measures) Bill proposed by the Labor government
- ANUSA will share the NUS Queer Department petition on social media and the weekly email and on Facebook (https://www.megaphone.org.au/petitions/refugees-are-welcome-bigots-and-racists-are-not-release-asf17?fbclid=IwAR2V6UvypHPBGTG1YIJ11SnvabV1dkqiAChSSJ1dxeXtnwLypwUh6cYpNis_aem_AWckUxo5Q7inBKrxLnhaMyosTeQKJPSXqUJNA1eSBse78exRTrACTnXcH-Tllv4A5I3P0gdrQjVwh8qdWiK_K7Ci)
- ANUSA will share upcoming activist events opposing the bill

Passed as part of bloc

6.6 Motion: Support striking workers jailed by the Sisi regime.

Preamble:

A successful strike by textile workers in Mahalla forced the Egyptian government to concede a major pay rise to tens of thousands of state employees earlier this year. In the face of mass poverty and high prices, the Mahalla textile workers shut down their mill for over a week and won a substantial raise in the minimum wage.

Leading activists in Mahalla are facing repression from the state for their heroic resistance. On February 29th, several workers were charged with forming an illegal group. Workers have faced dismissal for sticking their neck out. Five strikers still languish behind bars.

The petition started by the workers at Mahalla is calling on the Egyptian government to end the repression of the strikers and cease attacks on trade union organising. They have called for international solidarity with their fight. Signatories to the petition include unions from around the world. Our union should do our part to promote awareness of their struggle and encourage students at ANU to support this fight against Sisi's regime.

Action:

ANUSA will publish a statement encouraging SRC members and the student body generally to sign the change.org petition demanding the release of the workers of Mahalla.

Passed as part of bloc

6.7

Motion: Improving ANUSA meeting record keeping and related matters

To move –

1. That the SRC makes a policy from 2024 that;
 - a. directs the executive to create, update and maintain a specific register of agenda items of public meetings^[1] of the association;
 - b. require the register to be available on the ANUSA website;
 - c. require updates to the register be made within 5 business days of any public meeting minutes being approved; and
 - d. require the register to include all the following information^[2]:
 - i. reference number
 - ii. date
 - iii. meeting type
 - iv. title
 - v. key words
 - vi. agenda item type
 - vii. division results
 - viii. outcome
 - ix. status
 - x. link to relevant documents

2. That the SRC;
 - a. directs the executive to draft, update and maintain a specific declaration of the policies of the association;
 - b. require the declaration to include all the positions of the association as affirmed by:
 - i. the SRC; or

- ii. a general meeting of the association;
- c. require the declaration to be available on the ANUSA website;
- d. affirms that the declaration is a protected document and any changes can only be made after a relevant motion is approved by:
 - i. the SRC; or
 - ii. a general meeting of the association; and
- e. require updates to the declaration be made within 5 business days of any such changes made at a meeting and the minutes being approved.

[1] Meaning any meeting that is normally open to any member of the association to attend, this would include SRC meetings and OGMs but would exclude meetings of the executive.

2The list provided in clause 1d is non-exclusive and additional items may be included in the register as the executive deem necessary, however the register must contain at a minimum all 10 items in clause 1d.

Mover: Matthew Lillywhite

Secunder: Sarah Strange

Matthew: One of the other motions I put forward regards Russia. In writing that motion I wanted to mirror the language of previous motions, but I couldn't find any similar motions because of failures of corporate bookkeeping. I don't want people trudging through ANUSA records to find ANUSA's political positions. Policy register is not contemporary, we should either ignore it and make a new one or update it.

Sarah: Was not aware of this before seeing the agenda. In the past, we had a register that was not followed through by Ben. There is utility in this, but have not looked too thoroughly in the motion so accepting of dissent.

Phi: Main difference between first and second registers?

Matthew: First register sortable row-by-row as a summary document. The second document would provide more detail and clarity with the full text of motions. Agenda type overview in the first register, second register is a more comprehensive detailed outline of motions passed.

Phi: The policy register had a high workload, this would propose an even higher workload, the exec does have other duties. What do you mean by division results?

Matthew: Whether motions get voted up or down

Phi: What's status?

Matthew: If it's current or not current

Phi: Move an amendment to remove the line item 'Division Results'

Amendment from Phi

Remove the line item 'Division Results'

Mover: Phi

Secunder: Skye

Phi (for amendment): We don't write down division results, why record them? People can come to the meetings if they want to see that. We shouldn't assess validity of motions by how much it passes by.

Q (Hayden): Does division results mean recording exact numbers of results?

Phi: Yes

Matthew (Against): We should be able to see whether motions passed unanimously or by different numbers, it's something that students need to see for accountability.

Phi: That's what the purpose of the minutes is for:

Matthew: This is the point, to not look through the minutes.

Sarah: Everybody should vote for the amendment.

Amendment Passes Unanimously

Amendment from Phi

Strike from the motion all text in point 2.

Mover: Phi

Secunder: Charlotte

Phi (mover): Viewpoint that only one of the documents needs to exist. Information can be found in the first document. Would be very helpful to have a register, but a second register is unnecessary.

Charlotte (mover): I really like the 'vibe' of this motion, a policy register is something that needs to be done. But it should be achievable from the get-go so that it actually gets done, this will make it more sustainable in the future.

Matthew: Common practice for any organisation to meet corporate consistency standards, including NGOs. Acknowledge it may be onerous but I don't see it that way.

Amendment Passes

Question (Skye): Is the register attended to apply to SRCs, OGMs and AGMs or more broadly

Phi: Clarify that it would apply to EWAG and EC, but not autonomous meetings

Amendment from Sarah

Amend footnote 1 to say “Public meeting is defined as any SRC meeting, General Meeting or EDC meeting”

Mover: Sarah

Secunder: Skye

Matthew (against the amendment): Very unpersuasive that this is too onerous. Being involved in a SSAF-funded, accountable body should be tied to certain standards.

Skye (For the amendment): There is a balance to be struck between transparency and bureaucratic load, small autonomous meetings should not be included in this, the same is true for working groups like EWAG. It would be harder for these political groups to get stuff done if they had to spend time doing this.

Amendment passes.

Debate on the underlying motion

Matthew: Still think the motion is valid even though it has been substantially watered down, this association must be more accessible to more people for longer.

Motion passes as amended

Text of the motion as passed

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6.8 Motion: Condemnation of Russian presidential election results and related matters

To move –

1. That the SRC does not recognise:
 - a. the Russian presidential election held on 15 to 17 March 2024; and
 - b. Vladimir Putin as the legitimate president of Russia.
2. That the SRC condemns alongside organisations and governments in Australia and around the world:
 - a. the denial of a free, fair, inclusive and credible election for the Russian people;
 - b. the holding of sham elections in occupied Ukrainian territory; and
 - c. the Putin regime's attacks on freedom and democracy in Russia.
3. That the SRC condemns the Putin regime's murder of:
 - a. Alexander Litvinenko and other whistleblowers;
 - b. Anna Politkovskaya and other journalists;
 - c. Natalya Estemirova and other activists;

- d. Boris Nemtsov and other political leaders; and
 - e. Alexei Navalny and other opposition figures.
4. That the SRC condemns the Putin regime's:
- a. illegal invasion of Ukraine starting on 24 February 2022;
 - b. illegal annexation of the Ukrainian oblasts of Donetsk, Luhansk, Zaporizhzhia, Kherson and Crimea;
 - c. use of chemical and other prohibited weapons in Ukraine;
 - d. abduction and deportation of Ukrainian children;
 - e. attacks on civilian populations and infrastructure;
 - f. attacks on Ukrainian culture and heritage;
 - g. forced conscription of Ukrainian and Russian citizens;
 - h. mistreatment of prisoners of war,
 - i. genocide; and
 - j. other war crimes and atrocities.
5. That the SRC does;
- a. stand in solidarity with the struggle of the Ukrainian people; and
 - b. recognise the heroic efforts of President Volodymyr Zelenskyy in the defence of his homeland.
6. That the SRC does condemn the Putin regime's attacks on human rights, including but not limited to the targeting of:
- a. ethnic minorities;
 - b. LGBT peoples;
 - c. disabled peoples;
 - d. religious minorities; and
 - e. journalists, among others.
7. That the SRC condemns Russia's role in the shooting down of Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 and the killing of 298 people on 17 July 2014.
8. That the SRC condemns Russia's role in:

- a. the cyber attacks on Australia and other countries;
- b. the spreading of misinformation in Australia and other countries;
- c. the attempt at undermining democracy in Australia and around the world;
- d. the exporting of violence to the Middle East and Africa;
- e. the undermining of global food and energy supply; and
- f. the threats to use nuclear weapons.

9. That the SRC calls upon the ANUSA executive, ANU administration, ACT and Australian Governments to continue and expand all lawful acts by which to condemn and sanction the Putin regime and Russian Federation.

Mover: Matthew Lillywhite

Seconder: Will

Matthew (mover): I put this motion forward because Russia recently had a widely-condemned sham election. I wrote this motion mostly because as an activist organisation, this should have been one of the first things out of the gate. Russia has murdered many people, shot down a civilian aircraft and attacked human rights within its borders. I was surprised that there were no motions condemning Russia previously. We should recognise that there are Ukrainian students who are affected by Putin's actions, we should clearly stand with them. This motion is appropriate because many people in our uni are affected.

Will (Seconder): We take a stance on a range of important issues, as this one is.

