



**Flinders University Student Council Meeting**  
**Agenda of the Meeting held on 22/01/2018**  
Council Room, Registry Building, Bedford Park Campus

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## 1. Acknowledgement of Country

## 2. Apologies

- Josh Rayner
- Andy C
- Sean Henschke
- Louise Nixon
- Grace Hensel
- Natasha Malone

## 3. Previous Minutes

See Appendix 1 (December meeting)

See Appendix 2 (November meeting)

### 3.1 Previous Minutes

**Motion:**

Student Council accepts the minutes of the November 2017 and December 2017 meetings.

## 4. Executive Decisions

See Appendix 3

## 5. Reports

See Appendix 4

## 6. Matters for Decision

### \* 7.1 Casual Vacancy of Postgraduate Officer – Ashley Sutherland

**Pre-amble:**

Following on from the last meeting, during which members of council were elected to the Postgraduate Students Officer Casual Vacancy Selection Panel, we met to discuss all applications and proceeded to interview all three applicants. I chaired this panel which consisted of the General Secretary, Education Officer, Welfare Officer, International Officer, and Kate Walsh, Student Representation and Development Officer. Kate Walsh was Chris O'Grady's (Manager, Student Engagement) proxy, as per the regulations. It was eventually decided by the panel that the Education Officer and the Welfare Officer were unable to attend the times decided upon for the interview process, and thus they elected their own proxies – the Disabilities Officer, and General Council member, Lydia French, respectively. Though all candidates showed commitment to and passion for the role, the panel decided to collectively endorse applicant Vincent Char, a Graduate Diploma in Business Administration. Previously a teacher, Vincent has a unique background in both the union and education movements. He is an International student, a father, and an external student. It's our opinion that he will bring a wealth of experience to Student Council.



**Motion:**

Student Council elect Vincent Char to fill the vacant position of Postgraduate Students Officer.

## 7.2 Pride Week and IDAHOBIT Events – Sean Henschke

**Preamble:**

\$1273 of the Queer Officer's budget has been allocated for IDAHOBIT Day and pride week, Monday the 14-Friday the 19th of May. The Plaza and hub will be utilised with stalls from various groups as well as an art exhibition in the studio and various other events throughout the week.

See Appendix 5 for event proposal

**Motion:**

Student Council approve \$1273 of the Queer Officer's budget to be allocated for Pride week on the 14th-19th of May

## 7.3 Black Panther night – Yaritji Green & Keon Simmons

**Preamble:**

In everyday life People of Colour are bombarded with images of white people on television, in advertising on posters, public transport – these can portray messages of who can be considered beautiful, who can be an honourable victim, who can be the saviour of the people especially people of colour.

“People often associate racism with acts of abuse or harassment. However, it doesn't need to involve violent or intimidating behaviour. Take racial name-calling and jokes. Or consider situations when people may be excluded from groups or activities because of where they come from.

Racism can be revealed through people's actions as well as their attitudes. It can also be reflected in systems and institutions. But sometimes it may not be revealed at all. Not all racism is obvious. For example, someone may look through a list of job applicants and decide not to interview people with certain surnames.

Racism is more than just words, beliefs and actions. It includes all the barriers that prevent people from enjoying dignity and equality because of their race.

Racism causes harm to those who are on the receiving end. It hurts individuals, communities and our society at large.

Studies show that experiencing racism has profound effects on people's health and welfare. The effects can include feelings of sadness and anger, even anxiety and depression. The regular experience of racism can lead to people withdrawing from work or study, and diminish their quality of life.

It can also hurt people's freedom and dignity. Those who endure racism can be made to feel they have less freedom, or are second-class citizens.



In a diverse country such as Australia, the effects of racism aren't confined to individuals. It has the potential to affect all of us. Racial hostility creates a society where people don't trust and respect each other. It challenges our society's values of equality and fairness." – Human Rights Commission

The movie Black Panther is a superhero movie where the black person is here to save the day. It is a superhero movie where people of colour are portrayed as powerful, strong, and calm in the face of danger. It is a movie where people of colour can see themselves as the hero of the day.

*Event Cinema Exclusives Combo*

*Ticket plus cinema treats: Popcorn, soft drink or mount franklin still water and single vanilla choc top*

*Each Exclusives Combo ticket is \$25.00*

*Tickets needed: 102*

*Total price for 102 Exclusives Combo Tickets: \$2550.00*

**Motion:**

Student Council approves the spending of \$2550.00 dollars for 102 tickets to the Black Panther movie at Marion Event Cinemas – for the Indigenous Officer and International Officer's Black Panther Event, to be taken from budget lines as follows: Indigenous Officer's Initiatives Budget: \$500; International Officer's Initiatives Budget: \$500; Student Council Flexi-Fund: \$1250.

## **7.4 Club affiliation: Flinders Debating Association – Katerina Hatzipanagiotis**

**Preamble:**

The Flinders Debating Club is applying for non-financial affiliation and seems to fulfil all necessary requirements.

See Appendix 6

**Motion:**

Student Council approve non-financial affiliation to the Flinders Debating Association.

## **8. Matters for Discussion**

### **8.1 Sustainability Advisory Committee's interest in Ride Share app**



**Flinders University Student Council Meeting**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2017.**

**University Council Chambers, Registry Building, Flinders University Student Association.**

15:00

**Present:** Ashley Sutherland (Student President), Katt Hatzi (General Secretary), Grace Hensel (Women's Officer), Kate Gallagher (Welfare Officer), Keon Simmons (International Officer), Yaritji Green (Indigenous Officer), Sean Henschke (Queer Officer), Louise Nixon (Disabilities Officer), Natasha Malone (Mature Age Officer), Josh Jarvis (General Council Member), Tarmia Klass (General Council Member), Lydia French (General Council Member), Chris O'Grady (Manager, Student Engagement), Amy Tschirn (Minutes).

*Meeting Opened: 15:10*

**1. Acknowledgement of Country**

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

**2. Apologies**

Josh Rayner (Education Officer), Bradley Martin (Social Activities Officer), Kathryn Venning (General Council Member), Jesse Stevens (General Council Member).

**3. Welcome Guests**

Fay Hart was welcomed by Student President Ashley Sutherland.

**Fay Hart:** Introduced herself as the FUSA Office Coordinator. Part of this role is to assist with Student Council budget lines. If Student Council have any queries regarding how funding works, help with proposals, what to spend money on, how we can buy you things, or anything that you would like to take to Student Council for expenditure you can see me and I can help you through that process. Further, see me for help with access to emails for office bearers, card access to the FUSA office and SC room, questions about your honorarium, access to the Share Drive, etc. I'm always available for you to come see and help with anything. Friendly reminder to hand in your TFN forms so that we can process your honorarium.

*Fay hart left 3:23*



#### 4. Accept Minutes from Previous Meeting

**Motion:** Student Council defers the November minutes until the next Student Council meeting

**Moved:** Ashley Sutherland

**Seconded:**

All in favour.

#### 5. Ratification of Executive Decisions

**Motion:** FUSA Student Council defers ratification of executive decisions until the next Student Council meeting.

**Moved:** Ashley Sutherland

**Seconded:**

All in favour.

#### 7.0 Matters for Decision:

**Ashley Sutherland:** Items to be starred are 7.1, 7.2, 7.3,

**Katt Hatzi:** Addition of last minute motions 7.8, 7.9, 7.10

**Chris O'Grady:** I would like to star 7.8, 7.9, 7.10

#### 7.0 Matters left un-starred to moved en bloc:

#### 7.4 First Year Collective – Katerina Hatzipanagiotis

##### **Preamble:**

As per the Standing Committee Regulations:

##### 8. First Year Collective

8.1. The First Year Collective shall provide advice to the Student Council on all issues pertaining to students who identify as first-year students.

8.2. The members of the First Year Collective are:

(a) the General Secretary or Student Council nominee elected by Student Council (chair);

(i) if at close of nominations, no Council Member has been nominated, the position of chair will default to the General Secretary.

##### **Motion:**

Student Council appoint Lydia French and Tarmia Klass to be the co-Chairs of the First Year Collective.



### **7.5 Student Council Bank Account – Katerina Hatzipanagiotis**

#### **Preamble:**

Given the change of Student Council representatives, new signatories need to be added to and current signatories removed from the FUSA Student Council bank account at People's Choice Credit Union.

#### **Motions:**

Student Council endorses that, as of December 1st 2017, the new signatories for the Flinders University Student Association People's Choice Business and Community Account will be as follows: Ashley Sutherland (Student President) and Katerina Hatzipanagiotis (General Secretary), with Jordon O'Reilly and Christopher Norman to be removed from the signatories list. Student Council directs the outgoing signatories and incoming signatories to complete the handover of the FUSA Bank Account by December 7th 2017.

### **7.6 Consent Training for Student Council – Natasha Malone**

#### **Preamble:**

Working in collaboration with the Women's Officer, and Jodie Zada on the Respect Now Always Campaign, it is my proposal that Student Council members - current and future - undertake *compulsory* and *mandatory* Consent Training prior to Semester 1 2018 commencing. This would allow the student population to see FUSA are proactive in the findings of the Respect Now Always report and ensuring Student Council are completely informed about what consent is and how to deal with any issues that may arise in either being told about it by our cohorts, or being bystanders in such occurrences. It is the proposal that this training is conducted through outsourcing trained staff from Yarrow Place, in late January/ early February 2018 for all current members of Student Council. The package chosen in this proposal will cover bystander consent, consent training and how to help and will take approximately 3 hours of your individual time.

#### **Motion:**

Student Council to approve \$1100 from either the Flexi Fund to run consent training by Yarrow Place to be attended by the 2018 Council before the commencement of Semester 1.

### **7.7 Flinders Community Market and Food Bank – Kate Gallagher**

#### **Preamble:**

Many students at Flinders are living below the poverty line and as a result of this are struggling to afford nutritious food. In response to this issue, FUSA and Oasis will be launching a Food Bank/Market in O'Week 2018.

The aim of this will be as an adjunct service to those provided by Student Assist to help students before their situation reaches a crisis point, and to help eliminate the barriers to services like Foodbank which require referrals. The foodbank/market will run every week on rotating days with a



cooking class after the market once a month. Food will be a mixture of free with some items sold at the same cost that foodbank sells them to us.

We are aiming, longer term, to expand it to a broader community market which will also collaborate with the FUSA op shop project, and also provide students an opportunity to sell things they create. It would be great for FUSA to be able to fund the start-up costs for this project, we are hoping to secure \$500 to cover initial food purchases from Foodbank, storage equipment, and social media promotion.

**Motion:**

Student council approves \$500 to be spent on the start-up costs for the Flinders Community Market/Foodbank project.

**Motion:** I move that matters left un-starred be moved en bloc.

**Moved:** Ashley Sutherland

**Seconded:** Grace Hensel

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

## 7.0 Matters for Decision:

### 7.1 Executive Committee – Katerina Hatzipanagiotis

**Preamble:**

As per the Constitution:

12.1. The Executive Committee is a committee of the Student Council, exercising delegated powers from the Student Council under Clause 10.3.

12.2. The Executive Committee: (a) may transact the business of the Association, on behalf of the Student Council, on urgent matters that the President and General Secretary consider cannot be held over until the next regular meeting of the Student Council; (b) may exercise such other powers as may from time to time be delegated to it by the Student Council; and (c) must provide the Student Council with reports of its activities at each meeting of the Student Council.

