



## **AGENDA – ANUSA STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC) 2024**

Wednesday, 31 July 2024

6:15pm, Zoom and HA G053.

Zoom: <https://anu.zoom.us/j/89955082504?pwd=8c9ynooyikongJp6nrFvRkTmGNrPEK.1>

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

Meeting start at 6:18pm.

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

1.2 Apologies

### **Item 2: Passing the previous meetings minutes**

 MINUTES of SRC 4

Mover: Jade

Seconder: Hayden

Procedural: 6.9 to be heard ahead of all reports.

Speaker: genocide happening, have to talk about it at SRC. ANU is trying to bullshit us out of all this.

Procedural carries.

Q: Please justify why you would change Motion 6.9.

A (Milli): ANUSA has received strong legal advice that this is unconstitutional.

Q: [missed - asks Milli and Phi pointed questions about motivations for changing the phrasing of 6.9]

A: (Phi): I would be happy to make a statement if this motion passes.

Salt member: Moves procedural to dissent from the chair.

Phi: explains how the procedural to dissent from the chair works.

Wren: this sets an undemocratic precedent. Atmosphere of cracking down on pro-Palestine. Refusal to bind the union to having a public position on the university's SRI process. The union is pointless if we can't criticise the SRI policy and do this publicly.

Milli: the SRC has the power to make policies and under s108(B) the president is the spokesperson of ANUSA. I ruled that the preamble was unconstitutional as it bound the president. I changed it to reflect what the ANUSA lawyers recommended. It is not stopping ANUSA from making political declarations. The SRC does not have the power to dictate what the president has to say.

Carter: [repeatedly interrupts Milli]

Phoenix: Names Carter.

Vote: That the chair's ruling be upheld

Nic: [interrupts out of order]

Phi: Names Nick.

Q: (Selena): What's happening?

A (Phi): The decision of the chair is being disputed, so there will be a vote.

Q: What is the original motion?

A: Motion is the motion 6.9.

A: (Phi): the original motion was the SRI motion which Milli said was unconstitutional.

6.9 Condemning ANU's SRI Policy Review

#### Preamble:

The movement for Palestine has been historic, both in size and how long it has been sustained. Virtually every university in Australia has ties to weapons companies that profit from the genocide in Gaza. Students have been calling on the ANU to cut ties with weapons companies before October 7th, and before the Gaza solidarity encampments were started on April 17th. However it is only since the encampment was set up and students began applying concerted pressure on the university through protests and the AGM, that the university began considering the students demands. It was not the ICJ ruling that there was

a Genocide in Gaza or the continually growing horrors being witnessed on a daily basis that changed the universities mind.

ANU has chosen to review their Socially Responsible Investment policy in response to demands to cut all ties with weapons companies. The SRI policy is meant to “positively promote investment in securities that support socially beneficial outcomes.” (2022 ANU Socially Responsible Investment Report). It is clear to anyone with a conscience that investing in weapons companies is not socially responsible. However the university has defended its investment in weapons companies, citing the supposed benefits they bring to Australia's national defence. ANU also rejects that it is involved with genocide in any way. This is clearly an outrageous claim and shows that the ANU is not reviewing its SRI policy with any intention of cutting ties with weapons companies. Further demonstrating this point is the fact that while this process was going on ANU launched a new defence institute which has been set up with the explicit purpose of strengthening research partnerships between the defence industry and ANU, showing their ongoing commitment to maintaining relationships with these companies, which are complicit in genocide.

According to a recent report of Lancet, the death toll in Gaza could be 186,000 dead or more. 8% of Gaza's population. It is unconscionable for ANU to receive any money from this genocide. To try and push any student into a career in genocidal companies or maintain ties with the Australian military that is aiding and abetting Israel in its war crimes even in the name of “national security”. This review is a sham that is being used to cover the suppression of free speech on campus. The expulsion of a student, dragging activists through long drawn out disciplinary hearings, calling the cops on peaceful activists and most recently cutting electricity to the solidarity encampment. As a student union we have a duty to call out what a farce the SRI review process has been, and make it clear to students that ANU has indicated through it that they have no genuine intention to cut ties with weapons companies, and that the fight against these ties must continue.

#### Motions:

ANUSA condemns the universities SRI policy review and calls on the ANU to cut all ties with weapons companies.

SRC Requests the president will share this policy of the SRC.

Motion to convert back to the original wording.

Milli explains that it is unconstitutional in that form. Nick is named. Phoenix is happy to work with movers.

Tamsin is named.

Phoenix is given chair based on motion for dissent on the chair.

Phoenix describes the process for dissent of the chair. Mover of motion of dissent (Carter) gets to speak to motion. Milli then gets to speak. Requires 3/5ths to be defeated.

Mover: sets undemocratic precedent, prior accepted thing that binds ANUSA to posting on facebook pages. When cracking down on pro-palestine motion, refusal to

put on agenda, fact refusal to bind union to have a public position on Uni's mechanism, refusing to cut ties. I think this is a poor precedent and undemocratic one for unions on this campus. Outrageous to say that we can't commit ANUSA to public positions. If ANUSA does not make public to students is bullshit then it makes the whole union moot and pointless, esp. Because ANUSA has made motions to encourage submissions to SRI, to not show process farcical.

Milli: SRC has the power to bind the policies of the association, under 10.8b, president is spokesperson. The way in which the original motion was phrased was that we would publish a preamble, which infringes on the presidents' right to publish and say.

Nick was named.

Milli: Amended motion to say Phoenix to make a statement based on SRC policy, which was recommended by Lawyers.

Carter named.

Milli: doesn't preclude taking political stances. Still can take president statements, SRC does not have power to dictate what they say.

Phoenix moves to vote with no further amendments or discussion.

Nick named.

Motion to uphold chair passes.

Chair passes back to Milli.

Mover: Aemonn Hassan

Secunder:

Amendment: Strike out point 1: replace with ANUSA reiterates students' demand for complete disclosure and divestment from weapons companies.

Aemonn: don't have to explain what is happening in Palestine, there is a genocide, hope everyone agrees genocide is bad and we should do everything in our power to prevent it. ANU has cracked down on Palestine activism on its campus, expelled a student, dragged >4 through disciplinary hearings, it is a ploy to intimidate. Called cops on camp, is outrageous, but admitted that camp was peaceful and right to exist. Tried to clear out camp and resisted by ANU student population. This tries to wash sins away, started SRI policy review that they may divest, obvious falsehood. Town hall deflected from national defence. Fact that ties with weapons companies is outrageous, fact they benefit from genocide is all the more disgusting. SRI policy review is a distraction from the fact that ANU has and will continue to crack down. ANUSA should take a stand against policy review. Perspective of student body is pro-palestinian.



Must take a stand and do something.

Seconder: Nick.

Track record on ANUSA, motion, pro-palestine, ANUSA has pulled out of the camp which is one of the main focal points and pressure points. ANUSA exec oppose establish of call for SGM. Actually voting for Uni to cut ties with genocide, now amended one motion to put public pressure same as before, suppressed and deferred calling out a zionist in position of power to further suppress people. All entirely negative approaches. Uni is cracking down completely suppressing student protests. What did ANUSA do when the police called? Nothing. ANUSA has always used the argument that it's too difficult legally, although activism carries inherent risks. Many activists have been dragged through hearings. What risk do you take as an institution if anything you do is suppress things when they get too hard? Anti-colonial, anti-racist all throughout the agenda but this is the one that has been suppressed.

I would prefer this motion be amended back to its original form. It is actually attacking the ANU. The SRI is a PR exercise for the university.

Skye: Condemning the SRI is not productive right now given that it's coming out in around a week, which is extremely soon. We should condemn it when it comes out. Much easier position to get behind. Don't condemn before we know what it says. Motion expresses we don't want review, but this motion says it more effectively.

Harriet seconds: I agree with Skye, it is difficult to walk back if the results come back as pro-palestine. If the results are Pro-Palestine, it's something we would want to accept. Because the encampment has mobilised to SRI, disingenuous to go and say that SRI is illegitimate. SRI is not right way to go about it, but obviously they won't do the proper, non-beuarocratic way. Pro-palestine activists have mobilized for SRI review, to condemn gets rids of a lkot of that work.

For (Phoenix): agree the review process should reflect students views. You don't set up an encampment if your view is not divestment. You don't need a survey to say that. This is one of the biggest protests since 2014 which established policy in first place.

Several people interrupt while Phi is talking. A non-SRC member is named.

Tamzin (against): Amendment means that we are not going to criticise the policy. We have already seen that the processes is just bullshitting us. They have stated that their ties are important. They are not going to change their minds. This whole amendment is just trying to cover the university's genocide.

Will (for): The selective hearing of some people in this room is astonishing. Every single person who spoke for amendment clearly outlined their opinion. Your accusation of people avoiding accountability is completely not engaging in any good faith. I seriously question your ability to enter into any good faith debate.

[Continual interruption while Milli is talking]

Elliot (against): Uni is repressing pro-palestine activism. In the break, ANU called cops, dragged scores of students through processes, while there was no SRC, ANUSA has collaborated with university management. Same time as they drag students through processes and crack down on activism. They are affirming support for Israel and zionism. Regardless of whatever bullshit coming out, the whole process is the problem  
The entire process is the problem. What ANUSA has done is giving left-wing coverage to ANU which is actually hostile to pro-Palestine activism. [missed]

Hayden (For): want to agree with Will + Skye. Should focus ... regardless of faction / ticket, work for every student.

We should be working for every student in the university. We need to be working... [interruption]. Anyway, we should not be doing anything that goes against... [interruption]. Skye's motion reinforces what we believe in as an SRC. By the next SRC the results of this will be out. Shouldn't we wait until the results are out? [interruption]. Reinforces things we believe in and our credibility, we lose ability to help students if we lose credibility.

I think we need to protect our credibility as a student union. Thank you Skye. I'll stop speaking now.

[Hayden is continually interrupted while speaking by the same people. Milli asks the speaker will be heard in silence]

Wren is named.

Elliot named.

Skye moves to end debate.

Carter: why can't you answer the question. We directed a question towards the Indies.

[Harry shouts at people who have been interrupting to shut up.]

Harry Wu is named.

Phi moves a procedural to let a speaker against and then Harriet. Procedural passes.

Nick (against)s: Response from uni will not be pro-palestine. Go back to ancient history of 2022 when Ukraine directed to cut ties with Russia. Can do it, if they want to. They go into parliament to tell all of you they will not address their demands. Disciplining them, and we don't think slogans supporting Palestine are appropriate.

They have set up a defence institute in the period that the encampment was set up. You're delusional to think that your demands will be met. These people are our enemies. We are criticising the process.

Harriet (for): I think it is really rude that Carter was saying that we have been elected on an activist ticket and are now not doing this. I have been very involved in pro-activist action.

I have been very involved in activism since being elected. If the SRI is good, we should try to adopt it.

We need everything in our power to tell the university to divest. I don't know what else we can do. We have been protesting and we have been using their shitty SRI review. This is all we have to tell the university.

Phoenix moves procedural to go straight to vote on amendment.

Procedural passes.

Amendment passes.

Back to debate on the motion as amended.

Procedural by Harry to go straight to a vote.

Procedural carries.

