

MINUTES – COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL 1 2013

Thursday 28th February 2013

6pm, ANUSA Boardroom

Attendance List:

Executive

Aleks Sladojevic- President

Tasman Vaughan– Vice-President

Sophia Stanley– General Secretary

Shan Verne Liew– Treasurer

Olivia Clark – Social Officer

Amy MacKinnon– Education Officer

College Representatives

Antonijia Kurbalija - COL

Kelly Kristofferson- COL

Charlie Carroll- CBE

Jen Darmody - CBE

Zaiga Thomman- Science

Laura Wey - Science

Caroline Skinner- CECS

Sanjay Govindan- CECS

Rouhan Zhao - CASS

Ashleigh Ralph - CAP

Nick Horton - CAP

General Representatives

Eric Chan

Vincci Lee

Lucy McFarlane

Jess Bolton

Mark Rowe

Jedda Elliot

Mark Jehne

Shane Paderanga

Item 1: Meeting Officially Opens and Apologies

Meeting opens at 6:07pm

Apologies received from Michael Harrison and Stacey Little.

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to show my respect and acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, of elders past and present, on which this event takes place.

1.3 Discussion: Study At (Joan Angel, Assistant Registrar, Student Systems)

- Joan Angel is in charge of the Study At project.
- This discussion is aimed at getting input and ideas.
- There will be a consulting process to seek feedback throughout the process.
- The new Study At should be up by August

Feedback:

- **Zaiga Thomman:** Student feedback on courses and a rating system from students who have already completed the course.
- **Olivia Clark:** Using SELT feedback
- **Antonija Kurbalija:** All courses on Study At need to be available when they say they are available
- **Jen Darmody:** The information on there is not always relevant to students.
- **Aleks Sladojevic:** Needs to be interactive so it has a pull factor to attract new students. Also needs to be personalised to the student using it in order to attract new students.
- **Zaiga Thomman:** having a prerequisite diagram to visually explain to students what courses they are required to do.
- **Jen Darmody:** Having a course builder, so you can plan your degree and know when courses are available
- **Caroline Skinner:** Having something to let you figure out what courses you have done and what majors and minors you can put it towards.
- **Ruohan Zhao:** having similar courses suggested to students
- **Tasman Vaughan:** giving lecturers a chance to respond to the SELT feedback
- **Vincci Lee:** The content can be too vague. It needs to be clear for the first years especially
- **Charlie Carroll:** Need to explain clearly what a major and a minor is and what is required to do one.
- **Nick Horton:** ANU Web design is conservative. It is not designed for youth but academics. Inspiring stories of current and past could be used. Lecturers and course conveners need to be more accountable for keeping their courses updated
- **Tasman Vaughan:** Explanation of jargon for potential new students eg level 2000 course, is a second year course. Information tabs could be used.
- **Aleks Sladojevic:** QR codes could be used. Drag and drop to build your degree concept to promote flexible degrees.
- **Antonija Kurbalija:** Making the 'Add to my interests' remain next time the site is visited.
- **Mark Jehne:** Making sure that the information on the Law page is the same as the Study. Often they do not link.

- **Joan Angel:** Really appreciate the feedback, not everything can be taken on at once however we want to be responsive to these requests.

Item 2: Minutes from the Previous Meeting including Matters Arising

MOTION: That the minutes from CRC 6 2012 be accepted.

Moved: Kelly Kristofferson

Seconded: Jess Bolton

Motion: Passed

Item 3: Reports and Matters Arising

3.1 College Representative Reports

3.1.1 College of Arts and Social Science [Reference A]

- *Taken as read*
 - Casey resigned
 - Since the report was written the combined camp has sold out
 - For the rest of the year working on honors reform
 - Keen to get College Representative office hours happening
 - Arts social events, talked to Michael, keen to have a combined event,
- **Vincci Lee:** At the moment I don't see the College Representatives information on Wattle?
 - **Ruohan Zhao:** Going to email conveners to ask them to put the information of College Representative on the CASS website, I will email Wattle people too.