Amendment 1: Point 5 (not friendly)

- a. stand in solidarity with the struggle of the Ukrainian people and recognise their heroic efforts in resisting the Russian invasion
- b. ~~recognise the heroic efforts of the Ukrainian People, in particular President Volodymyr Zelenskyy and his government, in the defence of their homeland"~~

Mover: Skye Predavec

Seconder: Luke Manning

Skye (mover of amendment): The point of recognising Zelenskyy is really weird, we can recognise the Ukrainian people and defense of their sovereignty without hero-worshipping a man who is pro-Israel and does many bad things domestically. We can support Ukraine without endorsing Zelenskyy. Instead we should recognise the struggle of the Ukrainian people

Luke (Second): Zelenskyy is not a hero, just a guy - hence, this amendment being necessary.

Matthew (against the amendment): I've called out Zelenskyy even though he wasn't perfect before the war. In wartime he is the reason Ukraine hasn't lost this war, he has bravely stayed in Ukraine to rally their defence. It is he who drummed up international support for the Ukrainian war effort, because of Zelenskyy Europe rallied to the defence of liberal democracy in Ukraine. We can change the word 'heroic' but it's totally appropriate to recognise Zelenskyy. He's the reason Ukraine is still fighting today.

Nick (for the amendment): Zelenskyy's conduct before and during the war is not worth praising - including implementing neoliberal economics. Undermining the war effort by attacking Ukrainians' working conditions. Ukrainian people are primarily responsible for their country's defence, and Zelenskyy shouldn't be deified.

Amendment Passes

Amendment 2 (not friendly):

Add a point 10 that reads "ANUSA condemns NATO as an aggressive military alliance that should be disbanded"

Remove "and sanction" from point 9

Mover: Nick Reich

Second: Wren Somerville

Nick (mover of amendment): Australia is aligned with the US and Western imperialist alliances which are part of NATO. On the European side of the conflict we are seeing re-armament and preparation for war, this takes money away from people's living standards. NATO is playing a huge role in that, it's an aggressive alliance, it's not about defence. There's no reason for NATO to exist after the USSR and the Warsaw Pact fell. I'm also against sanctions targeting ordinary people.

Wren (second): Just on sanctions, it is important for activists to oppose sanctions as an imperialist tool - especially in the context of Western imperialism. This targets ordinary people and does not aid in disciplining these states. This is all about posturing on imperialism.

Brandon (against the amendment): NATO is necessary because of Russia's aggression, which is the exact reason Ukraine was invaded in the first place. It's totally fair for countries like Ukraine that are being threatened to feel like they need to join alliances like NATO, they can defend themselves against Russian aggression.

Sarah (against the amendment): Disagree with military proliferation in the world in general, but do not agree with adding a point that condemns NATO in the motion. We can disagree with arms proliferation but let's do it in a different motion. This amendment looks like it is

pushing the incorrect narrative that Russia is justified in invading Ukraine because of NATO. This invasion is solely Russia's responsibility.

Hayden (against the amendment): I have had discussions with Ukrainian people, and I think it is actually a disservice to them and the point of this motion to add condemning NATO in it. Do it separately if you are doing it. Ukraine has self-determination, and condemning NATO alongside this motion is a dangerous motion. Sanctions bit is fine.

Nick Carlton (for the amendment): We have to reject the idea that NATO makes the world safer. NATO has participated in a bunch of aggressive interventions like the bombing of Kosovo. It's an alliance of the world's largest, most bloodthirsty imperialist powers. The US has more blood on its hands numerically than Russia. It invaded Iraq and Afghanistan, it deposed many democratically elected governments, it killed a million Iraqis. Yes, the invasion of Ukraine is Russia's responsibility. But as a body we shouldn't line up with our government that makes the main enemy as Russia and China. This supports US business interests. As a body we have to reject both the US and Russia instead of lining up with our government.

Matthew (against the amendment): Will add points that this is not about NATO or the US. This is about the government in Moscow, primarily Putin, that have killed and oppressed people in Russia and overseas. This about Russia and the things that Russia is doing. This amendment has nothing to do with the motion - it is about blaming anyone but Russia. I know Ukrainian people and I repeat Hayden's point about this being a disservice to them.

Nick Carlton is named for interjecting

Nick Carlton is named a second time for interjecting.

The amendment fails

The motion as a whole passes

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6.9 Motion: AYAC's Future of Leadership Survey

Preamble:

Youth participation in leadership opportunities is vital to ensuring that decision-making processes are representative of Australia's diversity, and reflective of the needs and interests of young people. Last month, the Australian Youth Affairs Coalition (AYAC) opened its Future of Youth Leadership survey for submissions from young people aged 12-25 from across Australia. As the peak body representing and advocating on behalf of Australia's youth, AYAC is keen to learn about young people's participation in formal leadership opportunities (e.g. youth steering committees, youth advisory groups, youth councils, student representative councils), including:

- Whether or not respondents have participated in formal youth leadership activities,
- What barriers might have stopped respondents from participating; and
- What skills respondents think young people need to be able to participate effectively.

AYAC will use respondents' feedback to shape a report about youth leadership, and support the design of future youth leadership training programs that young people find useful. Additionally, AYAC may use insights gained from the survey to provide advice to other organisations on how best to engage with young leaders.

As a union representing a significant number of students aged 25 and under, ANUSA can meaningfully contribute to research and development on youth participation in leadership opportunities by supporting AYAC's survey.

Actions:

- ANUSA recognises that youth participation in leadership opportunities can create meaningful, positive change for young people aged 12-25 in Australia
- ANUSA will endorse AYAC's Future of Youth Leadership survey
- ANUSA will promote the survey on its social media platforms as soon as possible before the deadline for survey responses at 5 pm AEST on Sunday, April 21.

Mover: Jemma Rule

Seconder: Harrison Oates

Passed as part of bloc

Item 7: Other Business

Item 8: Date of next meeting and close

President's Report

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Activism and advocacy

Extenuating Circumstances Applications (ECA) and Late Withdrawals

I have been continuing work with Charlotte on the current state of ECA and Late Withdrawal applications, as per last SRC. I have also been discussing online examinations. There have not been any solid updates on what will be happening going forward but we are hoping to find a solution for both ongoing policy and for students currently affected.

School of Art and Design (SOAD) library closure

I worked with ANU Libraries and students involved to ensure that the books have been returned! For any fines to be waived, the books have to be returned first. They have flagged that there will be delays in processing the returns as it is a significant quantity of books but they are now not in the ANUSA office. The Library has told me that in principle they do not want to fine anybody for this. Their system does automatically apply fines, but they can exercise discretion if the fine is appealed. This also includes lost books and loss of borrowing privileges. To my understanding, these appeals can only be approved once the books are returned. If any student is still getting notifications of overdue books or fine appeals not being approved, please reach out and I will try to follow up.

Palestine

Continuing from SRC1, I have been working on supporting advocacy and activism for Palestine. I have been meeting with any student or member of the ANU community who reaches out and wants to engage with ANUSA in good faith on the issue. This has included a lot of conversations with staff, students, and my legal team. ANUSA has promoted many of the upcoming rallies and I have been doing work on that and behind the scenes work making sure that the rallies are safe.

Democracy Society

I spent a few days working on responding to a speaker who had historically supported the White Australia Policy being invited to a Democracy Society event. I worked on this closely

with Seungbin and Charlotte, as well as our BIPOC/Indigenous Officers and legal team. We organised a protest at short notice that got a huge amount of engagement online, and DemSoc ended up cancelling the event. It is so important to show that racism is not tolerated on ANU campus and this protest effectively did that and mounted pressure against it. There was a lot of behind the scenes work that went into facilitating this.

Mental Health Strategy Review

I have been working with the team for the Mental Health Strategy Review on facilitating conversations with students about the ANU's Mental Health policies. This is a really awesome review that is doing a large consultation process for students to try to cover all areas of mental health. In particular, I'm excited that more is being considered as potential causes of mental health issues, such as socioeconomic status and cost of living crisis or being from a marginalised group. The SRC had a consultation session with the team and we have been working on advertising the upcoming sessions for them (thanks to Charlotte for helping with this while I was away).

Deadnaming survey

In my election policy I wanted to work on addressing deadnaming at the ANU, particularly in ANU systems. I have been working with Skye on the planning for this campaign and we have begun by doing a survey. Thank you to Skye and Georgia who have done much of the legwork. You can fill out the deadnaming survey here:

<https://forms.gle/CCd8A4uLZrjPHHyC7>

Medical School and Counselling

Arising from complaints about the medical school and ANU counselling, particularly for wait times, I am engaging with ANU staff about the issues. There are no updates on solutions.

ANU Sport

I have had discussions with ANU sport about the accessibility of their services to ANU students. They have provided me with a significant amount of information on their offerings to students. I am happy to provide this information to any student who requests and we are talking about ongoing collaboration with ANUSA to promote their services that are accessible to particularly low-SES students and students from marginalised backgrounds.

Spotify

I've had discussions with ANU IT about Spotify - it should be working again, but if it ever stops working please feel free to reach out as more information on why it doesn't work would be helpful to IT to fix the issue on an ongoing basis!

Committees

SSC

Will and I attended SSC, and Charlotte filled in for our Operations Manager while she was at a conference. We bid for an additional ~50k from the underspend and reserve pools and were successful in this bid.

Internal

Representative support

I have been working with Department Officers on a few of their projects and issues arising from them, as well as

SSAF and budgeting work

As per SSC section.

Casual vacancies

Sadly, Diana Tung, our HDR officer, has resigned. She was absolutely phenomenal at the role and we are sad to see her go. Huge thank you to her for her time as HDR officer. I have been working with Charlotte to appoint a replacement for her and the process will be finished up within two weeks - we have received a host of high quality applications.

All other representative casual vacancies have been filled.

Governance review

The contract for the governance review has been officially signed!