Aemonn RoR: to echo Will said, you guys aren't listening to anything, I think the SRI process was bad. The ANU is tied to genocide weapons companies. If you do not defend their ties then why are you amending this motion? What is so complicated about a genocide?

ANU who cares about results if they have defended weapons companies. We should not wait for ANU to confirm that they love weapons companies and bombing children. Very simple motion, I hope that everyone cares for the lives of palestinians.

Go to vote.

Motion carries.

Move procedural for 10 minute break by Phoenix.

Procedural carries.

Reconvene 7:16pm

Milli: Procedural to move reports en bloc, each exec has 3 questions.

Procedural carries.

### **Item 3: Executive Reports**

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

We are working on graduations, which disproportionately affects international students. We are working with them.

Shout-out to bush week team, went really smoothly. Massive congrats. Otherwise take rest of report as read, also this Friday from 9:30am we are doing a bbq at Wamburun to rep ANUSA, need volunteers. Harriet volunteers.

Q (non-SRC member Tamzin): We (Salt) have tried to pass a motion condemning Labor right for hiring a Zionist. However, it is basically being rejected because it has not been put on the SRC agenda. Why? [missed]

A: I was in meetings from 11 until just before SRC. Legal issues we need to work through, I thought it was best to give the time to work through things. I didn't have time to put this on the agenda today

Q: (Nick): it's your prerogative if you want to raise conservative argument about legal risk, but it should be up to SRC if they vote up or down vote that carries that legal risk. Are you just pro censorship?

Phi: no I am not pro-censorship. I do have a duty to not put ANUSA at an unacceptable level of legal risk.

Q (Nick): Let's talk about ANUSA's track record of Palestine. It suppressed and deferred motion, very little to concretely support Palestine and condemn ANU. How can you defend ANUSA's action as a pro-Palestine body?

A (Phi): I defend my and ANUSA's actions. We have consistently supported divestment. I've been quoted in national media saying that ANU should talk to the encampment. I have organised legal observers on the day police were supposed to come.

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

Charlotte: Take report mostly as read, flag we have less-stressful at end of last semester, did a Ramen nights project that was super successful. In academic sphere,

I'm currently working with the HRD rep about generative AI. This was the first exam period since the changes made to ECAs. Positive feedback so far. I'm keen to see where that goes. I welcome all new college reps since the break.

Q: Florrie: I know there have been recent proposed changes to late withdrawal policies. Is this in your area?

A: Charlotte: yes, it's in my area and I've been a little busy but would be happy to talk to you about it.

Q (Tamzin): Do you think motions condemning labor party should pass?

A: Yes. It was unfortunate it could not be considered and I think there were steps that could have been taken to make it considered at this SRC.

### 3.3 Education Officer's report (M.Mallichetty) [Reference C]

Report mostly taken as read. We made substantial work on BYOD. Have met with students to talk with them, and met with Jeff (pro-chancellor of teaching and learning). We passed a motion last week at EDC, and are excited that our graduation petition has hit over 2k in a week.

Q: What do you think about Phi's position? Are you pro-palestine?

A: I am, I think Phi's point was very good and I think it is an important motion. I look forward to debating it.

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

Milli cede chair to Will to give report.

Milli: Report taken mostly as read, final report of governance review to come in tomorrow. I am looking forward to starting the reform drafting & consultation process. Thanks to SBK for work on bush week.

Q: Pretty clear what Conflict of interest is as member of political party. Has appointed Zionist to position to attack motion. Are you working with Phi to suppress pro-palestine motions?

A: Milli: I delegated motion to Phoenix as member of ANUSA and as a director.

Q: If the executive was unable to act because the execs were busy since 10:30am, why should that be held against the mover of the motion? Should the executive be able to work things out?

A: Milli: Received motion at 5pm Friday, Monday the lawyers worked on it. Received advice on Tuesday afternoon, then spoke to Phoenix yesterday and then chatted to the lawyer more and also made the decision to delegate. Look forward to working through issues later with motion.

Q (Carter): context in which this is happening is pro-palestine crackdown. In particular, government criticism. Are you lining up with censorship of palestine?

A: I am following governance best practice. I reject this as a suppression.

Sarah move procedural to ask another question. Procedural carries.

Q (Sarah): Didn't address the second part about the ruling that can't bind ANUSA to make certain comments. In my view bad for accountability of association.

A: Milli: This precedent was set for a long time. Received advice that SRC can set policies, president needs to speak in line with those policies. If Phoenix says they love HECS, I'll say that is out of line with policy and they should remove the comments. However, we do not have the remit to put words into the mouth of the ANUSA President.

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

We have a second budget for the year at the next OGM. Our expenditure for the year has changed significantly after merging with PARSAs, but we can later examine the budget after the changes.

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

Report taken mostly as read. Bush week worked well. I am grateful that the Bush Week Coordinators, Kendall and Leanna, were able to realize our vision for Bush Week.

Lara and I have worked on student safety projects, such as at Mooseheads, and I'm glad to be working on it.

I've been working on clubs stuff, mainly code of conduct. Most of my time has been on regulations. The bane of my existence is ATO (tax) changes and I am trying to equip clubs with the financial knowledge for a smooth transition.

Q (Harrison): What is Yay! Community?

A: Yay! community is about fostering relationships between the international student community. They had a very successful market day stall.

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

Mostly as read today. Firstly, Buy Nothing ANU has officially launched. We had a really good launch event with around 150 people. The buy nothing shelf has been revamped and is now more practical. If you have stuff to give away or if you would like stuff, please join the group.

Also been working hard on the save our graduations survey with Mitha. Please sign and share the survey. The more signatures we have the better the change we have of making the campaign successful. This is one of the biggest academic issues this year.

I organised a protest last night against Religious Discrimination, outside an event held by the ANU Democracy Society. We want to protect gay rights and make it clear it's more important than religious discrimination.

Q: Harrison: ANU doesn't usually accept petitions without u-numbers. Would you be concerned that this petition doesn't seem to have u-numbers

A: Sends very clear message either way.

Q: Harry: Buy Nothing ANU sounds cool. What inspired you?

A: It all started when I was a little kid. Jokes, I noticed buy nothing launching last year and then it fell into disrepair. I wanted to clean it up and make it useful. People are actually using it.

## **Item 4: Department Officer Reports**

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

## Apologies from Faith

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

Lara: content warning: SASH

Tomorrow is August 1st which is the day of campaign against sexual violence. I'd like to touch on bush week which was very successful. We had some really cool events organised by our committee including Anna and Shalena and Phoebe. We launched the new autonomous space with our new name. Highlight was the lino prints which will be available from tomorrow. In regards to August first, the campaign is themed around advocating for more consent education. I hope to see everyone in Kambri at 12pm.

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

Georgia: Report is taken as read.

No questions for Georgia.

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

Rishika: not here.

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

Florrie: mostly taken as read. Spoons week will be on in week 4 with some non-autonomous events. We have a new non-hacked Facebook page. Apart from that I will take my report as read.

Harry: What is spoons week?

Florrie: we run educational and social events, such as how to be an ally. There'll be both autonomous and non-autonomous events.

Harry: Why is it called spoons week?

Florrie: It's related to spoon theory, but happy to answer that in person. ANUSA meeting is not the place to do that now.

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

Wren: spent the last few months working towards building the pro-Palestine rallies in Garema place. We deserve our own forums to put forward to the universities what the majority of students believe. Been building a petition to put forward to the university. Everyone in the union including the executive who have been dragging their feet, should get on board to show ANU what we think in the SGM. ANU continues to use the excuse that it is a minority who supports Palestine. It's our job to call bullshit. At UQ over 2000 students turned out to show support for Palestine. I think it would be amazing to show ANU a similar message.

Q: James: What are you doing about the Environment

[Nick interrupts a question James asks, shouting and uses swear words.]

Nick is named.

Wren: weapons companies contribute massively to the destruction of the environment.

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

Selena: I take my report mostly as read. To highlight we had a good bush week, we're doing BIPOC ball. We're doing a mixer which has been postponed. Open to suggestions for good party venues. Main thing is the Racism report which we had a screening for last night. We sent the report to the VC this morning and I'm taking bets on how long they will take to get back.

Q: Harry: can you explain what the racism report is about?

A: Selena: in 2021 Chido exposed 73 incidents of racism. In 2022 only one of the recommendations was implemented. Last year we created a documentary and my job was to edit and finish this. You should watch the documentary.

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

Fariba is absent.

There are technical issues on the Zoom . There is a brief interruption while this is sorted out.

Procedural to accept reports. Mover Skye, Seconder Charlotte. Procedural carries.

Florrie: Moves procedural to first discuss motion 6.7.

### **Item 6: Discussion Items/Motions on Notice**

Procedural to move to 6.7 moved by Florrie. Procedural passes.

## **6.7 SRC Takes Too Long**

Preamble

We all know what it's like to be at SRC meetings. They are perhaps the most burdensome meetings students can expect to participate in while at ANU; they take anywhere from 3-5 hours, and meetings that take less than 3 hours are considered short.

Perhaps our SRC, like many political organisations, need a long time for considered debate to function optimally. However, this isn't the case. Every single extra minute that SRC takes has a human cost. I've seen it play out in many, many different forms, some of them insidious and some obviously ugly. Here are a few:



1. Some SRC members do not have time to spare. This can be for a variety of reasons, such as because they have assessments, are overcommitted, or feel burnt out.
2. In extreme cases, this can lead to members resigning or being almost completely absent because they simply cannot fulfill their commitments. This is not an exaggeration; I suspect it has happened to multiple people this year.
3. Meetings are inaccessible. Members who have caring responsibilities find it difficult to attend SRCs because they are sacrificing time away from their families. When attending SRCs without pay means that they can only see their children at 10pm, it is unreasonable to expect them to come.
4. Long SRC meetings subject members to feelings of burnout. Again, I suspect it's pretty common - just talk to those around you, or even better, those who chose not to come.
5. In many cases, meetings are so poorly attended that we do not reach quorum at SRCs and EDCs, which means this council literally cannot function. This has happened already this year.
6. They drain the energies of members who would otherwise devote their time to other ANUSA work. For example, Departmental Officers have only so much time they can claim against their timesheets. Attending SRC meetings reduces the amount of time they have to attend to their Departmental work.
7. Some members of the SRC are paid for attendance, while others aren't. We aren't against members getting paid to attend meetings, but this violates the fundamental principle of equal pay for equal work. Longer SRC meetings accentuate this inequality.
8. SRC members and attendees themselves complain of long meetings to others; I've heard such complaints from more than one member of council. This contributes to a perception of inefficiency and harms ANUSA's reputation.

Perhaps all of this could be justified in the name of "the sacrifice of public service" if every minute of SRC meetings are needed. But they're not. People can read Executives' Reports in their own time, and most members would have already made up their minds for many motions. Debate in those cases literally does not matter, except to satisfy those who wish to speak. These motions are either guaranteed to succeed or doomed to fail.

The structure of our SRC meetings needs reform.

