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**Flinders University Student Council Meeting
Agenda of the meeting held on 4/03/2019**

Alere Function Room, Student Hub, Flinders University Bedford Park Campus

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1. Acknowledgement of Country

2. Apologies & Welcome of Guests



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- Sarah Howson
- Clara Rose Santilli
- Laura Savaglia

3. Name & Pronoun Round

4. Previous Minutes

See Appendix 1

Motion:

Student Council accepts the minutes of the January meeting.

5. Executive Decisions

See Appendix 2

Motion:

Student Council ratifies the decisions made by the Executive since the last council meeting.

6. Reports

See Appendix 3 & 4

Motion:

Student Council accepts the report of the previous month.

7. Matters for Decision

7.1 Online Learning at Flinders – Jesse Stevens

Preamble

Online learning is becoming more popular around the world. It is important that universities, as institutions recognised by both the public and private sector as being reliable and credible providers of education, have a clearly defined role in the increasingly global web of online learning. It is also important that FUSA has a position on if, and if so, how, online learning should be incorporated at Flinders.

As demand for higher education continues to increase from people from diverse backgrounds, disadvantaged backgrounds, and particularly mature age students, those having to work while studying, those living great distances from university or who struggle to physically attend university, the need for flexibility continues to increase. It is not the case anymore, as it may have been decades ago when higher education was more exclusive and less diverse, that most students can spend the majority of their week on campus. Many students need to work while they study, and have other commitments.

It is also telling that in the 2017 Flinders Exit Survey of students who had left Flinders or were on a leave of absence, the number one change that respondents said would have prevented them from leaving Flinders or beginning a leave of absence was having online study options.



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Motion

Student Council supports online learning, such that where possible, practical, and where it would not breach accreditation requirements or detract from the learning experience to do so, individual topics should be made available to be studied both online (externally) and face-to-face (internally), and that courses should be made available to be studied externally, internally, or a combination of both.

Student Council opposes any attempt to shift topics and course available internally to be made accessible solely externally.

7.2 Endorsing the Student Climate Strike – Angus Clarke

Preamble

Tackling climate change is a key question of our time. 2019 began in Australia with mass fish deaths on the Murray-Darling basin, fires in Tasmania, and devastating floods in Townsville. The Australian Government and corporate elite are not doing enough to combat this potentially existential threat.

Across the world, school students have been striking for climate action. Last year, tens of thousands of school students – from Kindergarten to Year 12, defied Scott Morrison’s call for “more learning, less activism”, and walked out of class for climate justice.

On March 15, school students across Australia will be striking again with the same demands.

Rally details: Friday March 15, 11am, Parliament House

University student contingent event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1977102882595999/>

SA school strike: <https://www.facebook.com/events/366874614091769>

Motion

As a progressive body committed to environmental sustainability, FUSA applauds the school students and encourages Flinders Students to attend their demonstration in support.

7.3 Against the New University Defence Projects – Angus Clarke

Preamble

On February 26 it was announced Flinders University, Adelaide University and the University of South Australia have signed an agreement with French company Naval Group and France’s National Centre for Scientific Research to found an international research laboratory in Adelaide. This centre will likely be at Lot 14, the site of the old Royal Adelaide Hospital.

Vice-Chancellor Colin Stirling was, of course, in high spirits about the proposal. This lines up perfectly with his vision of the university; teaching only academics churning through students, while only researchers whose work can be sold to military contractors or big business get to keep researching.

We should stand against the ongoing militarisation of our universities, and oppose this new project.

Motion



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Student Council condemns the new defence research laboratory, Flinders involvement in this project, and Flinders involvement in the Naval Shipbuilding College.

Student Council opposes the ongoing militarisation of our universities.

7.4 FUSA Supports the No Confidence Protest – Angus Clarke

Preamble

The recent university restructure has resulted in over 100 academic staff losing their jobs and a further separation of teaching and research. The university administration has shown that they prioritise profits and university rankings above student and staff well being, as well as the quality of teaching and research. A protest has been called by Say No to Academic Restructures in support of the NTEU call for a vote of no confidence in the university chancellor and vice-chancellor. These cuts have already affected students as courses have been gutted by the staff clear out. In the spirit of solidarity FUSA should promote this protest and send a contingent to it.

We rightly identified in a previous meeting the need for independent student unions. Part of this is steps like establishing our own email server, beyond the eyes of university administration. But a major part needs to be mobilising students in opposition to the anti-staff and anti-student policies of the administration. That's where our power is. At a previous protest at university council, there were over 100 staff and students who went along to demonstrate their opposition to the restructure. It was a mistake that there was such little FUSA representation at the protest, and one those on this council need to rectify if we're going to rebuild student activism and have an independent student union worthy of that title.

Motion

Student Council endorses the March 14th protest and Student Council members will attend as a contingent.

7.5 Jordan Peterson Protest: Report Back and Proposal for Future Protest – Angus Clarke

Preamble

On Monday the 11th of February, far-right academic and his army of incels made an appearance at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre. Around 60 anti-fascist campaigners turned out to defy the normalisation of transphobia, misogyny, homophobia and racism that Jordan Peterson represents. It was a lively event with chanting, costumes and speeches about the importance of unions in fighting against the far-right and everything they represent. As a union which represents students of all identities, racial backgrounds and sexuality, it is of utmost importance to fight against a man who is leading a movement to deny these people rights. That is why it was extremely disappointing to not find another Student Council member in attendance, despite passing a motion to support the rally and promote it. When a far-right figure who has a history of fighting against trans rights, blacklisting academics who he doesn't agree with and promoting sexist ideology, you would hope that the student union would be there in defiance. When we endorse and then fail to attend such a protest, it makes a mockery of our council meetings.



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A fantastic open discussion occurred after the protest to plan for future demonstrations against far-right figures when they come to Adelaide. It is important that we build a movement that tells fascists and the far right that if you come to Adelaide you will be opposed and you will lose.

Far-right figures Milo Yiannopoulos, Gavin McInnes, and Tommy Robinson are currently planning a show in Adelaide on the 11th of March. That could change, but there is a plan to protest wherever and whenever they end up showing up. If their March 11 show gets cancelled, there will be a speak out against racism and fascism on the March 11 evening in Rundle Mall.

Event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/278119979485587/>

Motion

Student Council endorses, promotes, and will send a contingent to the upcoming protest against far-right figures Milo Yiannopoulos, Gavin McInnes, and Tommy Robinson currently have scheduled

7.6 Support For the Decriminalisation of Abortion – Angus Clarke

Preamble

Abortion laws in South Australia are woefully inadequate. A 50 year old state law still classifies abortion as a crime. It still requires being carried out in a prescribed hospital, after getting approval from two examining doctors who judge that proceeding with the pregnancy would endanger the physical and/or mental health of the pregnant person, or for reasons of serious foetal abnormality. Abortion can occur no later than 24 weeks into the pregnancy unless in the case of serious foetal abnormality or the pregnant person's health being at serious risk. Doctors can refuse to perform an abortion and a pregnant person must have been a resident in SA for at least two months to access abortion services.

These restriction means that even when an abortion can be accessed there can be serious delays. The Pregnancy Advisory Centre (PAC), in Adelaide's western suburbs, is the only legally prescribed facility in the state that provides abortion consulting full-time. It has a three week wait. There is also a two week wait for abortion appointments at the Flinders Medical Centre

Upper House MP Tammy Franks is currently pushing to reform abortion law. These reforms would remove abortion from the criminal code, remove legal gestation limits for termination and remove the two doctors rule. FUSA should support these changes. Control over reproductive health and access to abortion should be a human right.

The religious right and anti-choice bigots have been organising to oppose this bill. We need to be prepared to protest against them. Appallingly, their views have been echoed in parliament. Liberal Attorney-General Vickie Chapman has said she supports some abortion reform, but that the Tammy Franks bill removes too many restrictions. Disgracefully, Labor party Upper House MP Clare Scriven has also joined the attacks.