General executive work

I have been supporting exec members in their roles, some of which has required a lot of work. In particular, I have been working with the exec on introducing the BKSS lunch express with Charlotte, the ANU library process with Luke, advocacy for a Daley Road Bus with Skye, and the Governance Review with Milli, ongoing discussions about more Mutual

Aid offerings from ANUSA, and Clubs Regulation reviews with Seungbin as well as other matters mentioned in their own items. I have had meetings regarding administrating SEEF with the executive and our staff.

Legal, WHS and staff matters

The President has oversight of all legal, WHS and staff matters that may arise. These are usually confidential but take up a portion of my time. Unfortunately, there have been some critical incidents which I am working with my staff on.

We are currently renegotiating the Enterprise Bargaining Agreement. This is anticipated to continue this week and takes up a lot of time as President.

ANU Council

ANU Council sat on the 5th of April. Due to the confidentiality of the agenda, this is a challenging role to report on.

It is worth noting that arising from ANU Council, I have been reached out to as ANUSA President to do consultation on the Digital Masterplan (DMP) work that is being undertaken by the ANU and will be talking to them about its distribution to students. I will likely be working on this with them in future in my role as ANUSA President and will be able to share more information about it soon!

AICD training

I received a three-day AICD training course as part of my role for ANU Council. This was on University governance, risk management and finances and will facilitate my engagement in Council.

Other

HDR

Our staff participated in the HDR student induction that happened in late March to introduce HDR students to ANUSA and advertised the casual vacancy. We are also having ongoing discussions about improving Shut Up And Write (SUAW), but this will be taken back up once the new HDR Officer is onboarded.

Timesheet

As of this report, I have worked 562 hours from December 1. This averages to about 38 hours per week (excluding any leave and Christmas shutdown). I have taken one week of leave for a course in the NT and 3 days of sick leave since last SRC.

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SRC 3

Vice President's Report Charlotte Carnes

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1. Introduction

My name is Charlotte (she/they) and I'm your Vice President for 2024. The Vice President's role is a little difficult to pin down as it changes year to year and is based on a division of duties between the President and the Vice President which is rooted in strengths, capacity, and interests. I mostly manage internal affairs, academic advocacy, and of course the BKSS!

My focus this year is majorly on the academic sphere. I wrote a number of policies around the subject in the election that I intend to see through. We deserve the education we were promised, we deserve the education we want - and are paying obscene costs for - and we need to be demanding that in the age of profiteering universities. In saying that, the BKSS takes up the majority of my time week to week so the bulk of my work can be found there.

I am acutely aware of not getting so caught up in those everyday tasks that I fail to make progress on other goals and issues. This report will cover the main tasks and issues I have been working on, but it is neither exhaustive nor static. If you have any questions about my report, love, life, ANUSA, etc. please reach out to me at sa.vicepres@anu.edu.au!

2. Brian Kenyon Student Space

The Brian Kenyon Student Space otherwise known as the BKSS is a free space for students by students. It's open weekdays 8am - 8pm and is a place to study, relax, eat, and socialise. The BKSS offers a range of things including: free breakfast from 8.30 - 10.30 every day, free condoms, pads, and tampons, a place to heat up your food or make a cup of tea or coffee, chargers that can be borrowed, information about ANUSA and its services, events and upcoming campaigns... and much more!

a. BKSS Lunch Express

ANU's hottest club is the BKSS at 1pm every day... because of the BKSS Lunch Express! We are partnering with Chartwells and the Residential Experience Division on a new food-rescue initiative which brings free lunches to students everyday. The programme started Monday 8th April and we will be trialling it for a month.

The food comes from lunch and dinner leftovers in the Bruce and Wright Hall kitchen, which are supplied by Chartwells. The meals are packaged, labelled with the dietary requirements they fit, a preparation date, and an expiration date. While the programme has only been going for a week at the time I am writing this, we have already seen an immense demand for these free meals. There is a one meal per person rule that we haven't had an issue with so far. The BKSS team has started collecting data on the meals delivered versus the amount of people in line and so far we're seeing double the amount of people to meals. I'm hoping now that semester has recommenced and students are back in the halls, there will be more food but it's hard to say and is one of the things that will hopefully be ironed out in the programme review at the beginning of next month. The good news is there is potential to increase the quantity of food received once the trial period is over as Chartwells also cater Burgmann so are interested in expanding the food-rescue beyond Bruce and Wright Hall.

The BKSS staff and I will continue to produce feedback throughout the month which I'll report on at SRC 4!

b. Student Bites

Student Bites is a free grocery food programme run by ANUSA, built on the principle of mutual aid. The programme seeks to materially support students during the ongoing cost of living crisis and build systems of community care to fill gaps left by the university's services. In partnership with OzHarvest Canberra, Student Bites collects quality excess food from supermarkets and delivers it free of charge to ANU Students from ANUSA's Brian Kenyon Student Space.

Student Bites is an ever-evolving beast. The BKSS team and I continue to improve the programme and its equity, every week. Since SRC 2, we have made changes to the method of distribution and the queuing system. Students are allowed to fill up one bag only of groceries so as many students can benefit from Bites as possible. As of next week the bags will be standardised.

There has also been an increase in place holding in the queue for Bites, meaning people leaving their bags or notebooks to hold their spot while they are in the BKSS for a few hours. This is a WHS risk but it's also just not how queuing works so no more place holding with objects.

While the changes in the volunteer system were provoked by the BKSS staff, these changes came about when students complained about the lack of equal access in Student Bites due to these practices. I firmly believe students should feel empowered to contact ANUSA with ways to make programmes for students by students better and am glad I was able to work with so many students on making these changes. After all, Student Bites is a programme based on principles of equity and accessibility.

c. Mutual Aid

We recently received a donation of pads, tampons, and liners from Share the Dignity which is awesome. Alongside the condoms we received in O-Week, donations like these are fantastic for the BKSS and even if they go in a week they are a great relief for our budget and I'm hoping to find ways to expand this into sponsorship and build relationships with companies who might be able to give us sanitary products more regularly. I know this is now mandated in the ACT though I'm fuzzy on the details and to achieve this in future, I will be contacting some genreps who had policy about this as well.

Regarding the reshall waste project that I mentioned at SRC 2, I'm still awaiting response from the Below Zero team so hopefully I'll have more updates at SRC 4.

d. Work In Progress

I'm currently investigating cost-effective options for BKSS exam dinners that go beyond ramen packets. I've had conversations with the Student Life Division about how they could support us in this if need be and have had suggestions for sponsors and vendors from them.

3. Academic

a. ECA

For an explanation of the problems and context surrounding Extenuating Circumstances Application (ECAs), see my SRC 1 report. This is an issue that Phoenix, the Student Assistance Team and I are continuing to work on, I also reported on this at SRC 2. Just after the last SRC, there was a meeting with the College Associate Deans of Education and the Student Administration Managers among a few other stakeholders which I attended. Earlier this year, the Student Assistance Team, Sally the CAP HDR rep, and I put together a document detailing our feedback of the ECA process and policy. In the meeting, we went through this document as well as the policy itself and had a dialogue about what needs to be fixed about this process. The meeting was generally quite positive and it seemed that the College ADEs and we were on the same page. We are waiting on a draft paper for committee approval

and I am keen to see if the paper accurately reflects the criticisms and agreed upon changes that were discussed.

4. Acting President

While Phoenix was away on Country last week I was acting president for 5 working days so did a number of things that ordinarily would've been done by Phoenix and thus took up a decent amount of my time. This includes staff matters, rep support, and going to meetings on Phi's behalf. Namely, I went to IDEA Governance Committee which is the peak body for task forces or working groups on issues that fall under the umbrella of Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access.

5. Casual Vacancies

Phoenix and I worked to fill a few casual vacancies in college rep positions specifically, undergraduate coursework college of science, postgrad coursework college of science, and postgrad coursework college of asia pacific. I conducted interviews with Jewel and Harry, the two college of science representatives, on filling the undergraduate coursework CoS rep position.

Phoenix and I are also working on filling the HDR Officer position right now. I thank Diana for all the wonderful work she did in this role and her commitment to the welfare and empowerment of HDR students. She is one in a million and it was a pleasure to work with her both last year and this year.

6. Miscellaneous

a. Mental Health Strategy Review

I took part in the student consultation session that was run by the Mental Health Strategy Review Task Force a few weeks ago which was open to the whole SRC. It was an amazing session, this being the second one I've attended now, and I'm grateful to the amazing work Lyndall and her team are doing in this space. I've also had conversations with Lyndall beyond that session on how to get more students to engage in the project. If you're interested reach out to me!

b. Rep support

Some of my time goes towards supporting the SRC from department officers to gen reps as well as exec when needed. I also organise monthly department/executive meetings to bridge the gap between the department and executive officers. I also spent considerable time, supporting Seungbin in the protest against the event attended by Drew Fraser organised by Democracy Society.

7. Timesheet

Since December 1st, as of Sunday 14th April, I have worked 534 hours. I have taken a total of 2 days of personal leave and 1 day of sick leave. If you have any questions about how I use my hours or about the work I do more broadly, don't hesitate to reach out to sa.vicepres@anu.edu.au.

Reference C

Education Officer Report - SRC 2

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Introduction

Hi everyone! My name is Luke Harrison (they/them) and I'm your Education Officer for 2024! I'm originally from the beautiful regional city of Wagga Wagga on Wiradjuri Country in western NSW. I came to ANU in 2020 and study a Bachelor of International Relations and a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Political Science.

I first got involved in activism and organising in 2021 and became a general representative on ANUSA for 2022. Since then I've been organising around many issues including trans rights, climate change,

against war, and more. In particular, I've been involved with education organising in 2022 and 2023 when I was Deputy Education Officer.

My report tends to follow the following structure: I introduce myself, I update the SRC on the work I've done, and I comment/update on events and things going on presently.

I have worked 288 hours since my term began on December 1, 2023.

