



Flinders University Student Council Meeting
Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5th April 2016.
Function Space, Level 2 of the Student Hub, Flinders University Student Association.
18:05pm

Present: Caleb Pattinson (Student President), Simone Jowett (General Secretary), Jordon O'Reilly (Education Officer), Jason Byrne (Welfare Officer), Alfred Lowe (Indigenous Students Officer), Ali Roush (Environment Officer), Angela Tomarelli (Women's Officer), Amy Hueppauff (Accessibility Officer), Sarah Polanco (Social Activities Officer), Sean Lamonby, Hamish Richardson, Grace Hill, Christopher Norman, Joshua Sunman (General Council Members), Chris O'Grady (Manager, Student Engagement), Anthea Stanton (Minutes)

Prashanth Magandram (International Student Officer) entered 18:25pm

Meeting Opened: 18:00

Meeting Agenda:

1. Welcome and Meeting Open

It was acknowledged that the Student Council meeting was taken place on the land of the Kurna people.

2. Apologies

Christine Bennetts (Post Graduate Students Officer), is an apology for this meeting.

3. Welcome Guests

Eleanor Danenberg & Liam McNally (Empire Times Editors), Hilary Wigg and Sarah Tynan

4. Accept Minutes from previous meeting

Amy Hueppauff: Noted incorrect spelling of her title Accessibility Officer in minutes of the 1st of March 2016.

Motion: Student Council accepts the minutes of the previous meeting.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

Seconded: Simone Jowett



All in favour.
Motion carried.

5. Reports

Caleb Pattinson: Additional oral reports Amy Hueppauff and Hamish Richardson are to be accepted.

Motion: Motion to accept all of the reports.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

Seconded: Simone Jowett

All in favour.
Motion Carried.

6. Matters for Decision

Procedural Motion: Add the following matter for decision to the agenda:

- **6.10.7 Additional Club – Cultural Connections (Financial Affiliation) – Simone Jowett (General Secretary)**
- **6.13. Ratification Education Officer - Caleb Pattinson (Student President)**
- **6.14. Election of two Council Members to Club's and Societies Pool Funding Standing Committee of Council – Simone Jowett (General Secretary)**
- **6.15. Changes to Election Regulations: By-Election Nominations– Chris O'Grady (Manager of Student Engagement)**
- **6.16. Changes to Election Regulations: Polling Place for By-Election Nominations– Chris O'Grady (Manager of Student Engagement)**

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

All in favour.
Motion carried.

6.0. Motions left un-starred to be moved en bloc:

6.6. National Day of Action – Jordon O'Reilly (Education Officer)

Motion: FUSA reaffirms its commitment to support the National Day of Action on April 6th. The national day of action at flinders this year will be an awareness campaign around campaigns run by National Union of Students against staff cuts, deregulation of universities fees, and cuts to university funding. Student's at Flinders University will be welcomed to a BBQ which will allow members of student council to raise awareness around these issues as well as raising awareness around SSAF and what it provides.



6.8. Returning Officer – Chris O’Grady (Manager of Student Engagement)

Motion: Student Council authorise Cassandra Star (Associate Professor of Politics and Public Policy at Flinders) as Returning Officer for the upcoming April By-Election.

6.9. Campbelltown: Reconciliation Needs Action! – Alfred Lowe (Indigenous Students Officer)

Motion: If a motion to fly the Aboriginal flag permanently is not submitted for the next council meeting, or if it fails to pass. FUSA directs Indigenous Students Officer Alfred Lowe to help run a campaign that highlights the need for recognition of Indigenous people through the flying of the Aboriginal flag.

FUSA will allow Indigenous Students Officer Lowe to use one of the Council’s allocated pages within Empire Times, if necessary, to highlight the importance of flying the Aboriginal flag.

6.11. Disney Film Festival – Sarah Polanco (Social Activities Officer)

Motion: Student Council approve the attached proposal of FUSA Disney Film Festival.

Motion: The Student council accepts all of the unstarred motions en bloc.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

All in favour.