12.3. Decisions of the Executive Committee must be ratified at the next regular meeting of the Student Council and shall have the same effect as decisions of the Student Council, provided that such decisions are made in accordance with this Constitution and the Regulations.

12.4. The voting members of the Executive Committee are:

(a) the President (Chair);

(b) the General Secretary;

(c) the Education Officer; and

(d) Two (2) voting member of the Student Council elected by the Student Council.

**Motion:**

Student Council appoint \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to be voting members of the Executive Committee.



**Amended Motion:** Student Council appoint Grace Hensel (Women's Officer) and Yaritji Green (Indigenous Officer) to be voting members of the Executive Committee.

**Moved:** Katt Hatzi  
All in favour.  
**Motion carried.**

**Seconded:** Josh Jarvis

## 7.2 Empire Times Liaison – Katerina Hatzipanagiotis

### **Preamble:**

As per the Empire Times Regulations:  
'Empire Times Liaison Officer' means a member of Student Council who is appointed by Student Council to this role to provide a communication link between the Empire Times Editorial Team and Student Council.

**Motion:** Student Council appoint \_\_\_\_\_ to be the Empire Times Liaison Officer

**Amended motion:** Student Council appoint Louise Nixon (Disabilities Officer) to be the Empire Times Liaison Officer

**Moved:** Katt Hatzi  
All in favour.  
**Motion carried.**

**Seconded:** Kate Gallagher

## 7.3 Club Pool Funding Sub-Committee – Katerina Hatzipanagiotis

### **Preamble:**

The Club Pool Funding Subcommittee approves funding requests from Financially Affiliated Clubs, this generally occurs 4 times per year and will take approx. 4 hours work per meeting (2 hours to go through the proposals, 2 hours for the meeting). The committee consists of the Clubs Officer (Adam Rau), the General Secretary, two elected members of Student Council and one club representative to be elected by Clubs and Societies Sub-Committee.

**Motion:** Student Council appoint \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to sit on the Club Pool Funding Sub-Committee.

**Amended Motion:** Student Council appoint Tash Malone (Mature Age Officer) and Kate Gallagher (Welfare Officer) to sit on the Club Pool Funding Sub-Committee.

**Moved:** Katt Hatzi  
All in favour.  
**Motion carried.**

**Seconded:** Keon Simmons



### **7.8 Postgraduate Officer: Casual Vacancy Panel members - Katerina Hatzipanagiotis**

**Preamble:** According to regulations, one of the two Student Council members nominated for the position must identify as a woman. The panel will sit on the week starting 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

Nominations are open from the 4-11<sup>th</sup> December 2017. The position starts on February 1<sup>st</sup> 2018.

**Motion:** Student Council appoint \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to be Casual Vacancy Panel members.

**Amended Motion:** Student Council appoint Kate Gallagher (Welfare Officer) and Keon Simmons (International Officer) to be Casual Vacancy Panel members.

**Moved:** Katt Hatzi

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

**Seconded:** Louise Nixon

### **7.9 Financial affiliation for the Intellectual Property, Innovation & Technology Society – Katerina Hatzipanagiotis**

**Motion:** That Student Council approve the financial affiliation of the Flinders University Intellectual Property, Innovation, & Technology Society.

**Katt Hatzi:** There was a miscommunication in the previous meeting that resulted in the club being approved for non-financial affiliation when they applied for financial affiliation. Everything seems to be in order for financial affiliation.

**Moved:** Katt Hatzi

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

**Seconded:** Grace Hensel

### **7.10 Non-financial affiliation for the Flinders University American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics – Katerina Hatzipanagiotis**

**Motion:** That Student Council approve the non-financial affiliation of the Flinders University American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

**Moved:** Katt Hatzi

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

**Seconded:** Kate Gallagher

### **7.11 Medical Students Society Financial Hardships Committee - Katt Hatzi**



**Motion:** That Student Council nominates Yaritji Green to sit on the Medical Students Society Financial Hardship Committee.

**Moved:** Katt Hatzi

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

**Seconded:** Natasha Malone

## 8.0 Matters for Discussion:

### 8.1 Meeting times for 2018

Confirming the first Monday of the month as the regular meeting time for Student Council, and choosing a revised date for a January meeting.

**Ashley Sutherland:** So basically confirming 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of month, does that work for everyone?

**Chris O'Grady:** Tuesdays could work better, as that would eliminate the issue of public holidays.

**Katt Hatzi:** does anyone object to Tuesdays?

**Keon Simmons:** I can't make Tuesdays.

**Ashley Sutherland:** So probably best to stick with 6:30pm first Monday of each month. We need to have a meeting late January to appoint the casual vacancy for Postgraduate Officer. Recommend that we have this on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 6:30pm.

**Katt Hatzi:** we should pick a February date too. How about February 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm?

*All in favour.*

### 8.2 Medical Students Society Financial Hardships Committee

In 2017 Hilary was on this committee which assesses applications to cover conference fees, bills, etc. There should be someone to replace her in 2018.

**Katt Hatzi:** Calling for someone to put their hand up to sit on this committee.

Yaritji Green volunteers.

### 8.3 Swipe Card Access to FUSA office – Ashley Sutherland

**Ashley Sutherland:** Just a reminder to talk to the FUSA Admin staff, preferably Amy, about swipe card access to the FUSA side door and Student Council room. Recommend that you do this today if you can.



#### 8.4 O'Week Student Directors – Chris O'Grady

**Chris O'Grady:** The O'Week directors would like to do laser skirmish with an inflatable maze in the HUMN courtyard. Just wanted to run it by Student Council as it's a FUSA endorsed event to make sure that we don't think it's in bad taste re: guns.

**Ashley Sutherland:** Does anyone have any strong opinions about this? I am not fussed. I understand that there could be some sensitivities regarding the issues, but trust the O'Week directors, and remember that they themselves are students.

**Natasha Malone:** What about OHS issues surrounding this?

**Chris O'Grady:** it will all be covered by Buildings and Properties, this is more about the philosophical point surrounding it.

**Keon Simmons:** There was a South Australian high school that recently had an issue with this.

**Kate Gallagher:** Because this will be in February I think that it would have died down by then.

**Katt Hatzi:** We had buck shooting at O'Week previously, and it's not like it's paintball were you're actually shooting someone.

**Yaritji Green:** They also have had first person shooter games at the Semester 2 O'week previously.

**Kate Gallagher:** I think that it's probably fine.

**Tarmia Klass:** I think that as long as they don't walk around the university with the skirmish guns its fine, just making sure that it's contained.

**Chris O'grady:** So it's a thumbs up then?

*All in favour.*

*Meeting Closed: 15:39.*



**Flinders University Student Council Meeting**  
**Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017.**  
**Alere Function Room, Student Hub Level 2, Flinders University Student**  
**Association.**  
18:30

**Present:** Jordon O'Reilly (Student President), Christopher Norman (General Secretary), Hilary Wigg (Welfare Officer), Katt Hatzi (Postgraduate Students Officer), Vieshnavee Pandiyan (International Students Officer), Grace Hensel (Women's Officer), Natasha Malone (Mature Age Officer), Ashley Sutherland (Social Activities Officer), Kate Gallagher (Disabilities Officer), Amy Hueppauff (General Council Member), Laurence Lagoon-Williamson (General Council Member), Amy Tschirn (Minutes).

*Meeting Opened: 18:41*

### **0.0 Matter for Decision**

**Procedural motion:** to suspend standing orders

**Moved:** Christopher Norman

**Seconded:** Yaritji Green

### **0.1 Acknowledgement of Country at FUSA Student Council meetings – Yaritji Green**

**Motion:**

Acknowledgement of country is an important part of starting any meeting that is upon Kurna land – the opening of the student council meeting and the acknowledgement of country should be done by the Indigenous Officer – someone who is recognised and acknowledged as such as a true member of the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community.

**Yaritji Green:** There is a Welcome to Country and an Acknowledgement of Country: someone of Kurna descent traditionally does a Welcome to Country, while those who are not of Kurna descent would be Acknowledging Country. On Flinders Student Council, the Student President has traditionally performed this. It is an



important part of acknowledging Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islanders on campus, that an indigenous person performs this. Australia has a history where these people have been disadvantaged and their voices are often still not heard. Having an Indigenous person do the welcome to country highlights importance of the Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islanders having a voice on Student Council. In the absence of the Indigenous Officer, the Welcome to Country should be done by someone who they deem worthy.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** More of a procedural thing – this will require a change to Standing Orders in regards to the meeting procedure. I'm happy for you to do it this time, and will look to move a change to the Standing Orders.

**Moved:** Yaritji Green  
All in favour.

**Seconded:** Kate Gallagher

**Motion carried.**

## 1. Acknowledgement of Country

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

## 2. Apologies

Hamish Richardson (Education Officer), Jacinta Robinson (Environment Officer), Khyle Milne (Queer Officer), Sean Cullen-Macaskill (General Council Member), Meaghan King (General Council Member), Sean Lamonby (General Council Member), Chris O'Grady (Manager, Student Engagement).

## 3. Welcome Guests

Sean Henschke (Queer Officer elect), (International Officer elect), Jesse Stevens (General Council Member elect) welcomed by Student President Jordon O'Reilly.

## 4. Accept Minutes from Previous Meeting

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

**Moved:** Jordon O'Reilly

**Seconded:** Christopher Norman

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**



## 5. Accept reports from the previous month

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Who am I missing reports from?

**Christopher Norman:** I haven't circulated yours (O'Reilly), as it was late.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** I sent it around. I will chase up those of you who have not submitted theirs.

**Motion:** That the submitted reports be accepted and the missing reports be deferred to the next Executive Meeting.

**Moved:** Jordon O'Reilly

**Seconded:** Natasha Malone

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

## 6. Ratification of Executive Decisions

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

**Moved:** Jordon O'Reilly

**Seconded:** Hilary Wigg

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

## 7. Matters for Decision

### 7.0 Congratulations and farewell to 2017 Student Council – Jordon O'Reilly

**Jordon O'Reilly:** I would just like to congratulate and farewell the 2017 Student Council as is the last meeting for the year. Congratulations all on nice, fun year, especially to those of you who have served multiple years, especially to Amy (Hueppauff), I don't remember a year that Amy wasn't on Student Council. Congratulations to all, farewell and good luck to those continuing, and congratulations to new people in the room who will take the helm on the 1<sup>st</sup> December.

**Christopher Norman:** It's been great working with everyone, it's been a good, productive year, good working with Jordon (O'Reilly), good luck to everyone who is continuing or starting anew next year.



**Motion:** to congratulate and farewell the 2017 Student Council.

**Moved:** Jordon O'Reilly

**Seconded:** Christopher Norman

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

## 7.0 Matters for Decision

**Christopher Norman:** I would like to star 7.4, 7.5.

**Laurence Lagoon-Williamson:** May I remove 7.3 as it was passed through executive already?

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Okay, withdrawal of 7.3.

**Christopher Norman:** I would also like to add two club affiliations.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Addition of 7.24, 7.25. What clubs are they?

**Christopher Norman:** Flinders University Student Exchange Club and the Intellectual Property, Innovation, & Technology Society

**Jordon O'Reilly:** I would like to star 7.6.

**Procedural Motion:** To move the matters to be moved en bloc to the end of matters for decision.

**Moved:** Christopher Norman

**Seconded:** Amy Hueppauff

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

## 7.0 Matters for Decision:

### 7.4 Opposition to Police Powers in Adelaide CBD – Laurence Lagoon-Williamson

**Motion:** FUSA says no to the new police powers in Adelaide's city centre which are being used to target Aboriginal people, the homeless and monitor and restrict freedom of movement.