Report

Education and Welfare Action Group

We held our 3rd EWAG meeting on the 18th March and had our 4th on the 15th April (after writing this report). We are continuing working on the housing campaign, as well as organising around Palestine.

Organising Around Palestine

I've been doing a lot of work to stand in solidarity with Palestine and helping attend, organise, and promote events.

- I've attended most of the Students for Palestine (S4P) and Students and Staff Against War (SSAW) meetings.
- I attended the most recent ZIM picket in Port Botany
- I've organised a 'Flood the Post!' EWAG event for Monday the 22nd of April.
- Organised and supported two disruption events that are occurring after writing this report which I'll provide more information about at SRC 3.

- Helped with logistics promotion for recent rallies organised by S4P, the Environment Collective, and SSAW.
- Going to be working on organising some events for Nakba Day on the 15th May.

Rad Ed Week

This is something I discussed in my last SRC Report, but I am looking to get a committee of people together to help organise Rad Ed Week (hoping to have it the first half of Sem 2). The way to get involved is to fill out this form: <https://forms.gle/Q5ba2GrzJAKz7eCR8>, I will select a bunch of people to form the committee, and then we'll start meeting regularly to organise Rad Ed Week!

Organising for Power

Every year the Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung organising a global event called 'Organising for Power: The Core Fundamentals' teaching union organisers how to communicate with their fellow workers, how to identify power within structures, and how to effectively organise to get the best wins possible. This training will over six weeks from May 8 to June 12 in 2024 (Wednesdays). In the past ANUSA has organised to participate in this training and we have worked to adapt the lessons learnt to a student union context to better our organising strategies. I am organising training again this year and highly encourage all to get involved. The sessions will be at 10am on those days for all those who wish/are able to attend live. However, I will organise catch up sessions and different sessions for those who are unable to attend live so don't stress about uni schedules and general availability at this stage. Cut off date for

registration is the 26th April 2024 but get in ASAP! The form is here:

<https://forms.gle/Cft8x6WU275VHzy68>.

SOAD Library

On the 26th March I worked with Phoenix, some students (shout out to Sian Hardy, Bea Tucker, and Remi Prica), and staff members of the School of Art and Design to return all the books that had been borrowed during the mass borrow action. Over the next couple of days the staff should be done returning all the books, so students who have overdue fines can just apply for a waiver and the university has promised to give them.

Governance Training

A bulk of my hours between 05/04-09/04 were on attending governance training provided by the Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) as well as doing the pre-readings for the course. The course covered things from finance training, risk management, responsibilities, and more.

Snap Rally Against Racist on Campus

As many are aware, an event organised by the 'Democracy Society' was planned to have a talk about immigration policy. This event was going to platform a notable racist, antisemite, and far-right nutjob. ANUSA organised a snap rally which I helped organise, promote, and I attended.

Budget Protest

I attended a meeting with Skye, the NUS President Ngaire, and NUS Campaigns Manager Frankie to discuss organising a protest on budget day. Stay tuned for more.

Things Happening Right Now

Palestine Rallies Coming Up

As per usual, I highly encourage everyone to attend the weekly Palestine Rallies. And get involved with unions and organisations to organise actions on Palestine.

Reference D

General Secretary Report – SRC 3 2024

Milli McDonald

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1. Introduction
2. Meetings / SRC
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Introduction

Hi everyone! My name is Milli McDonald, (she/her), and I am excited to be the ANUSA General Secretary for 2024.

My role involves all things constitution and governance. This year presents a huge opportunity to improve ANUSA's governance and deliver better outcomes for students. I'm happy to chat with anyone who is interested!

Meetings / SRC

Much of my time over the last fortnight has been in preparation for SRC

This includes working with people on motions, receiving apologies, etc.

AICD training.

Last week I was fortunate to take part in Australian Institute of company directors training alongside woroni, observer and ANU sport. Yippee! It was fantastic to see lots of new perspectives on governance and how we can be a better union.

Governance Review

The contract with consultants NFP success has been signed! Working on the agreement has taken a fair few hours recently, as well as initial consultant meetings. This means we are to commence the governance review. In the next fortnight I will be convening a governance committee to discuss ideas and how the review will roll. The consultant will also be visiting ANU shortly.

The terms of reference for the review are to be seen here:

The review shall consider:

1. *ANUSA's governing documents, including its constitution and regulations;*
2. *ANUSA's representative and governance structures and practices;*
3. *The above areas with particular attention to ANUSA's recent transition to representation of postgraduate students;*
4. *Opportunities for improvement and reform of ANUSA's governance, mindful of ANUSA's nature as an independent, student-led organisation.*

The reviewer shall provide the following deliverables:

1. *Consultation sessions with internal ANUSA/student stakeholders to understand internal perspectives on matters within the scope of the review. Consultations shall include consultation with :*
 1. *Current and, if appropriate, former representatives;*

2. *ANUSA staff;*
3. *As appropriate, students beyond the SRC.*
2. *Consultation sessions with key ANU stakeholders for the purpose of understanding key ANU expectations of ANUSA including compliance with ANU legislation and other relevant obligations and expectations. These stakeholders shall include:*
 1. *The Deputy Vice-Chancellor Academic Portfolio;*
 2. *The Corporate Governance and Risk Office*
 3. *The University Legal Office*
3. *A set of high-level recommendations for reform of ANUSA's governance to be provided to ANUSA that align with best governance practice for a democratic, student-led student union delivering representation, advocacy, community-building and support. The ANU shall receive a copy of these recommendations.*
4. *Support and advice to an internal ANUSA, student-led implementation and democratic decision-making process, that aligns with the Student Organisation Constitutional Amendments Protocol.*

ANUSA executive

I have been working with the ANUSA executive on various issues in running the organisation. This includes minutes for exec meetings, sorting out issues with the website and more.

Timesheet

Since Dec 1, I have done 235 hours of work, and taken 1.5 of days sick leave.

Reference E

SRC 3 - Treasurer Report
Will Burfoot

Financial Policy Framework

I am DONE! The long awaited financial policy framework is complete, this process has taken me a while to do but I am very happy with the result. Most of our financial policies date back to 2014 and were in desperate need of revision. The final document consolidates and refines the policies, and by doing so it is my hope that this improves understanding of our finances. I will make this document available to the SRC as well as anyone that would like a chance to review and provide feedback, you can do so by emailing me at sa.treasurer@anu.edu.au. I hope to pass this at the upcoming AGM.

SSAF Reserve bidding

The SSAF reserve pool is set aside by the university each year so that SSAF recipients can bid for additional funding for certain programs or projects. This 2024 pool sits at \$446,382.32. ANUSA successfully bid for \$55,540.00 which will go towards various projects including

- BKSS Fridge and microwave upgrades
- BKSS exam period dinner support
- BIPOC safe space improvements
- Additional SkillUp funding
- Legal team training and upskill
- HDR events
- HDR grants
- Indigenous student wellbeing grants

If you would like more information on this process, the programs we will be funding, or have any other questions I am happy to talk more.

Audit

The audit is very close to being complete, as per the constitution it will be passed at the AGM along with our annual financial statements.

SEEF

I now sit on the SEEF panel, which is the Student Extracurricular Enrichment fund, we have budgeted \$100,000 for this year and it was fantastic to start reviewing the applications and getting some approved.

AICD Training

I attend AICD Training with some of the exec, woroni, observer and ANU Sport. This training is required by the university and overall I found it fairly useful. ANUSA is a not for profit and although we are very different from other NFP it was beneficial to understand a bit more about the sector. Some of the things we touched on were;

- Board director duties and responsibilities under the law
- Understanding governance structures
- Understanding risk and risk management
- Interpreting financial statements and developing financial literacy

Expenditure Report

We are BACK! As usual I will go through and highlight some areas for extra attention or to explain anything. We are very close to where we should be with the BKSS, the costs in Q1 are much lower than Q2 and Q3 so we are on track. Clubs expenditure is much lower than this time last year which I find surprising as the Clubs budget is typically under a lot of pressure, I will monitor this over the next couple of weeks and if issues persist we will find out why we might not be spending as much. Our Student Assistance grants are up slightly which is good but our Grocery voucher and meal program is up approx \$7,000 on last year, I'm glad we can provide this support to students but numbers like this point to how much students are struggling at the moment.

ANUSA Profit and Loss Statement

For the period 1 December 2023 to 15 April 2024

Account	1 Dec 2023-15 Apr 2024	1 Dec 2022-15 Apr 2023
SSAF Income		
SSAF Allocation	1,337,577.99	1,306,941.30

Total SSAF Income

1,337,577.99

1,306,941.30

SSAF Expenses

Accounting/Bookkeeping - Xero

698.85

603.40

Auditing

27.27

27.27

Bank Fees with GST

167.10

125.21

Bank Fees without GST

505.33

306.11

BKSS Food/Consumables

18,765.27

20,172.37

BKSS Non-food

413.69

3,031.74

Motor Vehicle expenses

6,238.67

4,637.19

Club Funding

25,567.98

52,234.81

Clubs Council Grants Committee

215.44

0.00

College Representatives

38.16

0.00

Consultancy

6,930.00

0.00

Departments & Collectives

69,602.61

60,467.14

Education Committee	5,165.68	4,113.69
Equipment Expense	(613.45)	402.73
Fees & Subscriptions	31,865.77	34,372.33
Friday Night Party Expenses	0.00	490.91
Leadership and Professional Development	14,545.77	20,393.76
Legal Expenses & Consultancy	6,836.81	5,303.33
Marketing & Communications - Advertising	149.99	197.82
Marketing & Communications - Diary	0.00	4,690.00
Marketing & Communications - Printing	816.84	9,734.00
Marketing & Communications - Software Subs	379.20	199.00
Meeting Expenses	109.09	268.10
NUS	0.00	41,600.00
Other Employee Expense	6,041.51	8,537.09
O-Week Events	54,840.30	86,327.57
O-Week Food purchases	0.00	71.51