FUSA should oppose these attacks and join the call for abortion with apologies.

Motion

Student Council supports free and accessible abortion on demand.



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Student Council supports the Tammy Franks reform bill and the attempts to remove restrictions on abortion.

Student Council condemns the attacks on this bill from anti-choice campaigners and members of the Liberal and Labor party.

Student Council will express these views through supporting protests for abortion rights and counter-protests against anti-choice events, and putting forward these views on social media and on campus.

7.7 Enviro Film Festival – Grace Hensel

Preamble

While the weather is good and there aren't as many events on campus I thought it would be good to hold a film festival with an environmental theme. I plan to book out the super screen and have free popcorn. The event will likely be held in week 4 or 5 depending on other events and availability of the super screen, but I will talk to the events team.

Motion

Student Council approve \$500 from the environment officer's budget to be spent on movie rights and popcorn for the upcoming enviro film festival.

7.8 Reducing Plastic at Student Council Meetings – Grace Hensel

Preamble

Plastic, particularly single use plastic, is incredibly bad for the environment and a huge amount of it ends up polluting our oceans. Student Council should make a commitment to reducing plastic at our meetings in order to be more environmentally friendly. We should avoid using plastic plates, cutlery and cups – especially since we have normal plates etc available to us at FUSA. It is a bit more effort to have to wash them up afterwards but if we all chip in it won't take too much to do it.

Motion

Student Council commits to avoid using plastic at its monthly meetings. All council members will help with cleaning up afterwards.

7.9 Empire Times Regulations – Nathan Cheetham

Preamble

Since the ET regulations were established, there has been more regular use of publishing articles online that aren't necessarily included in print issues of ET or published online before being printed. The proposed change in regulations assures that the approval process is consistent across online and print publishing.

Motion

Student Council approve the following change to the Empire Times regulations section 10.1 point d) to read;

10.1



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d) Approving the pre-press document of each issue of Empire Times and articles for digital publication.

7.10 Club affiliation: Southern Adelaide Skin Society - Josh Rayner

Preamble

Executive Composition

President has completed their studies and is NOT a currently enrolled Flinders University student.

The Secretary is a currently enrolled Flinders University student.

The Treasurer is a currently enrolled Flinders University student.

The Vice President is a currently enrolled Flinders University student.

Constitution

The club (currently a Non-Financial Affiliate) has established the position of “Executive Director” as an Executive Member of the club. This position appears to assume the roles typically expected of the club’s President, including “Strategic planning for the society”. Student Council should consider whether it is appropriate to provide funding to a society where the club is not truly ‘student-driven’. A small alteration to the Constitution template went unnoticed in my previous review (apologies). The club has changed “The President, who must be a current student”, to “The President, who must be a current student at the time of nomination”. This does not satisfy the requirements for Financial Affiliation under 5.5 of the Club and Academic Association Regulations for Financial Affiliates.

AGM Minutes

Have met quorum requirements. There is no evidence within the AGM minutes that the club approved to establish a bank account, and establish the Executive as signatories.

Membership List

Meets requirements under FUSA Regulations

Bank Account

The bank account is listed as “Business Account #6194” and is not in the name of the club per FUSA regulations. As there was no motion to establish a bank account in the Annual General Meeting minutes, there is no evidence to indicate a club-owned bank account.

Motion

Student Council do not approve financial affiliation for the Southern Adelaide Skin Society.

7.11 Club affiliation: Twenty Thirty - Josh Rayner

Preamble

Club/association's intended aims, objectives and activities



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Provide a space for people who are conscious of the impact of climate change. Build a support network and mechanisms to do something about it. There are some people that may just want more information, therefore we want to provide information so it is easier to start these conversations. We want to take a broad approach, from smaller workshops and get together to participation in global campaigns. People can choose to be involved in any way they feel is appropriate. We have already held a workshop.

Executive Composition

The President is a currently enrolled Flinders University student.

The Secretary is a currently enrolled Flinders University student.

The Treasurer is a currently enrolled Flinders University student.

Constitution

Meets requirements under FUSA Regulations

AGM Minutes

Minutes have not been dated. Quorum requirements have been met.

Membership List

Ten current students with valid student ID numbers supplied, however email addresses and the date of application have not been supplied.

Motion

Student Council conditionally approve Twenty Thirty non-financial affiliation, providing that the club provides: an updated Membership List be provided to the Clubs & Events Officer (via adam.rau@flinders.edu.au) with each member's email address and date of application, and; an updated copy of the Annual General Meeting minutes be supplied to the Clubs & Events Officer (via adam.rau@flinders.edu.au) with the date of the meeting.

7.12 Club affiliation: Criminology Social Club - Josh Rayner

Preamble

Club/association's intended aims, objectives and activities

To facilitate the networking (both social and professional) of students who study Criminology.

Intended activities include: guest speakers, pub crawl, balls, more relevant career sessions, movie nights, book

clubs etc.

Executive Composition

The President is a currently enrolled Flinders University student.



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The Secretary is a currently enrolled Flinders University student.

The Treasurer is a currently enrolled Flinders University student.

The Education Officer is a currently enrolled Flinders University student.

Constitution

Meets requirements under FUSA Regulations

AGM Minutes

Minutes have not been dated. Quorum requirements have been met.

Membership List

The membership list has not recorded Student ID Numbers (only FANs have been supplied) or the date of application for each member, as required within the Club & Academic Association Regulations. Note: As FANs can be found via a student's email address, there is no way to determine if the student truly signed up to the club.

Bank Account

The Bank Account is in the name of the club. Only one Bank Account signatory has been listed in application, at least two signatories (that are current Flinders students) are required.

Education Officer

Elected

Endorsement by the Dean of College

Not endorsed

Motion

Student Council does not approve the application for Academic Association status for the Criminology Social Club, and recommends the club work with the Clubs Officer to work towards meeting affiliation requirements.

8. Matters for Discussion

8.1 O'Week Debrief – Manager, Student Engagement

I would like to have a debrief with Student Council regarding their experiences and thoughts regarding O'Week including:

- The FUSA stall
- Start engagement
- FUSA presentations
- Any other matters



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Flinders University Student Council Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 29th of January 2019

Alere Function Room, Student Hub, Flinders University Bedford Park Campus

18:30

Present: Katt Hatzi (Student President), Josh Rayner (Education Officer), Jesse Stevens (Education Officer), Jawahir Baraki (Women's Officer), Nathan Cheetham (Welfare Officer), Sean Henschke (Queer Officer), Sarah Howson (Indigenous Students Officer), Nicole Cutufia (Disabilities Officer), Angus Clarke (General Council Member), Clara Santilli (General Council Member), Nathan Fiedler (General Council Member), Jesy Murphy (General Council Member), Clare Pollock (Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Students), Manager, Student Engagement, Alice Grieve (Minutes).

Meeting Opened: 19:31

1. Acknowledgement of Country

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

2. Apologies & Welcome of Guests

Apologies: Hansha Manimendra (Postgraduate Students Officer), Nicholas Loh (International Students Officer), Grace Hensel (Environment Officer), Gemma Lyons (Social Activities Officer), Christopher Norman (Mature Age Students Officer), Laura Savaglia (General Council Member).

Katt Hatzi (Student President) welcomed Clare Pollock (Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Students).

3. Name & Pronoun Round

Those present introduced themselves and their pronouns.

4. Discussion with Prof. Clare Pollock

Katt Hatzi (Student President) invited Professor Clare Pollock, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Students) to speak.

Clare Pollock (Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Students) addressed the Student Council to welcome new members and recognise those that had continued from previous years. She introduced herself and her role and spoke on her discipline background as a researcher and teacher in psychology, her roles in universities and her 3 years at Flinders.

Clare provided guidance and strategies on how to influence and create change in a university context.