Actions:

The SRC:

1. Recognizes that overly long SRC meetings impose high costs on attendees,
2. Urges executive members and department officers who take their reports as read to not repeat their report verbally, given that the report is taken as read,
3. Recommends members whose motions are clearly uncontroversial to be succinct in their proposing and seconding speeches,
4. Urges members responding to questions to answer them directly and succinctly, and urges all members to normalise giving short answers,
5. Encourages those who are on the speaking list to withdraw their place on the speaking list if their point has been already made.

Proposer: Harry Wu

Seconder: Florrie

Amendment 1 (friendly)

To amend point 3 of the preamble to add "The meeting length and late finish times make it difficult or impossible for disabled students to attend. Late finish times particularly impact female, queer and BIPOC students, who are less safe getting home at night."

Harry: I think SRCs take too long. People burn out, don't have time to do other things as well, other anusa work. Way we run meetings is not ideal or efficient. I have seen CEC run more efficiently. Carry more material, more discussion in less time. Cultural problem that ANUSA folk don't value other people's time as much as their own. SRC should not take this long. Prioritizing the time of other people. Get cultural shift, soft motion. If it does not work, pass constitutional changes. Hurry up and get things done.

Florrie (second): accessibility issue.

Nick (against): I think cultural issue is that the body will operate as NGO rather than union. Political arguments need to be had. Battling meetings happened, democratic union. Don't limit to procedure. I think it should be a union, needs debate, disagreements, contestation. If people don't want to engage in it they should not run.

Lata (for): motion important, accessibility issue for many students. Understand Nick's position, we are a political and activist body. This motion doesn't stop that. Action items are talking about making sure reports only talk to key issues. Don't need 5 people talking on same side when talking against so we can put all of our effort onto substantial political debates and not spending time on procedural issues.

Tamzin (against): worrying few speakers for the motion. Attempt to shut down political debate. We have responsibility to have those debates. Suppressing motions we tried to pass, we should think twice about the motion. Trend of authoritarianism in this union. I think anyone who has ambition should stand up for what they say and vote the motion down.

Jem (for): Add onto Florrie's point about accessibility. We need considered debate and considerate to people who attend, elected officials or otherwise. Responsibility to have debates and to keep people safe. We have a duty of care to ensure people get home safe. Disagree that this is a move to be apolitical, safety and accessibility are political issues. Regardless of whether you're marginalized or not, if you live off campus and try to get home on public transport, service in Canberra becomes irregular. I think forcing students to pay for private transport or have to stay on campus is incredibly unfair. Everyone should be allowed to participate.

Carter (against): I think this is a trend for using identity politics to shut down debate. There is a Zoom option for people who can't get home late.

Sarah (for): agree with SAIt that shouldn't cut meetings short. Having said that I reject that this is identity politics. This affects basically everyone. I think we need a cap for meetings to end just as they have at USyd. If meetings need to be moved earlier to accommodate early meetings, I'm happy to do that.

Adriano (for): You can raise whatever motion you like, but there have been meetings that simply take too long

Non-SRC member (against): this is the politics of politeness, and the SRC is trying to shut down debate.

Harrison (for): Safety is not an identity politics issue. It is a universal issue. This is truly an accessibility issue, for example, parking is inaccessible.

**Harry (RoR):** I get idea that we as SRC should have vibrant debates even if they take longer. However, debates are only an effective use of time when they convince people, and that's not always happening. Try to hurry things up if we can. Plenty of things do not get voted down.

Motion put to a vote. Motion passes

## **6.1 Returning officer for the Annual Election**

### Preamble:

As it's been a long time since ANUSA has had a new Returning Officer, Richelle Hilton has sent through a blurb to provide students with more information on who she is.

*I am currently the Director of Planning & Service Performance. My Division at the University looks after the University's planning, data and analysis and service improvement activities. Students however will be most familiar with our work in the administration of student surveys such as SELT.*

*I have worked in the Higher Education Sector for around 20 years at a number of different universities. During my higher education career I have worked in a wide variety of roles including student recruitment, student administration, scholarships, study abroad, finance, HR and graduations. Here at the ANU I have worked for Accommodation Services and on the Digital Transformation in addition to my current role.*

*I am also an Alumni of the ANU, having completed my Bachelor of Commerce at the University of Wollongong in 2003 and a Masters of Innovation & Entrepreneurship from ANU in 2021.*

*I am currently the Returning Officer for Woroni and should ANUSA wish to nominate me I would look forward to the opportunity to work with you all on your upcoming elections.*

### Motion:

ANUSA appoints Richelle Hilton as the Returning Officer for the annual election.

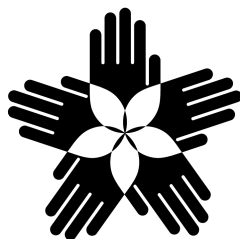
Mover: Charlotte Carnes

Milli cedes chair to Phoenix.

Motion put to a vote.

Motion passes.

Chair passes back to Milli.



## 6.2 ANUSA DEMANDS THE ANU TO RESPOND AND ACTION THE 2023 RACISM REPORT

### PREAMBLE

The ANU BIPOC Department presents its 2023 Racism Report in the form of a documentary. You can access the documentary via our [website](#).

In 2021, the ANU BIPOC Officer, Chido Chemoyo Nyakuengama released the first Racism Report, exposing **73 shocking incidents of racism at the ANU** and outlined recommendations. The university's response came a gruelling **11 months later**.

In 2022, the ANU BIPOC Officer, Chanel Nguyen released the second Racism Report revealing only one **1 of the 14** recommendations were implemented by the ANU.

In 2023, we interviewed BIPOC students with the aim of uncovering their experiences of racism at ANU. We also reveal that still only **3 of the 16** Racism Report Recommendations are currently addressed leaving racism not eliminated from our community.

The documentary found 5 key issues:

1. There is no infrastructure to support incidents of racism on campus, and the burden should not fall on the ANUSA BIPOC Officer to handle them.
2. Racism is perpetuated by both students and staff in academic settings notably in classes, resulting in distrust, unsafe and alienating academic environments.
3. Students highlighted the need for inclusion of the work of more BIPOC academics in the ANU curriculum to overcome the potential for racial bias and the systemic exclusion of the work of BIPOC academics.
4. BIPOC residents in ANU residential halls experience racism manifested through racial microaggressions. Such behaviour has resulted in pressure for BIPOC students to conform to white culture, leaving them unable to share and express their cultural identities.
5. Residential staff including Head of Residence fail to provide support to BIPOC residents when racist incidents are perpetrated in residential colleges, resulting in racial trauma being unaddressed and leaving BIPOC residents more vulnerable.

Many of our recommendations stem from the Anti-Racism Taskforce of which the BIPOC Department was a member of. The Taskforce completed a report which you can find [here](#). Our recommendations are as follows:

1. The ANU BIPOC Department recommends the ANU hire relevant anti-racism personnel and implement their recommended changes in line with Recommendation 1 of the 2022 Racism Report.
2. The ANU BIPOC Department reaffirms Recommendation 2.2 in the '*ANU Anti-Racism Taskforce, Recommendations Report, August 2023*' which recommends the ANU to "*develop and implement cultural awareness and inclusion training for staff and students that brings meaningful cultural change*".
3. The ANU BIPOC Department reaffirms Recommendation 3.1 in the '*ANU Anti-Racism Taskforce, Recommendations Report, August 2023*' which recommends the ANU to "*embed decolonising perspectives and knowledge-systems into curricula and curriculum related strategies and policies.*"
4. The ANU BIPOC Department reaffirms Recommendation 2.2 in the '*ANU Anti-Racism Taskforce, Recommendations Report, August 2023*' which recommends the ANU to "*develop and implement cultural awareness and inclusion training for students that brings meaningful cultural change*". In addition, the ANU BIPOC Department recommends that ANU residential halls prioritise BIPOC cultural events to ensure a safe and inclusive on-campus culture for BIPOC students.
5. The ANU BIPOC Department reaffirms Recommendation 2.2 in the '*ANU Anti-Racism Taskforce, Recommendations Report, August 2023*' which recommends cultural awareness, prevention, and incident management training targeted towards key positions within Residences such as Head of Residence etc. to support trauma-informed, anti-racist initiative.

The ANU BIPOC Department calls on the ANU to address past recommendations from Racism Reports 2021 and 2022 and to embrace these additional ones. The ANU BIPOC Department strongly stands with students who have experienced racism, and we hope we have honoured your voices by sharing your stories.

## **ACTION**

1. ANUSA endorses the 2023 Racism Report and supports its recommendations.
2. ANSUA encourages all ANU students and staff to view the documentary and support its recommendations.
3. ANUSA encourages all SRC representatives to strive towards anti-racist initiatives within their work and work towards the recommendations within the 2023 Racism Report where possible.
4. ANUSA demands the ANU to respond to the ANU BIPOC Department in a timely manner and demands the ANU to implement past recommendations from Racism Reports 2021 and 2022 and to embrace additional ones in the 2023 Racism Report.

Mover: Selenia Wania

Secunder:

Selena (mover): racism has no place at the ANU. Please watch doco.

Seunbgin (second): attended documentary yesterday, good to watch. Being BIPOC and categorically 'other', really important spaces such as SRC we take a good stance to get ANU to take stance. Get recommendations adopted.

Motion put to a vote.

Motion passes.

### 6.3 Endorsing the Senior Residents' Response to the new 24-hour Staffing Model in Residences

#### Preamble

This semester, ANU has launched a 24-hour staffing model to replace the current 'After Hours Senior Resident' system in ANU-run on campus residences. Employed Community Support Officers (CSOs) now provide emergency support after-hours, where previously SRs that lived in the hall were 'on Duty'. While we appreciate that the Residential Experience Division is trying to reduce the burden on SRs, limit the harmful situations that they are exposed to, and have made some attempts to consult students, we feel the model that has been implemented is far from ideal.

This is why SRs have written an open letter to the ANU Residential Experience Division, requesting improvements to the 24-hour model, so that it is able to best support residents when they need help after hours.

65 SRs from 8 different residential halls have signed on to this letter expressing their feelings about the model, and demanding practical improvements to the new system. The letter has since been shared with the wider ANU community and directly with the ANU Residential Experience Division.

This letter has six key demands.

1. That at least 1 Community Support Officer is assigned to each hall for every shift to reduce wait times for calls ranging from lockouts to critical incidents.
2. That CSOs are better integrated into the community through paid attendance at Bush Week events and ongoing community education initiatives, to help overcome low resident trust towards staff members outside of their communities.
3. That the Residential Experience Division implements targeted, hall-specific training for CSOs due to the unique character of our different residential halls.
4. That lockout fees are abolished, since the current rationale that SRs are inconvenienced by lockout calls no longer applies.
5. That the SR scholarship remains the same, or that any reductions are minimal, in order to retain passionate and experienced SRs into the future.
6. That transparent and accountable feedback mechanisms to review the 24 hour model are implemented to best promote student safety and wellbeing.