**Laurence Lagoon-Williamson:** New draconian police powers in Adelaide that between 6pm-am between hindley to middle of light square polive have power to search anyone that they want, use metal detectors and drug snifer sogs, if you fail to move on, which may be impossible if you don't have somewhere to move



to, fined \$2500 if you banned to reenter otherwise 1250, encroachment on civil liberties, disproportionately effect poor people and indigenous Australians.

**Christopher Norman:** Good motion, wanted to add to the end of the motion that FUSA student council directs the student president to write to the relevant minister condemning this egregious act by the state government.

**Kate:** I fully support this motion and the suggested amendment, it's an awful thing so maybe we should be making a statement more than this, maybe a petition to send as well?

**Laurence:** Good idea.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** I am not opposed to the message of the original motion, I would like it to be noted that I will be dissenting due to the amendment put forward by Christopher Norman.

**Amended motion:** FUSA says no to the new police powers in Adelaide's city centre which are being used to target Aboriginal people, the homeless and monitor and restrict freedom of movement. FUSA student council directs the Student President to write to the relevant minister condemning this egregious act by the state government.

**Moved:** Laurence Lagoon-Williamson  
Pandiyam

**Seconded:** Vieshnavee

For: 11, Against: 1, Abstention: 0

**Motion carried.**

## 7.5 Celebrate the Success of the "Yes Campaign" – Laurence Lagoon-Williamson

**Motion:** FUSA commends the NUS LGBTI department for their activist approach to the marriage equality campaign, particularly their role in on and off campus protests including the two central demonstrations in Adelaide, and commends the protest based approach as a model for future student campaigns.

**Laurence Lagoon-Williamson:** I think it's been an excellent campaign, we've had some of the biggest LGBTI protest in Adelaide history. There's been an excellent effort by different activist groups, polls indicate that the yes campaign will win.

**Kate Gallagher:** I would like to speak on it.



**Jordon O'Reilly:** The motion requires a seconder before you can speak to it.

**Christopher Norman:** You can have up to 60 seconds per person speaking before a seconder is required.

**Kate Gallagher:** I think it's a good motion but we don't know the results yet. I would just wondering if we wanted to defer it to the next executive meeting after Wednesday. It was a good campaign but don't want to celebrate without the results.

**Ashley Sutherland:** I think that we should celebrate anyway regardless of results - people put a lot of effort in.

**Kate Gallagher:** As a member of the community that this issue effects, I don't like the idea of celebrating something we don't know the outcome of yet. I think that we should be deferring it. It could be a very bad time for the queer community in the coming days.

**Laurence Lagoon-Williamson:** All the polls indicate it will be a victory, but I don't have a problem with that, I'm happy to defer it.

**Moved:** Laurence Lagoon-Williamson      **Seconded:** Vieshnavee Pandiyan

**Procedural motion:** That this motion be deferred to the next Executive Meeting after Wednesday (15/11/17).

**Moved:** Christopher Norman      **Seconded:** Amy Hueppauff  
All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

## **7.6 Transfer of NAIDOC budget money moved to the Indigenous Officer's Budget line.**

### **Motion:**

Student Council to approve the use of the remainder NAIDOC Festival Budget \$1880.00 to be transferred over to the Indigenous Officer's budget line for the Indigenous Officer to use before the close of this year.

**Yaritji Green:** Had a chat with Fay about how much money I have left, said that I have more money left that what I had expected due to the fact that FUSA already had the rights to play the movie so that was \$650 that I had budgeted and approved for that didn't need to be done. Then there was a panel that didn't



happen so just payment for the speakers plus casuals involved, some extra money I had spare for emergencies for that week (NAIDOC). Moving that money to the Indigenous Officer's budget so that I can use the money for indigenous purposes this year and next.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** I'm not opposed to it. Alfie (Alfred Lowe) did it last year, great way to make sure we get some spending in that area. My concern is with the inconsistency in moving this motion and blocking Viesh's (Vieshnavee Pandiyan) motions in previous Student Council meetings with the Multicultural Festival (MCF) budget line to the International Officer's budget line.

**Yaritji Green:** So what's the difference between this motion where I'm actually spending it on the Indigenous students, if you look at the following motions its all for Indigenous students and events, its not money that's used for only me.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** I don't have an issue with the way you're spending the money, just the inconsistency.

**Yaritji Green:** But that's the difference.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** I'm just looking at it from a government perspective because it's a bit of a double standard.

**Christopher Norman:** The decision that we came to last meeting was not that the MCF budget couldn't be used for initiatives; it was that the MCF budget couldn't be used for conferences, and that's the distinction.

**Moved:** Yaritji Green

**Seconded:** Hilary Wigg

For: 11, Against: 0, Abstention: 1

**Motion carried.**

### 7.17 Collation of Office bearer budgets for expenditure – Jordon O'Reilly

**Preamble:** As there is little time to spare in relation to spending most of FUSA's money before the new budget rolls over, I'm following precedent of last year that the remaining Office bearer, General Council budgets will all be merged for the executive to spend. This means after this meeting any remaining money will become the executive's to use.

**Motion:** That preceding the student council meeting, all OB and GC budget lines will become under the power and directive of the executive to spend.



**Jordon O'Reilly:** As most of you are aware we are trying to spend as much money as possible, at the end of the meeting all the money that hasn't been committed to be spent, letting the executive have your budget line to finish off spending the rest of your budget. For example, any motions that get passed today we won't spend that, just what is left over after that commitment. Any questions?

**Moved:** Jordon O'Reilly  
All in favour.

**Seconded:** Christopher Norman

**Motion carried.**

### 7.18 FUSA Merch – Jordon O'Reilly

**Preamble:** I'm seeking to purchase more merchandise for sale from the SSAF budget lines. The plan will be to buy upwards of \$30 thousand dollars' worth of Shirts, jumpers, hats and other clothing and neat bits and pieces to sell for profit. The profits will go to the Student Council Bank Account. Previously we have had issue with SSAF funding being tied funding unable to keep the profits, however since discussions between myself, Ashley Sutherland and the PVC(SL). Michele informed me that once tied funds have been spent any return are consider untied.

**Motion:** That 30k be spent from the Coms & Media budget, Student engagement budget on retails merchandise. With all profits coming to the Student Council Bank Account.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Just to give more background, in previous years we tried to spend SSAF money to make money. Chris O'Grady has been staunchly against this and has blocked it at every point, however stance is not the stance that basically every other uni in the country takes. It a meeting that myself and Ashley Sutherland and I had with Michele Fleming last week she wanted to know why FUSA hadn't touched its \$70K profit from this year alone on events and initiatives due to making money from things like O'week and the FUSA Ball. I also know from Michele that this number is lower than in previous years. Michele's view is that the second a SSAF dollar is spent, whatever return is made is untied funds and eligible for use on things that aren't held in the SSAF budget. We continue our venture our venture into retail items and things like that so that next year's council has a bit more cash that isn't tied up to do other



things. Hopeful that next year's council can expand and can potentially looking a bit for the campus store in the future.

**Christopher Norman:** can we recoup that \$70K?

**Jordon O'Reilly:** I haven't asked yet. I was going to ask that of Chris O'Grady tonight however he's sick. Will ask Wednesday.

**Moved:** Jordon O'Reilly  
All in favour.

**Seconded:** Christopher Norman

**Motion carried.**

## 7.19 FUSA Flags – Laurence Lacoon-Williamson

### **Preamble:**

As a serious organisation which is concerned about fighting for the rights of students and showing solidarity with workers and the oppressed, FUSA should invest in some flags with our logo on it to have at protests and other events. It is a good way of making ourselves visible and encouraging students from Flinders to be involved in the events that we organise and support. Many other unions and progressive political groups have their own flags and, although banners are also excellent, flags are much more portable and easy to carry around at a demonstration.

### **Motion:**

FUSA student council will spend \$110 on one double-sided flag (dimensions 1200x600mm) from the *Flag Factory* to promote our organisation at protests, demonstrations and other events from the general council member budget. FUSA will spend \$5.50 on one extendable 2m windsock stainless steel flag pole.

**Laurence Lacoon-Williamson:** Seeing a lot of the rallies and seeing the union flags at them have been good, I think that in terms of increasing visibility to students and various progressive organisations it would be good to have some FUSA flags. It will be \$110 but it's quite big and high quality to come out of my budget as of which I have currently not spent anything.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Can I make one amendment that you don't buy one flag, you buy, say, five? Just that seeing one flag looks kind of silly.



**Laurence Lagoon-Williamson:** I would be amenable to that. I'm okay with three maybe? But then we need more poles also.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** How about we just move \$500 towards flags?

**Amended motion:** FUSA student council will spend \$500 on one double-sided flag (dimensions 1200x600mm) from the *Flag Factory* to promote our organisation at protests, demonstrations and other events from the general council member budget.

**Moved:** Laurence Lagoon-Williamson  
All in favour.

**Seconded:** Hilary Wigg

**Motion Carried.**

## 7.20 Badge Maker

**Preamble:** FUSA should have a functional badge maker for use by Student Council members and campus activists to promote progressive causes on campus. It is an excellent way for our members to promote their campaigns to students.

**Motion:** FUSA will spend \$209 on a 58mm DIY pinback badge maker/press cutting machine\*\* from the general council member budget line.

**Laurence:** I know that we have a badge maker but it doesn't work and is beyond repairable. Would be good to have for particular campaigns that office bearers are running and good for others students that want to run other campaigns also.

**Christopher Norman:** The one issue is that the quote can't come from eBay.

**Amy Hueppauff:** Just wanted to make sure that for events prioritised for office bearers so they can have access when they need.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Can I suggest that we defer cost to the next executive meeting?

**Moved:** Laurence Lagoon-Williamson  
Norman

**Seconded:** Christopher

**Procedural motion:** That agenda item 7.20 be deferred to the next executive meeting to organise the cost.



**Moved:** Jordon O'Reilly

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

**Seconded:** Grace Hensel

## 7.21 Megaphone

**Preamble:**

I would like to purchase a megaphone for FUSA student council from my General Council member initiatives budget. It will be very useful for activist events on and off campus where FUSA student council members are involved and a great way for our activists to be heard at demonstrations in the coming years. The 25 watt handheld megaphone with siren will cost \$69.95 from Jaycar Electronics, has an effective distance of 600m and has a battery life of 6 hours.

**Motion:** FUSA student council spend \$69.95 from the General Council member budget for a megaphone for activist events.

**Laurence Lagoon-Williamson:** Good for activist events on or off campus e.g. NDA in the CBD. Will be \$69.95.

**Amy Hueppauff:** Same thing as previous motion applying to this one – prioritised for office bearers.

**Moved:** Laurence Lagoon-Williamson

Norman

All in favour

**Motion carried.**

**Seconded:** Christopher

## 7.22 Solidarity with Oaky North coal miners – Laurence Lagoon-Williamson

**Preamble:** Glencore's collective agreement with its Oaky North coal miners expired two and a half years ago. The workers, represented by the CFMEU, have been bargaining for a new deal since then. But the company has come to the table pushing a raft of attacks, including stripping the agreement of clauses about union representation rights, rostering and safety. It is also demanding that workers accept a wage cut and pay more for accommodation. The Oaky North coal miners have rejected the company's terms. In May they started a series of week-long stoppages. Glencore responded in July by locking them out. Since



then, every Tuesday at 12pm, the miners receive an email with an instruction not to return to work. A picket line has been maintained continuously outside the mine, which is now being operated by contractors. The miners are determined to stick out this dispute and win – but they need solidarity from other trade unions and student unions around the country and are calling for donations to their families for the holiday period.

