



MINUTES - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL 1 2014

Tuesday 18th February 2014 -ANUSA Boardroom

Attendance List:

Executive

Cam Wilson– President of the Association

Annika Humphreys– Vice-President of the Association

Zaiga Thomann – Acting General Secretary of the Association

Nick Barry– Treasurer of the Association

Henry Ladd– Social Officer of the Association

Laura Wey – Education Officer of the Association

Department Officers

Louise Stockton (Proxy) – Queer* Officer of the Association

Suzy Nopamornbodee – International Officer of the Association

Clem Pickwick– Indigenous Officer of the Association

Laura Campbell– Disabilities Officer of the Association

Ray Yoshida and Dan Perez-McVee- Environment Officer of the Association

General Representatives

Gabby Andrews

Charlotte Barclay

Bianca Hennessy

Em Roberts

Ella Masri

Evan Packard

Tom Nock

Dan Wall

Tom Lonsdale

John Casey

Ali John

Josh Orchard

Karan Dhamija

Josh Bolitho

Faculty Representatives

Nick Horton (CAP)

Alice Dawkins (CAP)

Tess Klouckow (CASS)

Jock Webb (Law)

Peta Leigh (Law)

Alan Babei (Eng and IT)

Robert Offner (Eng and IT)

Richard Kong (Sci)

Emma Wisdom (Sci)

Observers

Gowrie Varma

Ben Latham

Meg Hepworth

Andrew Donnellan

Maureen Weiller

Caroline Skinner

Item 1: Meeting Opens and Apologies

Meeting Open: 6:08

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.

1.2 Apologies

Apologies were received from Patrick Clark, Sam Duncan Ben Gill.

1.3 Proxies

Sam Duncan's vote was given to Tess Kluckow.

Ben Gill's vote was given to Louise Stockton.

1.4 Explanation of Standing Order

Located in the constitution on page 27, the standing orders set out the process and order of the SRC. Please take the time to go over them.

1.4.1 Quorum

- This is the minimum number of people who are required for a meeting to formally exist- this is also why I need to know if you can or cannot attend a meeting ASAP as if it is looking like there is are not going to be enough people the meeting may have to be rescheduled.
- Meetings cannot begin until quorum is established.
- So please do not forget to sign in and out, and please note your attendance to be counted you have to be at a meeting for at least 1 hour.
- If quorum is lost before close of meeting and is not regained within 5 minutes, then the meeting lapses and all business is stood over to the next meeting.

1.4.2 Agenda

- Must be followed in order in which it is set out, unless otherwise determined by a resolution of meeting.
- They will include reports.
- Report expectations are applied to everyone.
- You will receive emails you to your sa account with the date of the meeting and when your report is due
- I understand things happen in life, if you are not able to get it to me or if something is happening in your life just let me know.

1.4.3 Conduct at meetings

- Speakers may only address the meeting when called on to do so by the chair
- During the meeting when someone is speaking ('the Speaker') they must be heard in silence and can only be interrupted by the Chair

- There will be no toleration of interruptions to speakers, private conversations or name-calling.

1.4.4 Proxies

- Proxies: (Council Members Unable to Attend Meetings)
- If you are not going to be able to attend a meeting you may want to give your voting rights to another ordinary member of the Association in this instance please read this section in the Standing Orders.

1.4.5 Motions and Amendments

- All business must be done by either motions or amendments If you want to contribute to a meeting – the best way to do so is through putting up a ‘Motion’. Business of the meeting must be by way to motions and amendments – except when reports are being considered.
- Motions:
 - Must be in writing (other than procedural motions)
 - Must have a mover and seconder (the two signature members who want to put up this motion) and they both must be present at the meeting.
- Amendments:
 - Must also be writing
 - Must have a mover and seconder (the two signature members who want to put up this motion) and they both must be present at the meeting.
 - Amendments must ‘amend’ something relevant to the current motion being discussed
 - An amendment cannot contradict the original substance of the motion.
 - Amendments are discussed and voted on one at a time
- When a motion/amendment is put forth, the mover and seconder have speaking rights. This means you have a chance to state why you are putting this up and why you think it should pass. If you want your speaking right can be waived if you do not wish to speak.
- If you change your mind – its ok! You can withdraw it. The mover of a motion/amendment can withdraw the motion at anytime before it is voted on. However someone else can take your spot if they wish
- Movers of a motion have a right of reply- they can speak again after the members have spoken. This happens after all others who want to speak on the motion have but before it is put to a vote. Movers of amendments do NOT get a right of reply.
- Even if you didn’t put a motion forth you can still speak for or against while it is being discussed.
- Once the motion/Amendment is put to a vote no-one else can speak on it.

1.4.6 Procedural Motions

Procedural Motions are those that deal with a purely routine matter.

- The Gag “That the speaker no longer be heard”, where you can interrupt the speaker
- Closure “That the question now be put”
- Adjournment of Debate “That the debate be adjourned”
- Adjournment of meeting “that this meeting be adjourned”
- Proceed to the next business “
- That the Question Lie on the Table

1.4.7 Time limits

1.4.8 Attendance

1.4.9 Apologies

Item 2: Minutes from the Previous Meeting including Matters Arising

MOTION: That the election of the new General Secretary for 2014 as under other business be moved prior to item one as the first matter for the meeting

Moved: Annika Humphreys

Seconded: Nick Barry

Motion: Passed

2.1 Election of General Secretary

2.1.1 Elect Returning Officer

Nominations: Caroline Skinner

Elected Uncontested

2.1.2 Elect Deputy Returning Officer

Nominations: Meg Hepworth

Elected Uncontested

2.1.3 Speeches

Connor Drum

Looking forward to meeting everyone. Involved in student politics and activism for a long time, starting in 09 for labour left. Has done a varying number of roles, including probity officer in 2012. The organisational side was challenging but it went well. Ok with doing things on ground and organising things but hasn't yet participated in advocacy for students in other ways. Also wants to help build bridges with collectives that may have been troubled in the past.