MOTION: That the College of Arts and Social Science Report be accepted.

Moved: Vincci Lee

Seconded: Charlie Carroll

Motion: Passed

3.1.2 College of Asia and the Pacific [Reference B]

- *Taken as read*
 - Had first meeting with Dean and Sub-Dean where plans for the year were set
- **Tasman Vaughan:** Can you please keep us updated with all the changes that are happening with Year in Asia and please let us know there are meetings you cannot go to let exec know and we will go in your place.
 - **Aleks Sladojevic:** There have been recent legislation changes that effect funding to Year in Asia courses and how the college has responded A) Do you know about it and b) How the college is dealing with it.
 - **Nick Horton:** Yes, currently Year in Asia it is counted as a postgrad degree that is completed in your undergraduate degree. HECS cannot apply as it is a 1. postgrad course and 2. is overseas. The College solution is to use its own funds for everyone currently on Year in Asia. They are also trying to change the postgraduate unit and making it undergraduate course and are also trying to open it up to students to who do not do language specific units.

MOTION: That the College of Asia and the Pacific Report be accepted.

Moved: Jen Darmody

Seconded: Tasman Vaughan

Motion: Passed

3.1.3 College of Business and Economics [Reference F]

- *Taken as read*
 - Camp last weekend, 14 people, disappointing numbers. Could not cancel the camp as a 3 month cancelling
 - We formed good friendships with the 14 people and are meeting up next week.
 - We want to build on the 14 people through running events where the 14 people bring some of their friends etc.
 - Aims for the year include improving the quality of tutors,
 - Essential to build relationships with the Presidents of Clubs and Societies are they are highly influential with CBE students.
 - Currently getting in touch with Deans and Lecturers, need to establish ourselves with them so they know who we are and we can get them on board with our policies.
- **Tasman Vaughan:** Is it worthwhile getting all the C&S Presidents together with Liv to give a presentation on GAC and all the things that ANUSA has they can use?
 - **Jen Darmody:** This would be good, also needs to be enforced that they are equally no one is favoured

MOTION: That the College of Business and Economics Report be accepted.

Moved: Kelly Kristofferson

Seconded: Antonjia Kurbalija

Motion: Passed

3.1.4 College of Engineering and Computer Science [Reference C]

- *Taken as read*
- Camp got moved to be with the College of Science as it was decided by CECS that they would prefer to lose the deposit than have a camp for 11 people.
- Worked well combining the camp

MOTION: That the College of Engineering and Computer Science Report be accepted.

Moved: Charlie Carroll

Seconded: Jen Darmody

Motion: Passed

3.1.5 College of Law [Reference D]

- *Taken as read*
- Law camp has been the main event on our radar, ticket sales have picked up
- Focusing on our mentors, retrospect should have made them feel more engaged with the camp and process earlier, 10 mentors planning session tomorrow before, 30 first years to go. LSS and co operation, need to be clearer parameters so each party has expectations with each other,
- Want to be students first point of contact, need a on campus presence, for rest of term 1 raising presence eg going to
- Co operation with LSS essential.
- Merged with Arts camp,
- Social media something that we will push and being on wattle,

- **Tasman Vaughan:** Can you organise a meeting with the Dean of Law to get information on what is happening regarding honours program?
 - **Antonija Kurbalija:** Yes

MOTION: That the College of Law Report be accepted.

Moved: Caroline Skinner

Seconded: Ruohan Zhao

Motion: Passed

3.5.6 College of Science Report [Reference E]

- *Taken as read*
- Had show bags during O-Week which included 'The Unofficial Guide to Science at the ANU' and were a big success
 - **Tasman Vaughan:** Show bags were amazing but did not have ANUSA branding. It is important that ANUSA branding is on everything, as we need to promote ourselves.

MOTION: That the College of Arts and Social Science Report be accepted.