**Motion:** FUSA student council will take a solidarity photo to inspire the workers and their families to continue their struggle against Glencore and post it on the Student Council Facebook page with the donation link.

**Moved:** Laurence Lagoon-Williamson  
All in favour

**Seconded:** Vieshnavee Pandiyan

**Motion carried.**

### 7.23 Conference travel costs - Vieshnavee Pandiyan

**Vieshnavee Pandiyan:** I want to spend the rest of my incentives budget to claim for my conferences. For the CISA conference in July, because it's Canberra it exceeded the \$1,000 for accommodation, so that's \$480, and to claim \$500 for the Communities in Control conference. I attended another conference in July with Tash (Natasha Malone), and Jacinta (Robinson) said that I could claim that from her travel allowance.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Chris (Christopher Norman), how much does Veish (Vieshnavee Pandiyan) have left in her budget?

**Christopher Norman:** \$384.56 in travel budget and \$1763.06 in the initiatives budget

**Vieshnavee Pandiyan:** So I don't need to claim from Jacinta's budget then so can I claim the three amounts from my budget?

**Jordon O'Reilly:** You can claim from your travel budget without approval from this group, however your initiatives budget would need approval.

**Procedural Motion:** That 7.23 to be discussed at the end of the matters for decision.

All in favour.



## 7.24 Flinders University Student Exchange Club – Christopher Norman

**Motion:** That Student Council approve the Flinders University Student Exchange Club as a Financially Affiliated Club.

**Christopher Norman:** The Flinders Uni Student Exchange club have met all the requirements for a financially affiliated club, we happen to have the president right here who can tell us about the club.

**Jesse Stevens:** The main group will be exchange students that are here as well as returning exchange students, as well as students who have applied to go on an exchange, have a bunch of social events to make exchange students have a better time while they're at flinders

**Jordon O'Reilly:** and they meet the requirements for affiliation Chris?  
(Christopher Norman)

**Christopher Norman:** Yes.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Cool. Just a reminder not to spend your money on any alcohol.

**Moved:** Christopher Norman  
All in favour.

**Seconded:** Katt Hatzi

**Motion carried.**

## 7.25 Intellectual Property, Innovation, & Technology Society – Christopher Norman

**Motion:** That Student Council approve the Flinders University Intellectual Property, Innovation, & Technology Society as a Non-Financially Affiliated Club.

**Christopher Norman:** Meet all the requirements as well; Katt (Hatzi) knows more about them.

**Katt Hatzi:** I bumped into the president, basically students who come out of innovation and enterprise topics plan on collaborating with different start ups around Adelaide and the other unis.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Are they applying for financial or non-financial affiliation?

**Christopher Norman:** I think it's non-financial.



**Jordon O'Reilly:** I just have concerns over them having financial affiliation, that's all, and using that to fund their start-ups, and I know Chris O'Grady would too if he were in the room.

**Christopher Norman:** I don't think they're trying to fund start-ups.

**Katt Hatzi:** I think it's more of a community building and networking thing.

**Moved:** Christopher Norman

**Seconded** Vieshnavee Pandiyan

All in favour

**Motion carried.**

### 7.23 Conference travel costs - Vieshnavee Pandiyan

**Vieshnavee Pandiyan:** I will claim from the rest of my travel budget which is \$384, and then \$1396 from the incentives budget.

**Motion:** That \$1396 be moved from International Students Officer's initiatives budget to the travel budget.

*Lost quorum 7:27pm*

*Meeting resumed 7:40*

**Moved:** Vieshnavee Pandiyan

**Seconded:** Natasha Malone

All in favour.

**Motion Carried.**

### 7.0 Matters left un-starred to moved en bloc:

#### 7.1 Solidarity with Refugees on Manus – Laurence Lagoon Williamson

**Motion:** TBA

#### 7.2 Opposition to imperialism in Asia – Laurence Lagoon Williamson



**Motion:** FUSA calls on the Australian government and the Federal opposition to end the US-Alliance and stop supporting imperialist incursion into East Asia, threatening North Korea and escalating the possibility of a catastrophic nuclear war. FUSA affirms its opposition to imperialism in all its forms.

### **7.7 Indigenous Badges 2017 – Yaritji Green**

**Motion:**

Student council to approve \$156.95 from the Indigenous Officer's budget to be spent on badge supplies before the close of the 2017 Indigenous officer's term.

### **7.8 Indigenous Diaries 2018– Yaritji Green**

**Motion:**

Student Council to approve spending from the Indigenous Officer's Budget, the sum of \$354.48 (inclusive of shipping) for the IAD Press' 2018 ANGKITJA hardcover Diary for use of as prizes, and welcome packs for the First Nations' Collective Committee.

### **7.9 First Nations Collective Students: Papua New Guinean Students End of Year Dinner – Yaritji Green**

**Motion:** Student Council to approve the sum of \$260.00 for the Papua New Guinean Students to use for their end of year dinner to come from the Indigenous Officer's budget.

### **7.10 Co-op Vouchers for First Nation Students – Yaritji Green**

**Motion:** Student council to approve the spending of \$500.00 from the Indigenous Officer's budget on buying ten \$50.00 vouchers from the Flinders University Co-op store.

### **7.11 Small Indigenous Notepads and Water Bottles from Utopia Australia – Yaritji Green**

**Motion:** Student Council to approve spending from the Indigenous Officer's



Budget, the sum of \$426.20 for the include Utopia Australia contemporary Aboriginal Designs small note pads and water bottles from various artists for use of as prizes, and welcome packs for the First Nations' Collective Committee.

### **7.12 Indigenous Flag Stickers “Australian Made” – Yaritji Green**

**Motion:** Student Council to approve spending from the Indigenous Officer's Budget, the sum of \$60.28 for the Indigenous Flag Sticker “Australian Made” for use of as prizes for the First Nations Collective, and welcome packs for the First Nations' Collective Committee.

### **7.13 Indigenous Flag Tote Bags – Yaritji Green**

**Motion:** Student Council to approve spending from the Indigenous Officer's Budget, the sum of \$224.04 for the Indigenous Flag Tote Bags for use as prizes for the First Nations Collective.

### **7.14 AIATSIS Aboriginal Australian Maps – Yaritji Green**

**Motion:** Student Council to approve spending from the Indigenous Officer's Budget, the sum of \$256.90 for 20 AIATSIS Aboriginal Australian Maps for use of as give-aways for 2018 Indigenous Officer events as well as to use as prizes for the First Nations Collective.

### **7.15 Indigenous Bush Tucker Foods – Yaritji Green**

**Motion:** Student Council to approve spending from the Indigenous Officer's Budget, the sum of \$594.15, plus from the Flexi-Fund, the sum of \$1.20 – to cover the full cost of \$595.35 for the Indigenous Bush Tucker Foods for use of Indigenous Officer events and as prizes for the First Nations Collective, and welcome packs for the First Nations' Collective Committee.

### **7.16 Feminist Reading Nook – Meaghan King**



**Motion:** That Student Council approves \$500 from my General Councillor budget to fund the purchase of a bookshelf and books to create a reading nook within the women's space.

**Motion:** I move that matters left un-starred be moved en bloc.

**Moved: Jordon O'Reilly**

**Seconded: Christopher Norman**

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

### 8.0 Matters for Discussion:

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Admin will email student council members in the coming week about the upcoming annual report. Also, current members who won't be continuing in exact role next year, Kate Walsh will be emailing you about your handover report by the end of the week/Monday next week (before induction).

### 9.0 Matters for Noting

9.1 Election Report – Chris O'Grady

### 10.0 In Camera Items

**Procedural motion:** Move the meeting to In Camera.

**Moved:** Jordon O'Reilly

**Seconded:** Amy Hueppauff

All in favour.

**Procedural motion:** Present Student Council elect may remain in the room.

**Moved:** Christopher Norman

**Seconded:** Jordon O'Reilly

All in favour.

**Motion carried.**

*Meeting Closed: 8:00*

# Dec 2017 / Jan 2018 Executive Decisions

**Preamble:**

At NUS National conference the FUSA Student President Ashley Sutherland publicly and shamefully accused the former Education Officer, Hamish Richardson of not doing his job whilst he was in hospital. Not only are these accusations incorrect but this shows total disregard for students who have legitimate health issues. It is a pressing and important matter for the internal workability of student council that the Student President refrain from ableist attack.

**Motion:**

FUSA Executive calls on the FUSA Student President to publicly apologize immediately to the former Education officer for the ableist, untrue and unfair accusation.

**Decision:**

Carried

- I completed by handover with former Student President Jordon O'Reilly, and was explained the basic ins and outs of this job. It's taken a bit of getting used to, but I'm trying to find my way! I met with key staff and formed key relationships during this period. I have also worked toward developing a professional mentorship with Claire Tatyzo from the YWCA, with assistance from staff trained in professional mentor/mentee relationships at Flinders.
- ☐ I have been planning the structure of the upcoming Student Council Planning Day with the assistance of the wonderful Kate Walsh. I have also been busy meeting up with various members of council and having pre-emptive discussions about their goals on council this year.
- ☐ I attended NUS National Conference.
- ☐ Unfortunately, a large part of the last few weeks has been spent chasing up IT issues as council members have struggled to access their email accounts. I am hoping that this is resolved permanently, now, thanks to IT, Chris & Fay!
- I have been meeting with David Banks from Buildings & Properties re: changes to Parking on campus following concerns by several students. I have another meeting next week. It's been increasingly difficult to get solid answers out of staff re: the financial commitment required of students in this new pay-as-you-go system.
- ☐ I have been liaising with students re: flipped education models in what was formerly known as the School of Biology. Students wrote to me with their concerns in the form of a petition, and the Education Officer and I will meet with them to discuss their priorities going forward as we attempt to address the issue.
- ☐ The impact of staff cuts is being seen already. Many students have been in contact re: issues both internally and externally. I have been taking these concerns to higher management wherever possible and will continue to do so at every opportunity.
- I have been meeting with Mathew Jeffrey from Buildings & Properties re: the newly formed Flinders University Sustainability Advisory Committee. Obviously, this is an area of passion for me so this has been great to be involved in. It's great to be on this Committee with Joshua Jarvis and the Environment Officer, Andy Caller, and offer a student perspective as the university moves forward toward its 2020 Sustainability Plan. We are working with staff to provide honest feedback to attempts to make campus greener, more cyclist-friendly and increasingly reliant on solar energy.
- I sat in on Student Appeals for the first time. Obviously, much of this is confidential and I cannot report back on the specifics of the appeals, but it has been a great experience to work with this panel and provide a student voice in matters most directly impacting students' mental and financial wellbeing.

