



Flinders University Student Council Meeting
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Alere Function Room

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6. Matters for Decision

6.1. Standing Orders Amendment – Jordon O’Reilly

Motion: That the standing orders be amended as follows adding in part IV and amending the former (IV) to (V).

“Dissent in the Chair”

(i) A voting member of Student Council may move a motion of dissent in any ruling of the Chair regarding the conduct of a meeting

(ii) While the Student Council considers a motion moved pursuant to Clause 3.1, the chair must be vacated and passed to another Student Council member in accordance with the Constitution

(iii) Only the mover and the Student Council Member in which dissent is called may speak on a Dissent Motion for a maximum of 2 minutes

(iv) A motion of “Dissent in the Chair” must be passed by a two thirds majority.

(v) If a motion of “Dissent in the Chair” is carried, the Chair is required to vacate the chair

6.2. Ratification of Executive Decisions – Simone Jowett

A list of items passed by Student Council are available in the document labeled Appendix 3.

Motion: FUSA Student Council ratifies the decisions made by the Executive since the last full council meeting.

6.3. Free Feminine Hygiene Products – Hilary Wigg

Preamble: For anyone who experiences periods, feminine hygiene products are an essential item which no one should ever have to struggle to obtain or afford.

That is why I propose FUSA funds stocking free feminine hygiene products across campuses for those who either can’t afford them or are caught without them in a moment of need. As a trial initiative, these will be set up in small storage devices in a few bathrooms across the main campus. In future, FUSA should look towards more permanent storage such as dispensers and widening the availability of these products across campuses.



Motion: Student Council approves \$600 from General Councillor, Hilary Wigg's budget for the implementation and stocking of free feminine hygiene products in storage spaces across a few bathrooms on campus. If this trial is seen as beneficial to students and financially worthwhile, Student Council approve moving forward to focus on the installation of dispensers in bathrooms across the campuses.

6.4. Emergency Meals for Students – Hilary Wigg

Preamble: As we know, many students face a number of financial burdens in their daily lives and sometimes have to prioritise certain costs over others. In those times of need, it is important that they are not going without food to ensure they can afford other necessities. To take away a small part of that burden, their student association should be there to not only support them through long term financial managing but also short-term emergency services.

Motion: Student Council approve the spending of up to \$1000 of the remaining 2016 budget for stocking some canned and packet meals for students to access from the FUSA office when required.

6.5. NUS NatCon Funding – Jason Byrne

Motion: Student Council authorises Welfare Officer Jason Byrne to access the remainder of his Office Bearer conference budget to attend NUS National Conference 2016

6.6. Changes to BJS, Legal Studies and Criminology – Hamish Richardson

Preamble: Next year will see significant changes to the Bachelor of Justice and Society, the Bachelor of Justice and Society (Criminology), and the current majors of Legal Studies and Criminology. New degrees will be introduced in the place of BJS and BJS Crim, being Law and Society and Criminology. While students are being given the option of continuing their current degree, a number of topics are changing for all students. At a recent meeting to discuss the options for current students, held on the 24th of October, it was clear that the information and assistance given to students has still left a number of students in the dark. A number of the information distribution points have not reached all impacted students, and in all cases have come incredibly late in the process. This will cause significant trouble for both the students and the school come 2017.

Motion: That Student Council condemns the process by which the changes to BJS, Legal Studies and Criminology have been reached, and demands significantly more assistance and information for students impacted. Specifically, Student Council demands that the Law School run a day long workshop for impacted students, with immediate assistance available for individual students regarding their study plans, course rules and advice as to whether or not to transfer.



6.7. FUSA Signage – Hamish Richardson

Preamble: FUSA should be continuously striving to expand the awareness about our services and function on campus. Unfortunately, our presence on a number of sections of main campus and satellite campuses is necessarily limited by the resources available to us. One potential way of mitigating this is by installing signage in visible areas that details our services briefly, and how to contact FUSA. This way students in these areas will receive constant reminders while on campus of the services offered by FUSA.

Motion: That Student Council approves the necessary funding from the 2016 budget for installation of FUSA signage on satellite campuses and more remote parts of the Bedford Park campus, detailing services and how to contact FUSA.

6.8. FUSA SC Reach-out – Hamish Richardson

Preamble: FUSA should be continuously striving to expand the awareness about our services and function on campus. Unfortunately, our presence on a number of sections of main campus and satellite campuses is necessarily limited by the resources available to us. It would be helpful for SC to be aware of the specific issues faced on these campuses, and to network with individuals relevant.

Motion: That Student Council approves the necessary funding from the 2016 budget to fund travel by relevant 2017 Office Bearers to Australian based satellite campuses.

6.9. Equal Opportunity and Diversity Committee Student Representation – Amy Hueppauff

Preamble: Currently the Equal Opportunity & Diversity Committee allows for two student representative positions filled by FUSA Officer Bearers elected to the committee by Student Council. At the last Equal Opportunity & Diversity Committee Meeting I put it to the council that it should be increased. I would like Student Council's support in this matter.

Motion: Student Council support increasing the Equal Opportunity & Diversity Committee from two autonomous office bearers to include all autonomous office bearers of FUSA (Disabilities Officer, Indigenous Officer, Queer Officer, Women's Officer, International Students Officer, Postgraduate Students Officer and Mature Age Students Officer).



6.10. Banner Supplies – Amy Hueppauff

Preamble: Student Council regularly purchases materials for painting banners for various events and rallies. Considering the fact that much of council’s money remains unspent I would like to purchase a roll of material, paint, primer, paintbrushes and tarps to be used in future for Student Council related/endorsed events.