The full letter can be accessed here: <https://shorturl.at/irtqz>

SRs have also created a feedback form to collect student concerns, since ANU has not implemented any centralised reporting system for the 24-hour model. The SRs can escalate these complaints on behalf of residents, and/or use the data collected to demand broader changes from the Residential Experience Division. The SR-monitored form can be found here: <https://forms.gle/Hmmz3GVgCYqCVhZ19>

### Motion

That ANUSA:

1. Supports the large number of SRs across campus who have signed the open letter, and agrees with its demands to improve the new 24-hour staffing model.
2. Supports further genuine student consultation from the Residential Experience Division in the form of a centralised feedback mechanism and a timely review of the new model, to allow SRs and other residents to share their concerns.
3. Asks its members to share the open letter as widely as possible, so that students are aware of SRs' concerns and suggestions.
4. Shares the preamble to this motion and the open letter on its Facebook page, acknowledging the number of SRs who have signed and supported this letter.
5. Encourages residents to use the SR-monitored 24-Hour Model Feedback form to report any concerns with CSOs and/or the 24-hour model, in addition to reporting their complaints to staff if they feel comfortable.

Mover: Sam Gorrie

Seconder: Alex Bako

Sam (mover): be brief, released open letter signed by SRs, six demands, also created feedback form because ANU has not made one. SRs should have a feedback mechanism.

ANU willing to engage, not willing to make substantial changes. Getting that feedback is important to shape the model forward. Hard to see them backing out at this point.

Alex (second): As Sam said, any changes must take into account SRs themselves. Our experience is that RED has rushed through the model with great oversights. ANUSA should support open letter to ensure rights of SRs and experience of residences. Abolish lockout fees, ensure scholarships are enough to retain SRs.

Motion put to a vote.

Motion passes



## 6.4 **Motion: Save Our Graduations!**

### **Preamble:**

In late June, the ANU announced sweeping changes to Graduations. Instead of two graduations a year, one in July and one in December, they have decided to move to only a single graduation in early April.

This is a disastrous move for the student experience. It is a clear example of our University choosing its own bottom line over the wellbeing of its students. Graduations should be an opportunity for celebration, and a marker of the end of your time at University. This change would make them more like half year or one year reunions, and require students to return to their institution long after they have moved on.

This is a clear symptom of the Corporate University. And it must be reversed. This petition, organised by the Education and Welfare Action Group, campaigns to do just that.

### **Motion:**

1. ANUSA endorses the demands of the petition, found here:  
(<https://www.megaphone.org.au/petitions/save-our-graduations>)
  - a. A reconsideration of this decision and the return of 2 graduations a year
  - b. Ensuring that the dates of graduation do not mean that international students have to apply for a new visa just to attend their own ceremony
  - c. At minimum the restoration of a December graduation for students graduating in Semester 2 2024, many of which had already begun planning for their ceremonies
2. ANUSA should distribute this petition through its social media, newsletter, and any other channels
3. ANUSA encourages all of its representatives, and all of its membership, to sign the petition

Mover: Skye Predavec

Seconder: Mitha Mall

Skye: The new changes will be disastrous, especially for international students who may face changes for visas. returning to university, extra visa costs, expensive. Naked cost-cutting measure.

Mitha has gone to the bathroom, so Phi moves a procedural for a 5 minute break. The procedural passes.

Mitha: really great motion, this change has disadvantaged students, international students, endorsed by ISD, over 2000 students that have signed. This motion calls for supporting everything in the petition to gain as much traction as possible. Make sure you sign on.

Jem (for): I also support the motion. Sign petition. Speak mostly to amendment. 2 days after original email was posted to Schmidtposting, launched anonymous feedback form. Alternative option to University feedback form which was identifiable. Promised to bring to ANUSA for review, provided first 100 to President to inform response in discussions with university. Now at 133. Calls for ANUSA to endorse petition and feature testimonies, highlights voices of students who aren't comfortable to be identified. Key function of ANUSA and any student union. Vote up to amplify voices of students whose voices who would otherwise not be heard.

Harrison: general sentiments in support of motion.

Motion put to vote.

Motion passes.

## **6.5 Motion: West Papuan Week of Action**

Preamble:

ANUSA acknowledges and stands in solidarity with the struggle for the right to self-determination against Indonesian marginalisation of Indigenous communities, resource exploitation, environmental degradation, and continuous colonial rule in West Papua.

Since the US-brokered deal in August 1962, heavy military operations have resulted in unlawful killings, torture and other ill-treatment, internally displaced persons and other human rights violations. The plebiscite of the so-called 'Act of Free Choice' in 1969 represents a form of neo-colonialism, resulting in the rise of the global Free Papua Movement in pursuit of Papuan self-governance.

The international community remains silent and complicit. Notably, the media hypocrisy and the extraordinary rhetoric of waging peace by regional Governments to allow their accomplices to profit from West Papua killings.

Between January 2018 and June 2024, Amnesty International Indonesia has recorded 128 unlawful killings and a death toll of at least 236 civilians. The report added that between February 2023 to April 2024, the government had deployed 6,773 military and police personnel to Papua. The conflict in West Papua persists, despite growing international pressures for dialogue and a peaceful resolution.

The West Papuan Week of Action is organised by a grassroots group made up of ANU students and staff and community members, and consists of awareness-raising and educational events, including an educational panel with the ANU BIPOC Department, a music performance, film screening, and strike for West Papua from 15th to the 30th of August.

The purpose of the Week of Action is to show solidarity with Free West Papua movements around the continent of so-called Australia and internationally. The Week of Action will help build community support and momentum to pressure the Australian government, who has remained complicit in the face of human rights atrocities in West Papua. This Week of Action coincides with the global day of action for West Papua on August 30, initiated by School Strike 4 Climate Australia, which calls for the following demands:

- End the ecocide of West Papua
- Cease all Australian resourcing of the Indonesian military
- Hold Indonesia accountable for human rights abuses
- Support the right to self-determination of Indigenous people

Action:

1. ANUSA endorses the actions of the West Papuan Week of Action and supports future peaceful protests for West Papua.
2. ANUSA encourages all ANU students to promote, support and attend events and actions on West Papua during and after the Week of Action. Particularly strongly

encouraging SRC members to support organising events, advertising, and providing equipment to the Week of Action.

3. ANUSA condemns the genocidal colonial rule of the Indonesian government over West Papua.
4. ANUSA acknowledges and stands in solidarity with West Papua's right to self-determination against Indonesian marginalisation of Indigenous communities, resource exploitation, environmental degradation, and continuous colonial rule.

Mover: Grace and Alexia

Seconder: Seungbin

Grace & Alexia (mover): series of cultural and education movements in the West Papua region. Diverse indigenous population, since takeover Indonesians have done slow motion genocide. Also driven by mass destruction of biodiverse. Australia complicit in suppressing West Papuans. ANUSA should recognize and support west papuan self-determination. Supported by diaspora, west papua and indonesian. Free west papua.

Seungbin (mover): worked closely with west papuan community. Empower voices, the ongoing. This week of action is to call for Australia to cease support for the suppression.

Nick (for): complicity of Australian govt in supporting Indonesian settlement. 2006 signed Lombok treaty, support to territorial integrity of Indonesia. It is driven by business interests by corporate Australia. Important to acknowledge for everyone to take a stand on this. Abdication of responsibility to support management. Only argument made to students is ... the hard and more important position for this uni to take is to condemn whole process. Censorship about union...

Selena (for): want to agree with what Grace, A and Seungbin said. We are doing an educational panel event. No idea what this movement is about, then come to education panel in week 6. Get involved.

Nick (for): one final note: Thales, Elbit Systems sell to Indonesia to impose colonial rule. Struggle against weapons companies, not just investments, important for all liberation struggles that are supported by massive arms companies.

Harry moves to strike genocide from point 3. Sarah seconds for the purpose of debate.

Harry: basically the definition of genocide under international law. It is not clear to me in this situation that it meets this definition. It cheapens the term of genocide. Offensive to people in real genocide. Harm a lot, worrying to me that people will call things genocide when it may not be. Use genocide carefully.

Phi (Q): what would you be happy to call a genocide?

Harry: When there is substantial evidence.

Nick (against): very clear evidence that genocide is occurring. Breaching some benchmark to define genocide seems arbitrary. Plenty of times can't deem something because of pushback. People who care about it have done plenty of research.

Skye (against): West Papuan organization specifically listing massacres. Whether or not you believe it is genocide depends on whether you think the Indonesian government has intent. I think it would be incredibly disappointing to pass the amendment.

Sam G (against): reiterate that we are not the IHC, not putting out arrest warrant. Reasonable statement to make because the genocide is a different form from past years. If you took a referendum, more than a majority would support Indonesian colonisation as they have moved people onto it. Constitutes a destruction and stolen of land. Don't be worried about use of it, we should call it a genocide because that is what it is.

Jem (against): as it stands without amendment motion is reasonable. Show solidarity, very important and lots of research. Harry raised it being belittling against people experienced named genocide may be the same for the people who are impacted by this.

Amendment put to a vote.

Amendment fails.

Procedural to move to RoR. Procedural carries.

RoR (Grace and A): great motion, be really good to support it. Not a lot on issues in West Papua, good to have support. Appreciate attention and support that this motion has a potential to help.

Motion put to a vote. Motion carries.

## **6.6 Motion: Solidarity with Bangladeshi Student Protest Movement**

Preamble:

This motion is written on behalf of the Bangladeshi students in the ANU, seeking to direct the SRC's urgent attention to the grave oppression currently faced by students in Bangladesh. Since the 4th of July 2024, students in Bangladesh have been rightfully peacefully protesting for a quota reform for civil service positions, demanding equity and reform to the system in order to reduce the quota for freedom fighter descendants.

Recently however, more than 200 students were tragically killed by security forces of Bangladesh while participating in a rightful movement against employment discrimination. This incident is part of a broader pattern of violence and repression against students who are courageously standing up for their rights and seeking a fair and just society. From July 18-23, 2024, Bangladesh went through a critical period marked by a complete digital blackout amid widespread protests, leaving the country isolated from the rest of the world. The nation is currently under a moderate curfew, leading to the closure of streets and schools, as well as a ban on rallies and gatherings. The police have escalated their response by deploying tanks, rubber bullets including live bullets, tear gas, and lethal force, particularly against students. This aggressive crackdown has resulted in the arrest of approximately 9,000 individuals across the country, including minors.

The situation in Bangladesh is dire, and the students' plight calls for immediate international attention and support. ANUSA has a commendable history of showing solidarity with student movements worldwide and therefore seeks to gain ANUSA's support for the students in Bangladesh who are now at significant risk. This motion seeks to gain support from ANUSA to amplify Bangladeshi student voices and bring international attention to the struggle.

ANUSA's support can make a significant difference and contribute to the global effort to uphold human rights and protect the lives and rights of students everywhere. We urge ANUSA to stand with us in solidarity with the brave students of Bangladesh.

Action:

1. ANUSA condemns the violence, attack on free speech, and crackdown on protest by the Bangladeshi government and police
2. ANUSA supports Bangladeshi students by providing solidarity statements to raise awareness of this issue at the broader level
3. ANUSA will continue to stand in solidarity and support the protests in Bangladesh alongside any other further movements with this issue on campus

Mover: Farnas

Seconder: Seungbin

Farnas (mover): most would have learned more than 200 students were killed by Bangladesh security. Blackouts, protests, leaving the country isolated from the rest of the world. 10,000 individuals arrested. Under Article 7 of ICC, systematic arrest of students

constitutes a crime against humanity. Serious violation of international criminal law. Iterates the action points.