- I have met with Vanesa from Student Assist and together we have continued work on draft policies started by Jordon and Chris O’Grady. We have finalised the wording of Appendix G related to RHD appeals process and will be co-signing the submission this week.
- ☐ This past week, I chaired the selection panel that interviewed all three applicants for the vacancy of Postgraduate Students Officer. This has been a great experience and I thank all council members who sat on the panel with me, as well as Kate Walsh who was an excellent help to us all. This process was long and at times arduous but I am confident that we have selected and will endorse a capable and passionate candidate to Student Council on January 22.
- ☐ I met with DVC(S) Clare Pollock to discuss the impacts of MYEFO on Flinders University students.
- I met with elected representatives of the Curtin University Guild in Perth last weekend. Together, we discussed their governance structures and undertook a tour of their vast retail holdings. It was good to meet with an organisation so far ahead of our own, in terms of funding, legislative support, and financial backing. Meeting with these representatives gave me a sense of how we could move forward as an independent FUSA, and I’m excited to bring some ideas I got there forward at the Student Council Planning Day on Feb 12.
- Next month, I will travel to Melbourne twice – firstly for NUS President’s Summit, and, secondly, for training run by University Council. I am also hoping to successfully lobby the university to fund me to attend Universities Australia 2018 in Canberra, as I believe it’s vital that elected student representatives have a presence at this important conference.

## **General Secretary Dec-Jan Report**

### **Academic Appeals**

The details of the appeal are confidential but this involved reviewing the situations, discussions with relevant parties, and coming to a decision regarding the appeal.

### **Preparing documents**

Preparing meeting agendas, CAPA invoices, etc

### **CAPA Affiliation**

As we've been without a Postgrad Officer and as the outgoing office bearer, I continued communications with the Council of Australian Postgraduate Associations to finalise and process FUPSA/FUSA's affiliation to this peak body. CAPA has since also signed a Memorandum of Understanding with CISA, NUS and NATSIPA – two of which we are already affiliated to.

### **Casual Vacancy**

To fill the vacant Postgraduate Officer position we met to discuss, shortlist, and interview candidates. I think the decision of the panel will be a great addition to the council and make for a productive year ahead.

### **University Meetings**

I've organised to meet with Careers soon to discuss the potential of working with them on events and initiatives this year, and the best ways for student council and clubs to utilise the services they offer to students to improve graduate skills and opportunities.

### **Clubs Briefing**

Meeting with the Clubs Officer and former General Secretary to understand the process of affiliating clubs, how the regulations apply, etc.

## Education Officer January Report

- ② Sat on casual vacancy committee and shortlisted candidates for interviews; interview dates and vote was proxied to Louise
- ② Met with Kate Walsh, and then Kate and Michele Fleming, to discuss promoting student voice across the university, and building a relationship between FUSA and other student representatives across various parts the university. Discussed the prospect of a great partnership between the university and students but raised obvious concerns of tokenism
- ② Began organising discussions with presidents of former school associations to discuss their strengths and weaknesses to gain insights on how to best assist with the transition from school associations to academic associations
- ② Organised meetings for February to discuss amending the school associations regulations to fit new academic association regulations
- ② Handover meeting with previous Education Officer to discuss key issues that from 2017, note things that will still be pertinent in 2018, and learn effective strategies to take into the coming year

## Indigenous Officer's Report – Yaritji Green

### Meeting with Students/Staff

- ☐ Meetings with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students discussing ideas for this year
- ☐ Discussions with staff at Yunggorendi Student Engagement about possibilities of getting a Freezer for the students in the common room and gaining other spaces eg in the HUB or down at Sturt or Medical campuses.
- ☐ Investigating options for a camp for Indigenous Medical Students.
- ☐ Discussion with students in regards to setting up the First Nations Collective committee
- ☐ Discussions with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in regards to student experiences at Flinders University

### Student Concerns

- ☐ OISE/Yunggorendi Student Engagement staffing in student services areas
  - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student spaces

### First Nation's Collective

- ☐ Regular postings for Tuesdays and Wednesdays on Facebook.
  - Christmas and New Years Eve scheduled postings.
- ☐ Met with Papua New Guinean students studying this year
  - Discussed with new students about the potential of forming a Papua New Guinean student club

FUSA International Officer –Keon Simmons

Report

Planning-

Started planning for the year ahead and have a few events planned for international students.

Spoke with SC about a get to know your FUSA day as many students at the university doesn't know about their student association. This year we need to be on the ground letting students know about FUSA.

Planned to meet with the Pro Vice Chancellor of international students (Mr Sebastian Raneskold), however due to losing access to the international students email I have been unable to set up this meeting.

Met with ISS about some concerns that international students have while studying at Flinders University.

President of the international student exchange club (Jesse Steven's) and I plan to have a catch up at the Flinders University Traven

\*Went to NUS Natcon

\*regained access to student email on 21/01/2018

## **Mature Age Officer Report**

### **December 2017 – January 2018**

Since the commencement of the role on 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2017 to date, the following list of activities, in no chronological order, for the Mature Age Officer are as follows;

- ☐ Met with Kate Donnelly to discuss mature age input for O Week 2018 as funds were previously allocated with the 2017 budget line
- ☐ Met with Celina to book space for O Week event
- ☐ Emailed Ben Smith to engage with Oasis for O Week event
- ☐ Emailed Jodie Zada to engage with Health and Disability for O Week event
- ☐ Emailed Tiffany Lavis to engage with Student Learning Centre for O Week event
- ☐ Emailed Jose Paulino to engage with the International Student Services for O Week event
- ☐ Emailed Sue Myatt and Helen Laity to engage with Student Services for O Week event
- ☐ Emailed Beth Lawrence to engage with the Horizon Development team for O Week event
- ☐ Emailed Philippa Spencer to engage with Careers Liaison for O Week event
- ☐ Met with Library Staff to engage with their services for O Week event
- ☐ Started collective for the Mature Age Student cohort
- ☐ Connected with approximately 10 mature age students to engage their input for O Week event
- ☐ Organised compulsory Consent Training for ALL student council members
- ☐ Liaised with Yarrow Place to book their time for consent training
- ☐ Booked room for consent training
- ☐ Read confidential material for an appeals committee I am sitting on
- ☐ Attended preliminary hearing for appeals committee
- ☐ Wrote report

# Queer officer report

## Marriage Equality

The campaign ended with a passing of the bill

Flinders university specifically the Queer society mentioned in the hansard during a reading of this bill.

I intend to use the momentum of this campaign to work to combat other issues in the Queer community

## Queer formal 1st December

On my first day as queer officer was the date of the queer formal i organised this event with various community groups it was a great success with over 100 people attending.

## Pride week

I am currently in the process of organising pride week. I have worked with the fusa events team to organise the date and costings for the event. I have met with the flinders art gallery to secure a place to organise the art exhibition. I have contacted 30 possible stall holders already 10 confirming they would like to participate.

## Religious Conversion therapy

Currently there is no research on this issue in australia. There is currently a study being undertaken by Timothy Jones at La Trobe University and the Victorian Aids Council I have arranged to meet with them over the phone and see how there can be a coordinated response when these results are released in march.

## Queer ball

I am organising a queer ball during the mid year are to fundraise for queer student scholarships I have met with various other groups to discuss how it would be possible as well as enquired on various venues.

## Queer society meeting

I attended the first queer society meeting of this year organised making many of the initiatives of queer officer collaborative with the queer society

## Ally network

I organised to meet with Lisa O'Neill but due to unfortunate circumstances it has been postponed to a later date.

## Queer resources

I am enquiring into getting flinders specific queer resources and creating content to be available online for students have access to as well as images and footage to be posted around uni.

## Fundraiser for queer society

After discussing with the queer society events manager I have enquired into wallis cinema to organise a fundraiser to see Love, Simon and film with a gay romance coming up in march.

## Fortnightly hang outs

After recommendations looking into possibilities for fortnightly hangouts so far board games and drinks at the tav seem like the most popular.

## Met with students Individually

I have met with 5 students some starting this year about the issues and opportunities facing queer students on campus.

## Queer housing

As AQSN had their meeting on queer housing

I decided to email and research into the emergency housing situations at flinders and what could be done on our campus.

## **SOCIAL ACITIVITES OFFICER REPORT**

- In the process of organising the semester 1 pub crawl for the 6<sup>th</sup> of April. In line with FUSA tradition the summer theme of O'Week shall also be reflected in the theme of this event. I am in active communication with all venues of the event and shall confirm times over the coming weeks. I have also met with Kate Donnelly and Stephanie Walker to discuss aspects of the event including event planning, T-shirt design and promotional opportunities.
- ☐ Liaised with several SC members regarding their events
- ☐ Attended interviews for the vacated Events Assistant position. Congratulations to Celina Rebola for attaining the role!
- Scheduled media adverts on the Social Activities Collective page to advertise the O'week events as well as non-FUSA Flinders events and popular external events.
- ☐ Discussed with members of Flinders Living regarding the potential of setting up a clothing donation process to compliment the FUSA Op Shop initiative.

## Welfare report – Jan 22

Over the past month I have:

- Met with members of the SA Anti-Poverty Network about collaborating on FUSA projects. We are planning to work together to run “know your rights” type information sessions for students regarding Centrelink. Spoke about their campaigns to raise welfare payments and on decreasing the cost of public transport.
- Met with Oasis re: community market project with a view to launch in O’Week
- ☐ Spoke with people from Puddle Jumpers Incorporated - who run a similar free food night, to ask for advice on how they run theirs.
- ☐ Met with student assist to discuss campaigns and joint initiatives for this year.
- ☐ Began drafting a consultation survey for feedback on campus services (ie, health, counselling and disability, etc) - to see where students would like improvements, and to see what is keeping students from seeking help when they need it.
- Collaborating w enviro officer & queer to work on op shop and clothes swap events, starting plans for those and ensuring they’re trans-inclusive etc

Things I plan to have organised by O’Week

- ☐ Survey re: Health, Counselling and Disability Services and feedback
- ☐ Running an op shop stall w/ Andy/Enviro Collective
- ☐ Launch the Community Market
- ☐ Helping the Anti-Poverty Network start up a Flinders club/branch
- ☐ Sorted out social media stuff for the Welfare Collective and scheduled posts re: important dates for the semester etc

**Student Council - General Councillor Report**  
**- Josh Jarvis**

- Working on developing Flinders Market Garden - I've been working alongside buildings and property, SOBA and the contracted consultants, SCOOP SA to keep the market garden on track for an O'week or week 1 community set-up day.
- Developing a report advising possible solutions for closing the organic waste stream on campus.
- Working on a recommendation to turn the old McHuges Cafe into a student ran co-op cafe. Losing the bulk bins through Wholefoods and hearing the dissent inspired me to want bring it back under a possible co-op model.
- Developing and close to installing a commercial scale solar dehydrator at the Flinders Community Permaculture garden. This will be an asset students and staff will be able to use to dehydrate/preserve produce from home if they wish.
- Actively participating in the development of the *Flinders University Sustainability Strategic Plan 2018-2022*.
- Actively planning events for the Flinders Permaculture Committee to empower more students with sustainability and practical gardening related knowledge.
- Intentions to expand the 'Grow Free' presence and introduce 1-2 new carts on campus prior to end of 2018. The current cart is maintained by Urban Paddock and FPC and I will be ensuring it's always full of seedlings and excess produce to benefit the Flinders community.