Moved: Mark Jehne

Seconded: Jen Darmody

Motion: Passed

Item 4: Items for Discussion

4.1 First Year Camps

- Our experience highlights the importance of a handover document
- Please write a handover document and then I will combine them all.
- I would just like to press that there was a lot of advertising and promoting of the event. There were posters, it was all over social media, emails were sent out to all first years, there was ticket sales stall and most first year lectures were attended.
- Please finalise your budget and invoices.
 - **Caroline Skinner:** All college reps should have worked together on the camps instead of individually.
 - **Jen Darmody:** Best advice someone could have given us was not to do it later in the year. We need to decide now if we're going to have camps next year, so we can book camps now.

- **Vincci Lee:** The camps right after O-Week meant they were hard to promote. We also need to look at how GenReps could have helped with the promotion of the camps.
 - **Charlie Carroll:** GenReps can just be there! It was just fantastic to have people helping set up the stall!
- **Ruohan Zhao:** Needed to explain to the mentors better that they were not just required attend the camps but actually help with organising what to do at the camps.
- **Sanjay Govindan:** For some colleges CECS especially the camps had to be then as there are too many assignments later on. Also group work is key to CECS work so the camps are a great way to meet people to do assignments with.
- **Tasman Vaughan:** The camps need to be organized much earlier in the year, it needed to be done over the summer.
- **Jess Bolton:** Students who came to the stall wanted to know the details of what was happening and they were not there.
- **Shane Verne Liew:** Advertising directly with Clubs and Societies will help.

4.2 Suggestions from Shane Paderanga [Reference G]

4.3 Election of Lauren Way

MOTION: That Lauren Way be elected to the position of College Representative for the College of Science.

Moved: Aleks Sladojevic

Seconded: Zaiga Thomman

For: 20

Against: 0

Motion: Passed

4.4 Careers Council Meeting

- 1-3 Monday.
- Not compulsory just recommended.
- Lunch is provided,
- Aim is for it to help us identify the skills we are picking up through our roles in ANUSA and how to present these in a job interview.

4.5 Arts College Representative position opening

- Suggested people: Milly Cooper

Item 5: Other Business

Item 6: Date of next meeting and close

The next meeting of the College Representative Council will be held on Wednesday 20th March 6pm.

Meeting closed: 8:17pm

Reference A

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE REPORT

Ruohan Zhao

Important News: Casey White has officially resigned from his position as Arts Faculty Representative. His resignation is official from Friday onwards. Casey's replacement has not been elected. I have consulted the executive about the constitutionality of finding his replacement. In the interim, I will be attending all CASS events as the solo ANUSA Arts Faculty representative. I wish Casey luck with all his endeavours in 2013!

Summer Progress

- Worked on booking Wee Jasper (now camps combined).
- Finding mentors, making a poster and organising the run sheet for camp (now finalised).

First Year Camps

- Arts Camp combined with Law Camp – now taking place at Greenhills Conference Centre.
 - Cancellation fee was the surrender of \$300 deposit.
 - Still running separate programs; only combined social events at night.
 - Tickets have increased to \$50 because it is more expensive per head at Greenhills. We are not asking those who bought tickets at \$40 to pay an extra \$10.
- Tickets haven't been selling as well as hoped. Compared to last year, we are at similar numbers when we had hoped for a bigger turnout.
- Social schedule remains unmodified despite combining. We are still going to be doing things like smores, fondue, wine and cheese and themed party.
- CASS is giving us \$5,000.
- Professor Toni Makkai (dean of CASS) will be speaking at the Welcome BBQ.
- We are all very excited! The social events we are planning are great and we have a variety of information sessions ranging from academic advice to mental health.

Plans for the Year

Important education issues:

Honours Reform

- Casey and I went to a meeting last week regarding the new AQF Level 8 guidelines.
- Honours reform discussed - the ANU Honours Program currently exceeds AQF Level 8 and is at the same level as a Masters Degree (AQF Level 9).
- Concern that graduate diplomas and certificates *and* honours will confuse students about what pathways are available to them after graduating with their pass degree.
- Any proposed changes will probably not be in effect until after 2014 to enable a period of transition.