Questions

Cam Wilson What is your workload like?

Only one subject. Planning more work with EAG. That amount of work will be heavily influenced by tonight's result. Basically I have time to do the amount of work.

Annika Humphreys You talked about your skills generally, how about skills specific to the role of General Secretary?

I really like constitutions. I don't mind writing up minutes and going through notes and taking the time to do those tasks. I find organisation empowering and interesting.

Ray Yoshida What kind of experience do you have facilitating meetings?

I have experience with smaller groups than this. Generally I deal with groups dealing with specific issues or planning for events. They are smaller but I look forward to developing my skills in this area.

Laura Wey My question is about your involvement with EAG. How do you feel about your job being first and foremost as ANUSA General Secretary?

It's contingent on whether I'm elected as to the amount of work I do with EAG.

Tom Nock

Fourth year arts student. First attended an ANUSA OGM in 2010. Attracted to the fact that ANUSA has the power to look after and represent students. Gen Sec matches my skill set and I want to help out the organisation to keep pursuing its goals and to become better. I have been a gen rep and worked on grade discrepancies between colleges and getting extra curricular activities on transcripts. It's important to facilitate a good environment. I want to organise forums and strengthen the role of gen rep.

Questions

Nick Barry How do you plan to balance being the President of ACT NUS with the role of Gen Sec?

They are two complementary organisations. I see my role in NUS as a distributor of material not a policy development role. ANUSA will come first, if there is a conflict of interest I will always defer to ANUSA.

Em Roberts How will you solidify the Gen Rep Role?

There is a high drop out rate amongst Gen Reps. I believe that's because it's not defined as much. I want to organise a working group to work out why. The working groups would aim to present recommendations and solutions. Additionally, the SRC is misunderstood, I want to define that role as well. It's a big job, it will take the whole year and I hope to get everyone involved.

Laura Campbell What do you feel should be the relationship between collectives and ANUSA?

I believe they should be as autonomous as possible. They should be left to make their own decisions.

Loiuse Stockton What is your role with labour left?

I am a member of the labour party but that wouldn't be taken into account. I have dealt with this before in past positions. As such it won't affect my role as Gen Sec.

Maureen

I am a third year law/enviro student. I am a very organised, very tenacious worker, only stop when I have put in as much effort as I can. I am also very eager to help whenever anyone needs. I worked with uni lodge on the residential committee. Also as teachers assistant which requires organisation. I have also worked on other councils. As an international student myself I bring diversity and cross cultural experience to the role. What matters most is how I can represent and provide for the students of ANU. I want to help better reach out to diversity of students.

Questions

Louise Stockton If you weren't elected, would you still volunteer at ANUSA?

Yes, I would. I commit to everything and follow everything up

Louise Stockton Would you over commit?

I have managed my full time workload and other commitments for many years. I know my limits.

Laura Wey How many courses are you doing? Would you consider dropping?

I am taking 4 courses. It's hard as an international student to drop courses but I have committed to many things in the past 2 years at ANU.

Laura Wey What have you done as international rep at Uni Lodge?

I organised an ISD program for student integration. These were weekly sessions for students to practice English and to ask about culture. I also ensured I was available for international students to ask questions.

Nick Barry Do you have much experience with ANUSA?

No, but I have read through the constitution. I learn quickly and am happy to learn quickly.

Gowrie Varma

I think being a part of ANUSA would be fun. I love the idea of working with new people on things we are aligned. I love being involved on campus. I am involved in other clubs. My focus is to maximise efficiency in the organisation. I have a myriad of professional experience: I spent a year at publishing company that required me to utilise similar skills. I also work at Amnesty International in a role requiring me to organise volunteers. I am very committed, I don't do things sub standard. If I were voted I would quit job and drop a course to do this role.

Questions

Cam Wilson How will you manage your time?

My biggest time commitment is my casual job so I will save a lot of time by leaving that. My volunteer work is 5 hours a week. I should be able to manage by dropping a course.

Henry Ladd What is your timetable looking like?

4 courses, but I will drop one

Laura Campbell What is your opinion on the ANUSA-collective relationship?

They need to be autonomous but we also have to respect that ANUSA and collectives have a relationship.

Louise Stockton Can you elaborate?

ANUSA needs to support the collectives and be available to help mediate while still respecting autonomy.

Annika Humphreys How will you feel coming into a team a bit later?

I'm pretty approachable. I know a few people but am happy to meet everyone.

Laura Wey When you ran previously what were policies? Would you bring them?

Front Row in 2012. But you guys have a great vision so I'm happy to help with that. My main focus is to maximise efficiency and productivity.

ELECTION RESULTS

Gowrie Varma has been elected.

We would like to thank all the nominees for taking the time to nominate and to come and speak.