O-Week Merchandise	0.00	5,327.18
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Parenting Room	0.00	1,431.27
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Printer	519.77	177.48
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Department - Honoraria	(100.00)	0.00
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Department - Stipends	52,311.24	51,013.48
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Department - Superannuation	5,754.30	5,356.46
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Salaries and Wages	502,427.10	334,733.30
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Salaries and Wages - ANUSA Exec & Officers	83,456.54	76,085.83
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Salaries and Wages - BKSS	22,158.05	20,476.31
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Salaries and Wages - Event Coordinators	14,287.20	13,637.68
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Superannuation Expense	82,028.88	55,165.55
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Superannuation Expense - ANUSA Exec & Officers	14,070.93	7,988.88
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Superannuation Expense - BKSS	3,132.57	2,248.48
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Superannuation Expense - Event Coordinators	1,870.52	1,451.91
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SAT Purchases - Grocery Vouchers	0.00	11,325.00
SAT Purchases - Student Meals & Others	20,653.65	2,097.82
Student Assistance Team Grants	27,408.90	23,322.18
Staff Amenities	231.38	44.61
Stationery/General Supplies/Postage	709.88	934.36
Student Engagement	491.15	7,897.45
Utilities	1,203.71	1,184.90
Workers Compensation Insurance	0.00	8,278.06
Total SSAF Expenses	1,081,923.65	988,485.27

SSAF Surplus/ Deficits	255,654.34	318,456.03
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Other Income

Bus hire revenue	0.00	72.73
Interest Income	388.87	6,288.56

Miscellaneous (Sundry) Income	2,144.40	491.33
Other Grant Funding	850.00	5,000.00
O-Week Income	32,925.00	39,645.00
Ticket/Event Sales - O Week	842.79	29,923.16
Ticket/Event Sales - Others	0.00	652.25
Total Other Income	37,151.06	82,073.03

Other Expenses

Non SSAF Expenses

Events Non-SSAF	0.00	5,009.27
Total Non SSAF Expenses	0.00	5,009.27
Other Student Grants	7,687.00	0.00
Social Profolio	741.82	0.00
Birth Control Subsidy	6,426.54	0.00
SEEF Grants	4,848.36	0.00

Parents and Carers	136.35	0.00
Shut Up and Write program	1,929.09	0.00
Total Other Expenses	21,769.16	5,009.27
Net Profit	271,036.24	395,519.79

Timesheet

Since Dec 1st 2023 I have worked 270.75 hours and taken 2.5 days of leave. For a more detailed breakdown of my hours send me an email at sa.treasurer@anu.edu.au

Reference F



Clubs Officer's Report

Student Representative Council 3, 2024

17th April 2024

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Introduction

Hiya! I'm Seungbin (or SBK), and I'm the ANUSA Clubs Officer for 2024. My role largely lies in the social pillar of ANUSA, consisting of O-Week, Bush Week, Clubs, and social events among many things. In 2024, my priorities are strengthening club governance to promote a more vibrant, safer, and sustainable clubs scene, expanding on O-Week and Bush Week, and reimagining the ways my role organises communities and better contribute to the overall ANUSA patchwork.

If you are interested in any of my work, please do reach out to me at sa.clubsofficer@anu.edu.au! Always keen for a chat c:

Clubs

Regulations and governance

Most of my time since SRC 2 has been spent on Clubs Regulations and researching ways to improve clubs governance for our upcoming Annual General Meeting (AGM). In this working timeline, I've worked closely with ANUSA staff members to draft up regulation changes that will be consulted on with ANUSA Executive and club leadership, before being submitted as a wider clubs regulations package for debate at the AGM. The goals of these changes are to enhance student safety, enforce a code of conduct, funding, transparency, financial governance, and quality of life enhancers. This will bring us a strong step towards a more vibrant, safer, and more sustainable clubs scene, alongside all the newly introduced and reinforced support given to empower club leadership's success.

In this process, I've broken down the current regulations to highlight any parts that requires amendments. I've gotten the assistance of staff members with flagged issues that can be amended, and have reviewed resources from other Unions club programs.

Consultations will take place at the end of April prior to the AGM.

Clubs training/socials

The Clubs training schedule will be expanded into a monthly training schedule that covers topics such as conflict resolution and wellbeing, how to run GMs, special events training, ATO, etc. The idea is to have these monthly smaller training sessions to be an optional (but highly encouraged) training session that steers and guides clubs throughout the year in terms of where they should be in their yearly operations. For eg. trainings related to running an election and general meetings will be held towards the end of the year, alongside training on creating robust handovers.

As for club socials, I would like to build on the successful work last year with the end of semester club social. We would like to host one at the end of semester 1, and another at the end of semester 2. This is a good opportunity to chat between club leadership and celebrate the end of a successful semester!

Clubs Committee and working groups

Clubs Committee is back for 2024 and will take place once a month, typically Wednesdays. Continuing on the work of previous Clubs Officers, the Clubs Committee will largely work as an advisory body for the Officer to provide holistic improvements to the clubs and societies programme. [Here](#) are the minutes for the first Clubs Committee meeting.

We have opened up 2 working groups for clubs so far. These are the Policy Working Group, and the Events Working Group. I am imagining this as a collaborative space for people who are interested in clubs or are part of clubs leadership to work together with me in researching policy or organising events. The signup for the Policy Working Group can be found [here](#), and the signup for the Events Working Group can be found [here](#).

The next Clubs Committee will take place on the 24th of April at 6pm in the ANUSA Boardroom.

2024 budget

The 2024 ANUSA budget for clubs is \$200,000. This is an increase compared to previous years and is equivalent to the budget in 2023 post-SSAF bid. For each individual club, they are eligible for up to \$10,004 in funding, not including SEEF. This is calculated with a 4.05% percentage limit and was approved by the ANUSA Executive.

O-Week

From a budget of \$55,000, O-Week expenditure costed \$52,868.17. This is largely offset by \$52,868.17 of income, most notably in Market Day where ANUSA generated around a \$6,000 profit. Erin (ANUSA Community Life Officer) and I strategised to increase the Postgraduate events organising budget through taking out the operating costs of the Welcoming Event (traditionally in the PG budget) into the O-Week budget. Remaining O-Week funds will be transferred to other social spending (eg. PG/Bush Week events).

Bush Week

Recruitment

Bush Week recruitment has started! I will be commencing interviews this (or next) week. We had loads of lovely applicants so I'm keen to have them on board for an exciting Bush Week!



Organsing

I've started reaching out to venue hire for Bush Week related venues. A challenge to overcome for everyone involved in the Bush Week organising process is the smaller amount of venues available on campus due to various renovations taking place, most notably in the Kambri Cultural Centre. I would

recommend all people involved in Bush Week organising to reach out to venue hire early to secure venues without competing with teaching spaces.

On the broader strokes of organising, there is heaps of feedback and lessons to be taken from O-Week which I plan to implement in Bush Week. This includes hosting internal ANUSA stakeholder meetings where relevant O-Week stakeholders (eg. Department Officers, Execs, Parents and Carers Officers) are able to be kept up to date with the work of the Bush Week team (Erin, Bush Week Coordinators, and I) and also share what they are doing.

I'm also thinking a lot about the Bush Week theme, something which I usually don't have as much creative juices for.

Postgraduate

Postgraduate/HDR Representatives meetings

I've been meeting with Erin, Rishik, and the PG/HDR College Representatives to devise a strategy for Postgraduate events in 2024. These meetings were helpful in getting all the representatives present to be on the same page, articulate our vision for the events in 2024, and to collect feedback on how they were run in 2023.

Our strategy largely involves working closely with the Representatives to play more of a vision/strategy role (with Erin playing a larger organising role), and greatly expanding on the ways we communicate with students about these events. Many of the feedback we got for communication strategy can be helpful for ANUSA as a whole, for eg. expanding our digital base beyond Facebook/Instagram, upgrading the ANUSA website, and making more use of mailing lists. We plan to take a more collaborative approach to organising, working closely with Departments and Residential Halls (for eg. Shut Up and Write x Toad Hall).

In these meetings, we developed a short term (term 2), medium term (semester 2), and long term (2025 and beyond) goal for the postgraduate social program. These will be evaluated at future postgraduate organising meetings, with the next meeting taking place in week 11. More broadly, we will be releasing a feedback/ideas form to the general public to have students provide input on what they want to see in our postgraduate event calendar.

Unwind/Coffee Catchups/Shut Up and Write

As part of our short term goal, we will bring back the bi-weekly Coffee Catchups and Unwind events starting term 2. We've gotten some valuable feedback when it comes to the value of these catchups and how can we make it a much more meaningful experience. Some other improvements we're looking into at the moment are having college specific coffee catchup sessions,

creating questions people can use as icebreakers during catchups, finances of the event (potentially paid events for higher quality of food), and collaborating with Residential Halls and Departments. Some ideas to keep in the backburner are perhaps turning a small commercial profit over these events (eg. Coffee Catchups could potentially sell ANUSA themed keepcups), though I am hesitant to put any financial burden on individuals.

2024 vision for Postgraduate events

Broadly expanding on the medium term and long term goals; We're hoping that Bush Week will prove to be a pivotal time in organising where we are expecting the largest amount of postgraduate students (many of which are international) joining the university. Therefore it is important that as a union we are ready to support and engage with this influx of students through Bush Week and a subsequent social calendar.

We will be running the staple Postgraduate Welcoming Event, but are open to more ideas for what we should run in Bush Week. Some other ideas which are still in the air are college specific coffee catchups, and various speed friendings.