Estimated Budget Outline:

Product:		Estimated Cost:
Material: 20 Metre Calico Bolt Natural 120 cm		\$109.99
Paint: Green 500ml pots Yellow 500ml pots Blue 500ml pots Red 500ml pots Orange 500ml pots White 500ml pots Black 250ml pots Purple 500ml pots Pink 500ml pots	No: 4 4 4 4 4 6 4 2 2	Cost for 500ml pots ranges between \$6 and \$9 (depending on the shade of colour) 250ml pots cost \$5 28 500ml pots x \$9 = \$252 4 250ml pots x \$5 = \$20
Primer: Taubmans Easycoat 1L White Prep Primer Sealer Taubmans Easycoat 500ml White Prep Primer Sealer	No: 2 4	2 x \$29.40 = \$58.80 4 x \$19.10 = \$38.80
Paintbrushes		\$30.00
Tarps: Whites Outdoor 2.92 x 3.53m Medium Duty Tarpaulin	Numbers: 4	4 x \$16.45 = \$65.80
	Estimated Total Cost:	\$575.39

Motion: Student Council approve \$600 to be spent on banner supplies.

6.11. Club Affiliations – Simone Jowett

6.11.1 Flinders University Comrades of Social Work



Affiliation Level: Non-Financial Affiliation

Club Purpose: To provide a group for Bachelor of Social Work students to communicate and organise study groups and share resources in relation to preparing for placements or sharing job opportunities. Sale of secondhand textbooks.

Proposed Activities:

- Study group sessions.
- Group bookings for training such as RAN & CSE.
- Lunches and morning teas.
- Movie screenings.
- Charity fundraising events.
- Digital newsletter or blog for members.

Motion: Student Council move to non-financially affiliate the Flinders University Comrades of Social Work.

6.11.2 Flinders Permaculture Committee

Affiliation Level: Financial Affiliation

Club Purpose: The Committee will ensure that Flinders University sets a strong example of regenerative action and community building. It will strive to achieve a community that is capable of living a healthy and equitable life in harmony with nature and to share this with the local region.

Climate change means that our world is undergoing a huge transformation and Flinders University has the opportunity to take an instrumental role in steering our staff and students as well as the local community to a future of abundance and peace. Using the regenerative design principles of Permaculture, Flinders can become unique in this regard by taking on a leadership role in sustainability and community building in Australia and around the world. With the support of the committee, the campus will be transformed piece by piece into a productive landscape that serves to increase biodiversity and resource abundance with students and staff working together for a productive future.

Proposed Activities:

To provide a forum and support for transforming the campus into a permaculture landscape one section at a time, at a minimum of one section (no defined size) per year.

- To promote responsible land care management and support rehabilitation projects on the campus and in the local region
- To promote the development of an environmentally and culturally safe space on campus.



- To promote the development of a health focused, herbal tea garden within the current community garden on campus.
- To promote the development of a not-for-profit Market Garden on campus.
- To support the development of a community garden in the biology department.
- To work with Yungorrendi to increase the presence of native bush foods and to develop 'food trails' on the campus.
- To enable the systems running Flinders University to become sustainable and regenerative.
- To support activity and campaigns in the community that contribute to a positive and sustainable future for future generations
- To support the development of a teaching garden on campus that will be able to teach the differences between sustainable and unsustainable agriculture.
- To have the mental, physical and spiritual health benefits of gardening recognised by the University.
- To establish a regular eco-centric, local producers market on campus

Motion: Student Council moves to approve the financial affiliation of the Flinders Permaculture Committee.

6.12. Budget Spend – Ali Roush

Motion: If General Council members have not spent their budget by the 10th of November (or have plans to spend it), it gets transferred to the Environment Officer to spend buying resources and supplies for next year (e.g. more Keep-cups, film screening rights, 10c charity bins, etc.)

6.13. Postgraduate Dinner Change – Simone Jowett

Preamble: A problem with the booking form used for the postgraduate dinner has meant that 60 people have been registered as attending, instead of the 50 originally budgeted for. We are requesting extra funding from the Post-Grad budget to cover the extra 10 people. Prices are the same, an extra 10 people @ \$60/person comes out to \$600.

Motion: Student Council approves an additional \$600 from the Postgraduate budget for extra attendees at the Postgraduate End-of-Year Dinner.

7. Matters for Discussion

7.1. Participatory Budgeting – Ali Roush



I had several discussions with people involved in participatory budgeting programs (both YourSAy here in SA and various initiatives in the USA), about how we could apply this at a University. I propose allocating the general councillors budget (unless other funds can be sourced), towards a pool fund for such an initiative. I also suggest utilising the DUX as the committee for doing a lot of the 'on-ground' work, with the final suggestions being reviewed by the Council before release for public vote.

For more info on PB, see: <http://www.participatorybudgeting.org/>

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7.2. 2016 FUSA Annual Report – Chris O'Grady

It is important that FUSA reports formally to the student body regarding its activities and achievements throughout the year. The production of an Annual Report is an opportunity to talk about successes, learning experiences and provide financials.

After discussions with the Student President and Media Officer, I am proposing that each Office Bearer of Student Council is given 400 words approx. to summarise their activities and achievements throughout the year. Having a similar word count for each position will provide the report with some uniformity. The Student President, General Secretary and Education Officer will have 600 words approx.

If you have any data/statistics please forward these through and we can create some appealing visuals.

Up for discussion is whether or not General Council Members would like to have their own section.

We are aiming for the 2016 FUSA Annual Report to be printed and released by O'Week 2017. We will likely print 500 copies that will be for distribution to students and other stakeholders across the University. An electronic copy will be made available on the website.

Please submit your report no later than the COB 25th of November 2016 by emailing it to chris.ogrady@flinders.edu.au

Please get in touch with myself if you would like more information and/or need any help with putting this together.