MOTION: That the minutes from SRC 7 2013 be accepted

Moved: Annika Humphreys

Seconded: Laura Wey

Motion: Passed

Item 3: Reports and Matters Arising

3.1 Executive Reports

3.1.1 President's Report [Reference A]

Welcome. Well done to O-week volunteers. Really fun week and I've had lots of great feedback from students and university. We did well in our SAAF negotiations. OrgSync is up and running. We are working on a communication strategy. It's like facebook but targeted for university and university organisations. Influenced some changes for the art centre to make it more affordable and appealing. We lost Student Assistance office Laurin. We also need a new bookkeeper. Went to NUS conference. The report is available online. ANUSA Review is a project I've been working on. The idea is to look forward to a potential SAAF free world and plan for this eventuation.

Questions

Henry Ladd What are your two final points?

Focussing on developing a more approachable friendly ANUSA. Little projects and working with collectives on funding to give them more money and flexibility.

Josh Orchard Do you think renaming the oval (Fellows oval) will make the other name go away?

Not by itself. By it makes a concrete mark in history that says this isn't acceptable. It would be great for the Women's dep to run an event to mark the end of that name. We need people to notice a change.

Evan Packard What is the different pricing model for Arts Centre?

Developing different revenue streams. A Bar so students can sell alcohol at events. Fixing facilities so we don't have to hire more equipment. Provide more spaces for theatre productions. Improving online presence to make it easier to book and use the facilities.

Karan Dhamija As for the election promises you mentioned what else would you like to focus on?

Consultation times with reps. Advertise clubs and societies list from org sync.

John Casey Will there be any way to give feedback on o-week?

Not currently, but I think that is a great idea. We will try to set something up so that people can give anonymous feedback as well.

MOTION: That the Presidents' Report be accepted

Moved: Gabby Andrews

Seconded: Em Roberts

Motion: Passed

3.1.2 Vice President's Report [Reference B]

Thanks Zaiga for stepping in as acting General Secretary. O-week was amazing. Really impressed by the hard work. A lot of work was spent dealing with the university about running events with alcohol. I believe this really strengthened our relationship with the university. Jen our communication officer has been amazing. She made our diaries which SOLD OUT! She has been making some great material that is really helping to improve our branding and our image. I attended events with new students prior to o-week. Made a huge difference to our first year ticket sales and event attendance. Thank you to everyone who helped cleaning up and during o-week.

MOTION: That the Vice Presidents' Report be accepted

Moved: John Casey

Seconded: Bianca Hennessy

Motion: Passed

3.1.3 Treasurer's Report [Reference C]

Worked with executive on SAAF. Met with accountants to do end of year statements. Helped set up affiliation with orgsync. Also sitting on Campus Planning committee so please report any concerns to me. Currently setting up Students Campus Advisory Committee.

Questions

Annika Humphreys Can you tell us about the finances and reimbursement?

A lot of students were paying for things for o-week. Thousands of dollars were spent by students only to be reimbursed back later. Looking into alternatives to pay for non invoice expenses so that students organising such large events don't have to be out of pocket.

Erin Gillen Do CPDC have anything to do with lighting?

Yes, they helped with North oval and fellows oval. So send any concerns to me.

Josh Orchard Can we get an update on theft of funds.

The investigation is ongoing and can not comment.

Ray Yoshida What is the state of the audit?

Our past Auditor has left. We are looking into hiring Hardwick's. It has been slightly delayed due to o-week.

Ray Yoshida Is the budget still being split into first half and second half of year? I believe this used to be a practice due to fears of losing SAAF.

No we are pushing through with whole year budget and it should be available in the next couple of weeks.

MOTION: That the Treasurers' Report be accepted

Moved: Ella Masri

Seconded: Gabby Andrews

Motion: Passed

Chair passed to Annika Humphreys

3.1.4 General Secretary's Report [Reference D]

Congrats to everyone in o week – great vibe. It has been a pleasure to be in the exec.

Ellen did quite a lot before she left. She prepared a few documents before she left for the incoming Gen Sec.

NOTED I would like to thank Ellen for her contribution to ANUSA 2014.

Questions

Laura Wey How has it felt being acting Gen Sec and acting Social Officer?

It has provided a rounded view of the various roles in ANUSA. It has also made me appreciate the amount of work you all do.

MOTION: That the General Secretary's Report be accepted

Moved: Evan Packard

Seconded: Laura Wey

Motion: Passed

Chair returned to Zaiga Thomann

3.1.5 Social Officer's Report [Reference E]

Thanks to everyone who helped out, including those who aren't here tonight. We're still paying invoices. We don't know exact finances yet. I'm behind on GAC and SEEF because of o-week. I'm currently writing hand over documents on o-week. We would love opinions, anonymous or otherwise. Future events: I'd like to play a bigger role in Oktoberfest with a focus on making it more into a music event rather than solely drinking. I also have some ideas for the Friday night parties.

Questions

Tess Kluckow Do you have any plans for non-alcoholic events?

Ikra came up with the idea of a jailbreak. Basically you try to get as far away without spending any money. Definitely problems with that but I want to look into how to do events more like that that bring students together without involving drinking. All of your ideas would be amazing.

Josh Orchard What makes you say Oktoberfest will be canned this year?

O-week was tough this year with university guidelines. Oktoberfest won't get that permission unless it changes. It can't just be a drinking event.

Shane Paderanga Has the crackdown only been this year?