As for long term goals, it is still a bit in the air but we want to work towards stronger integration of postgraduate students into our Union beyond the social pillar, and this is something I encourage everyone to play a role in facilitating.

Activism

Alongside Phi and Charlotte, I organised the No Place for White Australia Policy rally in protest of the Democracy Society's panel on immigration featuring a speaker who has previously expressed white supremacist views which presents a genuine harm to the ANU community. I am really proud of how the rally turned out and the pressure put on the society to have them remove the speaker and cancel the event. It is the best outcome that this event never took place. Going forwards, we will have to look into regulation changes in the Clubs Regulations to prevent any sort of harmful behavior being perpetrated again within our clubs space. I thank the BIPOC and Indigenous Departments for their help and support throughout the organising of the rally, and reiterate that there will be no tolerance of racism on our campus.



Social

This year, we are allocated around \$20,000 for social events across the year. Currently, we're planning on using this to fund our Coffee Catchups and Unwind events, but we're always keen to get more ideas on what people want to see us use this fund for within the scope of social events.

Misc

Wellbeing consultation

I've attended a consultation session with some ANUSA SRC members on wellbeing in the ANU and offer an official pathway in the SRC's input. It was a very meaningful conversation that followed up with a more intimate feedback session.

SEEF

The SEEF board met to approve the first round of SEEF applications. We had plenty of fantastic applications!

Timesheet

From December 1st to the 12th of April, I've worked 492 hours.

Contact

If any of my work sounds like your type of jam, please reach out to me at sa.clubsofficer@anu.edu.au. Always love a good chat!

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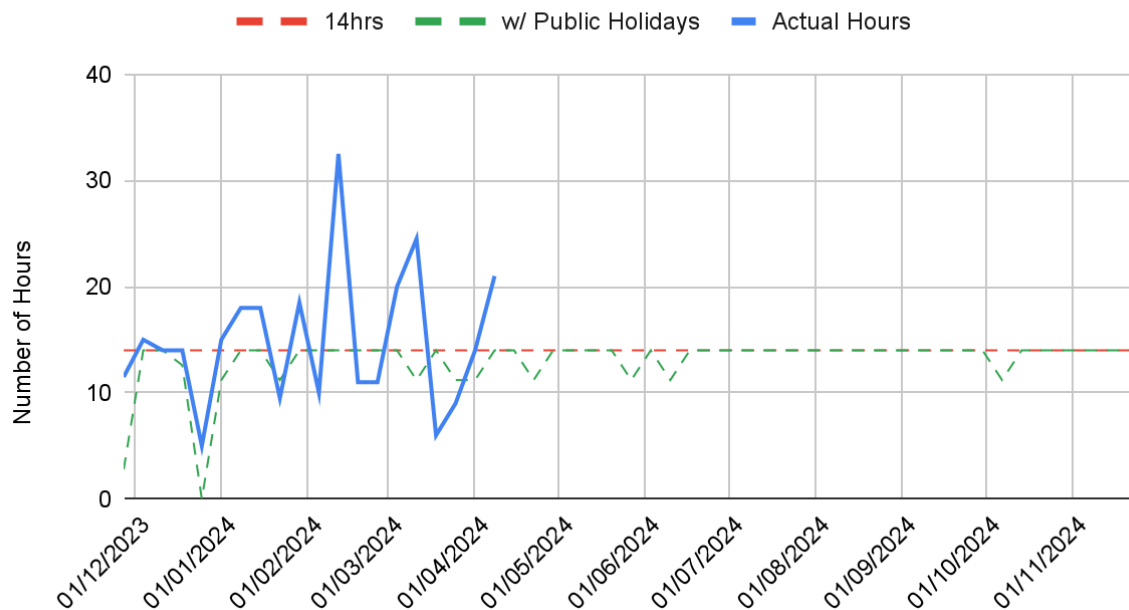
Welfare Officer Report

I'm Skye (she/her), and I'm your Welfare Officer for 2024. I'm in this role because I really care about students, and that's what I want to bring to this year in Welfare, taking care of our health, wellbeing and our material conditions. We have a real opportunity to build some great campaigns on Housing, Transport and Workers' Rights, and I also want to stretch ANUSA's capabilities to directly take care of student welfare to the maximum, especially by expanding programs like Student Bites. If you're interested in working on any of that, if you have any questions or ideas about the Welfare Portfolio, please don't hesitate to reach out to me on sa.welfareofficer@anu.edu.au.



At the time of writing this report I have worked 296.5 hours in 80.5 days for an average of over 18 hours a week.

Hours



In this report:

1. Open Day Protest
2. Housing Petition
3. Budget Protest
4. Mutual Aid
5. A bus for Daley Rd?
6. Deadnaming Survey

7. AICD Training

1. Open Day Protest

On Saturday the 16th of March was ANU Open Day. In the face of skyrocketing rents on campus and an overall cost of living crisis we staged a really great protest to inform prospective students of the state of the campus they were considering going to. We had heaps of conversations, and had a great speakout - definitely got uni management's attention.



2. Housing Petition

At time of writing, next week EWAG is planning a big round of stalling to try and get more signatures on our campus rent freeze petition. We will have hopefully already done a day of this with more to come when this report is given, let me know if you want to get involved



3. Budget Protest

We have reached the early stages of organising a protest around the budget in cooperation with the NUS. We're hoping to get people from interstate and build a nice big protest, so please get involved (send me a dm or go to an EWAG meeting)

4. Mutual Aid

As part of the SAAF bidding process me and Charlotte put in a bid for \$7k in funding for free meals in the BKSS. Really excited to put that in place alongside the amazing new Lunch Express program if the bid is successful.

In addition, I've finally managed to take over [Buy Nothing ANU!](#) This is super exciting, and it's been a goal of mine for months. I'm currently planning on trying to integrate it into the ACT Buy Nothing network, but if that falls through we'll rename it and have it be its own thing. Initial talks with this have been promising and it looks like we'll be officially "sprouting" it as part of the Buy Nothing Network. The main thing I've done here is wading through the muck of deleting all the porn and temu posts on the page, but stay tuned for more.

If there's one thing you take away from my report, it's that we need YOU to be an admin for Buy Nothing ANU, so sign up here: <https://forms.gle/7UQ22LQFW3uMcMMPA>

5. A Bus for Daley Rd?

That's right, everyone's favourite bus girl is back for more. It's time to get this open letter going! I want to get every ANUSA department, every hall residential committee, the inter-hall

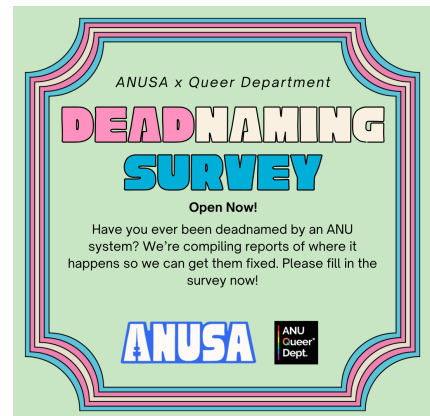
council, as many anu-adjacent organisations and ideally groups like PTCBR as signatories. I've started reaching out to all of these, but if you can and want to help with this please reach out!

6. Deadnaming Survey

Have YOU ever been deadnamed by a university system? Have you had any other issues with a university system not respecting your identity? You're not alone.

It's time to finally address the issues with deadnaming at ANU, and to kick off that process we have a survey! Fill it in here: <https://forms.gle/CCd8A4uLZrjPHHyC7>

Tell your friends!



7. AICD Training

For the sake of transparency because it's a huge part of my hours: the bulk of my time during the second week of the break was taken up by AICD training, to get a better understanding of governance and finances of not for profit structures.

If you have any questions or comments about anything in this report please don't hesitate to reach out to me here: sa.welfareofficer@anu.edu.au.

In Solidarity,
Skye Predavec
Welfare Officer

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ANUSA INDIGENOUS DEPARTMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL 3

Faith Stevens

Executive Summary

1. All Events and Upcoming Activities
2. Expenditure

Report

1. Events

The Indigenous department continues to have fortnightly coffee catch ups, however for the break these have ceased, but this event will start back up once the break ends. There has been recent discussion about possibly changing the name of the event to see if it'd make a difference in attracting more students to the event. We have had a good turnout at this reoccurring event and it has been good for our students to connect and learn about our department as well as find out about other resources and networks on campus such as the Tjabal Higher Education Centre.

We are planning on holding more events and collaborations. We are currently working with the BIPOC department and the International Students Department to try organise a collaboration. We currently have plans to hold an event to help students with questions about what it means to be Indigenous in Australia, as during O-Week we had many questions like this. There is still a lot to be discussed and planned as such an event needs to be done with precaution and sensitivity. Along with educational events, we hope that these events will help with building rapport for more social events and having our communities interact better.

There is still talk with Candice from APS to hold an information session about how to apply and what APS is about. We are still trying to decide on a date that is suitable for them as well as our students.

There have been other things being discussed as well but none of which are currently in the planning stage as the executive team has put their focus towards the collaboration event with BIPOC and ISD.