Disestablishment of Courses

- Due to the new Micro-Levy tax, all courses with less than 2 enrolled students are facing review. The School of Music had the most disestablished courses last year; as a part of our continued monitoring of the School of Music changes, I would like ANUSA to get feedback from students about the current music degree structure and courses offered.
- If not disestablished, these courses may be consolidated or co-taught.

Other Fac Rep plans:

Fac Rep Office Hours

- This is an idea that all the Fac Reps were keen to institute. I am happy to sit in the office or in Student Space for 2 hours on a weekday to answer questions and just chat to students in an effort to facilitate greater face to face contact with ANUSA reps.

- I will also talk to CASS about making our contact details much easier to access both online and in relevant buildings on campus.
- Getting Fac Rep contact details on most Wattle courses.

Arts Social Event

- Last year, ANUSA and the Arts Fac Reps combined to have an arty end of year party with music and artwork. We recognise the need for more social events to cater for a broad range of students. An idea which was suggested was a picnic.

Class Representatives

- Class representatives will be chosen soon. I plan on going to as many meetings as I can and working with them to disseminate information about potential changes to their course and ask for feedback from their courses.

SELT Participation

- Set up a pop up stall where students can come and fill out their SELT forms.

** Due to Casey's resignation, I will consult with his replacement about what our exact plans are for 2013 and update everyone at the next CRC meeting. **

Reference B

College of Asia and the Pacific Report

Nick Horton and Ashleigh Ralph

Summer Progress:

- First meeting with CAPEC (CAP Education Committee) in November
- Introductions and outline of vision for 2013 with Andrew Walker and Andrew McIntyre (sub-Dean and Dean respectively)
- CAP Wattle Page Project:
 - Meetings with Skye Rickey, Andrew Walker and CAP Media and website design team re creating a universal wattle page for all students enrolled in Asia-Pacific Studies
 - Wattle discovery session with Grazia Scotellaro; taught how to design Wattle pages
 - Published CAP Wattle Hub plan (available in Dropbox --> College Representatives --> Asia-Pacific)
 - During Summer break began designing general pages (e.g. "China", "Korea" etc home pages) and researching opportunities/scholarships/useful blogs and websites/etc
 - By beginning of Semester 1 2013 had completed all general home pages bar Asia-Pacific Security and the Pacific
 - Progress was stalled owing to concurrent commitments to study overseas and work commitments respectively
 - With start of university semester, was agreed that best plan was to recruit a team of "website designers" and delay the opening of the website to the start of Semester 2

First Year Camp:

- Campsite (Warrambui) booked; buses organised; waiver forms designed (pending release to First Year purchasers)
- Estimate of final numbers and dietary preferences along with deposit of \$750.00 due Friday 1 March
- Departure for camp 3.30pm Friday 8 March (changed from 10.30am), departure from camp 2.30pm Sunday 10 March
- College Asia Pacific promised \$7000.00 to fund the camp to off-set the ticket price of \$50.00 against the accommodation price per person of \$132.50 and bus/miscellaneous amounts
- As of 2.07am on Thursday 21 February, 11 tickets sold (still need to sell 34)
- 13 mentors recruited representing various language and contextual majors in the College
- First meeting with mentors held on Friday 22 February --> activities planning and brainstorming, outline of responsibilities and expectations, facebook group created to better organise
- Presentations for seminars and social activities being prepared by mentors

Plans for the Year:

- Universal wattle hub
- Information/Consultation sessions with students for Bachelor of Asia-Pacific Studies/Bachelor of Asia-Pacific Security/Masters programs reviews
- Year in Asia program changes consultation sessions with students
- Guest lecturer series project

Reference C

College of Engineering and Computer Science Report Caroline Skinner and Sanjay Govindan

First Year Camps

- The majority of the summer holidays were spent preparing for and organising the CECS first year camp.