The statute has existed for a long time. However, this year the university has begun to enforce this statute.

Em Roberts How would you feel working more with the social interhall committee?

I have an idea for a College DJ competition and also an event with the film group.

Nick Barry Combined event with ANUSA and Asia Pacific societies – the night market worked well. Would you consider running this again?

Yes totally, we need to do more things collaboratively. Ideas from community would be great.

Suzy Do we write you an email about event ideas or do we apply through GAC?

Through GAC but I am also on GAC so you definitely can talk to me about your idea. If you have a good proposal and a tight budget it will happen. Applying is really good practice and fun. It's really rewarding and satisfying.

Nick Barry Gen Reps can play a really good role in this!

Shane Paderanga Are you going to set up systems for clubs and societies re: reimbursements?

It would be good to set up a loan system, whereby clubs can apply for a loan and they only have to pay it back if receipts to the full amount are not received, but I'm not sure about the legality of this. I would like to give out more money before events but we're not sure how that can work.

Annika Humphreys Could I please make a clarification?

Please do.

Annika Humphreys We can't have a credit card unless it passes at and OGM. Currently we need two signatories for any transaction due to accountability measures.

MOTION: That the Social Officer's Report be accepted

Moved: Nick Barry

Seconded: Laura Campbell

Motion: Passed

3.1.6 Education Officer's Report [Reference F]

The report covers all points spoken to.

Questions

Josh Orchard How do you plan to improve attendance at National Action Day? And how to reach wider range of students?

Turn to the first page of my report. FB, Instagram, flyers, advertisement in woroni. Since this is a political rally I would like to make it clear that it is funded by non-SAAF money. Clubs and societies have been coming on board. We are making an effort that this is being run centrally.

Tess Kluckow What is happening with PhB review?

Last year we had a review run by the Dean of Students. This is continuing this year. Had a meeting with Barbara VanLeeuwen and the CAP PhB student. There are plans to organise a dinner at the end of the year, PhB arts students have been encouraged to go on arts camp in replacement of PhB camp. Buddy system. We have also managed to organise student representation to sit on the PhB committee.

Dan Perez-McVee You said NDA is not going to be EAG run event, will you be working with EAG? Having a working group?

There is some friction with EAG and NUS and how they will work together. I want ANUSA to coordinate the event so as not to alienate some students. We can hopefully avoid this by coordinating more centrally and including more student groups.

Shane Paderanga Regarding the rally, how will you ensure you contain control of the event? Last year was well attended but went awry toward the end.

I thought about going to a liberal office but we decided not to. I'd like to spin this as very positive. Appreciate the things we have.

Connor Drum Will there be anything specific to the ANU demanded at these protests?

The points were decided nationally to create a stronger image for the NDA. At ANU we will be stressing the start up scholarships and SAAF.

Connor Drum I would like to offer a clarification. The EAG does not hijack events and we are not extreme radical lefties. We are extremely happy to work with ANUSA and a number of ANUSA reps are members.

Nick Horton With the PhB review are you potentially thinking of doing the same for ANU Scholarships? We lack pastoral care comparative to other universities.

I will investigate that. They are doing a review of scholarships currently.

MOTION: That the Education Officer's Report be accepted

Moved: Tess Kluckow

Seconded: Jock Webb

Motion: Passed

3.2 Department Reports

3.2.1 Women's Department Report [Reference G]

Good recruitment at o-week. Making sure to advertise all our events. Organising domestic violence training, all ANU staff are invited. Send me an email to reserve a spot. Some colleges are running their own training. I provide support and referral services to women on campus. Met with Richard Baker (Pro Vice Chancellor), he is focussed on safety on campus. We will be working together on that. Luce Andrews is no longer with ANU and so the Safety on Campus committee has not been run. Richard will also work on getting that running again. I am writing a paper on student safety and well being on campus with Richard and the Head of Security for a conference (Campus and Student Security Conference). We are looking to implement a few things before we head down there as well. We are continuing work with colleges and campus wide on safety initiatives.

NOTED: Strongly opposed to the current funding model for departments.

MOTION: That the Women’s Department Report be accepted

Moved: Em Roberts

Seconded: Gabby Andrews

Motion: Passed

3.2.2 Environment Officer’s Report [Reference H]

Affiliated to ASEAN. Attended Mining the truth road trip. Some of the mines are operated by companies ANU is invested in. Getting ready to vamp up the divestment campaign this year, “Fossil Free” campaign. We are also interested in education and awareness raising. We are organising a conference “Students of sustainability conference” around July of this year. Close relationship with the food co-op. Great support from them for our events and meetings. We are keen to be very inclusive and get lots of people involved. You don’t have to be a greenie. Feel free to come along to our events/meetings/ working groups or speak to us.

MOTION: That the Environment Officer’s Report be accepted

Moved: Shane Paderanga

Seconded: Suzy Nopamornbodee

Motion: Passed

3.2.3 Queer* Department Report [Reference I]

John Casey, Deputy department officer, presented the report on Ben Gill’s behalf.

Party went really well. It turned out to be a great alternative to Toga. There is a possibility in SAAF free world that we can sell tickets. We are trialling gendered coffees, for people who identify with different genders. There is mixed support but we want to see how it can go. We are not doing the topic that is in the report for Friday. Instead we are looking at the topic of “Coming out” because a lot of people can relate to it. We are also organising cross organisational collaboration with UC and defence force. It is our 20th anniversary so we may try a gala event, perhaps try for Michael Kirby. Want to prepare ANU 2020 Queer* report, where we are now and where we would like to be in 2020. A huge priority is to move our space as we had more plumbing problems over the holiday.