2. Expenditure

Indigenous Department
Income and Expenditure Report

For the period from 1/12/2023 to 12/04/2024

Income	\$
ANUSA Funding	\$15,000
Roll Over from last year	\$2,445.08
Interest Revenue – Savings Account	\$27.31
Payment from BIPOC Dept for O-Week Collab Event – Screen Printing	\$41.25
Total Income	\$17,513.64
Expenses	

O-Week T-Shirt Printing – BIPOC Collab	\$82.50
O-Week Stickers and Postcards – Market Day	\$265.86
Wellbeing Picnic – Invasion Day	\$143.01
Miscellaneous – Debit Card Fee	\$9.00
Coffee Catch Ups – Event 1	\$137.00
Department Meeting 1 Food	\$53.27
Messina Welcome Event	\$93.90
Coffee Catch Ups – Event 2	\$103.50
Department Meeting 2 Food	\$79.20
Coffee Catch Ups – Event 3	\$84.50
Department Meeting 3 Food	\$94.00
Coffee Catch Ups – Event 4	\$65.00
Shut Up and Study – Event 1	\$116.63
Total Expense	\$1,327.37

Surplus/ (Deficit) of the year	\$16,186.27



ANU
WOMEN'S
DEPARTMENT

Reference I
WOMEN'S OFFICER REPORT

Lara Johnson
17th of April 2024

Introduction

Hi everyone!! We had a great first term with lots of great events and initiatives and we've had a very busy few weeks organising the next term. If you have any questions, please reach out to myself at sa.womens@anu.edu.au

Support

Just a reminder that as the semester gets busier and specifically as the Women's Department ramps up the planning for August 1st there is lots of support available both at the ANU and in the broader ANU community. If you need help accessing these, I'm always more than happy to help and can be contacted at sa.womens@anu.edu.au

Rapunzel Room

The ANU Women's Department has an autonomous space on campus. It is currently called the Rapunzel Room - this has been its name for decades now. The room has a couch, a kettle, resources, period products and a projector. It has always been a great place on campus to gather, have chats and in recent times it has been where the department has hosted its regular Feminist Consciousness Raising.

Last year it was raised in our collective meetings that the name of the room does not represent the direction our membership wanted the department to go in. The connotations of the name "Rapunzel Room" suggest that similarly to the story of Rapunzel, our safe space on campus was a place to hide and that it was far away and that we were only safe when we were in our 'tower'.

The ANU Women's Department unequivocally supports safe spaces on campus but we wanted to reframe ours as an empowering space where you can choose to relax, participate in events or campaigns, study and access lots of resources and we felt like the name "the Rapunzel Room" did not fit this.

Having had lots of conversations within our collective, we believe it is time for a new change and to rejuvenate our autonomous space through the new name and an exciting launch that will be coming later in the semester. We released a survey on our social and alumni pages and will be announcing the new name at our collective meeting in Week 7 - so stay tuned!!

August 1st (Content Warning Sexual Violence and Institutional Betrayal)

The Women's Department has begun officially planning for this year's August 1st. If you would like to be involved - we have created a facebook group and we will run a number of organising sessions separate to our collective meetings throughout the term.

If you would also like to discuss any ideas or about the direction of August 1st independently of our open meetings, I'm always happy to discuss. You can get in touch via the email sa.womens@anu.edu.au

The Upcoming Term

Collective Meetings

The Women's Department Collective Meetings are held at 6pm on Mondays at the ANUSA boardroom. We have snacks and over the next few weeks we will be having lots of conversations around upcoming events and campaigns if you would like to get involved!!

Recurring Events

This term we have altered the frequency of the Women's Department Staples. FCR and Bookclub will now run on alternate weeks. FCR will run on the odd weeks and Book Club is on even weeks. If you are interested in facilitating Feminist Consciousness Raising, please contact Anna at anu.womens.dept@gmail.com

We will be running a Trivia night in Week 8 at Badger, as well as a Movie night in the Rapunzel Room in week 9. We will also be collaborating with the Queer department in week 11 for a coffee catch up!

Expenditure	Amount
Bookclub	\$33.57
FCR	\$43.30
Collective Meetings	\$79.97
Total Expenditure	\$156.85

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SRC 3 Queer* Officer's Report

Georgia Gorrie, 12/04/2024

Department Activities

Admin – Social Officer has quit, so position will probably be fulfilled by Tuesday of next week. Events have been planned for the rest of the semester, so new social officer should have an easy transition into the role. Queer Ball planning has been delegated to a deputy officer until the social officer is ready to take over.

Finance – Received \$10,000 SSAF funding. It is highly unlikely that we will require additional funding to get through the year.

people. Looking to maybe alter the events calendar to cater to postgrad-specific events.

Activism – Petition launched to protest the RANZCP promoting anti-trans speakers at their medical conference, has garnered over 400 signatures. Petition includes a large amount of information on the transphobic connections of the speakers, as well as a general rundown on why support for the issue matters. The petition will be submitted to the RANZCP at the end of Week 7. If the response is poor, we will then move to organise a protest

Large projects – The 2024 Zine theme has been announced as Queer Joy/Rage, and submissions have been opened. Request for volunteers to help plan the queer ball has been released, working group should be in operation in the next couple of weeks Other – Out first postgrad event of the year will be run in the next couple of weeks. We are also looking to create a masterdoc of queer resources that is publicly available on our ANUSA homepage, to make the basic Department functions more accessible to those who don't want to directly reach out.

This is not a specific overview of the department's activities, particularly the Queer Officer's activities. Please reach out if you would like more information about any aspect of the Department's functions

Income and Expenditure

Income: \$10,040.50

Expenditure: \$269.53 Current balance: \$12,230.54

Date	Amount	Merchant	Statement description	Bank balance
11/03/2024	-\$10.24	Coles	Event funding	\$2,449.33
14/03/2024	-\$52.00	Rex Espresso	Event	\$2,397.33
14/03/2024	+\$10,000.00	ANUSA	SSAF Funding	\$12,397.33
19/03/2024	-\$63.75	Woolworths	Event Funding	\$12,333.58
19/03/2024	-\$7.15	Coles	Event Funding	\$12,326.43

19/03/2024	-\$36.89	Dominos	Collective Meeting Pizza	\$12,289.54
28/03/2024	-\$18.50	Rex Espresso	Event Funding	\$12,271.04

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Environment Officer Report

1. Palestine Activism & No Northrop Grumman Campaign
 - a. No Northrop Grumman Speakout
 - b. How to defeat a weapons company collective meeting
 - c. Land Rights, Environmental Justice, and Palestine forum
2. Refugee Rights Activism
3. Rising Tide
4. Income and Expenditure
5. Time Sheet

1. Palestine Activism & No Northrop Grumman Campaign

a. No Northrop Grumman Speakout

The EC organised a speakout specifically calling out ANU's ties with Northrop Grumman during week 5. We got a smaller but respectable turn out for it. We made it into a bit of a spectacle on campus, by setting up a large F-35 fighter jet pinata in the middle of Kambri, which rally attendees smashed up at the end of the rally. This had the positive effect of drawing more attention to the petition and through the rally we were able to get some new people along to our next collective meeting.

b. How to defeat a weapons company collective meeting

In week 6 for our collective meeting we zoomed in on an activist from RMIT, who had been part of a successful campaign for the uni to cut ties with Elbit systems. She gave an introduction about the campaign and talked about some of the key lessons for coming out of the campaign in terms of how they were able to win and also what is next for activism against weapons companies at RMIT.

We discussed how we could apply some of those lessons to our campaign here. One of the key take-aways people found useful to apply here more was building up public pressure by getting attention and support from notable figures off campus. So we've made an effort to reach out to the Australian Palestine Advocacy Network and they have now shared around the petition as well. We are working on coming up with other ways to get the word out both through support from notable figures and from more students and staff on campus to start to build up more public pressure on ANU around cutting ties with weapons companies.

c. Campus Palestine Activism going forward

There are plans underway for another campus speakout for Palestine in week 8 on the 24th of April. We want to make it a bit of a spectacle on campus again so we are planning to accompany the speakout with a 'wear your Keffiyeh Day' and another flag drop to make it a really visible presence. We also want to make an effort to do more promotion for the weekly rallies on campus in order to get more students along to them.

d. Land Rights, Environmental Justice, and Palestine forum

One of Palestine's foremost environmental experts Professor Mazin Qumsiyeh is doing a speaking tour around Australia in May, in conversation with local First Nations Advocates and environmental activism. The panels will be discussing the connections between Land rights and environmental justice. He will be doing a panel here at ANU on the 15th of May at 5:30 pm, which I have also been invited to speak on. Promoting the forum will be another project of the EC over the next couple of weeks.

For anyone interested in coming along or finding out more:

https://events.humanitix.com/land-rights-climate-justice-and-palestine-in-conversation-with-professor-mazin-qumsiyeh?fbclid=IwAR0N4sXSLIWikzElrcooE6iJFWy5YzfM6gBHav3f0uINGLRD39ZTVL7KyAE_aem_AWeg-0zoU7fOXdwGYtBcaQ3VqBsLYD-kWTu4CpVhfra_qdS2gn21O-ibbr4X_x7uKjqSdqPkzYCeoldYSFHj4kyW

2. Refugee Rights Activism

Members of the EC attended and helped promote the Refugee Action Campaign's annual Palm Sunday rally for refugee rights that happened in week 5. We've also been involved in organising activism against the proposed Migration Amendment (Removal and Other Measures) Bill. Which among other things could see refugees jailed for up to 5 years for not assisting the government in their own deportations. We helped organise and promote a rally at the start of the second week of the mid semester break, that I also spoke at. Going forwards this will potentially be an ongoing area of work given the passing of the bill has been tabled until May.

3. Rising Tide

Rising tide is an annual blockade of a major coal port in Newcastle which happens at the end of November every year. The local Rising Tide group is hosting events in the lead up to try and build a Canberra contingent to the blockade. I am helping them organise stalls to promote their events on campus and will also be promoting their upcoming events through the Environment Collective.