Seunder (Seungbin): I was initially approached to second this from the Bangladeshi community at ANU. It's a very reasonable ask and just cause they are fighting for. Rightful student protest for civil reform.

Sharif (for): There are many students who have had their rights violated. [Indecipherable]. I agree with Farnas, when I am speaking here I am totally seeing students and young people it is stark. It is extremely alarming for the international student community. I strongly commend you to take a stand. There are a lot of students who are underaged.

Sharmin (For): There has been alarming bloodshed, and the internet was disconnected for 1 week, after which some people learned that others they knew had died.

Carter (For): the actions of Bangladeshi students are courageous. The regime has been forced to at least partially withdraw the bill that sparked outrage. It's something we should stand in solidarity with.

Skye (For): In these times, we have a duty to stand up to injustice and repression however we can. Furthermore, as students, we have a responsibility to fight against repression of other students around the globe.

Kahil (For): general sentiments in support of motion.

Farnas (RoR): This experience is traumatising for Bangladeshi students here, who feel helpless. It is important for us to get attention from the international community, because we otherwise wouldn't have it. We hence request ANUSA to give a strong solidarity statement to help this issue gain attention in the international community.

Motion put to a vote.

Motion passes.

## 6.8 Motion: Clubs Code of Conduct

The SRC approves the Clubs Code of Conduct in link below:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dovBQq7JQmgIrsISJHtsr-M\\_Vo8BdULn/edit?usp=sharing&oid=104127557932074334205&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dovBQq7JQmgIrsISJHtsr-M_Vo8BdULn/edit?usp=sharing&oid=104127557932074334205&rtpof=true&sd=true)

Mover: Seungbin

Secunder:

Contacts:

- Seungbin: [sa.clubsofficer@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.clubsofficer@anu.edu.au)

Seungbin,

Charlotte (For): I am very pleased that SBK has written this with his extensive experience; from my experience, it would've saved a lot of work.

Q: (Sam): What are the processes that happen if someone raises a complaint?

A: SBK: There is a range of procedures and a process of escalation, depending on how serious it is.

Q: [Non-SRC member]: Asks general question about how it interacts with discrimination act

A: SBK and Phi: [missed]

Harrison (For): CSSA President: Setting up a club dispute resolution process is really really tough. It takes a lot of time, and if not done properly, you can fail people terribly.

Sarah (against): While obviously I oppose discrimination and agree with many parts of this motion, I am speaking against how little notice we have been give to read this, but this document bans the failure to use club spaces for the certain advocacy of ideas. This could ban things such as pro-palestinian speech. This document is vague and open to an interpretation that censors political speech. Finally, this is highly bureaucratic and open to protests against transphobia, and makes this a bureaucratic exercise.

Phi (Point of Clarification): points that on change of law and university policy is meant to be scoped against it.

Selena (For): It was very disempowering for me and Seungbin to realize there was nothing we could do when DemSoc invited a racist to speak on campus - this policy is very important, even if not perfect.

Nick (Against): It's not far-fetched to think that a more right-wing Clubs Officer would use this code of conduct to silence political speech. It's too vague and we haven't thought through all the implications.

Phi (For): It's important that we pass it now. Very open to further conversation if you think it needs some changing. We also struggle to deal with bullying - previously, we've had instances where we just couldn't do anything, even with SASH issues in clubs (and amongst members). This policy is necessary.



Sarah (Against): want to address advocacy. Phi is definitely right to point this out, but this policy is simply too vague [repeats previous points made]

Sam (For): this policy is grounded in the ACT Discrimination Act, and SRC can hold the clubs officer to account. This policy is fair enough. This shouldn't have any concerns for free speech - as part of Debating Society, this seems to be perfectly fine by me.

Q Mitha: who determines what is reasonable?

A (Seungbin): my interpretation is that it's only the Clubs Officer. I make a lot of small interpretations, hold me to account as part of SRC.

A (Phoenix): reasonable person test is lifted from the law. Not entirely up to the Clubs Officer.

Nick (against): hesitation still stands. The Clubs officer changes from term to term. Grounding in law, realistically still legal entities trying to charge pro-Palestine activists on grounds of antisemitism. We've done this previously with different clubs constitutions. We shouldn't throw out 'freedom of speech' or general tactics.

Jemma (For): The code of conduct is dynamic, and I assume it will be developed in good faith. That is: ambiguity can be resolved and ironed out, but we need to be proactive in resolving disputes, and this is important for student welfare. Any ambiguity can always be later addressed.

Seungbing (RoR): good conversation, it's about mobilization against discrimination. ON an administrative level there are 130 clubs, and there are terrible actors we need to mobilize against. For me, what this code of conduct does is raise the standard and empower them with a high level of standard. Support them to meet these goals. Stable, safer, more vibrant clubs scene.

Motion is put to a vote and is carried.

6.10

**Motion: Clubs affiliation**

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

Approved	Rejected
ANU Jazz Club Yay! Community ANU Society for the United Nations Asia Australia Youth League	

Mover: Seungbin

Seconder: Dylan

Dylan: ANU Jazz Club is really cool!

Motion put to vote. Motion passes.

**Item 7: Other Business**

**None.**

**Item 8: Date of next meeting and close**

Meeting closed at 9:34pm.

# President's Report

SRC5 - 31 July 2024

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## Activism and advocacy

### Graduations

Following the announcement about graduation date changes, I have spent a significant portion of time dedicated to advocating for changes to graduation. This has included replying to students emails, meeting with individual students, and meeting with and emailing the University. I anticipate that I will receive word on any potential updates in coming weeks. EWAG have also put out a petition!

### ECA and Late Withdrawals feedback

The University is changing their application systems for several processes, including ECAs and Late Withdrawals. Myself and a few of our staff members sat in for demonstrations of the new system and provided extensive feedback on what would make it student friendly. Thankfully, the new systems look to be a massive improvement on the current application process, including making the policies significantly clearer during the process.

### Senior Resident and residential work

I have been supporting a few Senior Residents who have had feedback on the new system of CSOs in the halls and concerns about changes to SR scholarships. We've had several meetings over the break to discuss this and have supported them in having a meeting with the University. A huge shoutout to those students for their hard work and advocacy on this issue.

## Committees and ANU engagement

### SSC

Will and I attended the Student Services Council to report on our activities from Q2.

## Admissions Working Party

As President, I sit on a Working Party that is currently working on ANU's admissions system. I attended one meeting and was in particular involved in discussions about equity points, and represented the view that equity points are extraordinarily important. I also represented the view that ANU's current admissions for equity students, particularly low SES students, need to be a high priority as those are areas where we are lagging. The Working Party wrapped up over the break and we anticipate several changes to the admissions program to be more accessible for equity groups to be announced in the upcoming weeks.

## Regular stakeholder meetings

I maintain regular meetings with members of the University, including:

- The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)
- The Registrar (discussing graduations in particular)
- The Director of University Experience
- The Director of Residential Experience (where we have been discussing SR changes in particular)

I am happy to provide more detail with students if requested.

## Hiring panels

I have sat on a hiring panel for the Libraries team over the break.

# Internal

## Bush Week

A massive congratulations to the Bush Week team for their phenomenal work on a massive week! I spent some of my time helping organise and support the team, as well as time helping out events at Bush Week. But the majority of the credit needs to go to Seungbin, Lee Ann, Kendall, and Erin for the huge amount of work that they put into a really successful week.

## Clubs tax changes

I will allow Seungbin to discuss the majority of this, but there have been some changes to how the ATO approach taxes for Clubs. As ANUSA runs the Clubs system, it will have a significant impact on our clubs and we have been doing strategic planning for how we will approach these changes in ways that ensure that we still have a healthy and active clubs scene on campus.

## Governance review

The governance review has taken up a portion of my time over the break. We are anticipating getting the review back this week after having provided feedback on a draft. We anticipate that the next few weeks will be busy with planning the implementation of the review.

## Election planning

The planning for the 2024 ANUSA election is officially underway! This has taken up some time in the break, including talking to the new Returning Officer that we will be proposing tonight, and planning with ANUSA's staff to ensure that the timeline is smooth.

## Representative support

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

## Casual vacancies

Charlotte and I worked on filling the majority of casual vacancies over the break for college representative positions.

## General executive work

I have been supporting exec members in their roles as per usual. Some highlights have included helping Seungbin with Bush Week, Milli with governance matters, and Skye with the new Buy Nothing ANU page and the Daley Road Bus.

## 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. There have been some matters regarding staffing that have taken up a small portion of my time over the break.

Very excitingly, I sat on the hiring panel alongside our staff for a new Student Assistance Team member. The SAT are essential service providers for students that provide academic support, welfare support, process our grants and many more services. We had a great group of candidates apply and our staff are successfully onboarding the new team member.

We are currently renegotiating the Enterprise Bargaining Agreement - as this is confidential I am unable to provide updates on where this process is up to. This process stalled for a while due to the business of the organisation in May but it is back on track now.

## Undergraduate Member on ANU Council

As I have flagged before, my role as Council member involves a lot of confidential information and is difficult to report on. Since the prior SRC, in my capacity as UMAC, I have:

- Attended a Council meeting,
- Attended a Student Safety and Wellbeing Committee meeting,
- Sat on the selection panel for new Student Safety and Wellbeing Committee student representatives, and
- Sat on the Socially Responsible Investment Policy working group, which has met twice as of my writing of this report.

## Timesheet

As of this report, I have worked 1085 hours from December 1. Unfortunately, over the break I had to take a few periods of sick leave.

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### 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](mailto: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. Less Stresstival

Less stresstival is a bi-semesterly project that ANUSA runs through the BKSS to provide some supportive events and cost of living relief during the exam period. I worked closely with Erin, the ANUSA Community Life Officer, on making this happen. The two highlights of Less Stresstival were definitely the BKSS Boiler Room and the noodle nights!

Shout out to Emalisa, one of our wonderful BKSS staff members, who spearheaded the event and convinced the rest of the staff members to play their own set. It was such a great event and I look forward to more.

Personally, I was super excited to bring exam noodle nights back to the BKSS as it was my first interaction with the space in 2022. We funded two weeks of noodles in the evening at the BKSS from the SSAF underspend pool. While I wish we could have a more sustainable dinner program in the BKSS, our current budget restricts us as does our staffing capacity. In the meantime, initiatives like this are great to try and meet that demand in the time of the academic year where students struggle most to cook and feed themselves.

### b. Mutual Aid & Buy Nothing

I've been working with Skye over the break on revamping the mutual aid shelves - now called The Buy Nothing Shelf - in conjunction with the relaunch of Buy Nothing ANU page. We did a lot of work cleaning the area, thinking about the marketing, purchasing infrastructure for it among other things. I'm keen to see this area revitalised.

On the name change, what has existed for the last couple of years is not true mutual aid. It is service provision that ANUSA does which is connected to the BKSS. We purchase period products, pregnancy tests, and condoms and we give them out for free. There was no culture of giving what you can and taking what you need. I hope this new Buy Nothing initiative encourages a more mutual aid approach to this space by the students who use it but there is work to be done and this is a step.



c. BKSS Lunch Express

The BKSS Lunch Express is back for semester 2, how exciting! I'm currently having conversations with the Chartwells team who provide the food about how we might expand the program and get more food for students. For a detailed description of how it functions, see my SRC 3 report.

d. Student Bites

Every Friday I assist the BKSS staff member on shift with Student Bites to ensure it flows as smoothly as possible. This takes up roughly 2-3 hours of my week and I consistently receive feedback from students and frequenters of Bites on the programme which I manage and adapt the programme to.