Questions

Em Roberts Are you planning on pushing campaigns and queries out to colleges?

Yes. Talking with Dave Segal and he is doing a good push to ensure all gender and diversity people are in touch around campus.

Dan Perez-McVee Are queries autonomous?

Yes, never an official policy. May vary from queerie to queerie but generally yes.

Suzy Nopamornbodee What does it mean in your report about the agreed expenditure with social officer?

This is to do with what we discussed with the social officer regarding o-week and some of the sponsorship went directly to Queer* Department. This is what the report refers to.

MOTION: That the Queer* Department Report be accepted

Moved: Ella Masri

Seconded: Bianca Hennessy

Motion: Passed

3.2.4 International Students' Department Report [Reference J]

The report covers all points spoken to.

MOTION: That the International Students' Department Report be accepted

Moved: Evan

Seconded: Cam Wilson

Motion: Passed

3.2.5 Disabilities Department Report [Reference K]

Thankyou to all of ANUSA for the BBQ. Loved the lack of sausages and you made it really easy for us it was great! Market day was great. Talked to around about 1000 people. Handed out all of our 100 showbags. March 9th is run for hope. I would like to market to IB runners. It's just before the 10 day prep for IB runners. The last charity run they can do before the race. We have lots of interest in volunteering. Trying to set that up with schools with intellectual and physical disabilities. We want to cater more for students who are not part of the collective but want to be involved. Working with Jen to rebrand things for spoon week. Want this to be a huge event. Trying to organise some high profile people for a Q and A session.

Questions

John Casey Is the spoon week thing just a week?

17th – 23rd of May. Been printed in the new diaries. It's going to take a lot of work so Gen Reps please get involved.

Tess Kluckow In terms of run for hope, have they made a facebook site or anything?

I've been trying to get hold of the organiser. I will put on the fb page when I find out. I want to get the heads of IB committees involved and arrange shorter runs for all skill levels.

Em Roberts Can you advertise it as also a walk for hope?

Yes, I'm thinking walk, cycle, crawl, skip etc. for hope event.

MOTION: That the Disabilities Department Report be accepted

Moved: Em Roberts

Seconded: Evan Packard

Motion: Passed

3.2.6 Indigenous Students' Department Report [Reference L]

A lot of our indigenous students graduated last year. This year we have 48 students which is great. We have been working to orientate these students. Trying to push the recognise campaign this year. Had a chat with "Students for Recognition" in the law school. If anyone wants to help with that, that would be amazing. We need to get ready for when the referendum is announced. The next meeting is in week 3. Our expenditure for o-week was \$0.

Questions

Annika Humphreys Is your email account working?

No.

ACTION Annika, fix email.

Ray Yoshida Are there any events being organised which are non-autonomous?

Yes. Events like NAIDOC week. With the recognise campaign I want to organise panels and forums to get students involved on campus. I need to make sure the indigenous department is comfortable with talking and sharing their stories as it would make it much more personal.

MOTION: That the Indigenous Students' Department Report be accepted

Moved: Suzy Nopamornbodee

Seconded: Tess Kluckow

Motion: Passed

3.3 General Representatives Reports

Item 4: Items for Discussion

4.1 Orgsync

Already covered previously

Item 5: Other Business

Item 6: Date of next meeting and close

The next meeting of the Student Representative Council will be held on the 19th of March, 6pm in the ANUSA Boardroom.

Meeting closed 8:17 pm

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Cam Wilson

I'm going to keep this short as it is the end of O-Week + my computer keyboard is broken. I will elaborate during SRC, and I welcome any further questions. These points are in no particular order.

Orientation Week

- Happened, no problems, great success.
- A variety of events that catered to different demographic of students.
- Importantly: a conscious revamp of our approach to events involving alcohol.
- Big thanks to Henry, Milly, Iqra, Tom, Myles, Phoebe, and all the amazing volunteers.
- Thank you to all our reps that gave so much during the week!

SSAF

- We have received our initial allocation.
- Issues that have been going on with SSAF this year: other groups (i.e. non-student bodies) trying to get in on it. We oppose this because it is not a pool of money that ANU can use to pay for things they already should pay for.
- We've been also working on contingency plans for a post-SSAF world. More to come on this.
- Our funding agreement ends this year. I've flagged with Michael, our Legal Officer, that we need to start working on a new agreement.

OrgSync

- Up and running.
- Communication strategy to be decided.
- Revamped website (part of OrgSync) is soon to happen as well

Arts Centre

- Didn't take over management, but have won some serious change that will benefit students, This includes discussion of improved access for those with restricted mobility, the inclusion of a bar that student productions can use as a source of revenue, opening up usage of the rehearsal room, improvements to the foyer.
- We're looking into separate funding for productions through GAC. Plan to decide on this in the next few weeks

Staff

- Laurin, Student Assistance Officer, found a new job and left in late Jan. Job applications are currently open.
- PARSAs has taken the lead on finding a shared bookkeeper

NUS Presidents' Summit

- Useful.
- I have notes that I will transcribe and make available on Google Drive.