## Lydia French – January Report

- several discussions/Skype meetings with other general council member (Tarmia Klass) strategising and brainstorming ideas for First Year Collective
- Panel member for committee to fill vacant council position (Post-Grad officer) included two meetings with both in-person and Skype interviews. Post-interview debrief to select candidate who will be recommended to student council
- Planning of, and contributing to communal project in Women's Space at FUSA

## **Manager Student Engagement – Update – JANUARY 2016**

### **Staffing**

It is with sadness that I let you all know that Sofie Amos will no longer be working in the role of Student Representation Officer. I would like to send a huge thank you to Sofie for the incredible work that she has done and the wonderfully positive vibe she has brought to the office. I hope that Sofie can continue to work with us in a more limited capacity at different times during the year including the provision of training for student representatives across the University.

Replacing Sofie will be Michelle Tatyzo, who has been sitting in the role for the last few weeks whilst Sofie has been on leave. I would like to warmly welcome Michelle into the role. We have really appreciated the wonderful work that Michelle has done with Student Assist last year and I'm looking forward to having her in this role at FUSA.

On January 4 we had a new Events Assistant beginning with us – Celina Rebola. Celina completed a Bachelor Science here at Flinders and is now a post-graduate student. Celina also has training as a stage and production manager. Please make her welcome.

Erik is finishing up with FUSA at the end of January so I would like to extend a huge thank you to Erik for the work he has done at FUSA over the last few months.

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### **Student Assist Activity Report – Prepared by the Team Leader, Student Assist**

#### Casework

This report has been prepared in time for the next Student Council meeting and reflects advocacy work from 1st to 31<sup>st</sup> December.

Student Assist opened 39 new student cases in December (down from 51 last month), slightly higher than the same time last year (36). More than two-thirds of students (27; 69%) were using Student Assist's services for the first time.

Each case opened in Student Assist's case management system involves one or more 'issues', which fall into the broad categories of 'Academic', 'Financial' or 'Welfare'. Any given case will have at least one issue attached to it. In more complex cases, a student may have a number of interconnected issues that are having an impact on them.

Student Assist managed 59 issues in December (down from 69 last month). Most issues (68%) were academic-related, which is expected after the end of semester once students receive exam grades, topic grades, etc.

The most common issues were Review of a grade (24%), Appeals (17%), Financial Counselling (10%) and Emergency Financial Assistance (8%).

Student Assist notes that some topic coordinators have been identified as having bypassed the Dean (Education) in cases of Academic Integrity, and determining penalties for students, which is a role reserved for the Dean.

As an update some Deans (Education) have appointed nominees to deal with academic integrity.

Several students from Medicine have also requested assistance re final grade appeals. A number of these students have also accessed complaint mechanisms to resolve grievances related to their studies.

Financial Counselling caseload has remained steady. The SFAO has assisted students with hardship applications relating to electricity accounts and also with court proceedings for motor vehicle accidents whilst uninsured.

The demand for EFA has remained steady, and some students' circumstances remain very complex, particularly for international students relying on casual income. With Christmas closures looming, pressure has also increased among some students who rely on community organisations for support.

Student Assist also attended the Student Appeals Committee hearings for three students. In addition to casework, a total of 25 students contacted Student Assist via the general email address to seek advice during December. This is similar to last month (28).

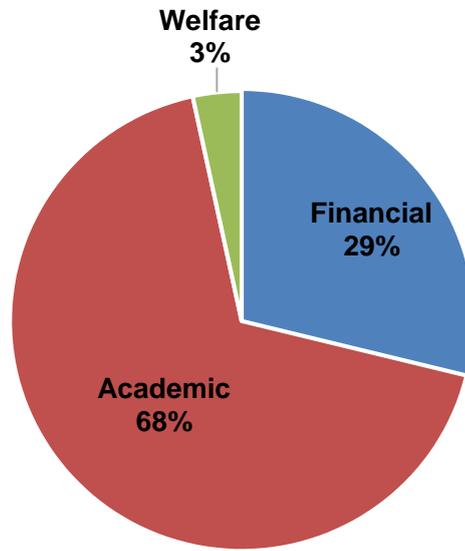
Graphs summarising caseload can be found below.

#### Projects and Communications

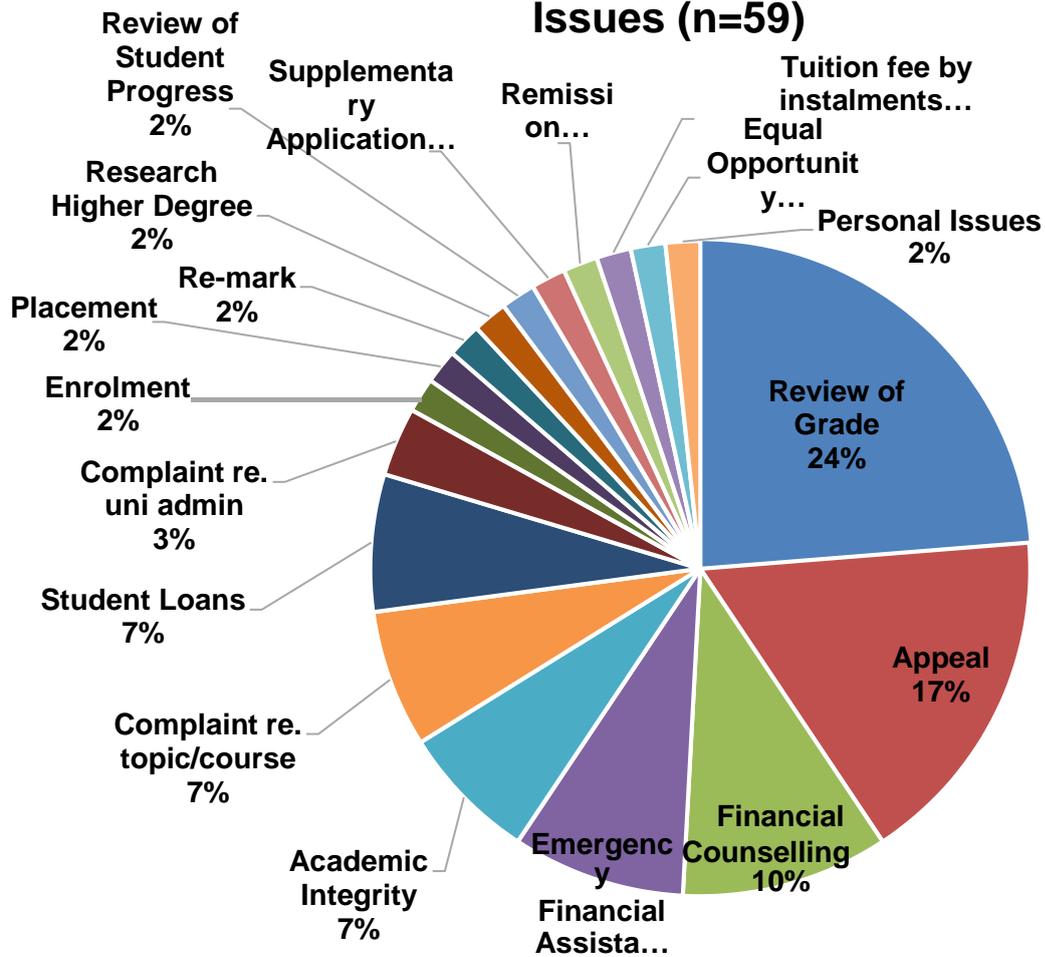
- Student Assist attended training on Dealing with difficult , angry or aggressive customers training
- SFAO attended professional supervision
- Catch-up with Media Officer to plan the promotion of 2018 activities and campaigns
- Debrief with outgoing President re TEQSA conference
- Student Assist recommendations on RHD grievance resolution policies and procedures as part of the FUSA Research Higher Degree submission to the University.
- Meeting with Law First Year Student Director to discuss promotion of Student Assist services
- Meeting with Nursing and Health Sciences' Manager of Professional Experience unit to discuss placement matters among students
- Preparation of 2017 annual report

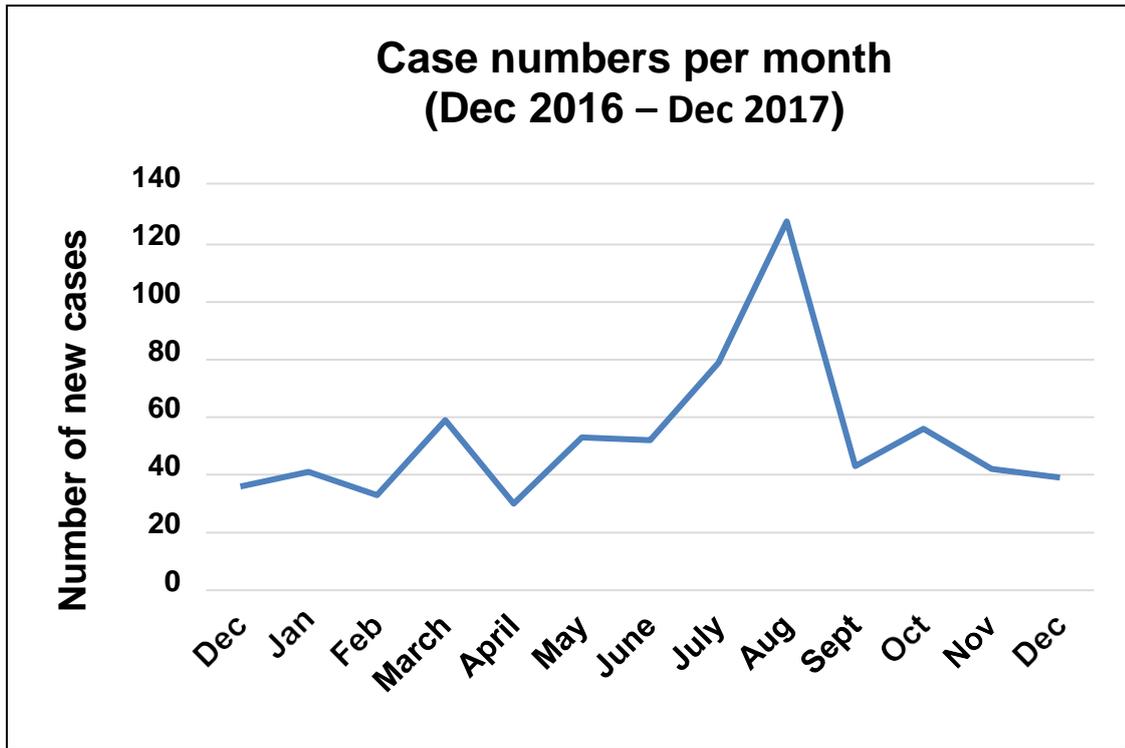
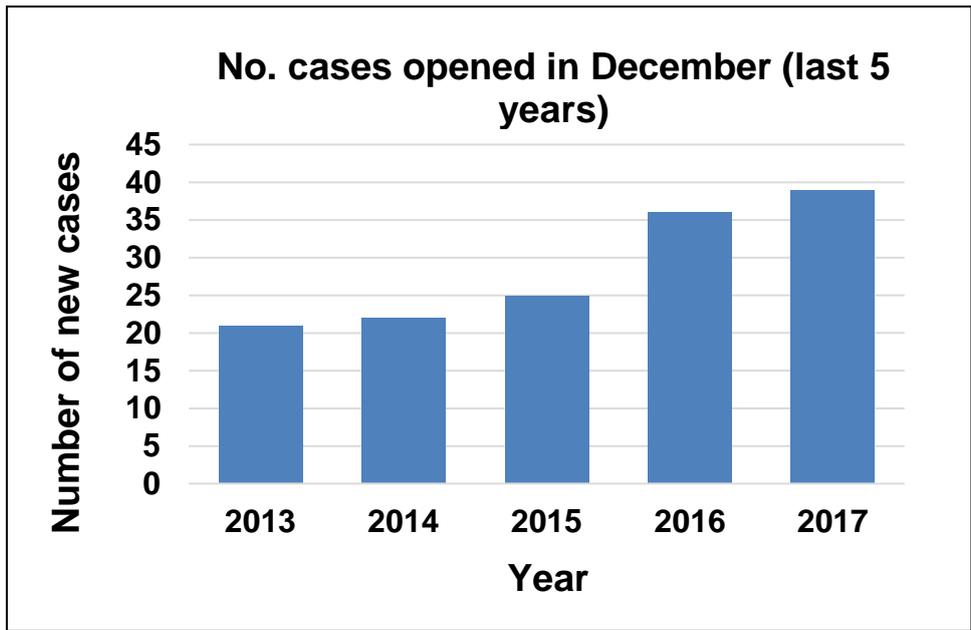
#### **Breakdown of cases opened in December**

### Issue category (n=59)



### Issues (n=59)





**Events Report – Prepared by the Events & Projects Officer**

Firstly, I want to welcome Celina Rebola who has taken up the position as the new events assistant here at FUSA. We had 70 applications for the job which was insane, but Celina was definitely the right choice! She has already hit the ground running and smashing all the

stuff we need to get organized for O'Week!