Motion carried.

Seconded: Jason Byrne

Motions left un-starred:

6.1. Student Council Executive – Caleb Pattinson (Student President)

Caleb Pattinson: Called for a seconder.

Josh Sunman: Seconded.

Caleb Pattinson: Called for members to nominate fellow members to be included in the Executive.

Jordon O’Reilly: I nominate Jason Byrne.



Jason Byrne: Accepted the nomination.

Alfred Lowe: Seconded the nomination of Jason Byrne

Motion: Student Council endorse Jason Byrne for executive.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

Seconded: Josh Sunman

All in favour.

Motion carried.

6.2. Education Conference – Caleb Pattinson (Student President)

Caleb Pattinson: Promoted the Education Conference, stating Flinders University would be placed on the national stage, and contribute to the Nation Union of Students (NUS), facilitating discussion around higher education. A workshop was held, and 5-6 emails sent out to reach Student Council.

Caleb Pattinson: Called for a seconder.

Grace Hill: Seconded it, stating that this is a fantastic opportunity for South Australian students, as the conference is continually held in the eastern states.

Caleb Pattinson: Called for a speaker against the conference.

Josh Sunman: Had reservations towards the conference as he was unaware how much consultation had occurred between Student Council.

Caleb Pattinson: Informed Josh that there has been extensive efforts to include Student Council members. Emails were sent and Student Council received invitation to attend workshops in regards to the Conference. Caleb acknowledge that the conversation was stalled by the resignation of the General Secretary and Education Officer in February, however in the last two weeks there has been every opportunity to speak to Caleb or Jordon directly.

Sarah Polanco: Noted that this motion was brought up in the Student Executive meeting after it has been submitted to NUS, showing how unorganised the tender was. Sarah highlighted the grammatical errors within the tender, believing it ironic that Flinders



University was described as a great place of learning, yet the bid contained mistakes. She believed Student Council and FUSA Staff would have been grateful for more notice about such a conference before a tender was submitted which would commit them to an increased workload.

Caleb Pattinson: Expressed his disappointment that Sarah has spoken to staff and not himself when he had made himself available to discuss the tender. He noted that Flinders University was the only university to submit a tender on time. Caleb admitted that it was imperfect, but stressed that his tender was submitted on time, after an election week and without the support of a General Secretary or Education Officer. He emphasised to Council that the NUS tender deadline was extended, in which he capitalised, cleaning up the tender of its grammatical errors.

Caleb brought forward the Standing Orders, if two people speak against the motion Student Council must vote on the motion. Calling for a seconder.

Jordon O'Reilly: Seconded.

Christopher Norman: Referred to Standing Orders also, stating that the chair must take an exhaustive speaking list before discussion occurs. As this was not called he asked that debate could now occur.

Motion: The Standing Orders be suspended and the debate continue beyond the clause of 12.7, as an exhaustive speaking list was not taken at the start of the debate.

Moved: Sarah Polanco

Seconded: Christopher Norman

For: 5

Against: 9

Motion failed

Caleb Pattinson: Moved that vote was taken on the original motion.

Motion:

- Student Council endorse the tender bid for hosting the Education Conference at Flinders University.



- Student Council delegate management of the conference to the Education Conference working group, comprised of the Student Council Executive and a member from the FUSA events team.
- Student Council reaffirm their commitment to the National Union of Students and improving the state of higher education in Australia through the submission of a conference bid.
- Student Council approve \$1500 from the President's travel budget towards the conference.
- Student Council approve \$1500 from the Education Officer's campaign budget and the remainder of the Education Officer's travel and conference budget towards the conference.
- Student Council approve \$5000 comprised of \$500 from all Officer Bearer travel budgets, excluding President and Education Officer towards the conference.
- Student Council approve \$1500 from the Welfare Officer's campaign budget towards the conference.
- Student Council approve \$5000 from the Student Council events budget line towards the conference.
- Student Council delegate the authority to approve an additional \$5000 from the Student Council events budget line to the Student Council Executive.
- Student Council direct the Education Conference working group to comply with all Student Services and Amenities Fee legislation when it comes to expenditure for the conference.
- Student Council direct the Education Conference working group to provide a report to the council in the months of May and June.
- Student Council note appendix 2 as the proposed working budget of the conference.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

Seconded: Jordon O'Reilly

For: 9

Against: 5

Motion Carried

Christopher Norman and Hamish Richardson left 18:20

6.3. Social Media – Caleb Pattinson (Student President)



Jordon O'Reilly: Questioned Student Council if they wanted to meet with the Media Officer before declaring a policy that would impact on their role.