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Clare Pollock then took questions and spoke on some key themes for the coming year:

- Academic restructure
- Retention and attrition
- Employability

Nathan Fiedler (General Council Member) entered room 18:33

Clare Pollock (Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Students) left room 19:29

5. Previous Minutes

Previous minutes are not yet available for approval.

Nicole Cutufia (Disabilities Officer) left room 19:31

6. Executive Decisions

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

Moved: Clara Santilli (General Council Member)

Seconded: Nathan Cheetham (Welfare Officer)

All in favour.

Motion carried.

7. Reports

Motion: Student Council accepts the submitted reports and will defer outstanding reports to the Executive.

Moved: Jawahir Baraki (Women's Officer)

Seconded: Sean Henschke (Queer Officer)

All in favour.

Motion carried.

8. Matters for Decision

Student President called for starring of matters.

Starred items: 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.15

8.0 Starred Matters for Decision



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8.3 Transgender People Are Not Ghosts – Jesy Murphy

Preamble: Sometimes transgender people can feel left out, feel like they go unnoticed. Transgender Day of Visibility looks to break down this invisibility and bring transgender people and transgender issues into the public eye. International Transgender Day of Visibility is an annual event occurring of March 31st dedicated to celebrating transgender people and raising awareness of discrimination faced by transgender people worldwide. Having large scale events helps to break down barriers and makes it easier for people to talk about many issues that transgender people face.

Amended Motion: Student Council approves the event proposal (see Appendix 5) for Transgender Day of Visibility which will occur on the 27th of March during Pride Fest.

Moved: Jesy Murphy (General Council Member)

Seconded: Student President (Katt Hatzi)

All in favour.

Motion carried.

8.4 International Students Meet and Greet Event Proposal – Nicholas Loh

Preamble: See Appendix 6.

Discussion:

Katt Hatzi (Student President) corrected a typo in the proposal (Appendix 6) – the event will be held on 12 March, not 12 February.

Motion: Student Council approves the spending of \$239.30 from the International Students Officer events budget as per the event proposal.

Moved: Student President (Katt Hatzi)

Seconded: General Secretary (Josh Rayner)

All in favour.

Motion carried.

8.5 Academic Restructure. Vote of No Confidence in the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor – Angus Clarke

Preamble: The following motion has been moved by the NTEU in support of the campaign against the academic restructuring at Flinders University:

Flinders University is a public university entrusted to deliver excellence in research and teaching for the public good. Staff, students, alumni, and concerned community members move a motion of NO CONFIDENCE in the Vice-Chancellor and Chancellor to deliver ethical governance, empowering leadership, or due diligence on the academic restructure for the public good. The damage to campus culture and morale could become irreparable unless immediate steps are taken to return to a collegial model of governance. The ill-conceived academic restructure risks the quality of research, teaching,



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and community engagement and exposes Flinders to massive reputational damage. Management's gross incompetence to date gives us no confidence in its capacity to effect change that is sustainable, consultative, evidence-based, or in the long-term interests of the university or the broader community.

Discussion:

Conversation was had by **Nathan Fiedler (General Council Member)** and **Jesse Stevens (Education Officer)** about the extremity of the motion of no confidence and how it relates to motion 8.9. **Jesse Stevens (Education Officer)** suggested clarification of the motion.

Amended Motion: Student Council supports the NTEU's motion of no confidence and will publicise and advocate for the vote to all Flinders Students.

Moved: Jesse Stevens (Education Officer)

Seconded: Angus Clarke (General Council Member)

For 7

Against 0

Abstain 5

Motion carried.

Nicole Cutufia (Disabilities Officer) entered room 19:39

8.15 Save Hakeem! – Josh Rayner

Preamble: Over the past two months, Hakeem Al-Araibi has been detained at Bangkok Airport, placed in Suan Plu (Bangkok) Immigration Detention Centre and is now facing deportation back to Bahrain, the country from which he sought refuge and where he fears torture and persecution. Hakeem had travelled to Thailand with his wife for their honeymoon before being detained on the basis on an Interpol Red Notice in relation to political charges issued against him in Bahrain. Hakeem had fled Bahrain because of persecution and torture due to his brother's peaceful involvement in protests against the ruling family during the Arab Spring of 2011. Hakeem had arrived in Australia in 2014 and was granted refugee status and permanent residency and has since been playing professional football for Pascoe Vale Football Club in the National Premier League in Victoria. While his footballing status has allowed for some public spotlight to be shone on this story, Hakeem still faces the very real threat of being deported back to Bahrain, with minimal mainstream news coverage of this event to empower public pressure on the Federal Government to become more involved in the fight to bring Hakeem back to Melbourne.

Discussion:

General Secretary (Josh Rayner) spoke on why he felt it important to pass this motion despite this not being directly relevant to students at Flinders University.



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Motion: Student Council calls upon the Federal Government, particularly Minister for Foreign Affairs Marise Payne, to be more proactive in the fight to protect Hakeem Al-Araibi from deportation and bring him back to Australia.

Student Council members may sign the Change.Org petition published by the Gulf Institute for Democracy and Human Rights and share it to relevant social media networks. The petition can be found at; <https://www.change.org/p/marise-payne-don-pramudwinai-save-hakeem>

Moved: Student President (Katt Hatzi)

Seconded: General Secretary (Josh Rayner)

All in favour.

Motion carried.

8.0 Matters left un-starred to be moved en bloc:

8.1 Anti-Racism Campaign Proposal – Sarah Howson

Preamble: See Appendix 3.

Motion: Student Council approves the spending of \$2,500 from the allocated Anti-Racism campaign budget and the remaining \$73.17 from the Flexi-Fund as per the campaign proposal.

8.2 First Nations Students Collective Free Lunch Proposal – Sarah Howson

Preamble: See Appendix 4.

Motion: Student Council approves the spending of \$245 from the Indigenous Officer events budget as per the event proposal.

8.6 Freedom of Speech on Campus – Angus Clarke

Preamble: During the 2018 NUS National Conference, a “freedom of speech on campus” charter was voted on. FUSA should ratify this charter.

- a) FUSA upholds freedom of speech & expression on campus as an important right for students, staff, and members of the public.
- b) FUSA opposes attempts by university administrations and government ministers or departments to crack down upon freedom of speech on campus, whether it comes in the form of:
 - i. Disciplining academics for publishing their opinions in a personal or academic context
 - ii. Discipline against those engaged in protests, including academic discipline, legal discipline, and university-imposed fines
 - iii. Discipline on the basis of content of student publications.
- c) Protesting is a key form of freedom of expression.
 - i. Protesting outside of a speaking event in order to put across an alternative view is not an assault upon freedom of speech. It is the use of freedom of expression to put across an alternate opinion.



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- d) Laws or rulings which compel protestors to pay fines or security costs for demonstrations are an assault upon freedom of expression. They prohibit the most accessible form of freedom of expression to those who cannot pay, and in effect make the act of protesting a punishable

Motion: Student Council ratifies the charter (EDU 4.30 – Fighting for free speech) passed at the 2018 NUS National Conference.

8.7 Hands Off Our Unions and Services! – Jesse Stevens

Preamble: In December, the Liberal senator James McGrath announced he intends to introduce a private member's bill to abolish the student services and amenities fee (SSAF). SSAF funds student unions around the country, in addition to a range of other important services that improve student well-being including but not limited to counselling services, financial support, sporting programs and transition activities

This is yet another attack on higher education, student well-being, student representation and unionism, and the services and programs that so many students rely on. We should oppose any bill that will leave students worse off.

Motion: Student Council opposes any attempt to reduce or abolish SSAF, and affirms its commitment to universal student unionism.

8.8 Solidarity with Staff – Jesse Stevens

Preamble: The academic restructure is well underway. Many staff have taken voluntary redundancies and interviews for the remaining positions are due to be complete by the end of January. The restructure will see a frightening number of experienced academic staff leave Flinders, many of whom have been at the uni for two or three decades. The lack of respect and appreciation with which these staff have been treated by uni management has been appalling. The staff who remain will also be affected by this process for a long time, and working conditions will not be easy in the next 12 months.