- The camp was organised for the end of week 2, 1st – 3rd of March at Jindabyne Sport and Recreation Centre.
- In December we had several meetings with the CECS student administrator Paul Melloy to discuss funding for the camp.
 - It was agreed CECS would sponsor the camp to a total of \$9500, to be distributed evenly across the 50 students attending the camp to reduce costs to them.
- We also decided to create a sponsorship prospectus to try and secure external funding to further reduce ticket costs.
- We produced a sponsorship prospectus and contacted 15 companies and received sponsorship from Engineers Australia Canberra Division for \$500.
- If external sponsorship is considered for next year, this process needs to start earlier (I would recommend some time in August/September)
- Due to low interest and low ticket sales CECS was considering pulling funding from the camp.
- To reduce the impact of low ticket sales the science and engineering and computer science camps were combined the day before the science camp left.
- This meant not all students who had bought CECS tickets could attend (approximately half attended the camp).
- The Camp was held at Kioloa on the 22nd--24th of February and was overall a success. Students participated in a variety of activities including slime making, an engineering challenge (building towers and bridges out of spaghetti and marshmallows) a weekend long game of assassin and a very successful trivia night.
- One of the highlights of the camp was making the “Harlem Shake” video, which everyone seemed to enjoy.

What's Next?

- We will be contacting CECS to determine what sort of regular meetings we need to attend.
- Our main project for the year is to try and ensure labs that use software available on Information Commons (IC) computers are not run in the engineering labs. This ensures computers with expensive software and limited licenses are used only when absolutely necessary. This keeps them free for later year students to complete work. (Many first year courses run labs that use free software that can be/is installed on IC computers at ANU).
 - Limited licenses are an issue – in a second year course with ~150 students, only 50 computers with the appropriate software are available.

Reference D

COLLEGE OF LAW REPORT Kelly Kristofferson and Antonija Kurbalija

past/current projects

1. First Year Law Camp

Summary:

The majority of our work thus far has involved recruiting mentors, creating posters, promoting and selling tickets, planning budget and activities and combining the camp with First Year Arts Camp.

Evaluation:

While the mentors and schedule have come together seemingly well, ticket sales fell below those from last year. We suggest that next year's Fac Reps:

- Start planning earlier
- Ensure greater degree of mentor involvement in planning in order to facilitate greater ownership of the camp
- Set clearer parameters for co-operation/funding arrangement with LSS
- Ensure LSS participation in ticket sales

2. O-Week

Summary:

The ANUSA Law Faculty Reps did not have any specific agenda during O-Week, but assisted with general O-Week preparation and promoted the ANUSA Law Faculty Reps Facebook page.

Evaluation:

Greater on campus presence during O-Week would have greatly assisted in raising the profile of the College of Law Fac Reps and may have assisted in First Year Law Camp ticket sales. Nevertheless, we believe that this can be amended through our future projects.

future projects

3. Education Committee

Intended Date: Ongoing

No actions as of yet. Issues will be responded to through submissions or informal feedback as they arise in monthly meetings or through student complaints.

4. Presence on Campus

Intended Date: Term 1, Sem 1

Somewhat established during O-Week and through camp promotion. However, presence is not significant enough for students to identify ANUSA or the Fac Reps as their natural/primary point of call for assistance with law related matters. We have several potential proposals intended to rectify this including:

- Introducing ourselves/ANUSA at compulsory lectures.
- Morning tea on law school lawns with opportunities to like the College of Law Fac Reps Facebook page.
- Pamphlets to be left in lecture theatres outlining our function/contact details (subject to cost)

5. Office Hours

Intended Date: Commencing in Term 2, Sem 1.

As per our campaign goals, we intend to set up weekly office hours to increase accessibility. However, this project is unlikely to be successful until a preliminary presence on campus has first been established.