NUS Conference

- My report available here
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rpCewEeT6U6jqL4fgkGt-RfSvr7Oaz7_G5rfGKBFqoA/edit

ANUSA Review

- This is a big project of mine. I'm working on a review of the structure/services offered by ANUSA. The purpose of this review is to understand why ANUSA does what it does, why it works how it works and then to see if we can improve it in the future.
- I'm working out the independent team who will undertake it + the terms of reference
- I want to have the review done by the start of semester 2, so a tight timeline.

Election promises

- We've made some ground on some, but others we need to do more on others (our consultation is a particularly important one that I want to focus on in the next few weeks).
- It's been hard to accomplish a lot over summer while we've been down on personnel.

Social Media

- We've stepped it up in a big way.
- Starting now, I'm committed to a bi-weekly blog (at least) and I'll be looking for contributions from our team

Odds + Ends

- I've been working on a project (in consultation with Erin Gillen) to rename Fellows Oval due to its nickname "Rape Oval"
- We've been working with collectives on a new "pool" model of funding. We're trialling it for six months and then revisiting.
- Keeping an eye of the BA review

Reference B

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Annika Humphreys

Welcome back! I can't believe it's the first week of semester one already. Summer has been jam-packed at the ANUSA Offices.

Firstly, congratulations to Henry and the O Week (Myles, Iqra, Milly and Tom) team on putting together a series of fantastic events. We were working with the university over a period of two months to improve how we go about holding events with alcohol off-campus and managed to get approval at the last minute to hold some of our events. Despite some frustrations with the process, I think it's been positive in the sense that we've set ANUSA up to be seen as an organisation that values the safety of students. I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank Jen, our Communications Officer who worked tirelessly throughout the summer making posters, banners, business cards, the fantastic new student diaries, printing out copies of the mental health guides, as well as getting some fantastic merchandise into the showbags.

OrgSync is here! We had our first training session the week before last and are planning on holding several more to help roll the program out to as many different groups across the university campus as possible. In conjunction with this, ANUSA has attended several new students' events, including two in Sydney and two in Canberra to help get the word out there about our services, O Week and first year camps. I'll leave Laura to speak more about the camps, but ticket sales have been super positive.

I've also been working on a number of smaller projects, of which I'll briefly detail below

- i) hiring and training student space managers – please drop in and say hi
- ii) coordinating universal lunch hour
- iii) training bus drivers and developing a usage policy for the vehicle
- iv) organising Commencement (it's on Wednesday, tomorrow, so please come)
- v) Researching about the committees I'll be sitting on
- vi) Working with Michael – our Legal Officer on hiring an intern
- vii) Assisting Cam with changes in staffing
- viii) Setting up some direction for the Mental Health and Safety on Campus Committees

It's been really great working with people here over summer but I'm excited to get back into university. I'm setting up office hours – Tuesday and Wednesday business hours are locked in with another day/half day to confirm.

Reference C

TREASURER'S REPORT

Nick Barry

- Firstly, congratulations to the O-week directors and especially Henry Ladd for the amazing O-week put together this year. It was hard fought but they managed to pull it off without any major dramas
- Over the last 4 weeks a majority of my time has been spent helping out where I could in the preparations for O-week.

- I also was able to meet with the accountants and we are currently looking at moving forward into the audit of last year and finalizing the financial statements.
- Now that O-week is completed we are looking to updating the constitution with some new financial regulations which will make the burden less on the students when it comes to accessing funds for ANUSA.
- We are also currently in the search for a new bookkeeper and if all goes to plan we will have someone locked in, in the coming weeks.

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GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Zaiga Thomann

It has been a pleasure to be on the 2014 executive, even if for such a short time. My main role in this position has been to organise this SRC and the elections. My main concern is that I won't be able to type fast enough to keep up with you all!

Ellen has prepared a number of documents for the 2014 team and the next General Secretary. These include a more detailed explanation of the running orders and a brief summary of the roles and duties of the General Secretary to help our next elected representative get off the ground.

Finally I just want to say congratulations to everyone on an amazing o-week. It seriously felt amazing out there on the ground. So well done to the exec, the o-week directors and to all of you who volunteered over the week.

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SOCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Henry Ladd

Hola, friends. O Week is over. Yay!

We are still paying out invoices and issuing them so we don't know exact numbers yet. However I would be surprised if we were over budget just from running tabs.

Thanks everybody for all the help over the week, it wouldn't have run without you all.

I will need to meet this week with GAC and SEEF committee to see what I need to be doing. I am totally behind on all this due to O Week.

Beyond that I am keen to organise the end of term party to be in the alleyway as a concert. I'll let you know more about this when I put a proposal together

EDUCATION OFFICER'S REPORT

Laura Wey

National Day of Action

There will be a minimum of 3 National Days of Actions (NDAs) in 2014, which will consist of a central rally in each state and territory of Australia about the current issues in the higher education debate. NDAs are coordinated nationally by the National Union of Students (NUS) National Education Officer, Sarah Garnham, and state and territory rallies are organised and run by the Education Officers or equivalent Office Bearers in each state and territory.

The headline campaign for 2014 is "Abbott and Pyne: Hands Off Our Education."

The second NDA will be held roughly with budget time (May) and the third NDA will be held in second semester.

The first NDA will be held on Thursday 27 March at 1pm in Garema Place, ACT. There will be a universal lunch hour (ULH) in Union Court at ANU from midday, then we will march to Garema Place for 1pm and there will be media, food and entertainment.