Motion: Student Council stands in solidarity with Flinders academic staff and recognises the previous and ongoing contribution and service provided by our academic staff to students, the university and the greater community.

8.9 Student Voice Pilot Project – Jesse Stevens

Preamble: Students as Partners (SAP) is the term given for an approach to university decision-making that involves students working collaboratively with university staff to develop initiatives and make decisions. This is in contrast to university staff/management engaging in basic consultation with students, or informing students once decisions have already been made. SAP in Australia is in its infancy, with Sally Varnham from the University of Technology Sydney developing a national framework for how to expand and implement the approach into universities around Australia. Her work has led to the development of a national 12 month pilot project involving 10 institutions around Australia, including Flinders. This pilot involves both staff and students, and is important for the success of any established SAP framework. This pilot presents as an opportunity to advance student voice, and it would be imprudent of us to not participate in an opportunity to advance student voice.

Motion: Student Council endorses the FUSA Student President and Education Officer to be involved with the national 'Students as Partners' student voice pilot.



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8.10 Pride Fest! 2019 – Sean Henschke

Preamble: Pride fest 2018 was an amazing success engaging over 1,000 students over a week of inclusive events celebrating diversity of sex, sexuality, gender identity and gender expression. Pride fest 2019 aims to be bigger and better and to truly establish itself as an annual event. These events will feature an array of off campus pride fest events continuing with friends of the community and the Queer society in the following week.

Motion: Student Council approves the campaign proposal (see Appendix 7) for Pride Fest! 2019.

8.11 Stop the Torture – Sean Henschke

Preamble: The torture and killing of LGBTIQ people have continued into 2019 with evidence that “Chechen authorities began to abduct members of the LGBT community, bringing them to a government facility. As we were ringing in the New Year with our friends and family, they were being tortured as part of a “preventive mopping up” of people deemed undesirable” as the mass killing of anyone LGBTIQ identifying in Chechnya continues.

Motion: Student Council will share the Amnesty Petition on our Facebook Page; <https://action.amnesty.org.au/act-now/stop-crackdown-lgbti-people-chechnya>

8.12 We Should be Welcoming LGBTIQ Asylum Seekers – Sean Henschke

Preamble: The Australian Government has been reported to be asking incredibly inappropriate questions about their sex lives to verify a gay couple’s claim who were seeking protection in Australia. <https://www.buzzfeed.com/hannahryan/two-men-seeking-australias-protection-from-lgbt-persecution> (Linked due to explicit content) This is continued evidence of poor treatment of those who seek asylum and protection in Australia due to their LGBTIQ+ status with over 70 countries criminalising most LGBTIQ acts and many more without protections for the community there are a large portion of LGBTIQ community within the millions of refugees seeking asylum.

Motion: Student Council condemns the discrimination against persecuted LGBTIQ people. Student Council also condemns the mistreatment of all refugees and offshore processing by the Australian Government.

8.13 Your Faith is Not an Excuse to Discriminate Against the LGBTIQ Community – Sean Henschke

Preamble: Following the Ruddoch Review into Religious Freedom, the freedom for religious groups to discriminate against LGBTIQ people without legal consequences was justified by conservative politicians, particularly over religious schools wanting the right to discriminate by possibly firing or changing staff’s roles and expelling students based on identity. This is an issue that affects a large amount of vulnerable young LGBTIQ people and affects their chances of making it to university - not only do they have to combat the challenges of school but institutionalised homophobia and transphobia as well. This also affects students studying in education who want to teach future generations following their university degree. To ensure that these people are protected, Equality Australia have released a petition calling on both major parties to protect LGBTIQ students and teachers.



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Motion: Student Council supports students and staff right to identify as LGBTIQ+ openly and without discrimination. Student Council will share this petition on its social media platforms; https://equalityaustralia.org.au/protect-students-and-teachers/?fbclid=IwAR0F4JHpNjZESj3v3IO62QPQ68IK-9nwgq2hsJMNAEku1vN5MThttcj_5P8

8.14 It's All About TRAACCCTIIIOOONNN BABBBYYY! – Josh Rayner

Preamble: Broadening our scope and branding as a Student Association has been a consistent goal of Student Council over the past few years. FUSA currently has an Instagram page, however, Student Council does not have their own independent site running in similar fashion to the FUSA and FUSA Student Council Facebook pages. It's about time Student Council created their own Instagram page to promote the sublime initiatives, campaigns, and events that are consistently run by Student Council.

Motion: Student Council endorses the FUSA Student President and General Secretary to create and moderate the content of the Student Council Instagram page in conjunction with the Student Council Facebook Page.

8.16 BBQs for ALL – Jawahir Baraki

Preamble: When I was in my first year at Flinders in 2016, I passed by a FUSA BBQ. I waited in line with everyone else, and when I made the front of the line, I asked if it was Halal, to which I was told no. As a result, I never attended a BBQ again. Late last year an Officer bearer told me the supplies for BBQ's were provided by ALERE, which is halal. When I passed by the next BBQ, I asked before waiting in line if what I'd heard was true, but the casual workers didn't know and spent 15 mins trying to call people to work it out. Once they found out it was Halal, I had to get to the back of the line and wait my turn for my sausage.

To prevent any confusion in future and to promote inclusion, I'd like the casual workers from now on to be informed of whether the meat is Halal or not, so that they are equipped to answer questions quickly. I'd also like for all FUSA Facebook events to include in their event description when the meat is halal. Finally, I'd like for there to be an A4 sized page with Halal written on it either on the food bench or stuck to the edge of it at the BBQ's. As there are many Muslim students at Flinders, it's important that they feel included in the activities we hold as an association and that we never leave people out like how I felt back in 2016.

Motion: Student council agrees to promote that BBQ's are Halal, in order to promote the inclusion of all students with our events.

8.17 International Women's Day – Jawahir Baraki

Preamble: International Women's Day (March 8th) is a day celebrated internationally to celebrate women, their achievements and how far they've come together. Annually, events are held on campus in honour of this date and generally FUSA takes part in these events. This year, the theme is 'Balance For Better'. The theme acknowledges how the presence of women has enhanced workplaces. In honour of this year's theme and in conjunction with the Anti-Racism campaign FUSA is already holding in this week, I'd like to hold a movie screening of the movie 'Hidden Figures' on the super screen in the plaza with free pizza, to celebrate and acknowledge the achievements of women of colour in



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workplaces. In order to ensure the inclusion of other campuses, I would like to hold a cupcake stall at Sturt in the morning.

Motion: Student council approves the spending of \$746 out of the Women's Officer's budget to be spent on International Women's Day (see Appendix 8).

8.18 Semester 1 Pub Crawl Event Proposal – Gemma Lyons

Preamble: See Appendix 9.

Motion: Student Council approves the expenditure outlined in the event proposal (see Appendix 9)

8.19 First Year Collective Quiz Night Event Proposal – Gemma Lyons

Preamble: See Appendix 10.

Motion: Student Council approves the expenditure outlined in the event proposal (see Appendix 10)

8.20 Digital Resources Hub Digital Hub – Nicole Cutufia

Preamble: There is a large amount of data across different Flinders website platforms regarding the disability services available. While they are informative there are few practical tools that can be used by students in crisis, distress or severe illness. One way to combat this would be to create a webpage on the FUSA website that has accessible resources such as email templates to help students negotiate their learning needs with tutors, email templates for sick certificates and access plans and a flowchart helping students understand the various resources available to them on campus. This could be incorporated under the student support menu. We can use this presentation of information to further link to the existing Flinders channels. This development can be created in negotiation with Flinders Health Counselling and Disability Services to ensure accuracy.

Motion: Student Council supports the plan to create a FUSA disabilities webpage hub to simplify and condense the amount of information available to students while also providing email templates and basic resources to assist students.