Chris O'Grady: Explained that he and Caleb had spoken after the previous meeting and that Caleb's advice was that another meeting was not necessary.

Christopher Norman and Hamish Richardson returned 18:22pm

Caleb Pattinson: Called for a seconder as he would like the changes to be trialled, emphasising that they are not **permit**.

Motion:

- Student Council establish an independent social media to that of FUSA.
- The Student Council Facebook page shall be controlled by the President and General Secretary.
- The Student Council Facebook page shall be the priority when it comes to posting any Student Council initiative, event, decision or other policy passed by council.
- The FUSA social media accounts are prohibited from posting material that contradicts Student Council policy.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

All in favour.

Motion carried.

Seconded: Simone Jowett

6.4. AGM – Caleb Pattinson (Student President)

Simone Jowett: The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on the 3rd of May 2016. There has been no deadline set yet, however any Constitutional Changes need to be sent directly to her via email. She welcomed members to speak to her if they had any questions regarding the AGM. This will be Simone's focus for the month of April.

Motion: Student Council directs the General Secretary to call an Annual General Meeting for the 3rd of May.

Moved: Simone Jowett

All in favour.

Motion carried.

Seconded: Caleb Pattinson



Prashanth Magandram (International Student Officer) entered 18:25pm

6.5. Funding for Clubs – Caleb Pattinson (Student President)

Caleb Pattinson: Moved 6.5 in an amended version.

- In line with clause 13.1 of the FUSA Constitution, Student Council establish a standing committee of council to review applications for pool funding for clubs, societies and school association, and allocate pool funding via a competitive application process.
- The composition of the committee shall be the FUSA Clubs and Events Officer, FUSA General Secretary (chair), elected club representative as determined by resolution at a clubs and society's subcommittee meeting and two members of Student Council elected annually.
- The committee shall operate in accordance with the current Standard Orders of FUSA Student Council.
- The committee shall provide a report of the results of each meeting for the following Student Council meeting.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

Seconded: Simone Jowett

All in favour.

Motion carried.

6.7. Changes to Election Regulations – Chris O'Grady (Manager of Student Engagement)

Chris O'Grady: In 2013, members of Student Council decided that they would resign their current position if they had decided to contest a new position in a By-Election. This was to avoid having many by-elections. If Student Council were to support these changes to the Election regulations, reoccurring By-Elections would be avoided.

The second change to the Election Regulations is recommended as operating a physical polling place is resource intensive, particularly with regards to the time required to coordinate and operate the polling place by the Student Representation and Development Officer and the Office Coordinator. As there is no budget line allocated to operating a Polling Place during a By-Election doing so is also cost prohibitive.

Caleb Pattinson: Seconded the proposal, stating it was worth noting that as this changes the Regulations it requires two thirds majority vote of Student Council. He found the changes to make sense, even though a polling booth has increased student engagement.



He questioned whether FUSA had the money for a second By-Election. He called for speakers against the proposal.

Christopher Norman: Reflected on running in the 2015 elections, explaining that it was hard to get people to vote without a polling booth. He asked student council to recognise that the voting process at Flinders University is not streamlined and the website is confusing, as well as the regulations restrict students to get help from campaigners. Christopher asked if it is recorded that the booth increases student engagement then why disfranchise students to participate in the democratic process by removing the polling booths.