Reference E

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE REPORT

Zaiga Thomman and Laura Wey

Science Showbags

- Zaiga screen-printed by hand 500 paper bags with the ANUSA Science Reps 2013 logo: SCIENCE.
- Most societies contributed an item to put in the showbag and helped fill them
 - Chem Soc – Periodic Tables
 - Science Communication – Wizz Fizz with explanation of the science
 - Earth and Marine Science – Rock samples, sapphire, quartz, etc.
 - Cross-Disciplinary Students Academy – puzzles

- Had committed the Black Hole Society – glow in the dark stickers - but they didn't arrive on time
- Booklet titled 'The Unofficial Guide to Science at the ANU' in each showbag including
 - Introduction to their ANUSA Science Reps, including contact details and link to our facebook page 'Science Reps 2013'
 - Blurb on each of the individual science societies and the Science Society and the Cross-Disciplinary Students Academy
 - Information on the different support services the Combined Colleges of Science offer especially to first year students, such as PAL, Peer Mentoring and Drop-In Spaces
 - Explanation of student representation from class representatives up to ANUSA Science Reps
 - A calendar listing the Science events coming soon, including society BBQs, Fenner Fire Pit, First Year Science Camp and Lab Coat Party, among others
 - A map marking the places that students can study in the ANU, including Drop-In Spaces, the Student Space, computer labs and often empty tutorial rooms
- We were able to receive complementary things to put in some of the showbags depending on quantity
 - Royal Australian Chemical Institute – more periodic tables and pamphlets
 - Department of innovation, Science Research and Technology - Keep Cups, cardboard Buckminsterfullerenes (aka bucky balls), booklets on critical thinking and debating science, keyrings, DNA card games and more!

On Market Day, all 500 of the Science Showbags we made were handed out to undergraduate Science students, targeting first years, directly by the Science Reps and to new members of science societies at their stalls. It was amazing to see all the Science students wandering around Union Court on Market Day, distinguishable by the SCIENCE logo on the Science Showbags they carried and the WizzFizz they were happily eating. We feel the showbags connected the sometimes disjointed Science community somewhat and hope the information contained in them helped many.

Science Societies

- Membership of individual science societies (e.g. Chemistry Society) gave students automatic and free membership of the overarching Science Society this year. We hope this leads to a more unified science community outside the classroom.
- The Science Society is considering restructuring their Executive by introducing Vice Presidents who represent each of the individual societies (e.g. Vice President of Biology). We hope this leads to better communication between the individual societies and better facilitates society-run careers events.
- Membership to each society was consistent with previous years, perhaps even slightly higher, which might have been helped by having all the individual science societies' stalls next to each other, with the Science Society stall in the middle.
- Societies have already hosted events, such as the Earth and Marine Science Society Free BBQ in the Fenner Courtyard. We have attended these events and will continue to attend coming ones in order to support the science clubs and societies and increase our visibility to the students we represent.

PhB Science Camp

- Laura attended PhB Science Camp with the 60ish first year Bachelor of Philosophy (Hons) students on 15th – 17th February
- It was used as an opportunity to investigate Kioloa campus for the First Year Science Camp to be held the following weekend so that appropriate activities could be planned around the facilities
- Students were given 'The Unofficial Guide to Science at the ANU' from the Science Showbags and a talk by Laura on surviving studying Science at the ANU
- By having a Science Rep attend the camp we believe we have increased our visibility, making students in this program aware of our existence and roles

First Year Science Camp

As we are writing this we're literally packing our bags to go to Kioloa for the First Year Science Camp!

Mentors and activities planned

- A representative from each of the science societies, including the Science Society and Cross-Disciplinary Students Academy, plus the 2 ANUSA Science Reps will be mentors on the camp. There is some overlap with people holding Executive positions in more than one science society.
- Mentors will be expected to answer questions and give advice to first year Science students who approach them about their specialty, or refer them onto the mentor who knows more. Mentors will not be giving speeches about majors/minors, clubs and societies or tutorials/labs/exams, rather we aim to keep it informal while still helping the first years survive their first year studying Science at the ANU
- This will be a great opportunity of professional development for the mentors as they will be in charge of the actual running of their activities once on camp.