The first NDA aims to:

- Oppose the \$2.3 billion cuts to university spending!
- Defend start-up scholarships!
- Say no to HECS sell-off!
- Save our SSAF! Save our Students' Associations! Save our Clubs & Societies!

Advertising:

- Social media
 - National Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/572167496207128/>
 - ACT Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1456587981224496/>
 - Orgsync event
 - Hashtags #handsoff and #saveSSAF
 - Photo campaign of ANU students with cards on which they handwrite a SSAF-funded service they've used
- Traditional
 - Flyers advertising the NUS NDA Act Rally were on the majority of stalls hosted by Clubs and Societies on Market Day during Orientation-Week.
 - Stickers that say "Warning! This service may cease to exist due to the Liberal government's university cuts. March 27: Rally against education cuts." will be stuck on SSAF-funded goods and services.
 - Posters advertising the NUS NDA ACT Rally will be posted up around ANU and University of Canberra campuses. I have been working with Brontë Cleary, *Education Vice-President*, University of Canberra Students' Association (UCSA).
 - A full page add will be put in Woroni.
 - T-shirts with the "Abbott and Pyne: Hands Off Our Education." slogan and logo will be worn by ANUSA Education Committee volunteers running the Universal Lunch

Hour (ULH) on ANU campus and ACT rally into Garema Place on Thursday March 27.

- Activist
 - A powerpoint presentation slide and overhead projector slide with the "Abbott and Pyne: Hands Off Our Education." slogan and logo will be made up and shown in lecture theatres.
 - Announcements made at the start of lectures
 - Get ANU Labor Students' Club, ANU Left Labor Club, Greens on Campus (ANU), ANU Socialist Alternative on board

ANUSA First Year Camps

The ANUSA College Representatives are hosting First Year Camps for first year students at the ANU.

Camps are split into ANU Colleges (Science + Engineering & Computer Science, Law + Business & Economics, Arts + Asia-Pacific).

All camps will be held at Camp Longbeach (<http://www.camplongbeach.com.au/>) over the weekend.

There will be student mentors from Clubs and Societies to provide tips on how to get the most out of your time at ANU and information about pastoral care and academic support services offered by ANUSA and ANU Colleges.

First years should come away from the ANUSA First Year Camp feeling more ready and excited about what they can expect from their university experience.

Tickets are \$60 and can be purchased online via Eventbrite pages or with cash from the stall in Union Court or in the Brian Kenyon Student Space.

- SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING & COMPUTER SCIENCE on the weekend after the first week of class (February 21 - February 23), tickets at: <http://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/anusa-first-year-science-and-cecs-camp-tickets-10037545569?aff=eorg>
- LAW AND BUSINESS & ECONOMICS on the weekend after the second week of class (February 28 - March 2), tickets at: <http://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/anusa-first-year-law-and-cbe-camp-tickets-10038991895?aff=eorg>
- ARTS AND ASIA-PACIFIC on the weekend after the third week of class (March 7 - March 9), tickets at: <http://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/anusa-first-year-arts-and-cap-camp-tickets-10039461299?aff=eorg>

Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/629494107098471/> . There is a link to the Facebook event on the ANU New Students page <http://students.anu.edu.au/for/new-students/>.

There is a dedicated ANUSA First Year Camp email for enquiries and ticket sales: anusacamps2014@gmail.com.

Flyers were given out to first year students at all Advisory Days/Sessions and by Clubs and Societies related to an ANU College on Market Day in Orientation-Week. The flyer was emailed to all first year undergraduates at the ANU at the end of orientation-week by the Student Experience and Transition team.

Posters have been put up around ANU campus and residential/virtual colleges/halls.

As of the time when this report was being written, total attendees on the three ANUSA First Year Camps came to 133 first years and 60 senior student mentors.

Australasian Conference of Undergraduate Research

I am on the Steering Committee with ANU academics involved in undergraduate research experiences to organise the 3rd Australasian Conference of Undergraduate Research (ACUR) to be held at ANU in 2014.

The plan is for the Steering Committee to organise and run some workshops throughout Semester 1 on:

- writing abstracts
- (marking) peer review of abstracts
- creating posters
- giving oral presentations

The Steering Committee would also book the venue for the ACUR, accommodation for presenters from other universities, organise sponsorship from participating universities and give the Student Committee guidance.

From Semester 2 2014 a Student Committee would take over from the Steering Committee to plan and actually run the ACUR at ANU in September. Expressions of interest from students to be on the Student Committee will be called for at the end of Semester 1.

Transforming Practice Programme

I am the student representative on ANU's 5-membered team participating in the pilot Transforming Practice Programme (TPP) out of the Office for Learning and Teaching (OLT) via a collaboration of academics from Australia and from the Higher Education Academy (HEA) in the UK. The focus of the pilot TPP is *Reward and Recognition: Promotion Process and Policy*. The purpose is to improve learning and teaching outcomes for students through new policies around recognition and promotion of teaching at the ANU.

This will build upon the new in 2014 ANU Promotions policy which better recognises education and the ANU's accreditation with the Higher Education Academy in the UK to offer Educational Fellowships. The University's strategic plan, *ANU by 2020*, states that '*ANU will ensure that staff appraisal and promotion processes equally reward excellence in education, research and service*'.

The Education Indicators for Promotion will highlight student feedback on teaching, such as SEL scores and student choice awards like The Last Lecture, as crucial to evidencing teaching effectiveness for promotions applications.