Jordon O'Reilly: FUSA forums have shown students are disgruntled with the pressure to vote. He is conscious of how continuous By-Elections may reflect poorly on FUSA's image. He agreed with first regulation change believing that if Student Council members nominating themselves for higher positions displays a chaotic competitive organisation rather than smooth representative body.

Grace Hill: Stated she was against the first regulation change, but for the second, believing the polling booth is necessary as it clearly supports students who vote. She emphasised that the software of the website is a barrier, blinding students of the voting process. She understood that students may be disgruntled by campaigners, however FUSA elections is a democratic process, something that Flinders University students should be grateful to experience.

Ali Roush: Emphasised that it is not the democratic process that is impeded by these changes, but the way we ask students to vote for us. Ali spoke of how confronting campaigners can be if you are not politically aligned or minded, standing in courtyards and walkways, taking away study space for polling booth, etc. She asked Student Council to view the continuous By-Elections from the student's perspective, how it could be perceived as harassment.

Angela Tomarelli: Questioned the cost associated with By-Elections.

Chris O'Grady: Reiterated that the monetary cost is the student casuals required to set up and run the polling booths. However the other cost is that of the time committed by the Student Representation and Development Officer and the Office Coordinator which could be utilised elsewhere.

Caleb Pattinson: Called for the motion to be voted on



Motion: Student Council approve the above amendments to the Election Regulations with change 1 to come into effect on April 29, 2016 at the conclusion of the current By-Election.2 to be effective immediately.

Moved: Chris O’Grady

All in favour.

Motion carried.

Seconded: Caleb Pattinson

For: 9

Against: 6

Motion failed, two thirds required

Chris O’Grady: Asked if the motion could be voted on separately, adding to the Procedural Motion:

- **6.15. Changes to Election Regulations: By-Election Nominations– Chris O’Grady (Manager of Student Engagement)**
- **6.16. Changes to Election Regulations: Polling Place for By-Election Nominations– Chris O’Grady (Manager of Student Engagement)**

6.10. Club Affiliations – Simone Jowett (General Secretary)

Simone Jowett: Moved the following club to be affiliated.

Motion: Student Council approve the affiliation of the following clubs:

- 6.10.1 Flinders Fantastic Beasts Quidditch Team (Financial Affiliation)
- 6.10.2 Field Robotics Club (Financial Affiliation)
- 6.10.3 Flinders International Medical Students (Financial Affiliation)
- 6.10.4 Flinders League of Legends (Non-financial Affiliation)
- 6.10.5 Mature Age Students United (Financial Affiliation)
- 6.10.6 Icecream Lovers United (Financial Affiliation)
- 6.10.7 Cultural Connections Club (Financial Affiliation)

Moved: Simone Jowett

All in favour.

Seconded: Caleb Pattinson



Motion carried.

6.12. Empire Times Regulations Changes – Chris O’Grady (Manager of Student Engagement)

Chris O’Grady: Asked if an Empire Times Editor could speak to this?

Caleb Pattinson: Called for a seconder

Sean Lamonby: Seconded

Eleanor Danenberg: The Empire Times Editors (ET) would like to introduce the change of ET Regulation 7.8.

7.8. In the event of an Empire Times Editor ceasing to hold office the committee to appoint an Empire Times editor will consist of the Media Officer, a representative from Flinders Marketing and Communications Office and three (3) members of student council including the Empire Times Liaison Officer, whom will chair the appointment committee.

Eleanor spoke of the current regulations in which the remaining ET editors do not have any input into the decision of who will be joining them in the editorial team. The ET editors would like to change this, believing it is imperative that the remaining editorial team be a part of this decision. They find it bizarre that the panel apparently requires three Student Council members and no ET Editors. She asked how does Student Council know how an applicant will work with them, stating that the editors themselves would know who would work best with them. The Editors see the Liaison as a necessary part of the appointment panel; and that if the Liaison is on the panel, it is redundant and unnecessary to have more Student Council members on the panel. Eleanor moved that the remaining ET Editor(s) be on the appointment panel.

Please refer to attached Empire Times Regulations changes for the propose changes. (NB: The change to the Office of Communications and Engagement reflects the new name for the Marketing and Communications Office).