8.21 Physical Disability Resources Map – Nicole Cutufia

Preamble: The university already has a myriad of health services along with FUSA's additional resources. At the moment, the process that students should follow when they are in need of assistance is difficult and a new visual graphic that can be published around the university physically as well as digitally published online would help students who are hesitant to access help understand what services are available in one easy image.

Motion: Student Council endorses the creation and publication of a simplified resource highlighting the support services available on campus. Physical printing costs may be used to provide physical copies at the FUSA desk

8.22 #accessibility #photodescription – Nicole Cutufia

Preamble: Students with vision impairments often use additional software such as voiceover to help them navigate social media. Since these types of software cannot interpret information in image form it is beneficial to add photo descriptions that enable people to understand the image that accompanies the content of a caption.



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Motion: FUSA and Student Council will include accessible photo descriptions to all future online posts below regular captions and encourage other Flinders online platforms to also include photo descriptions.

8.23 Portable FUSA signage – Katt Hatzi

Preamble: Aside from the marquee and tablecloths, we don't actually have any FUSA branded signage that we can use when we set up a stall or pop up on campus. In terms of Student Council specific signage – there is none in use. Having pull-up banners and flags would greatly increase our visibility on campus where FUSA has a presence, whether it's a stall, an event, or another kind of activation. It's certainly been discussed several times over the years I've spent on council, but never been followed through. These items should have a long life and be staple items that councils in future can use as well.

Preliminary quotes sought by the Media team indicate that banners will cost approx. \$190 each and flags approx. \$55 each (prices may vary on quantity, plus shipping).

Motion: Student Council approve up to \$750 from the Student President's budget for the purchase of two FUSA Student Council branded pull-up banners, and four FUSA flags.

8.24 Lifeline ASIST Training – Katt Hatzi

Preamble: ASIST is a two-day, interactive workshop run by Lifeline that prepares people to provide suicide life-assisting, first-aid intervention.

Motion: Student Council approve \$450 of Clara Santilli's General Council Member budget to be spent for her to attend ASIST training.

8.25 FUSA Says No To Jordan Peterson – Angus Clarke

Preamble: The intellectual voice of the alt-right, Jordan Peterson, will be touring Australia in February. His transphobic, racist and sexist views are being pushed further and further into the mainstream and must be opposed.

Motion: Student Council will promote the protest against alt-right bigot Jordan Peterson on February 11 at the Entertainment Centre.

Motion: Matters left un-starred be moved en bloc.

Moved: Sean Henschke (Queer Officer)

Seconded: Josh Rayner (Education Officer)

All in favour.

Motion carried.

Meeting Closed: 19:42



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Executive Motions – January to March 2019

Education Collective Badges – Katt Hatzi CARRIED

Preamble

Looking for approval for the following materials for the Ed Collective:

205x 35mm badge components \$108.10

10m calico \$43.99

Motion

Student Council approve \$160 from the Education Officer's budget for banner and badge materials.

Save SHINE SA – Jesse Stevens CARRIED

Preamble

Student Council previously (in December) condemned the state Liberal government for making cuts of over half a million dollars to SHINE SA, which has led to the announcement that their southern and northern services will cease operations. SHINE SA provides essential health and wellbeing services to community members, many of whom in the southern suburbs are Flinders University students and family members.

Motion

The Student President will send the attached letter to Minister for Health and Wellbeing Stephen Wade.

A post will be made to the Student Council and FUSA Facebook pages with the letter, and sharing the link to the community petition;

<https://www.change.org/p/stephen-wade-stop-shine-sa-closing-its-north-and-south-services>



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Executive Reports – January to March 2019

Student President

Conference attendance

1. Student Voice Advisory Group meeting (UTS)
 - The two days – one for staff and students, and one for students only – gave us the chance to hear from all the participating institutions and begin discussing the composition of various working groups to address key aims of the project. We discussed in more detail the principles of the project, how we could work to achieve them, what barriers we may face during the course of the year at our individual institutions, and how we can help each other to overcome those with the varied experiences we all have. Dates have been set for the Student Summit which will be open for any student to attend and learn more about how Students as Partners philosophies can be implemented in our universities. We've also begun discussing when Flinders will hold our Institutional Analysis Workshop with staff and students to begin embedding Students as Partners approaches across the university.
2. NUS President's Summit (Deakin)
 - I spent 3 days with other presidents and vice-presidents from around the country, listening to speakers and working on the first NUS campaign of the year. The campaign A Future Worth Fighting For was launched, and we began to organise how this campaign would run on our respective campuses and how NUS Office Bearers would facilitate this into the semester and up to the Federal Election. We also heard from: the NUS Research Officer, about the Student Values Survey and various submissions; the NTEU on what issue are key for them in the upcoming year, and the joint NUS/CAPA/NTEU campaign to encourage AEC enrolment; Students for Sensible Drug Policy, who campaign for drug policy reform and harm minimisation; and Nina Funnell from End Rape On Campus, who will be working closely with the National Women's Officer on initiatives during the year.

O'Week

- Preparation for O'Week took a significant amount of work but it was a fantastic week! We had members of Student Council at the FUSA stall in the Plaza from Mon- Wed, and at Sturt on Wed and Thurs. The heat was sometimes difficult but there were many productive conversations had about Collectives, the NUS Student Values Survey, and the various NUS campaigns that are currently running. I also delivered a President's Address on the first day. It was also wonderful to have NUS National Office Bearers visit and speak to students about the campaigns. I also attended some of the course-specific Orientation sessions, including FUSA's first visit to CDW Studios in the city which was fantastic.



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Other

- Continuing to assist members of Student Council in planning their events and campaigns
- Presenting at and speaking with Executive Members at the Academic Associations Info Session
- Submissions to Empire Times
- Discussions about a more unified Exam/SWOTVAC campaign in collaboration with Events, Student Assist, Student Council, to reach out to Oasis, the Library, Health Counselling and Disabilities
- Induction for the Education Quality Committee
- Induction for Academic Senate
- Interview process for the Project Officer (Student Assist)
- Regular meetings with the NUS Women's Officer
- Responding to student queries
- Ongoing conversations about the outcomes of the academic restructure
- Finalising the order of Student Council business cards
- Working on the production of Student Council flags and banners
- Organising members of SC to attend Student Appeals Committees
- Ongoing discussions about amendments to FUSA regulations

Meetings

- Deputy Vice Chancellor (Students)
- Buildings and Property
- State Education Action Network
- Student Assist
- Student Representation and Development Officer
- Manager, Student Experience

General Secretary

Was on leave for just over two weeks travelling through Tasmania.

- Organised roster for FUSA O'Week Stalls
- Organised roster for FUSA presentations at Orientation events and O'Week
- Spent Monday through to Wednesday and Bedford Park coordinating Student Council Members on the stalls and assisting when needed



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- Organised iPads for collective signups and NUS Student Values Survey participation
- Voted on executive motions
- Collated motions, reports, apologies and previous minutes for Student Council meeting agenda

Education Officer

- Prepared and presented a summary/update to SC on the restructure
- Participated in a retention Working Group Meeting
- Met with the President, SRDO and Director, Student Services to prepare for the Student Voice Australia (SVA) advisory group meeting in Sydney
- Participated in the SVA advisory group meeting/workshop in Sydney over two days
- Attended the Education Quality Committee Meeting where I spoke about student representation
- Had multiple meetings with the SRDO to discuss student representation issues and prepare for our academic association meet & greet.
- Wrote a letter to the state Minister for Health & Wellbeing calling for the reversing of cuts to SHINE SA.
- Attended the SHINE SA rally at Parliament House
- Attended Academic Senate Induction
- Attended the Teaching Specialist networking event representing FUSA and meeting new TS staff
- Attended the VC's teaching awards representing FUSA
- Prepared for then attended the consultation session on the assessment policy, making a number of recommendations on student involvement and process that improve consistency and clarity of procedures/policies.
- Attended the NUS education action network meeting
- Read the report: Improving Retention, Completion & Success in Higher Education to assist my participation in the Retention Working Group
- Provided feedback to the chair of the Retention Working Group on changes to the terms of reference for both the RWG and the proposed college-based RWGs
- Facilitated alongside the SRDO the Meet & Greet session for Academic Association Executives. Had a discussion about the role of AAs and how FUSA can better support AAs and help them develop a role of academic representation in their colleges.
- Wrote a summary of the AA meet & greet to be emailed out to AAs.
- Attended induction for the Education Quality Committee
- Met with the Student President and DVC(S) to raise concerns about the restructure and express that students feel disrespected throughout the restructure process.
- Manned FUSA stalls during o'week getting petition signatures for National Union of Students campaigns and asking students to complete the NUS student values survey.
- Met with the Pro Vice Chancellor (Learning & Teaching Innovation) to discuss the Education Quality Framework. Made recommendations to adjust the TORs for course quality advisory groups to include more students, and also recommended a review into Student Evaluations of Teaching.