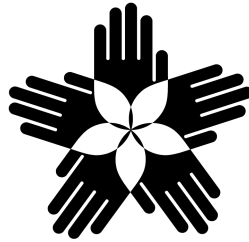
4. Income and Expenditure

Outgoing	Budget Line	Notes
\$24.67	Campaign Expenses	Materials for paper mache F-35
\$19.20	Campaign Expenses	Command Strips for putting up corflutes promoting ANU's ties with weapons companies

5. Time Sheet

I have worked 33 hours since last SRC

Reference N



ANU BIPOC DEPARTMENT

ANU BIPOC¹ DEPARTMENT OFFICER REPORT

SELENA WANIA (SHE/HER)

Student Representative Council 3
Wed, 17th March 2024 6:15 PM

OUTLINE:

- I. SOCIAL PORTFOLIO
- II. ADVOCACY PORTFOLIO
- III. FINANCE
- IV. ADMINISTRATION
- V. BIPOC Baddie

I. SOCIAL PORTFOLIO

The Social Committee sign ups are now open if you are interested in joining [here](#).

Chai n Chats

Chai n Chats Week 4 was a fundraiser for a Palestinian family's Go Fund Me. We raised \$187 and have donated [here](#)!

Chai n Chats Week 6 was a collaboration event with BASC which was the first BASC event of the year.

Future Chai n Chats will happen in Week 8, which will be a first year one so keep an eye out!

Palestine Fundraiser @ Sideway

Event has been officially launched. Join us on Friday 26th April 9PM - 12AM at Sideway. Everyone is welcome as this is a non-autonomous event! We invite you to come together to raise funds for our brothers and sisters through [Palestine Australia Relief and Action \(PARA\)](#). Your presence and contributions will make a meaningful impact, providing essential

¹ BIPOC is an abbreviation for Bla(c)k, Indigenous, People of Colour

donations and relief to those in need. 90% of ticket sales are being donated to PARA and 10% to Pay the Rent to the Aboriginal Tent Embassy. Please find the FB event [here](#).

A big thank you to all our volunteers. We had over 30 people express interest in volunteering for DJ-ing, art, sober-repping, etc!

BIPOC Ball

We have a date and venue for BIPOC Ball: Canberra Rex Hotel 16th of August.

We have not signed a contract with Rex Hotel yet as we have to confirm details, finances and collaborations with BIPOC Ball.

We have also been in conversation with Indigenous Department over how to make the Ball a safer space for Indigenous students. As a result, we have published our 2024 Safer Spaces Policy which covers all BIPOC spaces including BIPOC Ball. There is zero-tolerance for any racist, harmful behaviours and the BIPOC Department will act in accordance with the policy should these harmful behaviours arise at BIPOC Ball. You can find the 2024 Safer Spaces Policy [here](#).

The BIPOC Department acknowledges that a Safer Spaces Policy is not enough to maintain a safe space. In addition, we are working with the Indigenous Department on an educational panel – see more details on this below.

II. ADVOCACY PORTFOLIO

Mental Health Taskforce

I have joined the Mental Health Taskforce and attended a taskforce meeting on the 13th of March. I am having a coffee catch up in Week 7 and there is another taskforce meeting scheduled for the 17th of April.

SSW 'Disclosure Tool' Feedback Meeting

A meeting took place with SSW on the 18th of March regarding their response to feedback given by the BIPOC Department regarding their [Disclosure Tool](#). However, BIPOC Department has received no further communications on whether our feedback has been implemented yet.

Registrar's Office Feedback Meeting

BIPOC Department had compiled feedback regarding ANU's reporting process within the Registrar's Office. A meeting was held on 19th of March with two of their staff. We have received no communications on whether our feedback has been implemented yet.

Zine 2024 - International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

BIPOC's second edition of our zine 'COLOURBLIND' is out for the 'International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination'! A digital version was released on the 21st of March 2024 and you can access it [here](#). A physical published copy will be out soon!

We call on those who are reading this Zine to truly reflect on this day and hereafter, acknowledge racism, stand in solidarity with those who have experienced it, open up real conversations, and engage with decolonising and anti-racism initiatives.

I want to greatly thank the editor of this Zine, Emalisa Edwards for bringing all our stories together to present to you and also for doing under such a massive time crunch. I want to thank all our contributors who've shared their stories with us - thank you for trusting us with them. Contributors include Austine Chen, Bella Wang, Emalisa Edwards, Maria Alkhouri, Maya Eusebio, Nihar Janjua, Raida Chowdhury, myself, and Zizi Lawal.

BIPOC Talks

BIPOC Talks are fortnightly consciousness raising circles autonomous to BIPOC students for a chance to come together and discuss their BIPOC identity and how it intersects with other identities and lived experiences.

BIPOC Talks Week 5 was about BIPOC friendships and BIPOC Talks Week 7 will be run by our First Year Rep!

Ursula Hall Report Update

Upon requesting the Ursula Hall heads of halls to meet me in person to discuss grievances they have denied this request on the 13th of March.

The ANUSA Student Assistance Team has been in contact with the Dean of Students on my behalf.

The Dean of Students has reached out via email on the 12th of April to schedule a meeting with herself. We are scheduled to meet on the 19th of April.

Palestine Advocacy

Palestine Protest Walkovers

We have been doing walkovers to the [Garema Pl weekly Palestine Protests](#) consistently. However, turnout has been quite low.

Israeli Apartheid Month

For the month of March, we did x3 events for Israeli Apartheid Month. The first was the Chai n Chats Palestine Fundraiser as mentioned previously on 12th of March. The second was a Palestinian Movie Night on the 20th of March where we chose to watch Gaza Mon Amour. The third was a Palestine Chalk Mural on the 26th of March outside BIPOC Base.

Palestine Educational Panel

Venue and date are still unconfirmed. We had to reschedule our original date since it clashed with a Jewish holiday. We are working with Kambri Venues to secure a venue ASAP.

We have reached out to a mix of Palestinian students, academics and anti-Zionists Jews.

Indigenous Panel

We are collaborating with Indigenous Department to organise an educational panel on the 7th of May. Currently we are trying to secure a venue and speakers.

BIPOC Base

As of now, 115 students have access to BIPOC Base. You can find the 24/7 access form [here](#).

Completed tasks include securing condoms for mutual aid. Incomplete tasks that still remain are securing pads and tampons and completing the library process so students can borrow books. If you know of any charities who are able to provide pads and tampons, please contact us at sa.bipoc@anu.edu.au.

If you would like to see anything in BIPOC Base or have general feedback, please fill out this form [here](#).

Racism Report

2023 Documentary

Fixed deadline is to publish the documentary in Bush Week. Current status is that we are in the last stages of doing the first cut of all footage.

2024 Report

No update here as large focus on completing the 2023 documentary.

Disclosure Training for BIPOC Residential Reps

Disclosure training is to be organised in collaboration with the Women's Department for BIPOC and Women's Residential Reps. This training will be run by Student Safety Wellbeing. The dates are not confirmed but we are proposing either Week 8 or 9. The training would cover the steps to take after receiving a disclosure and mental health self-care.

I have reached out and received interest from BIPOC Residential Reps. If I have not contacted you and you are a BIPOC Residential Rep who would like to be involved please contact me at sa.bipoc@anu.edu.au.

III. FINANCE

BIPOC Department - Income and Expenditure Report

For the periods 09/03/2024 - 12/04/2024

Income		\$
Square Sales from O-week		\$516.00
Noemie Ah's Zine Contribution		\$5.00
Square Sales from Chai 'n' Chats Palestinian Fundraiser		\$187.00
Additional ANUSA Baseline Funding		\$10,000.00
	Total:	\$10,708.00
Expenditure		\$
Google Storage Payment		\$2.49
Chai 'n' Chats		\$73.00
Palestinian Movie Night Snacks		\$17.01
Chai 'n' Chats		\$54.50
Palestinian Chalk Mural (chalks)		\$10.25
BIPOC x Indigenous Dep Screen Printing		\$41.25
Canva Yearly Subscription		\$164.99
MYOB Subscription		\$5.00
Google Storage Payment		\$2.49
Go-Fund-Me Payment Towards Palestinian Advocacy		\$187.00
	Total:	\$557.98
Surplus/Deficit:		\$10,150.02

IV. ADMINISTRATION

Elected Positions & Vacancies

Congratulations to KB (Kabelo Setipa) for his recently elected role as BASC (Black African Students Collective) Representative. Congratulations to Youngseo (Sabina) Lee for her recently elected role as BIPOC First Year Rep.

We have yet to fill out the BIPOC Post Graduate role. You can nominate for this vacancy [here](#).

Office hours

My office hours are Wednesdays 3PM - 4PM at [BIPOC Base](#) (BIPOC Department Safe Space) or via Zoom. Please contact me to set up a Zoom link.

Timesheet

From 09/03/2024 - 12/04/2024 I have worked more than 67 hours. You can email me at sa.bipoc@anu.edu.au for a more detailed breakdown of my hours.

V. BIPOC Baddie

Last year's reports have a section called BIPOC Baddie of the month. I have not followed this in my past reports but will begin to do so.

This month's BIPOC Baddie is not just one individual, but it is the entire executive team. **Emalisa Edwards, Chiamaka Oba, Precious Guma, Aleesya Amirizal, Maitrey Khobragade, Youngseo (Sabina) Lee, and Kabelo Setipa.** I would seriously not make it through this role without their efforts.

Emalisa Edwards for completing an entire zine within 2 weeks. You can check it out [here](#).

Chiamaka Oba for ensuring the BIPOC Department is not broke because I'm bad at maths :) AND for making sure we were all fed with her Jollof rice and chicken during the O-Week Safe Space launch.

Precious Guma for taking charge of the Constitution like a boss.

Aleesya Amirizal for creating social media graphics like a machine and serving while at it.

Maitrey Khobragade for working effortlessly on the 2023 Racism Report Documentary by reviewing hours of footage.

Youngseo (Sabina) Lee for starting Term 2 off strong with not just one but two First Year events.

Kabelo Setipa for DJ-ing at our Palestine Fundraiser night (obvi).

Reference O

See parents and carers report here:

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