3. Academic

a. Generative AI

I've been working with our HDR Officer, Edan, on a survey and paper about generative AI at the ANU and in the tertiary education sector at large. Our survey will be released in the coming week or two and sent out to the whole student body. The survey and report are focusing on three key areas: learning, writing, and research. These are things that encompass the entire student education landscape from undergraduate through to PhD. From the results in the survey, we will write a report that ultimately encourages the university to adopt a generative AI for student and staff use to overcome inequity and to not get left behind with the swooping changes that genAI is making to the education space.

b. BYOD

I've been to two Bring Your Own Device demos for potential software providers and have been generally supporting Mitha in her work on this where possible.

c. ECAs & Late Withdrawals

This was the first exam period since the changes that were made to the ECA and Late Withdrawal process last year. These changes included double deferred assessments. I'm keen to see these changes benefit students in their studies again. A member of our Student Assistance Team, Phoenix, and I also had a meeting with ASQO to give feedback on the communication of the late withdrawal changes and the website.

d. Academic Board

I attended Academic Board 3 over the break. Reading the agenda and attending the meeting takes up to 6 or 7 hours. Generative AI was a big point of discussion at the meeting. The PVC Learning and Teaching, Geoff Hinchcliffe, created an institutional plan to tackle genAI that indicates positive thinking in the university but still leaves a lot to be done.

#### 4. Casual Vacancies

Congratulations to our newly appointed college reps! We're stoked to have you on board. I am working on an induction document for new reps this week that has all the essential information for the college rep role and will send that out once its done. Much of my time over the break was spent coordinating, deliberating, and interviewing for these positions.

#### 5. Bush Week

Congratulations to Seungbin on an incredible job this Bush Week! I spent a lot of the week helping out like other members of the exec and did some odd jobs in the lead up to the week to support Seungbin.

#### 6. Reshall waste project

Skye and I are continuing to work on a project that helps reduce waste in reshalls at the end of the year when everyone moves out and allows new students to access things we all need and use in reshall rooms. We've had a couple meetings with ANU Green and should be meeting with the Residential Experience Division soon. Watch this space!

#### 7. Rep support

Over break I spent a decent amount of time supporting reps on the SRC from wellbeing support to project support. This includes gen reps, college reps, and department officers. I also have semi-regular catch ups with the three academic officers.

##### a. Academic management committee

Over the break, the academic management committee which comprises the three academic officers and the exec members that sit on EDC met to discuss a number of things; the most important of which was making EDC a more productive space for reps to engage with each other and to move motions that might currently be moved at SRC in EDC, among other things. I'm looking forward to future meetings with this group.

#### 8. Timesheet

Since December 1st, as of Sunday 28th July, I have worked 960 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](mailto:sa.vicepres@anu.edu.au).

## **Reference C REPORT SRC**

It's been a great few months working as Education Officer! I've learnt a lot on the role already and have been able to get some projects going.

### **BYOD EXAMS**

The BYOD petition has reached 248 signatures, with the latest signing on the 11th of July. After launching the petition I received feedback from students and have met with some with particular concerns. I have been working with the Disabilities Students Association to focus on the accessibility benefits to BYOD exams, which have driven my motivation to continue the campaign. Charlotte attended two platform demonstrations for Cadmus and Examsoft. The process is very collaborative as the university is choosing a open and freeflowing process which is very rare. I have spoken to pro Vice Chancellor of Learning and Teaching Geoff Hincliffe about the timeline. If procurement can begin by late August/ September implementation could be as early as 2025. The procurement stage will continue behind closed doors. I am very excited about this progress and hope to continue pushing this next month.

### **EDC**

I have been working as part of the Academic Management Committee to increase engagement of College Reps. We have also been working on revitalising EDC. During Semester 1, I felt a lack of purpose for the EDC and meetings were quite flat. We want to transform EDC into a space for discussion and decision making. We had our first EDC in Semester 2 last week where we passed a motion to endorse and push for unified 11:59 submission times and planned next steps. There was an emphasis on discussion! I have since reached out to General Representative of ANUSA James Donnelly who has been working on this campaign. I have also been working with our Postgraduate Coursework Officer Rishik to boost post grad engagement and we will be having further meetings about this.

### **EDUCATION PANELS**

I am looking to run a series of education panels this and next term. Topics of interest include neurodiversity and racism. I have begun reaching out to organise these but am looking to doing more work on them.

### **PALESTINE CALLATHON**

I organised a Callathon for Palestine at the end of last semester. This event was to encourage students to call MPs and demand stronger action by the government for Palestine. The event unfortunately didn't going ahead due to logistical issues.

#### EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS IN SCHOLARSHIPS

On June 12th I attended the fourth CEC meeting for the College of Law. We discussed the implementation of the Graduate Attributes model in law degrees, the AI assessment Guide and the admission process at the College of Law. The LSS rep and ANUSA reps discussed the importance of greater equity considerations in scholarships rather than just admission. I have since been thinking of methods to campaign to increase equity considerations in scholarships.

We also raised questions around the purposeful and meaningful implementation of the Indigenous component of the Graduate Attributes model including around the cultural burden of Indigenous staff in developing the components. They said the responsibility is on staff to educate themselves and the university will continue to work to limit the cultural burden on Indigenous staff.

**I look forward to continuing the role these next six months!**

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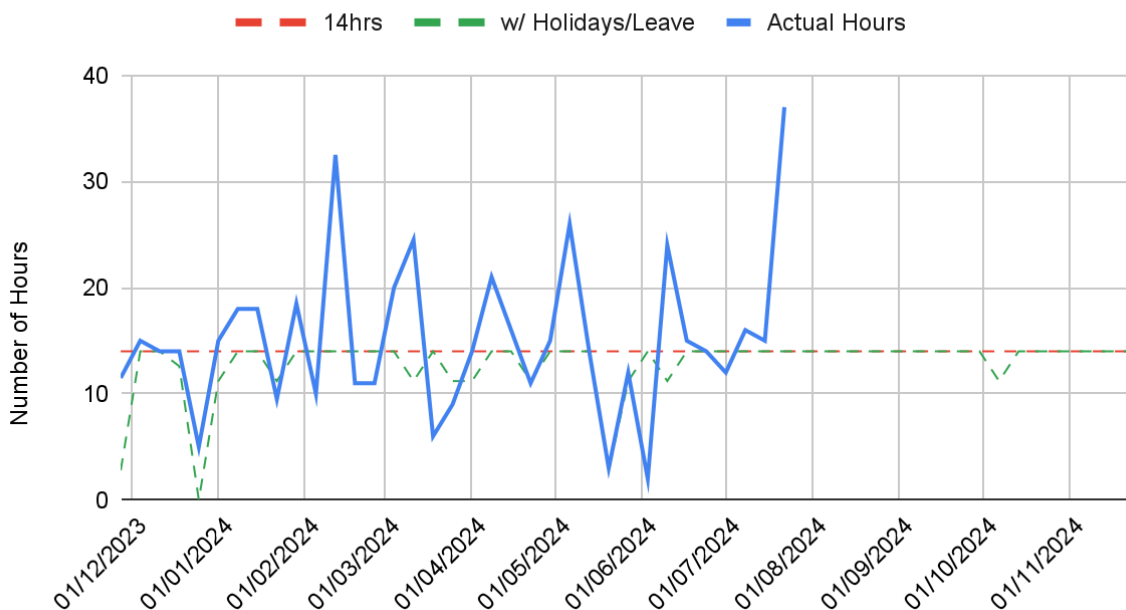
# Welfare Officer Report

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](mailto:sa.welfareofficer@anu.edu.au).



At the time of writing this report I have worked 529.5 hours in 153.5 days for an average of 17.2 hours a week.

## Hours



### In this report:

1. Buy Nothing!
2. Rights at Work
3. ANU Deadnaming Survey
4. Save Our Graduations
5. ACT Election Debate
6. MISC

## 1. Buy Nothing!

That's right, Buy Nothing is back! We had an amazing Launch event last monday, I estimate around 150 people showed up. The page is now open and gifting has already begun! If you have something to gift please do put it up on the page.

Additionally, we've revamped the Mutual Aid shelf into the Buy Nothing shelf. It's a lot cleaner, more organised, and there's far far less binders. Come to this to grab clothes, books, and more! That has taken a lot of work to all get going and I'm so happy it's been a success. Big thanks especially to Charlotte for her work on the shelf, as well as all of the Buy Nothing moderators.



This was the largest project I worked on during the break and I'm really happy with how it's going

## 2. Rights at Work

I love workers rights. I hope you do too! And so does the Young Workers Centre! In Bush Week we held a Rights at Work Seminar with the YWC. Also on this, while I didn't get a chance to do it before bush week I'll be postering around some workers rights related materials on campus in the coming weeks.

## 3. ANU Deadnaming Survey

This is finished! The report and everything should be going out soon. Really fantastic collaboration with the Queer Department. The summary is that the deadnaming situation on campus is really bad. All but one response that we received identified that they had faced issues with deadnaming, and hopefully the ANU will move to fix this quickly.

## 4. Save Our Graduations!

Me and Mitha have organised a petition to reverse the new graduation changes (<https://www.megaphone.org.au/petitions/save-our-graduations>)

Give it a sign, share it around, and vote for the motion at this SRC

## 5. ACT Election Debate

It's in the early stages, but me and Milli are planning on organising an ACT election debate/forum in the leadup to the election around week 9. If you want to help out with this

let one of us know! It will be centred around youth/student issues like education, housing, etc.

## **6. MISC**

I worked my most hours ever in a week at ANUSA last week! 37 hours at Bush Week. Much of that time was not on Welfare-specific issues but instead about general stuff.

I had a meeting with ANU Green where I managed to get attention on the broken bike repair station in Kambri which I think has gotten it fixed!

Had a meeting with a charity about establishing a free/cheap meals program for students on campus

**In Solidarity,**  
Skye Predavec  
Welfare Officer

## **Reference H**

### **ANUSA INDIGENOUS DEPARTMENT OFFICER'S REPORT**

#### **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL 5**

**Faith Stevens**

#### **Executive Summary**

- 1. Introduction**
- 2. All Events and Upcoming Activities**
- 3. General**
- 4. Expenditure**

#### **Report**

##### **1. Introduction**

**Hi everyone, my name is Faith Stevens, and I am the ANUSA Indigenous Officer for 2024. I was previously the Deputy Officer for the Indigenous Department in the second semester in 2023. This year I hope to encourage more students to get involved with our department and connect more with other departments and community groups. If you have any questions or queries that you wish to know more about, please feel free to contact me on [sa.indigenous@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.indigenous@anu.edu.au).**

##### **2. Events**

**The department plans to continue with our fortnightly coffee catch ups. It has been an event which all our students seem to enjoy. We held this event during Bush Week and got to see and meet new students who joined our department. 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 have had ongoing discussions with the BIPOC department about having collaborations. With this, together we have decided to collaborate on our ball this year and have decided on our date. We have begun selling tickets to students from both departments, making sure to offer equity tickets as well as a certain number of tickets specifically allocated to Indigenous students. Both departments understand the importance of student safety and wellbeing so for this event, we are working on a safer spaces policy for the ball.