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- Gave a presentation to Master of Speech Pathology students about FUSA services/activities
- Attended the launch party of Empire Times
- Provided feedback to the Chair of the RWG on a document to be sent out to students in EPSW asking for student representatives.

Women's Officer

- Voted on Executive motions
- Attended the Paramedics Orientation session and spoke about Student Council and FUSA
- Held a stall at the Paramedics Orientation session
- Had a phone meeting with the National Union of Students Women's Officer
- Met with the Student Representation and Development Officer
- Continued organising International Women's Day
- Met with Student Assist to discuss a potential project for the year
- Manned the FUSA O'week stall
- Restocked the female bathrooms across campus with sanitary items
- Organised with admin to have a casual restock the female bathrooms from now on
- Liaised with the Concierge at Tonsley about the restocking of bathrooms at Tonsley and organised for admin to send a box internally to the Tonsley Campus
- Collated an email list of all Women's Collective signups from Jan 2018 to the end of O'week 2019

Welfare Officer

- Met with events regarding youth homelessness campaign
- Met with student president regarding future initiatives
- Started process of used book swap facilitated by FUSA
- Started planning for Adulting 101 event
- Met with Oasis regarding
- Week 7 activities
- Assisted at O Week stalls

Postgraduate Students Officer

No report received defer to executive

International Students Officer

- Resolved some issues regarding the FUSA International Students Collective Facebook page.



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- Sustained work on the Anti-racism campaign with Sarah Howson, Indigenous Students Officer (discussed the
- Notified the General Secretary of my availability to help out at the FUSA Booth during O' Week from 9-10:30am on both Monday, 25 Feb 2019, and Wednesday, 27 Feb 2019.
- Sent responses to questions to the Welfare Officer regarding the profiles of Student Council members for the Empire Times magazine.
- Helped out at the FUSA booth during O'Week from 9-11am on Monday 25 Feb 2019 and Wednesday 27 Feb 2019
- Attended the ISS Welcome Event S1 2019 (28 February 2019, 1430-1600) to welcome international Students.
- Discussed the issue of sexual health awareness amongst international students with FUSA StudentAssist Officer Vanessa

Queer Officer

No report received defer to executive

Indigenous Students Officer

No report received defer to executive

Environment Officer

Enviro Film Festival

- This month I worked a lot on my enviro film festival event. I have it mostly planned and now just need to talk to the events team about it to nut out the finer details. I plan to show 4 or 5 movies on the super screen and have popcorn available.

Mortarboard Hire

- I have also been looking into an issue that a student raised with me about the university no longer providing the option to hire mortarboards when graduating. The student rightly raised that this is a financial burden, as without the option to hire students are then forced to buy mortarboards, and also an environmental issue as most of the hats will likely end up in landfill. I have spoken to a few student council members about this and we are going to look at FUSA potentially buying some to hire out to students, as well as asking the uni why they decided to remove the option to hire and see if they will reinstate it.

FUSA Stall



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- I helped out for a number of hours on the FUSA stall during O'Week both on the Bedford Park campus and down at Sturt too.

Student Appeals Committee

- I also sat on the student appeals committee on the 18th of February.

Disabilities Officer

- Cleaned the Student Council office
- Attended a meeting with Oasis and Welfare officer to discuss future collaborations.
- Potential DINO collab
- Uni Mental wellbeing potential collaborations
- Attended disabilities welcome meeting, introduced FUSA and its services to new students.
- Met with a student regarding collaborations for Disabilities officer and mental health and wellbeing blog (resource development).
- Developed a blog post for mental health wellbeing blog – introduction to community
- Compiled draft image resource that consolidates wellbeing services on campus. In progress with media team.
- Attended OWeek stall for FUSA
- Researched AUSLAN workshop on request from student
- Contacted Buildings and property regarding potential mural at request of a student.

Social Activities Officer

First Year Collective Quiz:

Confirmed details with Flinders Tavern including date, time and food. It will be hosted on Wed 13th March from 4:30pm for 5pm start. Details have been passed onto Media team – waiting for designs for Facebook event and digital screens.

FUSA Pub Crawl:

Venues have been contacted, waiting for replies. Media design is being workshopped. Facebook event to be published within the week.

O'Week:

Assisted on Student Council Stall. Meeting with Student President.

Mature Age Officer

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General Council Members

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- Finalised details for Transgender day of visibility: During February I finalised the plans for transgender day of visibility. Two speakers from interstate have been organised and one from SA. The space in the plaza has been booked, and I have spoke to events about the other plans and almost everything has now been booked.
- Helped at FUSA stall: During O-Week, on the Tuesday I helped at the FUSA stall during the morning, talking to people about what FUSA is about, getting them to become a FUSA member, to sign a range of petitions written by NOB and asking them to fill out the student evaluation survey.
- Helped at the Queer Society stall: During O-Week, on the Monday and Tuesday I helped at the Queer Society stall. I will be working with the Queer Officer a lot during this year and this was the start of that.
- Planning for Pride Fest: During February I worked with the Queer Officer with plans for pride fest. Events were prepared for Facebook, guests and venues were finalised and plans for the decorations were made.

Manager Student Engagement – Update – MARCH

O'Week

I would like to extend a huge thank you to the Student Council members that contributed to the O'Week experience for commencing Flinders students in 2019. It was wonderful to see SC members on the FUSA stalls – at main campus and at Sturt – making new students feel welcome and ensure they are aware of the services that FUSA provides.

I look forward to a debrief at the meeting tonight. If you are not able to make it, please send through any comments or feedback to either myself or Caleb Osborne.

Staff Movements

Collette Green has been recruited in the role of Project Officer within Student Assist. Collette's role will be to work alongside the Student Assist team in the design and implementation of a financial capability project focused on providing enhanced services to students who are facing challenges with their finances. This is a really exciting project for 2019. It is SSAF funded until the end of the year. Collette will also assist with other project work within Student Assist as required.

Collette has a Bachelor of Pharmacy, Masters of Public Health and is currently studying a PhD also in Public Health. Collette has significant project and research experience, most recently with the Department for Health and Wellbeing.



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I'm really looking forward to seeing how this project develops during the year. If you have any questions about the project at this early stage, please get in touch with either Vanesa or myself.

Collette will begin on Monday March 18. Please welcome her on board!

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 28th February.

Student Assist opened 37 new student cases in February (up from 35 cases opened in February last year). Most students (22; 60%) 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 complex cases, a student may have a number of interconnected issues adding a multifactorial dimension to their situations and often requiring multi-pronged approaches for satisfactory outcomes.

Student Assist managed 39 new issues in February (down from 53 issues for the same period in 2018). The majority (83%) were Financial issues, followed by Academic issues (17%). Welfare matters (defined in this instance as those encompassing "Equal Opportunity", "Personal", "Employment" and "Accommodation" concerns) were not represented this month.

A closer investigation of the Financial issues in February shows that enquiries relating to "Emergency Financial Assistance" and "Remission of Fees" were the most common issue (a combined total of 46%), followed by requests for assistance with "Centrelink" matters and "Financial Counselling" (10% each).