Her days at the moment are Monday – Wednesday in the lead up to O'Week, but may change after all the craziness has subsided.

O'Week has been the big focus over the past few months as we are gearing up to the event happening from Feb 19 – 23<sup>rd</sup>.

We have been working on the O'Week schedule of social activities on advice from the O'Week directors who have been great in letting us know what types of things they would like to see throughout the week.

The usual staples of the event like the stalls, free lunches, live music quiz, movies, karaoke, comedy arvo and clubs day are all happening again. In addition to an extra day of activities on the Thursday which has previously been forgotten!

This year we trialed a new ad kit for the 'sale' of commercial stall spots and we have a number of external stalls coming up for the first 3 days which is great. Compared to last year we have increased the income from these stalls by nearly \$7000 which is excellent.

O'Fiesta is of course happening again and thankfully everyone has received the lineup really positively. After some consultation we decided to slightly increase the ticket price (which helps to increase the quality of the bands we can choose from) however it is still the cheapest ticket in town for a gig of this quality! We have sold over a third of tickets in one week, so make sure you tell your mates to get theirs asap! Tickets will be available from the FUSA office soon without the booking fee which is great.

Overall my time has been spent on getting all the parts of the event sorted and locked in, following off of the feedback from the last O'Week and trying to make improvements so that the event is top quality! Everything is now getting locked in and soon we will have the full program ready to give out. We already have a number of events being advertised on the FUSA fb page, so please share these around.

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**SC Approval & Event rego forms**

Don't forget to fill out this form if you have any more event ideas...

<http://fusa.edu.au/event-stall-activity-registration-form/>

Please get in touch if you'd like to discuss any events.

Drop in to my office, give me a call on 82012903 or email [kate.donnelly@flinders.edu.au](mailto:kate.donnelly@flinders.edu.au).

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**Student Representation & Development** – prepared by the Student Representation & Development Officer

Over the past month I have been working on a number of projects/activities:

I have been working on an **evaluation report for the Topic Rep Pilot** within the College of Science and Engineering. The evaluation is overall positive, particularly from the perspective of the student reps. Topic Coordinators were overall supportive, but it is clear that further support and communication needs to be developed to roll out this program over time. It's to be expected, as this is a large change to how reps usually operate, and this type of change

takes time. This report will be available shortly and I am happy to pass on a copy if you would like to take a look.

I developed and disseminated a discussion paper on a **student representation model for Colleges in 2018**. The model is for year level representation (eg. Bachelor of Nutrition yr 1 rep(s), Bachelor of Nutrition Yr 2 rep(s)). This document was provided to Deans (Education) for their thoughts and feedback and to generate discussion. I will report on their responses in February when I hear back. Let me know if you would like to view a copy. Colleges are still at various stages of planning but seem very receptive to advice and grateful for any support FUSA can offer.

I ran **training for 14 student reps in the College of Education, Psychology & Social Work** to prepare them for their roles in 2018. The training was very well received and it was very useful for me to try out some new material so that the rep training for 2018 can be further refined.

If you'd like to discuss any of the above or anything related to student representation and the student council please get in touch with Kate Walsh on 8201 3620 [kate.walsh@flinders.edu.au](mailto:kate.walsh@flinders.edu.au)

# FUSA 2018 Pride Week PROPOSAL

## 2018 Pride Week Proposal

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#### **1.0 Introduction**

The 2018 pride week is going to be a week of celebrating the diverse queer community. It will showcase various different cultures ideas and community events. This will be an opportunity to connect the present and broader campus to the university. This event will give opportunity for artists, students, activist, support works and social groups to have an opportunity connect and grow the already present community. It will consist of several different events on different locations across the day. I am still looking to see what other opportunities working with other groups to come on campus.

The date has been planned for the 14-19th of may to include the 18th of may which is IDAHOBIT day.

#### **2.0 Components of Event**

##### **Art Exhibition and walk**

Historical timeline to the art exhibition telling the story of queer rights in south australia

Application to be released to feature artists

Art already purchased

- Harry jones-christ 20 pieces drawings
- Emily crippls 9 pieces digital

## Stalls in the hub, plaza & walkway

(possibly positioned in a path from the art gallery to the plaza where people will be on the stall moving up the stairs to the wallways directing those back into the hub with signs directing to the queer space

**1 Pride of the south**

**2 Rainbow crows**

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| <b>3 Feast Festival</b>                           | <b>18 Advertisement for future events</b>             |
| <b>4 SAmesh</b>                                   | <b>19 badges and merch</b>                            |
| <b>5 Bfriend</b>                                  | <b>20 Gingerbread men</b>                             |
| <b>6 Ftm men</b>                                  | <b>21 face paint</b>                                  |
| <b>7 Shine SA</b>                                 | <b>22 slushie, popcorn, fairy floss</b>               |
| <b>8 Amnesty International Queer Action Group</b> | <b>23 try drag stall</b>                              |
| <b>9 Rainbow Crows</b>                            | <b>24 Photo Booth</b>                                 |
| <b>10 Pride and Prej</b><br>Tell your story       | <b>25 Guide Dogs or RSPCA</b>                         |
| <b>12 Headspace</b>                               | <b>26 Clothes stall (op shop binder try on place)</b> |
| <b>13 Sky light</b>                               | <b>27 Counselling</b>                                 |
| <b>14 Queer Youth Drop In</b>                     | <b>28 Succulents</b>                                  |
| <b>15 Ally Network</b>                            | <b>29 Queer Ball Stall</b>                            |
| <b>16 Flinders uni queer society</b>              | <b>30 Qlife</b>                                       |
| <b>17 Glitter jars</b>                            | <b>31 Pro Queer Religious Groups</b>                  |

**(Stalls not included in the budget are possibly to or through negotiations by some participating organisation with the organisation's stall themselves or FUQS)**

## **Board games in the queer space**

Casual board games with music with arrows pointing

## **Karaoke**

Have karaoke Queer themed  
Drag performance x 2 at karaoke

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## Pub crawl 15th november

A first semester pub crawl (Theme to be decided by FUQS)

### 2.1 Venue

- Karaoke - The Tav (tbc)
- Art Exhibition - The Studio
- Stalls - Hub and plaza
- Pub crawl - venues (tbc)

### 3.0 Media Team

#### Poster and Media Promotion

#### Link to ideas and references

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1H4O6QtTQSy1QZhsRpgq3YWOsHziYFY-mx2chmV4ELAw/edit?usp=sharing>

### 4.0 Budget

\$ 2,000\_ Queer Officer Budget

#### Pride Week

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| Services                           | Cost Per Hour  | Quantity | Estimate Cost | Actual Cost |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------|---------------|-------------|
| Drag Makeup                        | 40             | 7        | 280           |             |
| Drag Performance                   | 150            | 4        | 400           |             |
|                                    |                |          | <b>\$</b>     | <b>680</b>  |
| Catering                           | Cost Per Stall | Quantity | Estimate Cost | Actual Cost |
| Nibbles for art exhibition opening | 50             |          | 75            |             |
|                                    |                |          |               | <b>75</b>   |
| Items                              | Cost Per item  | Quantity | Estimate Cost | Actual Cost |
| Transgender Pride Flags            | 22             | 3        | 66            |             |
| all different pride Flags          | 22             | 11       | 242           |             |
| Succulents                         |                |          | 70            |             |
| Glass jars                         | 2              | 50       | 100           |             |
| Glitter                            | 4              | 5        | 40            |             |
|                                    |                |          | <b>\$</b>     | <b>518</b>  |
|                                    |                |          |               | <b>1273</b> |
| <b>Officer Budget</b>              |                |          | 2,000         | -1273       |
| <b>Remaining Budget</b>            |                |          |               | 727         |

## 5.0 Important Dates

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| Week after O'week    | Decide on art work                                 |
| Early feb            | Purchase flags and other decorations               |
| Mid -late February   | Media team to complete poster design               |
| First week of march  | Event online (possible facebook adds from FUQS)    |
| First Week of march  | Poster and link sent around to councils and groups |
| Second week of march | Posters up around campus                           |

## 6.0 Queries

Queries can be directed to either: Sean Henschke  
 quee0001@flinders.edu.au

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## CONSTITUTION FOR FLINDERS DEBATING ASSOCIATION

### 1. Definitions and Interpretation

- a) Unless a contrary intention is evident, the following definitions apply to this Constitution and all other Club Documents.
- b) "Club" shall mean Flinders Debating Association;
- c) "Student Association" shall mean Flinders University Student Association
- d) "General Secretary" shall mean the General Secretary of the Flinders University Student Association
- e) "Current student" and "student" shall both have the same meaning as "student" in the Constitution of the Student Association;
- f) "Constitution" shall mean the Constitution of the Club (this document);
- g) "Clubs and Societies Policies" shall mean the Flinders University Student Association Clubs, Societies and School Association Regulations;
- h) "University" shall mean Flinders University;
- i) "Executive" shall mean the Executive Committee of the Club;
- j) "GM" shall refer to any properly convened AGM or SGM of the Club;
- k) "AGM" shall mean the Annual General Meeting of the Club;
- l) "IGM" shall mean the Inaugural General Meeting of the Club;
- m) "SGM" shall mean a Special General Meeting of the Club;
- n) "Office" shall mean an elected position in the Club provided for in Section 10.1 of the Constitution;
- o) "Officer" shall mean a member who has been elected to an "office";
- p) "President" shall mean the President of the Club;
- q) "Treasurer" shall mean the Treasurer of the Club;
- r) "Voting member" shall mean a member who is eligible to vote under clause 6.
- s) Where the Constitution provides that a notice, letter, resignation or other communication is to be in writing, such requirement shall only be met if the relevant notice, letter, resignation or other communication is communicated via email.

### 2. Name

- a) This club shall be known as the Flinders Debating Association
- b) The club's name may also be abbreviated to FDA.