Along with this event, we have had an ongoing discussion for our educational panel. We have finally allocated a time for this event and if all goes well, it should occur before ball. The aim is to help people understand a little more about being Indigenous Australian. This is our main priority at this time for the Indigenous department as we would like this to happen before the BIPOC x Indigenous Department Ball.

Our students are making a nice return from the break. We did not have any events during the break but before the end of semester made sure to have a farewell event and let students know they could still reach out if they needed.

During the break, students attended the Indigenous Nationals games and managed to win a few rounds in netball, basketball, volleyball, and touch football. It was a very exciting week as we waited to hear about how they went. Usually every year, the Indigenous department makes a contribution to ensure that our students can attend these events.

### 3. General

We are still working on bringing out some merch both autonomous and non-autonomous. The design process is taking some time but hopefully it will be up and running soon.

### 4. Expenditure

**Indigenous Department**  
**Income and Expenditure Report**

**For the period from 1/12/2023 to 26/07/2024**

<b>Income</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>ANUSA Funding</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
<b>Roll Over from last year</b>	<b>\$2,445.08</b>
<b>Interest Revenue – Savings Account</b>	<b>\$82.03</b>
<b>Payment from BIPOC Dept for O-Week Collab Event – Screen Printing</b>	<b>\$41.25</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$17,513.64</b>
	<b>\$17568.36</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
<b>O-Week T-Shirt Printing – BIPOC Collab</b>	<b>\$82.50</b>
<b>O-Week Stickers and Postcards – Market Day</b>	<b>\$265.86</b>
<b>Wellbeing Picnic – Invasion Day</b>	<b>\$143.01</b>
<b>Miscellaneous – Debit Card Fee</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>
<b>Coffee Catch Ups – Event 1</b>	<b>\$137.00</b>

<b>Department Meeting 1 Food</b>	<b>\$53.27</b>
<b>Messina Welcome Event</b>	<b>\$93.90</b>
<b>Coffee Catch Ups – Event 2</b>	<b>\$103.50</b>
<b>Department Meeting 2 Food</b>	<b>\$79.20</b>
<b>Coffee Catch Ups – Event 3</b>	<b>\$84.50</b>
<b>Department Meeting 3 Food</b>	<b>\$94.00</b>
<b>Coffee Catch Ups – Event 4</b>	<b>\$65.00</b>
<b>Shut Up and Study – Event 1</b>	<b>\$116.63</b>
<b>Department Meeting 4 Food</b>	<b>\$55.00</b>
<b>Coffee Catch Ups – Event 5</b>	<b>\$95.50</b>
<b>Coffee Catch Ups – Event 6</b>	<b>\$111.00</b>
<b>Department Meeting 5 Food</b>	<b>\$59.07</b>
<b>Department Meeting 6 Food</b>	<b>\$56.00</b>
<b>Coffee Catch Ups – Event 7</b>	<b>\$61.50</b>
<b>Department Meeting 7 Food</b>	<b>\$62.55</b>
<b>End of Semester 2 Event</b>	<b>\$143.64</b>
<b>Indigenous Nationals Contribution</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>

<b>Bush Week Costs – Stickers</b>	<b>\$194.51</b>
<b>Bush Week Event – Holey Moley</b>	<b>\$329.00</b>
<b>Coffee Catch Ups – Event 8 (Bush Week)</b>	<b>\$99.00</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$5,603.14</b>
<b>Surplus/ (Deficit) of the year</b>	<b>\$11,965.22</b>



## Reference I



## WOMEN'S OFFICER REPORT

*Lara Johnson*  
31st July 2024

### Introduction

Hi everyone!! Welcome to Semester two! We have lots of exciting things planned for this term. Look out on our social media (Instagram and Facebook) for updates. As always, the Women's Department is here to support students and if you need assistance in access support from the university or other spaces, 'm always more than happy to help and can be contacted at [sa.womens@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.womens@anu.edu.au)

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

August 1st is tomorrow! This year the theme is education and increasing preventative measures at ANU. Due to tireless student advocacy we have seen a gradual improvement in the ways in which ANU responds to disclosures of SASH however we have seen less of an emphasis on improving preventative measures at ANU such as expanding consent education modules.

This year's August 1st - It Starts with Education. It Ends with Respect aims to increase and prioritise consent education and other preventative measures. We are demanding a consent education module/sessions that is intersectional and features conversations of entitlement, respect, empathy and harmful attitudes that are drivers of sexual violence.

We hope to see you all there. Here is the link to the Facebook event if you haven't seen/pressed going yet: <https://fb.me/e/3UPHMSVH4>

### Student Safety and Wellbeing Steering Committee.

I attended the Student Safety and Wellbeing Steering Committee on the 17th of June. The committee is in the process of redeveloping their strategies and goals as previous streams have come to an end.

### Bush Week

A huge thank you to my committee who did an enormous amount of work during Bush Week and in the lead up to it! We ran a number of successful events including:

- Coffee Catchup W/ Women's + BIPOC Departments
- Screen Printing and Banner Painting
- Craftanoons
- The Rose Room Reopening

I would like to thank everyone who came along to our events and hope to see everyone again throughout the semester!

## Constitutional Changes and Elections

At the end of last term, we officially voted to change the name of our autonomous space on campus from the Rapunzel Room to the Rose Room! This was in time for our reopening which was held on the last Friday of Bush week. If you don't have access to our autonomous space but would like, you can fill out the form here: <https://forms.gle/fioUycjEk9Wg8Wsa6>

We also held an election for a new Social Media Officer and Ruby Casey was elected! We are excited to have a revamped social media this term!

## 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 will be running Feminist Consciousness Raising in the Rose Room. If you are interested in facilitating one of the sessions, please contact Anna at [anu.womens.dept@gmail.com](mailto:anu.womens.dept@gmail.com)

We will also be running our book club from Week 3, every fortnight at 5pm in the ANUSA boardroom. Hope to see you there!

### Expenditure from 2/05/2024 - 29/07/2024

<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Bossy Website domain	\$467.50
Merch Freebies (stickers, postcards etc)	\$217.23
Our website fee	\$97.90
August 1st event preparation (poster printing event and food)	\$383.67
August 1st postcards, stickers etc	\$163.71
Bush Week Coffee Catch up	\$151.00
Bush Week Rose Room Launch	\$446.20
Collective Meeting food	\$34.00
<b>Total Amount:</b>	<b>\$1961.21</b>



## Reference J

# SRC 5 Queer\* Officer's Report

Georgia Gorrie, 28/07/2024

## *Department Activities*

Admin – Currently sorting out Department priorities for semester 2. Events calendar for the semester almost complete, and there are four new large projects otherwise underway.

Finance – Made just over \$100 of merch sales during bush week. Currently spending a large amount on organising venue hire for Queer\* Ball, which will be supported through tickets sales.

Activism/Advocacy – Snap protest in collaboration with the ANUSA welfare officer may be going ahead next week, which (by the time the SRC has run) will be promoted by the Department. Currently determining novel ways resources can be compiled and shared within the community – looking into routes to recommend trans/gender-diverse medical care, and create a masterdoc of queer resources, both ANU-specific and in the general community. Engaged in consultation with the Women's Officer for the August 1<sup>st</sup> protest. Department deputies are beginning to research a new proper pronoun usage campaign.

Large projects – The Department's free gender affirming gear project has kicked off for 2024, and sign ups will be open until the beginning of the teaching break. A few new options have been added as per feedback previously received/project review, including straps/underwear to hold packers, and a sensory friendly binder. Trans tape will be ordered as a communal bulk supply after individual gear orders have been compiled. The form has opened earlier this year to hopefully avoid the ordering backlog that was experienced last year, and we have sourced options mostly from Australia and independent brands.

Other – Bush week ran fairly smoothly, though had somewhat lower turnout relative to previous years. Events were more low-key and less strongly advertised than usual, so this may explain the gap in attendance. Including collective meetings, there will be four regular events throughout the semester running at the same time each week/fortnight, so we're hoping to build a consistent turnout.

*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, which is typically contained in collective meeting minutes.*

## *Income and Expenditure*

Income: \$113.58

Expenditure: \$8,118.06

Current balance: \$3,786.24

*Since last SGM (SGM 4)*

Date	Amount	Merchant	Statement description	Bank balance
14/05/2024	-\$41.02	Domino's	Collective Meeting Pizza	\$11,749.70
16/05/2024	-\$20.00	Rex	Event Funding	\$11,729.70
26/06/2024	-\$54.94	Bank Transfer	Event Funding	\$11,674.76
27/06/2024	-\$3,915.00	QT Canberra	Queer* Ball	\$7,759.76
17/07/2024	-\$3,915.00	QT Canberra	Queer* Ball	\$3,844.76
21/07/2024	-\$45.30	Coles	Bush Week Funding	\$3,799.46
23/07/2024	-\$48.80	Domino's	Collective Meeting Pizza	\$3,750.66
23/07/2024	-\$27.00	Badger & Co	Post-Collective Meeting	\$3,723.66

24/07/2024	+\$10.00	Bank Transfer	Merch	\$3,733.66
24/07/2024	-\$51.00	Bank Transfer	Event Funding	\$3,682.66
24/07/2024	+\$10.00	Bank Transfer	Merch	\$3,692.66
24/07/2024	+\$22.00	Bank Transfer	Merch	\$3,714.66
24/07/2024	+\$18.63	Square	Merch	\$3,733.29
25/07/2024	+52.95	Square	Merch	\$3,786.24

**Reference K**

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## Reference L



Disabilities Officer Report  
SRC 5, Semester 1, 2024

Florence Cooper (she/her) and Griffin Wright (they/them)

Disabilities Co-Officers

*ANU Disabilities Student Association*

Prepared 28/07/24

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## 1. Executive Summary

The DSA has been largely working on Bush Week, Spoons Week, individual student advocacy, campaigns about ANU disability-related policies and processes, and building our community through social events.

## 2. Advocacy & Campaigning

### Issue based Advocacy & Student Support

Students who contact the Officer with individual issues of ableism and discrimination can receive assistance. If you ever have an issue like that, please don't hesitate to contact us at [sa.disabilities@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.disabilities@anu.edu.au), or any other means through which you are comfortable seeking contact. The details of these interactions will remain unspecified for reasons of confidentiality.

At present, we are referring most concerns about EAP compliance, ECAs and Late Withdrawal applications to ANUSA Assistance, at [sa.assistance@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.assistance@anu.edu.au).

## 3. Media & Community



## Spoon Space access

The Spoon Space will remain accessible for those with card access 7am-7pm weekdays. Those collective members with 2023 access will have to reapply for 2024 access.