In addition to casework, 23 students contacted Student Assist via the generic email address to seek advice this month. Queries relating to academic issues represented 52% of the general email contacts. Among the academic queries, requests for assistance navigating "Complaint" processes, applying for "Remission of Fees" and resolving "Enrolment" matters represented 40% of the total number of emails (13% each).

N.B. (1): Ongoing cases opened in previous months are not counted in the above figures.

Graphs summarising caseload are shown below.

Projects and Communications

- Regular catch-up with Manager, International Student Services
- We have continued working with the Media team to redevelop the existing FUSA marketing collateral
- Meeting with Policy and Secretariat to receive an update re the Flinders Policy redevelopment project and a rough outline of the policy and procedural frameworks open for consultation in 2019.



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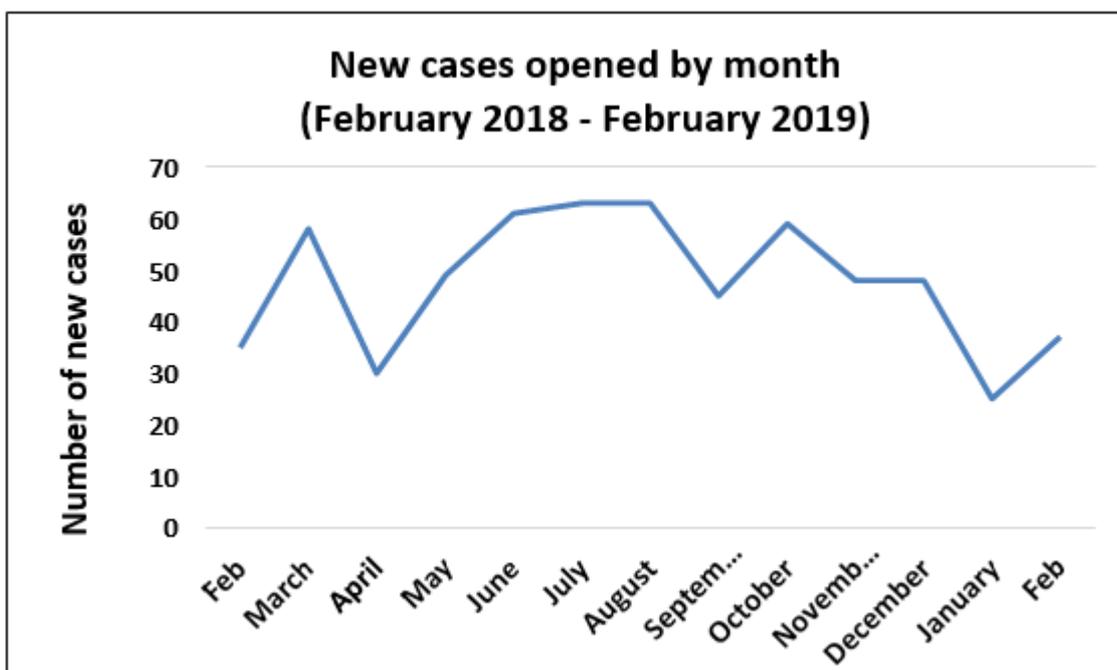
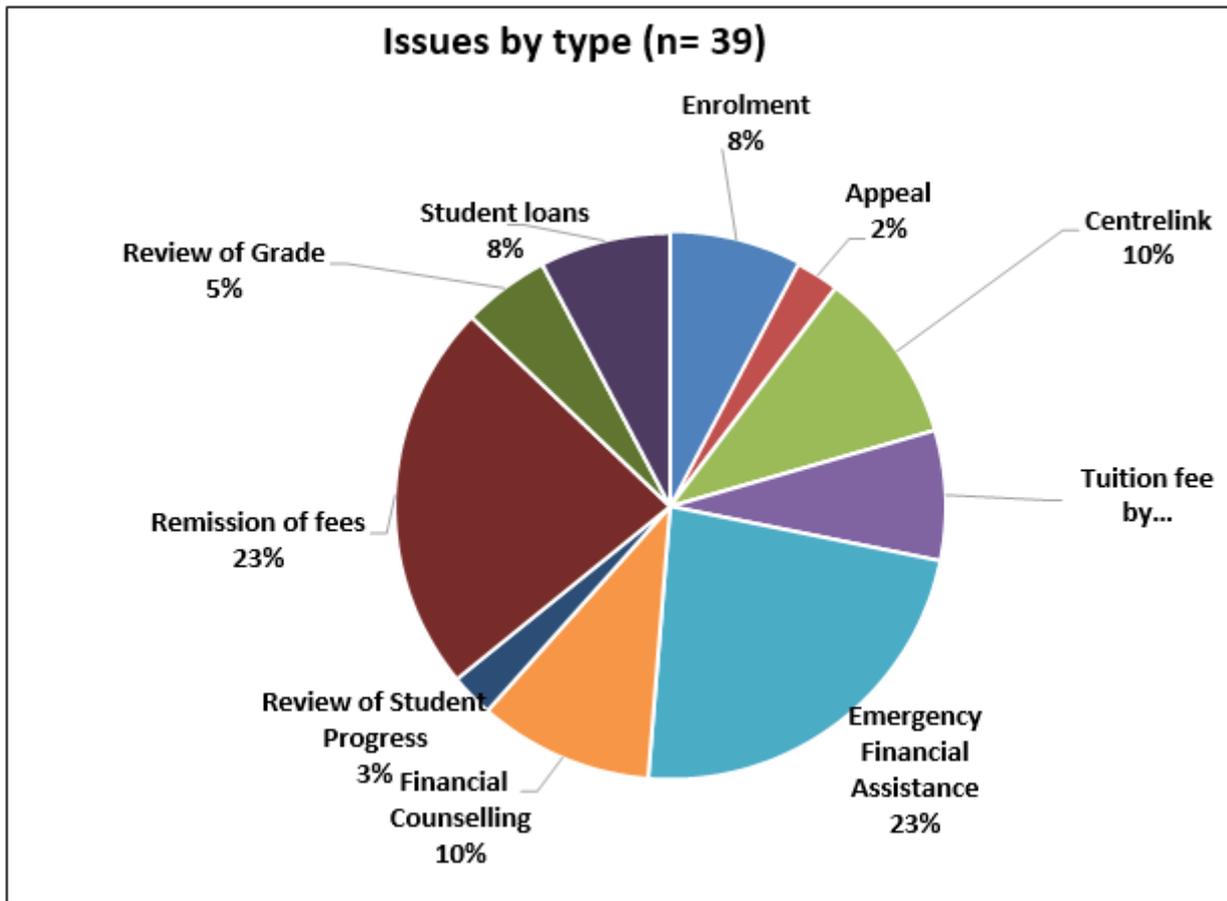
Student Assist has provided preliminary input towards the initial phase of the redevelopment of the assessment policy and procedural suite

- Recruitment for the .8 FTE Project Officer role has been finalised and we hope to have the new staff on deck by the third week of March
- Discussions with Social Work, ISS, Oasis and HCD in relation to high numbers of unwanted pregnancies and low sexual health literacy among some international student cohorts. There is potential for a future project in collaboration with other University services and student leaders
- Project initiation documentation for the Financial Capability project is currently underway. A number of informal discussions with interested stakeholders have taken place and there seems to be a high level of interest in collaborations and partnerships across the University
- Discussions with Oasis re holding 4 or 5 financial capability sessions in Semester One, possibly coinciding with Thursdays' Community Markets
- Student Assist has participated in Orientation presentations along with Student Council. We have also held a fully-dedicated stall over the 25th-27th February, which has proven to be successful and a great opportunity to raise awareness of the academic and financial services we offer.
- We have participated in an Academic Associations session held by the SRDO and the Education Officer with the aim of outlining Student Assist's role in the resolution of students grievances, including systemic advocacy
- We have also attended the Empire Times celebration and the Clubs and Societies awards ceremony