### 3. Purpose

- a) The purpose of the club is to provide debating opportunities to students of Flinders University.
  - i. Facilitating the involvement of Flinders University students within debating
  - ii. Providing opportunities for the participation of Flinders University students in tournaments.
- b) The club may only use its income, assets and profit for its purpose.
- c) The club must not distribute any profit, income or assets directly or indirectly to its members.

### 4. Affiliation to Flinders University Student Association

- a) The club is affiliated to Flinders University Student Association (in this Constitution referred to as the "Student Association").
- b) It is a condition of affiliation that the club and its members must comply with all directions given by the Student Association and the Clubs Policies.
- c) The club must as far as practicable adhere to Student Association Marketing Guidelines, including logo usage and sponsorship recognition, as outlined by the Clubs Policies.
- d) The Club shall not discriminate on the basis of gender, marital status, race, age, religion or sexual preference.

## **5. Eligibility Criteria for Financial Affiliation Status**

- a) This club has:
  - i. no restrictions on membership
  - ii. no membership criteria beyond aligning to a club's objectives
- b) This club is not officially associated, but may be informally aligned with, a political party and does not have as one of its objectives, officially or not, to support:
  - i. a political party; or
  - ii. the election of a person as a member of:
  - iii. the legislature of the Commonwealth, a State or a Territory; or
  - iv. a local government body.

## **6. Membership of Club**

- a) Membership of the club is open to all:
  - i. current students of Flinders University,
  - ii. any others, who support the purpose of the club.
- b) The club must have a minimum of ten current financial Flinders student members; and abide by membership regulations as stipulated in the Student Association Club Policies.
- c) The club must have no less than 66% current Flinders University students as members
- d) The President shall create and keep a register of the Club's current members, and shall note on this register each member's membership category and the date on which their name is entered on the register.
  - i. This register may be kept electronically or physically.
  - ii. A copy of this should be given to Student Association at affiliation annually.
- e) Any member shall be able to confirm their listing on the register within a reasonable time (being not more than 72 hours) upon application to an officer of the Club.
- f) A person's name must not be removed from the register of members except where that person's membership has terminated through lapse of membership fees (at the start of each calendar year), or by writing to the Executive.
- g) Members of the executive and the Student Association must make copies of this constitution freely available to members on request.

## **7. Renewal of affiliation**

- a) Upon reaffiliation this club must submit to the student Association an application for renewal of affiliation with a copy of:
  - i. AGM minutes confirming renewal of affiliation
  - ii. an updated membership list
  - iii. updated executive contacts
  - iv. reports submitted at the AGM by the President, Treasurer and Vice-President.
  - v. evidence that the club has had at least two club events for members over the course of the last year.
  - vi. Financial reports detailing expenditure and income for the period between the last two AGMs.

## **8. General Meeting of Members**

- a) The Executive must call at least three general meetings of members each year, including the Annual General Meeting (in this constitution "AGM").
- b) The Executive may call a Special General Meeting (in this constitution "SGM") at any time, and must do so at the request of five members, or 10% of the total membership of the club, whichever is the higher amount. The SGM must be held within 21 academic days of an Executive member receiving the request.
- c) General Meetings shall be convened for the following purposes:
  - i. removal of office bearers
  - ii. to make changes to the constitution of the club
  - iii. to direct the Clubs and Societies sub-committee delegate in their representation to the student association.
  - iv. to overturn any decisions made by the executive of the Club.
  - v. the expulsion of a member or members of the club in accordance with section 16.
- d) Notice of a General Meeting shall be given to the members of the club and the General Secretary of the Association at least a week before the set date.
- e) The notice must state the business to be considered, including any item that a member has in writing requested to be included. Only business of which notice has been given may be considered at the general meeting.
- f) The Executive must also advertise the meeting as far as practicable in any Student Association publication/s generally available to students for at least one week before the meeting.
- g) A designated office bearer, normally the President, shall be responsible for calling General Meetings.
- h) The General Secretary may attend any General Meeting of this Club.
- i) Any decision of a General Meeting may overturn any committee decision of the club.
- j) Each member present has one vote. Proxies are not allowed. Motions are passed by a simple majority of those present and voting. The chair of the meeting has their own vote, but does not have a casting vote.
- k) The President is entitled to chair the meetings. If the President is not present, or does not wish to chair the meeting, the Vice-President is entitled to chair. If neither the President nor the Vice-President is present, or if neither wishes to chair the meeting, the meeting must elect another member to chair.

## **9. Annual General Meetings**

- a) Annual General Meetings shall be convened for the following reasons:
  - i. to confirm the minutes of the last AGM and any subsequent general meetings;
  - ii. to receive financial statements
  - iii. to receive annual reports of office bearers
  - iv. to fairly and democratically elect office bearers
  - v. to elect an office bearer to be a delegate on the Clubs and Societies Sub-Committee
  - vi. to make changes to the constitution of the club.
- b) The Executive must appoint a Returning Officer at least two weeks before the AGM, who is responsible for the conduct of the Executive elections.
- c) Notice of an Annual General Meeting shall be given to the members of the club and the General Secretary of the Association at least a week before the set date.
- d) The General Secretary may attend any AGM of this Club.
- e) Each affiliated club shall hold its AGM during the Academic Year.
- f) Within 14 days of holding its AGM, each affiliated club shall provide the required documents for reaffiliation as outlined in s6 of the Clubs and Societies Regulations.
- g) Quorum at AGM shall be 30% of total membership or 10 members, whichever is lesser.
- h) Failure to reach quorum after 60 minutes after the scheduled start of meeting will result in the AGM being cancelled.

## **10. Executive Positions**

- a) The Executive of the club consists of at least the following positions:
  - i. President;
  - ii. Treasurer, and
  - iii. Secretary
- b) A general meeting may establish other Executive positions.
- c) The Executive may appoint consenting voting members to vacant Executive positions by an Executive motion receiving at least two-thirds of the Executive's vote.
- d) Executive members may only hold one Executive position at a time.

## **11. Election and Term of Office of Executive**

- a) Only members who are current financial members are eligible to be elected to and hold Executive positions.
- b) Executive members may serve an unlimited number of terms.
- c) All Executive positions must be elected by secret ballot at the AGM
- d) Executive members elected at the AGM hold office from the end of that AGM until the end of the next AGM.
- e) Executive members cease to hold office if they:
  - i. resign by writing to the President (or, in the case of the President, to the Vice-President).
  - ii. cease to be a financial member;
  - iii. are removed by a resolution of no confidence passed by a two-thirds majority of members present and voting at a SGM; or
  - iv. fail to attend two consecutive meetings of the Executive without giving apology to the Executive.
  - v. The executive may fill a single vacancy in its membership. If there is more than one vacancy, the Executive must convene a SGM to fill the vacancies by secret ballot.

## **12. Responsibilities of Executive**

- a) The Executive is responsible for the management of the club, including its financial management.
- b) The Executive must ensure that the Treasurer presents a financial report to the AGM in accordance with s15.
- c) The Executive is also responsible for:
  - i. organising club activities;
  - ii. representing the club and its members within the Student Association and to the public
  - iii. creating policy
  - iv. recommending policy to general meetings
- d) The Executive is bound by club policy, and subject to direction by general meetings

## **13. Proceedings of Executive**

- a) The Executive must meet at least twice during each semester.
- b) Executive meetings may be called by the Vice-President, President or any two Executive members.
- c) At least five academic days notice in writing of the date, time and place of Executive meetings must be given to each Executive member.
- d) The quorum for Executive meetings is the presence of a majority of members of the Executive at the time, including at least one of the President and Vice-President.
- e) The Executive may establish committees and delegate its powers as it thinks appropriate.

#### **14. Duties of Executive Members**

- a) The duties of the President include:
  - i. co-ordination of club activities
  - ii. being chief spokesperson for the club; and
  - iii. chairing general and Executive meetings.
  - iv. acting as a signatory for the club's budget
  - v. assisting, advising, and supporting all members of the club
  - vi. the maintenance of a register of members consisting of name, student ID number, FAN and date of payment of membership fee, if applicable.
- b) The duties of the Secretary include:
  - i. the production of meeting minutes
  - ii. the submission of documents for renewal of affiliation as required in regulation.
- c) The duties of the Treasurer include:
  - i. being responsible for all of the club's money and to record all income received and payments made by the club;
  - ii. keeping a register of all assets held by the club;
  - iii. presentation of a financial report to each Executive meeting;
  - iv. presentation of a financial report to the AGM for:
    - v. the last financial year, and
    - vi. the period since the end of the last financial year;
  - vii. keeping the financial records of the club.
  - viii. acting as a signatory for the club's budget.
  - ix. keeping the club's members informed of the club's financial situation.

#### **15. Financial**

- a) The club indemnifies Executive members against any liability incurred in that capacity (other than to the club), unless the liability arises out of conduct involving a lack of good faith.
- b) The financial year of the club is from 1 January to 31 December.
- c) An annual membership fee may be set by the club executive, and approved at the Annual General Meeting. All rights (including voting) of members who have not paid their membership fee by the date set by the Club Executive are suspended until the fee is paid.
- d) All income (including membership fees) received by the club must be promptly paid into the club account.
- e) All payments must be authorised by the Executive or a general meeting, and all payment slips must be signed by at least two Executive members, including the Treasurer.
- f) All assets held by the club are the property of the Student Association, including those purchased by the club. Except that items purchased by the Club with funds raised independently of the Student Association, such as sponsorship, remain the property of the club as long as it continues to exist. Property will then become the Student Association's if the club ceases to exist.
- g) The Executive must ensure that the Treasurer:
  - i. records all income received and payments made by the club in accordance with s7(a)(vi), s14(c); and
  - ii. keeps a register of all assets held by the club in accordance with s14(c)(ii).
- f) All assets held by a club that has been inactive for 12 months or more must be returned to the Student Association.

## **16. Expulsion**

- a) This club cannot expel a member on the grounds of race, sex, gender, religion; or political, moral or sexual view.
- b) A motion to expel a member may be brought before a General Meeting of the club.
- c) The motion to expel must be accompanied with written justification and sent to the member at least two weeks prior to the date of the General Meeting.
- d) The member has a verbal and written right of reply to any notice of expulsion
  - i. A written right of reply must be given by the member within seven days of receiving the notice of expulsion to be included within the Agenda
- e) The Agenda must include the motion of expulsion, written justification and any written reply by the effected member.
- f) The Agenda of the General Meeting at which a motion of expulsion is included must be sent to members, and the General Secretary of the Association, at least one week prior to the General Meeting.

## **17. Amendment**

- a) This constitution may only be amended:
  - i. by resolution passed by two-thirds majority of members present and voting at a SGM of which notice in accordance with s8(e) (including of the proposed amendment) has been given; and
  - ii. with approval of the Student Association.

## **18. Winding up**

- a) The club may be wound up voluntarily by resolution passed by a two-thirds majority of members present and voting at a SGM of which notice in accordance with s8(e) (including of the proposed resolution) has been given.
- b) If the club is wound up (whether voluntarily, by a court or the Student Association due to breach of Clubs and Societies Policies), any remaining assets must not be distributed to any member, but must instead be returned to the Student Association.
- c) Upon winding up, or change of affiliation level, this club must present the Association with a final asset register and a bank statement

Adopted at the IGM of the Flinders Debating Association

Held on: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

President,  
Flinders Debating Association