



MINUTES - ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING 1 2 2015

Thursday 26th March 2015

Union Court

Item 1: Meeting Opens and Apologies

- Opened at 12:10pm
- Acknowledgement of country by Ben Gill
- Apologies: Helena Hu

Item 2: Minutes from the Previous Meeting

- Not Applicable

Item 3: Executive Reports

Reports interjected to move a procedural motion.

Motion: To modify the agenda to allow for Grants and Affiliations Committee

Nominations for the casual vacancy to open.

Moved: Michael Pettersson

Seconded: Jordan Morrisey

Status: Accepted.

Nominations opened by the Chair.

Standing orders resumed.

3.1 President's report (B. Gill)

Report tabled. Taken as read. Gill noted that:

- SSAF Bid
 - ANUSA successfully negotiated an increase in SSAF from last year
 - Negotiations around a new SSAF Agreement is ongoing and we will make every effort to keep the student body informed on the process
- O-Week
 - Was a great success
 - Financials are still being finalised but should be publicly available soon
- Service reports
 - Student Assistance and Legal teams are up and running again after a summer break
 - Both have been busy with new students and we encourage students to use their services

Motion that the President's Report be accepted.

Moved: James Waugh

Seconded: Patrick L

Status: Accepted

3.2 Vice President's Report (J. Waugh)

Report tabled. Taken as read.

Motion: that the Vice President's Report be accepted.

Moved: Eben Leifer

Seconded: Michael Pettersson

Status: Accepted

3.3 Education Officer's Report (J. Webb)

- First Year Camps
 - First Year Camps are now complete
 - Approx. 180 attendees over three weekends
 - Ticket sales were higher than final attendance rates
 - A number of students did not attend the departure site and therefore did not attend camp.
 - Camps comprised of leisure activities, socializing and information sessions conducted by mentors.
 - Feedback
 - Facilitated by Planning and Performance Management
 - Largely very positive.
 - Negative points can be addressed through handover procedure.
 - These will involve ticket sales platform amongst other things.
- Ed Talks
 - The first in a series of Ed Talks was held on the 18/03/15.
 - Attended by 6 students and covered a number of topic areas.
 - This is half the number of registered participants.
 - Despite lower-than-expected participation rate, discussion was still productive.
 - The next talk will be held on the 20/05/15.
 - Will have a more focused, consistent advertising strategy both on the part of ANUSA and the ANU, to ensure better attendance.
- Education Campaign
 - At a crucial time in this campaign – The HERRA Bill was voted down from the second time in the Senate on the 17/03/15.
 - However, both the PM and Minister for Education have stated that they will continue to pursue these reforms, particularly the deregulation of domestic students' university fees.
 - Students must therefore continue to express concerns on these reforms
- Universal Lunch Hour: The Education Circus
 - Attended by 200-230 people
 - Was a good chance to talk about the situation in Higher Education
 - Stunt elements were well received and the BBQ was a good opportunity to gather student opinion on this Government and their reforms.
- The NDA and Public Meeting:
 - Will take place on the 25/03/15
 - Advertising material has been posted around the University since before O-Week and FB attendance rates have risen consistently since that point.
 - Speeches held in Union Court before a march towards Chancellery and a chance for any student to 'Speak Out' regarding these reforms, the Government or their university experience more generally.
 - Followed by a meeting of the ANUSA Education Committee during which students could contribute their ideas for the campaign moving forward

Motion: that the Education Officer's Report be accepted.

Moved: Michael Harrison

Seconded: Em Roberts

Status: Accepted

3.4 General Secretary's Report (M. Lane)

Report tabled. Taken as read. Lane wished to highlight that:

- Disputes Committee Selection Panel
 - SRC2 voted to approve a Disputes Committee Selection Panel:
 - 1 Executive Member – James Waugh
 - 1 College Representative – Albert Patajo
 - 1 General Representative – Lilly Hannock
 - 1 Department Head – Ana Stuart
 - 1 other representative chosen from within ANUSA – Jack Gaudie
 - DCSP have been emailed a list of eligible candidates and SRC awaits their recommendation.
- NUS Accreditation
 - A procedural motion at SRC2 prevented the SRC from voting on NUS Accreditation without first receiving a briefing in person from a member of the National Union of Students Executive.
 - Negotiations are now underway with the National General Secretary, Tom Nock, to have members of the National Executive in person at SRC3 to answer questions and concerns of students and student representatives.
- Media Policy
 - There has been a fair amount of debate around the implementation of the ANUSA Media Policy.
 - The move to enforce Section 6(h) has surprised some representatives
 - Reps may talk to the media with the permission of the President
 - The President holds the right to review anything that may be going to print and to turn down a request should he feel that it does not represent the view of the Association.

Motion: that the General Secretary's Report be accepted.

Moved: Jack Gaudie

Seconded: Andrew Donnellan

Status: Accepted.

3.5 Social Officer's Report

Report tabled. Taken as read. Gaudie wished to highlight that:

- O-Week was a resounding success.
 - Special mentions to Dan Wall, Shellan Donohoe, Michael Liu and James Waugh
- GAC is running smoothly.
 - Meet on Fridays from 11AM

Question from Gowrie Varma: Why has GAC lowered the threshold from the Constitutional 90% to 75%?

Response: Threshold has been lower than 90% for over a year. This is to ensure that the GAC pool is better distributed and lasts the entire year.

Varma: (Follow-up)The GAC budget is 150, 000 and actual spending so far is 13, 000. Why are you concerned that it will not last the entire year?

Response: Still have a substantial number of payment requests from Clubs and Societies so \$13,000 is representative of actual planned outgoings.

Motion: that the Social Officer's Report be accepted.

Moved: Charlotte Barclay
Seconded: Eben Leifer
Status: Accepted.

3.6. Treasurer's Report (S. Woo)

Report tabled. Taken as read. Woo wished to highlight that:

- Spending for the first term of 2015 is within the budget
- ANUSA is in the process of developing a new raft of financial policies to ensure that there is adequate oversight and that we conform to new ANU Financial control expectations in the wake of the EY review
- The Financial Review Committee appears to have lapsed.

Motion: that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Moved: Em Roberts
Seconded: Kat Carrington
Status: Accepted.

Item 4: Other Reports

4.1 Financial Review Committee

- Note: L. Milligan and R. Fenn were invited, but failed to attend this OGM in spite of a constitutional requirement to do so

Item 5: Items on Notice

5.1 Constitutional Amendments – Delegation of Power

Motion tabled and read.

Motion: that the Constitutional Amendments outlined in Reference G be accepted.

Moved: Megan Lane
Seconded: Ben Gill
Status: Accepted.

5.2 Returning Officer's Report

Report tabled and read.

Motion: that the 2014 Returning Officer's Report be accepted.

Moved: Megan Lane
Seconded: Jack Gaudie
Status: Accepted.

5.3. Constitutional Amendments – Social/GAC

Motion tabled and read.

Motion: That the social

Moved: Megan Lane
Seconded: Jack Gaudie
Status: Failed

Item 6: Other Business

6.1. GAC Nominations

- GAC Nominations closed

- Two nominations were received: Jack Foulds and Zara
- A secret ballot of those signed into the OGM was conducted
- Jack Foulds was duly elected to GAC

Item 10: Meeting Close

- Next Meeting scheduled for May 12, Union Court.
- Meeting closed at 1:12pm