Josh Sunman: Found many issues with proposed regulation changes.

Jason Byrne: Jason felt it should be acknowledged that the Josh Sunman as Empire Times Liaison should be responsible for moving a motion of this nature. He stated that Editors circumvented Student Council as the governing body as well as the Empire Times Liaison by approaching the Manger of Student Engagement.



Eleanor Danenberg: Stated that the Empire Times Liaison and the Editors came to stalemate, they could not agree on a motion for the Empire Times Liaison to put forward and were under the impression that a Student Council member was required to raise the motion. However after seeking approval from the General Secretary and President the Editors submitted the motion yesterday. Eleanor stressed that the Editors were not questioning the governance of Student Council or the Empire Times Liaison, the purpose of this Regulation change is to ensure that the magazine is produced effectively, with cooperative team.

Caleb Pattinson: Informed Student Council that for this Regulation to change two thirds majority is required. Therefore Caleb proposed an amended motion, stating:

7.8. In the event of an Empire Times Editor ceasing to hold office the committee to appoint an Empire Times editor will consist of the Media Officer, a representative from Flinders Marketing and Communications Office, the remaining Editors of Empire Times Magazine and three (3) members of student council including the Empire Times Liaison Officer whom will chair the appointment committee and whom will have the casting vote.

Called for a seconder.

Jordon O'Reilly: Seconded

Hamish Richardson: Asked Eleanor what she thought of this amendment.

Eleanor Danenberg: Began by clarifying that the panel would be brought to seven people, but by including the Empire Time Editors in this amendment it would be better than the Editors motion failing.

Caleb Pattinson: Hoped that the amendment would prevent the changes to the regulation from failing and called for Student Council to vote on whether this amended motion should go forward.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

Seconded: Jordon O'Reilly

For: 11

Against: 5



Motion carried.

Caleb Pattinson: Moved that we accept the regulation change.

Amended Motion: 7.8. In the event of an Empire Times Editor ceasing to hold office the committee to appoint an Empire Times editor will consist of the Media Officer, a representative from Flinders Marketing and Communications Office, the remaining Editors of Empire Times Magazine and three (3) members of student council including the Empire Times Liaison Officer whom will chair the appointment committee and whom will have the casting vote.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

Seconded: Jordon O'Reilly

For: 11

Against: 5

Amended motion carried.

6.13: Ratification Education Officer - Caleb Pattinson (Student President)

Caleb Pattinson: Moved that Student Council increase the funding for Jordon's event to \$250.

Called for a seconder.

Jason Byrne: Seconded

Motion: Student Council approve the increase of funding for Jordon's Nation Day of Action event to \$250.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

Seconded: Jason Byrne

All in favour.

Motion carried.



6.14: Election of two Council Members to Club's and Societies Pool Funding Standing Committee of Council – Simone Jowett (General Secretary)

Caleb Pattinson: In light of the motion 6.5 Funding for Clubs passing Caleb called for nominations of two student council members to sit on the standing committee.

Jason Byrne: Nominated Alfred Lowe.

Alfred Lowe: Accepted the nomination.

Jordon O'Reilly: Seconded Alfred Lowe's nomination.

Simone Jowett: Nominated Christopher Norman.

Christopher Norman: Accepted the nomination.

Amy Hueppauff: Seconded Christopher Norman's nomination.

Caleb Pattinson: With no other nominations, Caleb moved that Student Council appoint Alfred Lowe and Christopher Norman to the Club's and Societies Pool Funding Standing Committee of Council.

Motion: Student Council appoint Alfred Lowe and Christopher Norman to the Club's and Societies Pool Funding Standing Committee of Student Council for the term of 5th of April to the 30th November 2016.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

All in favour.

Motion carried.

Seconded: Jason Byrne

6.15. Changes to Election Regulations: Bi-Election Nominations– Chris O'Grady (Manager of Student Engagement)

Caleb Pattinson: As motion 6.7 failed, the motion will be split into two. Bi-Elections will be discussed first.