Casework snapshot

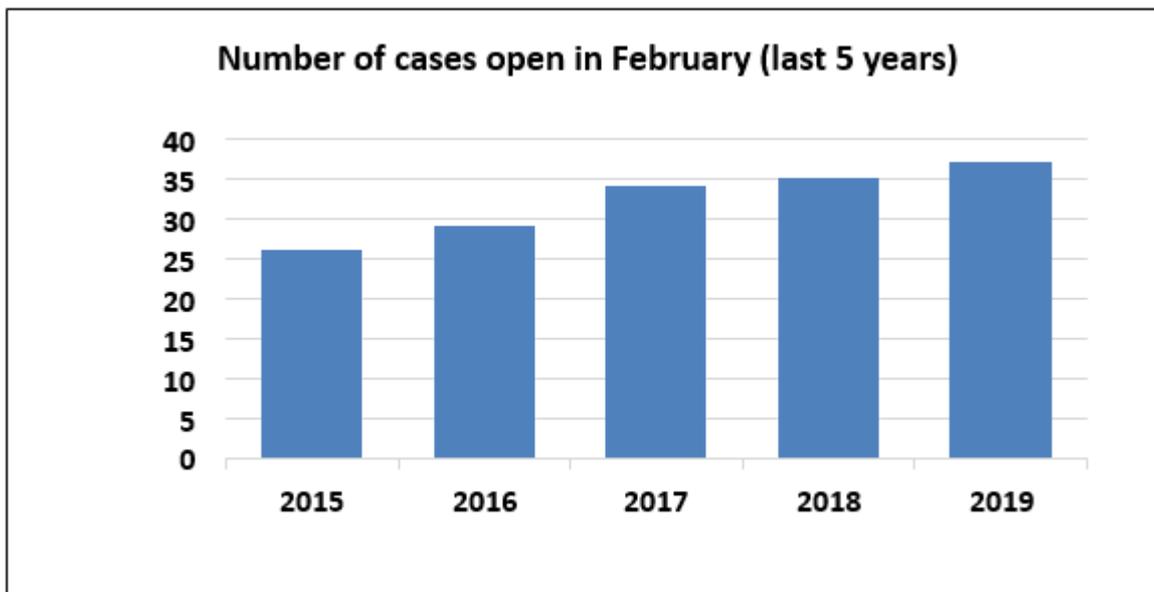


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Student Representation Report – Prepared by the Student Representation and Development Officer

The big focus of mine this month has been on the **Topic Rep Pilot Evaluation, academic representation structures, training the Student Representation Support Officer (SRSO), and Students as Partners (SaP) project work.**

As I mentioned in my previous reports, the Semester 2 Topic Rep Pilots in the Colleges of **Science and Engineering, Business, Government & Law and Nursing Health Sciences** is over and I am currently evaluating the data from the surveys. It will be ready to roll out in a week.

I have been in discussions with the Deans (Education) in Colleges in relation to academic representative structures. HASS, S & E and M&PH are embedding a Student Academic Representation (SAR) structure this year. I have written a plan for HASS, draft plan for M&PH, while S & E are turning the Topic Rep Pilot into a Topic Rep Program. I am booked in for a discussion for a SAR structure for BGL and I will also begin discussions with the Dean (Education) in EPSW hopefully. I will keep the Student Council updated and if anyone has any questions please don't hesitate to come and speak with me.

There are numerous SaP projects that I have been contacted about and invited to work on. This is a significant increase in my workload but it is very rewarding and exciting. There is an event coming up that it would be amazing for the Student Council to attend – Flinders is lucky to be getting a visit from Associate Professor Kelly Matthews who is a leading researcher on SaP. She will be here on Thursday 7th March and is running a workshop on SaP for academics and students. It is from 10:00am to 11:30am with morning tea provided. If you are interested in attending (which I hope you are) you need to RSVP to CSE.deanED@flinders.edu.au I will send an email to all of you with further information.



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Lastly, in a wonderful partnership between Katt, Jesse, myself, Student Assist and Careers we ran a great Meet & Greet event for Academic Associations. It was such a success that we will run that twice a year. It was so great to see connections building between Student

Council, Academic Associations and the University. It makes me proud of the work I do and proud of you all.

Thank you for all the work you do and have done for O-week. I am here to support you and assist you in any way so please don't hesitate to contact me.

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Media Report – Prepared by the Media Officer

Usual work:

- Newsletters (fortnightly – not as frequently during leave)
- Facebook (roughly 99+ comments/likes/PMs a day – a large upsurge with O'Week and O'Fiesta)
- Instagram – large increase in Instagram presence thanks to Jess
- (don't forget if you want something to go out via FUSA fb you can always PM the account)

We have been working on

- O'Week – rolling out of O'Week and O'Fiesta artwork and media strategy
- Signage and wayfinding for O'Week
- Design work for Student Assist
- Empire Times support and training
- Review of FUSA collateral. Concepts of new brochure designs
- Review of FUSA website
- 2018 Annual Report
- Refresh of Collectives branding
- Signage
- Drafting of BABH 2019 Press Release with Steph Walker
- 2019 TAG Awards applications
- Design concepts for Financial Fitness (was Anti-Poverty Week)
- Anti-Racism Campaign design'

Clubs Report – Prepared by the Clubs and Events Officer

The Club & Association Awards were presented on Clubs Day (27th of February) in the Flinders Tavern. Congratulations to all award winners! Also a big thank you to Katt Hatzi for her assistance during the event (and her very kind words!).

Award Winners:



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- Club of the Year – Flinders University Palaeontology Society
- Academic Association of the Year – Flinders Medical Students Society
- Best Event, Activity or Project – Queer Society, “Pride Fest”
- Most Improved Club/Association – Flinders University Hellenic Association
- Club/Association Member of the Year – Nathan Cheetham, Queer Society
- Most Active Club/Association – Japanese Cultural Club
- Best New Club/Association – Flinders University Student Exchange Club
- Sir Tim Berners-Lee Award for Best Club/Association website - Flinders Automotive Solar Team
- Students As Partners Award for Best Collaborative Project – Students of Biology Association, “Grow, Eat, Learn” project
- Scott Beigel Award for Service to the Student Community – Flinders Law Students Association, “Wellbeing Week”

O’Week

The O’Week stall days are now over for Semester 1 2019. Comments regarding the site layout are below.

- 108 unique organisations, clubs and departments attended across the three days, including 16 commercial stalls, 13 Flinders departments, 54 FUSA affiliated clubs & associations, 19 Flinders Sport clubs and 6 miscellaneous stalls.
- The site plan appeared to work better than previous years, although more may need to be done to activate the South Plaza.
- There were comparatively fewer issues with stalls this year, however issues arose due to stalls (almost entirely commercial stalls) failing to list the electrical and large equipment they intended to use (such as marquees) within their application.
- As the site map was based on each stalls listed equipment requirements, issues such as last minute changes, complaints between commercial stalls and a tripped circuit occurred.
- Stalls failing to attend on the days they requested continue to be a concern. This was of particular concern on Tuesday when 12 stalls failed to attend. This negatively affects the atmosphere of the event, wastes funding (for tables, tablecloths, etc.), and unfairly prevents other applicants from accessing a stall. Both clubs and departments failed to attend on their registered days.
- As a result of the above, it may be necessary to charge a refundable deposit (based on a daily fee) to all those receiving a “free” stall, to reduce the likelihood of stalls being left vacant.

Other Work

Unfortunately work on O’Week, matters relating to the recent Health & Safety Audit and the investigation of the recently disaffiliated club, have significantly delayed work on club matters and projects. In particular, the review of Pool Funding Applications, the opening of Annual Review applications, ongoing work on the Club &



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Association Regulations have been affected. I will now be working toward catching up on this work to prevent further delays for our Clubs & Associations.