If you want Spoons Space access and do not yet have it, please fill in the form here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfkHwwEA4TgBQMO7wEkAq6QPyF9swquFQd4QwdJjk3zmtFcUQ/viewform>

## Social Strategy Update and Recurring Events

We have a new (not hacked) Facebook page!! Please go follow it at

[https://www.facebook.com/anudisability/!!!](https://www.facebook.com/anudisability/)

You can also join our autonomous ANU DSA Social and Alumni Facebook group, our Instagram page or our Discord. Links to these groups can be found in the following linktree:

[https://linktr.ee/ANUDisabilities?utm\\_source=qr\\_code&fbclid=IwAR3K7s3JEWIXW\\_YjOXEaZtPatQZ4HFPmnAYtqIGlwKmnSDy4Jt9XRPJG7f0](https://linktr.ee/ANUDisabilities?utm_source=qr_code&fbclid=IwAR3K7s3JEWIXW_YjOXEaZtPatQZ4HFPmnAYtqIGlwKmnSDy4Jt9XRPJG7f0)

Information about our recurring events, including casual coffee, craft sessions, study sessions, book club and collective meetings will be on Facebook. We have the following special events coming up:

Spoons Week!!!! - Week 4- our annual disability awareness week - keep an eye on our socials for lots of educational and social events!

## 4. Administration

### Office Hours

Office hours have resumed, and run both in-person and online via zoom. You can come to find out more about the DSA, discuss an issue you are having regarding accessibility, or seek information and advice on navigating the disability policies and structures in place at the ANU, like EAPs and medical withdrawal. The current office hours for this semester are Griffin on Mondays 11-12am, and Florrie on Fridays 12pm in the Spoon Space. These may be subject to change once our event calendar is confirmed. We can be available for appointments outside those times too, please get in contact via [sa.disabilities@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.disabilities@anu.edu.au) to make an appointment.

### Financial Statement from 26/04/2024 to 26/07/2024

### Money in

Item	Amount
Credit Interest	\$4.24

### Money Out

Item	Amount
Food Budget*	378.28
Casual Coffee*	878.50
Coffee Meeting*	185.72
Collective Meeting*	440.47

Total Out: \$1882.95

\*Receipts requiring reimbursement from up to the start of this financial year are included in totals.

## Timesheet

A full breakdown of how our time was spent is available upon request.

## Reference M



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Lara Johnson  
31st July 2024

### Introduction

Hi everyone!! Welcome to Semester two! We have lots of exciting things planned for this term. Look out on our social media (Instagram and Facebook) for updates. As always, the Women's Department is here to support students and if you need assistance in access support from the university or other spaces, 'm always more than happy to help and can be contacted at [sa.womens@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.womens@anu.edu.au)

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

August 1st is tomorrow! This year the theme is education and increasing preventative measures at ANU. Due to tireless student advocacy we have seen a gradual improvement in the ways in which ANU responds to disclosures of SASH however we have seen less of an emphasis on improving preventative measures at ANU such as expanding consent education modules.

This year's August 1st - It Starts with Education. It Ends with Respect aims to increase and prioritise consent education and other preventative measures. We are demanding a consent education module/sessions that is intersectional and features conversations of entitlement, respect, empathy and harmful attitudes that are drivers of sexual violence.

We hope to see you all there. Here is the link to the Facebook event if you haven't seen/pressed going yet: <https://fb.me/e/3UPHMSVH4>

### Student Safety and Wellbeing Steering Committee.

I attended the Student Safety and Wellbeing Steering Committee on the 17th of June. The committee is in the process of redeveloping their strategies and goals as previous streams have come to an end.

### Bush Week

A huge thank you to my committee who did an enormous amount of work during Bush Week and in the lead up to it! We ran a number of successful events including:

- Coffee Catchup W/ Women's + BIPOC Departments
- Screen Printing and Banner Painting
- Craftanoons
- The Rose Room Reopening

I would like to thank everyone who came along to our events and hope to see everyone again throughout the semester!

### Constitutional Changes and Elections

At the end of last term, we officially voted to change the name of our autonomous space on campus from the Rapunzel Room to the Rose Room! This was in time for our reopening which was held on the last Friday of Bush week. If you don't have access to our autonomous space but would like, you can fill out the form here: <https://forms.gle/fioUycjEk9Wg8Wsa6>

We also held an election for a new Social Media Officer and Ruby Casey was elected! We are excited to have a revamped social media this term!

## **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 will be running Feminist Consciousness Raising in the Rose Room. If you are interested in facilitating one of the sessions, please contact Anna at [anu.womens.dept@gmail.com](mailto:anu.womens.dept@gmail.com)

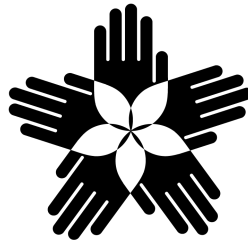
We will also be running our book club from Week 3, every fortnight at 5pm in the ANUSA boardroom. Hope to see you there!

### Expenditure from 2/05/2024 - 29/07/2024

<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Bossy Website domain	\$467.50
Merch Freebies (stickers, postcards etc)	\$217.23
Our website fee	\$97.90
August 1st event preparation (poster printing event and food)	\$383.67
August 1st postcards, stickers etc	\$163.71
Bush Week Coffee Catch up	\$151.00
Bush Week Rose Room Launch	\$446.20
Collective Meeting food	\$34.00
<b>Total Amount:</b>	<b>\$1961.21</b>



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## **ANU BIPOC DEPARTMENT**

### **ANU BIPOC<sup>1</sup> DEPARTMENT OFFICER REPORT**

**SELENA WANIA (SHE/HER)**

Student Representative Council 5

Wed, 31st July 2024 6:15 PM

#### **OUTLINE:**

- I. SOCIAL PORTFOLIO
- II. ADVOCACY PORTFOLIO
- III. BIPOC BASE
- IV. FINANCE
- V. ADMINISTRATION
- VI. BIPOC BADDIE

## **I. SOCIAL PORTFOLIO**

### **Bush Week**

For 2024 Bush Week, the BIPOC Department hosted 4 events:

1. Women x BIPOC Chai n Chats
2. BIPOC Campfire Night
3. BIPOC Board Games Night
4. BIPOC Paint n Sip

Each event ran smoothly with good turn out, notably for Chai n Chats we had 30 attendees!

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

## **BIPOC x BASC Mixer**

BIPOC x BASC (Black African Students Collective) is hosting a mixer next Friday August 2nd at Lena Karmel Lodge. We'll have BASC DJ's - Tino and Zimdolla playing! You can get tickets for the event [here](#) and find more info via our [website](#).

## **Through the Kaleidoscope Ball**

Our annual ball is on Friday August 16th with Indigenous Department is underway, with already Early Bird and Release 1 tickets sold out! Stay tuned for Release 2 and 3 [here](#). The kaleidoscope symbolises the myriad of perspectives and stories that come together to create a beautiful, ever-changing mosaic so embrace the celebration of culture by dressing in your most colourful and vibrant attire.

# **II. ADVOCACY PORTFOLIO**

## **Website**

The BIPOC Department proudly presents our brand new website [here](#)! For all updates and information on the department please head on over to our website at <https://www.anubipocdepartment.com.au/>!

## **2023 Racism Report**

The 2023 Racism Report takes the form of a documentary. The documentary began with efforts from last year's BIPOC Officer, Paria and is now finally completed. A screening for the documentary took place on Tuesday 30th July. You can find the documentary on our [website](#).

## **2024 Racism Report**

With the 2023 Racism Report complete, we start our work for the 2024 Racism Report. We are currently undertaking planning to develop a comprehensive survey on racism at the ANU. It has been brought to our attention that sensitive research such as that on racism requires ethics approval from the ANU. We are working to submit an application to the ANU Human Research Ethics Committee. It is expected that this report will not be published within 2024 and work will continue in 2025.

## **Indigenous Panel**

In the lead up to Ball, we are collaborating with Indigenous Department to organise an educational panel. See Indigenous Department's report for more information.

## **Week of West Papuan Week of Action**

The BIPOC Department acknowledges and stands in solidarity with the struggle for the right to self-determination against Indonesian marginalisation of Indigenous communities, resource exploitation, environmental degradation, and continuous colonial rule.

Along with a grassroots group made up of ANU students and staff and community members the BIPOC Department is organising an educational panel on West Papua in Week 6.

## **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. Last semester we were getting lower turnout than usual and are considering no longer continuing BIPOC Talks.

## **Mental Health Taskforce**

I have made the decision to no longer be a part of the Mental Health Taskforce purely due to capacity reasons. If you would like further information on this decision please email me at [sa.bipoc@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.bipoc@anu.edu.au)

## **Ursula Hall Report Update**

After securing a meeting with the Head of Hall and Deputy Head of Hall of Ursula Hall on the 30th May 2024 they have taken all questions on notice. A response deadline was initially set for the 1st of July 2024 which has now passed. On the 23rd of July I received a response from the Head of Hall stating that my grievance will be reviewed and have received no detailed response regarding the questions they took on notice. I have requested the Dean of Students to follow up with this and set another response deadline. It should be noted that this grievance process began in 22nd October 2023 and it has been 9 months since with no resolution in sight.

## **III. BIPOC Base**

As of now, 174 students have access to BIPOC Base. You can find the 24/7 access form [here](#).

BIPOC Base is now fully stocked with snacks ready for Semester 2. We have also added letters to the windows facing University Avenue for more visibility. We are attempting to secure pads and tampons as mutual aid. If you know of any charities who are able to provide pads and tampons, please contact us at [sa.bipoc@anu.edu.au](mailto: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](#).

## IV. FINANCE

BIPOC Department - Income and Expenditure Report		
For the periods 30/04/2024 - 29/07/2024		
<b>Income</b>		<b>\$</b>
Woroni Script Fund Grant for Zine		\$1,270.00
Humanitix Payout from Palestinian Fundraiser		\$3,312.02
Uber Eats Refund		\$12.00
	<b>Total:</b>	\$4,594.02
<b>Expenditure</b>		<b>\$</b>
PARA Donation from the Fundraiser		\$2,980.82
Palestine Panel Costs		\$307.90
Aboriginal Tent Embassy Donation from the Fundraiser		\$331.20
MYOB Subscriptions		\$25.90
Chai 'n' Chats		\$62.50
Upgrade in Google Storage		\$124.99
BIPOC Safe Space (Snacks & Sponges and Soap)		\$181.07
Payment for Screen-Printing Service during O-week		\$153.60
Adobe Payment for 2024 Racism Report		\$32.99
Website Expenses (Domain & Workspace)		\$309.70
Deposit for the Rex Location for BIPOC Ball		\$1,300.00
Bush Week Events Expenses		\$116.29
	<b>Total:</b>	\$5,926.96
<b>Surplus/Deficit:</b>		<b>-\$1,332.94</b>

## V. ADMINISTRATION

### Elected Positions & Vacancies

BIPOC Department is looking for two important positions this semester!

1. Web Designer
2. Post Graduate Role

You can nominate for these roles [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 13/05/2024 - 31/07/2024 I have not been recording my hours. You can email me at [sa.bipoc@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.bipoc@anu.edu.au) for further enquiries.

## VI. BIPOC Baddie

Following the previous year's reports, this section is for a BIPOC Baddie. A BIPOC Baddie is someone within our collective who we would like to acknowledge for their work.

This report's BIPOC Baddie goes to Shé Chani. Shé has been instrumental in the production of the Racism Report 2023 documentary. We are ever so grateful for his talents and his work with the Department. We truly could not have done it without him.

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