Simone Jowett: Seconded



Christopher Norman: Was against the regulation changes because if a member of Student Council was to resign their current position, to recontest a new position, just before the closing of nominations, there would be no time for students to nominated themselves to the vacated position.

He also stressed that these regulation changes would jeopardise the leadership structure. If the President, General Secretary or Education Officer were to resign, it would be desirable for an experienced member already on Council to take the vacated position. Christopher believed these changes would dissuade a current member to run for higher position in fear of losing their current role.

Alfred Lowe: Asked council to view these regulation changes as failsafe to ensure FUSA does not have three elections in a term. He also reminded Council that nominees can run for two positions at once, therefore a member of Council who was seeking another position can campaign for the one that they already hold.

Amy Hueppauff: Worried that members of Student Council would be too insecure to run for another position in fear of losing their current place. She questioned why we should lose it?

Simone Jowett: Spoke for the regulations changes as she no longer wanted to endorse the string of Bi-Elections held every 42 days. Simone stated that if a member of Council would like to run for higher position it is their prerogative, Students and Staff should not be punished because a member of Student Council wishes to elevate themselves.

Christopher Norman: Highlighted that if a member of Student Council were to withdraw their position at the closing of business hours no time would be given for students or Council members to nominate themselves to the vacated position.

Jason Byrne: Found this point to be sententious.

Christopher Norman: Stated this could be used as factional tactic.

Caleb Pattinson: Moved that Student Council vote on the regulation change of 9.2

Motion: Student Council approve the addition to Election Regulation Section 9: Eligibility of Candidates to come into effect on April 29, 2016

9.2. In the case of a By-Election where an Office Bearer, Student Council member with a portfolio (Student Council Officer) or General Member of Student Council intends to nominate for a vacant position on Student Council during a by-election, the Office Bearer, Student Council member with a portfolio (Student Council Officer) or General



Member of Student Council must resign from their current position two days before the opening of nominations. This position will be considered vacant for the purpose of the by-election.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

Seconded: Simone Jowett

For: 7

Against: 7

Motion failed, as two thirds of the majority is required.

6.16. Changes to Election Regulations: Polling Place for By-Election Nominations– Chris O’Grady (Manager of Student Engagement)

Caleb Pattinson: As motion 6.7 failed, the motion will be split into two. Polling Place for By-Election Nominations will now be discussed

Jason Byrne: Seconded

Motion: Student Council approve the addition to Election Regulation Section Section 11: Conduct of the Ballot to be effective immediately.

11.15. In the case of a by-election there is no requirement to establish a polling place, unless the positions of Student President, or General Secretary, or a minimum of three student council positions, including at least one Office Bearer position are up for election.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson

Seconded: Simone Jowett

For: 7

Against: 6

Abstained: 1

Motion failed, as two thirds of the majority is required.

7. Matters for Discussion

7.1. What to do with money from new 10c bins – Ali Roush (Environment Officer)

Ali Roush: The University is placing 10c bins across campus. Currently the profit of the 10c bins will return to the University through the Scout Outdoor Centre. Ali is proposing that this money goes to charities students are aligned to or passionate about. She would like to establish a committee on Student Council to review the applications.



Caleb Pattinson: Suggested putting forward a formal proposal for the next meeting.

Jason Byrne: Supports the idea whole heartily, suggesting the applications are approved by the Executive rather than creating another standing committee.

7.2. O'Week Feedback – Jordon O'Reilly (Education Officer)

Jordon O'Reilly: Informed Council that The Events and Project Officer is seeking feedback in regards to O'Week. He suggested that following:

- To develop the Mature Hangout from a space, to an engaging event such as a breakfast or day, in which speakers attend and students can ask questions.
- Enhance O'Fiesta with Food Trucks, for more eatery options and create a "Chillout Zone."

Jason Byrne: Reflected on students confusing the Collective Stall with the FUSA Stall, only approaching to Collective table for a showbag or diary. He suggested separating the Collectives Stall from the FUSA Stall in 2017.