- We have organised a packed timetable of activities, but most, except for the night activities, are opt in or opt out. Activities include but are not limited to:
 - o Science Trivia Night
 - o Stargazing
 - o Campfire with hot chocolate and marshmallows
 - o Observing fossils on Merry Beach
 - o Beach sports
 - o Bushwalking
 - o Slime making
 - o Sherbet making
 - o Weekend-long Scavenger Hunt

Advertising

- Manned the Union Court stall, including setting up and packing down in order to facilitate a constant presence of Fac Reps selling tickets in Union Court
- Science Reps 2013 facebook page
- Created facebook event for the camp
- Spammed science societies' facebook group timelines and that of the colleges/halls of residence
- Put posters up EVERYWHERE including in college/halls of residence
- Handed out flyers
- Went round to colleges/halls of residence to directly speak to first year science students about the camp by door knocking and making announcements at the meal times of the catered ones
- Lecture bombed all first year science lectures with a power point advertising the camp
- Advertised by a mentor on the PhB Science Camp on 15th – 17th February

We will have a post-camp debrief after the event.

Reference F

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS REPORT

Jennifer Darmody and Charlie Carroll

Current Progress:

- We have spent the last few weeks heavily planning and finalising arrangements for our First Year Camp, to be held this weekend 22-24 February at Stanwell Tops, NSW.
- The Camp is being run as an event to help First Year's settle into uni and get to know some of the people they will be studying with this year as well as getting some guidance and tips from later year students, who are acting as mentors on the Camp, on how to survive First Year and make it a successful year.
- It is our hope that from this Camp we will be able start building a stronger following for the Student's Association CBE branch as that will be crucial for us this year to implement our policies effectively.
- We have also had numerous discussions with some of the clubs and societies within the CBE, namely FINSOC and AFEC, who have a strong student body following and receive a lot of support from students in the CBE. We have noticed that the clubs and societies do not have the best regard for ANUSA based on their previous experiences with the Society. We hope to repair those relationships this year and work together with the societies given that those societies are running some fantastic initiatives for students by bridging the gap between University and later careers given they are sponsored by some of the largest Financial Firms in Australia, namely Goldman Sachs and JP Morgan.

Short-term goals:

- Hold a joint meeting with the Clubs and Societies to discuss our policies, their policies and how we can work together to implement them;

- Hold a follow up barbecue in the next few weeks with the students who attended the Camp as well as other First Year students, to see how student's are travelling and get some feedback on how uni is going for them.
- Get in touch with the Dean of the CBE and senior lecturers to discuss our policies regarding the improvement of tutorials.

Reference F

COLLEGE RELATED PLANS FOR THE YEAR

Shane Paderanga

College related plans for the year:

1) Pre-Semester Preparation

Some people have voiced some difficulty in keeping up with all their uni subjects, particularly in the more demanding subjects.

- This keeps them from having the best university experience they could have
- It often forces them to give up extra-curricular activities in order to keep up with their studies.
- One possible solution to this is to provide access to old lecture notes and/or recordings to those enrolling in a particular subject, prior to the Semester starting.
- For example, if a student takes FINM2002 in Semester 1 2013, they can prepare for it during the summer if they wish, by accessing the lecture notes and/or recordings from FINM2002 in Semester 2 2012.
- It would be preferable to have the most recent notes/recordings from the same lecturer. So if the lecturer for ECON1101 is different during Semester 1 and Semester 2, then students enrolled for Semester 1 2013 should get the old notes/recordings from Semester 1 2012.
- From a cursory view, this comes at no extra cost or burden to the system, as all lecture notes and recordings are already kept online either on Wattle or Wattle Archive.
- I hope to talk to the Faculty reps about whether they support this or not
- I foresee differences in opinion among the ANU staff
- Some difficulty may be caused if there is a change of lecturer or a change in textbooks
- However, it also allows a student to really see if the contents of a subject and/or course is really for them, well before the census date, in order to change their academic arrangements if necessary