Ali Roush: Agreed that the separation would allow Student Council to explain the collectives clearly, however thinks an association with FUSA is necessary.

7.3. Collective Facebook pages and Events – Christine Bennetts (Post Graduate Students Officer)

Alfred Lowe: As Christine is not present Alfred spoke on her behalf, asking Student Council their thoughts on posting events in the Collectives Page separately from the FUSA Page.

Caleb Pattinson: Thought this is something Council should consider, in the establishment of the FUSA Student Council Page. Asking Council if they wanted their events promoted on their Collective Pages.

Angela Tomarelli: Stated that if you want to increase your attendance you should post on as many pages as possible.



7.4. State of SC Office – Jordon O’Reilly (Education Officer) and Simone Jowett (General Secretary)

Jordon O’Reilly: Had been approached on many occasions by the cleaning staff on the state of the Student Council Office. He thanked Amy for recently cleaning the office, however emphasised that a solution is needed.

Amy Hueppauff: Asked Student Council to make use of the cabinets within the office. Also log out of your computers if you know you will leave the office from 30 minutes.

Simone Jowett: Stated that a discussion needs to occur around the consequences of not cleaning the office as there is a risk that we could lose the office.

Amy Hueppauff: Noted that when the office has been thoroughly cleaned it has usually been a female officer bearer and this should not continue.

Simone Jowett: Emphasised that an incentive is needed to keep the Student Council office clean.

7.5. Queer Space items and Homophobia – Nardy Zanos-Jardine (Queer Officer)

Nardy Zanos-Jardine: Informed Student Council of multiple incidents of homophobic graffiti in the Queers Space. Nardy has worked with FUSA Staff and Flinders Security to develop a solution, but asked Student Council if there was something that could be done collectively to prevent it from happening again.

Amy Hueppauff: Suggested Nardy to submit an article in the Empire Times.

Josh Sunman: Explained that Student Council have four pages allocated for their use, encouraging Nardy to confirm dates of submission with the Empire Times Editors.

Nardy Zanos-Jardine: Also brought up the confusion about a television and couch that was ordered for the Queer Space in the Hub development.



Chris O'Grady: Stated it may have been discussed at Student Hub meeting, however asked Nardy to follow it up with him after the meeting.

7.6. Union membership, fees, NUS - Caleb Pattinson (Student President)

Caleb Pattinson: Informed Student Council that FUSA has received the annual Nation Union of Students (NUS) affiliation bill, asking Council how much they should affiliate to the NUS. He then took the opportunity to ask Student Council to consider a union fee for Flinders University Students. Caleb concluded by reiterating that FUSA is restricted in creating alternative revenue schemes.

Jordon O'Reilly: Did not believe Flinders University students would sign up to NUS or FUSA if a membership fee was attached.

Grace Hill: Stated if Flinders University students were to pay a membership fee, FUSA would be required to offer more services to the students. However she thought it was worth exploring, as the profit from the fee would create revenue independent from the University.

Jason Byrne: Highlighted that the University management may be concerned if FUSA created an alternative revenue source, and would likely withdraw or reduce the amount of SAFF funding FUSA received.

Christopher Norman: Echoed what Jordon said, saying that it would be a struggle to make the FUSA membership appealing enough for students to pay. However he supported further investigation into this initiative.

8. Matters for Noting

8.1. Due Dates for next meeting – Simone Jowett (General Secretary)

Simone Jowett: Please note the following dates:

Next Meeting: Tuesday May 3rd

Matters for Decision/Discussion: April 22nd

Reports/Matters for Noting: April 29th



Agenda Distributed (without April 29th items): April 26th
Final Agenda: April 30th

8.2. Promotion of FUSA Semester 1 Pub Crawl - Sarah Polanco (Social Activities Officer)

Sarah Polanco: Encourage Student Council promote the Semester One Pub Crawl to increase attendance. Sarah intends to establish a stall Thursday to promote the pub crawl. She asked if anyone was available to contact her.

Meeting Closed: 19:56pm