ANU Undergraduate Research Framework

ANUSA will work with the ANU to develop an Undergraduate Research Framework based on the University of Adelaide model, which students can use to track their progress and articulate the

research skills they have developed over the course of their study and staff can use to plan courses and lessons.

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WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Erin Gillen

O Week

The Department had a very successful market day, with a lot of interest from women on campus. The Department hosted a Galentine's Day brunch on Thursday 13th, which was well attended.

Upcoming events

- 6.30pm Thursday 20th February: screening of 'I am a Girl' (Hayden Allen Tank)
- 7.30am Friday 21st February: Pro choice picnic in front of ACT Health
- 12pm Wednesday 6th March: International Women's Day lunch (Copland Courtyard)
- Tuesday 11th March: Annual Pamela Denoon lecture

Domestic Violence Crisis Service training

In 2013, the Women's Department organised the Domestic Violence Crisis Service (DVCS) to run training sessions as part of our "Not a Wife Beater" campaign. These sessions were tailored to the university setting by DVCS. The training was well attended.

Further training will be run by DVCS this semester and funded by the Women's Department. The training will be available for all ANU staff and students. The sessions are on the following dates:

- 9am Wednesday 26th February
- 9am Thursday 28th February
- 9am Wednesday 12th March

Reserve your spot at the training by emailing sa.womens@anu.edu.au.

Provision of support services to undergraduate women

I have spent 2-3 hours per week providing support services to undergraduate women

Expenditure

- Officer phone: \$99
- Credit for officer phone: \$90
- Market day bags and supplies: \$158.98
- Pledge postcards and Women's Department stamp: \$98.16
- CostCo membership: \$60
- Catering for Galentine's Day brunch: \$320.48
- Picnic blankets: \$120.90

- Books: \$543.64
- Food / Rapunzel room supplies: \$165.97
- I am a Girl film screening package: \$330
- Stationery / storage for Rapunzel Room: \$67

Total expenditure: \$2054.13

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ENVIRONMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Dan Perez-McVee

It's been a quiet summer break for the EC with a lot of people away over the summer. But just as it was starting some of the EC's members went on the NSW Mining the Truth – Just Transitions road trip with other students and young people from the ACT and NSW, where they spent time with people across NSW that are effected by, fighting against, or that rely on the fossil fuel extractive industries in their area.

Coming back from the break some of our members went to the Australian Student Environment Network (ASEN) Training Camp in Victoria where we shared skills and made connections with environmental and social justice activists from across Australia.

Going into the next 6 months our ongoing Fossil Free ANU campaign and the Students of Sustainability (SoS) conference will be occupying a lot of the time and brain-space of interested members.

Fossil Free ANU is the leading campaign in a nationwide 'Fossil Free Universities' campaign through ASEN. There are now lots of other campus with campaigns that also making inroads in pressuring their universities to divest. We're working to apply pressure on the ANU to commit to divest from fossil fuels as part of their new responsible investment policy whose inclusions and exclusions are currently being discusses and determined by the university administration. A decision will be made in the 2nd half of 2014. It is not yet clear when, and that timing is something the working group is keen to find out.

In the last few years the support of the ANUSA executive for this campaign has been instrumental through its capacity as the peak student representative body of the university. Not least through the president's position on university council. The EC looks forward to ANUSA's continuing support in this campaign.

At the moment we're working on our broad strategy for the new academic year.

Students of Sustainability is a conference held each year around July. It started in Canberra 23 years ago and this year it's coming back. Some members of the EC are part of the organising collective, but they are planning on starting a Students of Sustainability club or society so it can be organised somewhat separately from other EC activities. We'll have more to share about our plans at the next SRCs.

Finances passed by collective

- \$20 on food per meeting for regular meetings and working groups
- \$140 on O-week materials
- Mining the Truth in early Dec 2013 - subsidised the trip for 7 members of the EC: \$587.50
- ASEN Training Camp 20-25th Jan - subsidised the trip for 3 members of the EC: \$ 160

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QUEER* DEPARTMENT REPORT

Ben Gill

O-Week 2014

Gender Free Speed Dating

- 123 people attended, new record

Champagne Breakfast

- 150 people attended
- Tie Dyeing a success, dyed shirts and ANUSA bags
- Spread of food complimented, catered for vegans, dairy free, nut free etc.
- New location at Fellows BBQ received well

Market Day

- Handed out over 100 showbags
- 80 people signed up to mailing list
- 50 people requested access to Q* Space

Not Another Folkin Party

- 70 people attended
- Great location

Board games Night

- 60 people attended

Events

Queer* Coffee and Gendered events

Alternating between weekly Queer* Coffee where we meet at Street Theatre for coffee and individual gendered brunches for male, female and trans* identifying students.

Queery

First Queery will be discussing pronouns and respecting peoples gender identity. Key points will be how to avoid misgendering people and include a look at the diversity that exists under the Queer* umbrella.

Other topics include:

- Queers* in Sport
- Queer* Refugees and Immigration
- How to be a Trans* Ally
- Femme butch dynamics
- How to make Safe Sex Sexy
- Queerness and masculinity
- Coming out

UC/ANU Queer* Beers and Pizza

Connecting with UC Queer* Collective over beers and pizza on 11th March Wk 4 6pm at UC bar

Queer* Department 20th Anniversary

In discussion with Richard Baker about hosting a public lecture with Michael Kirby as guest speaker for Q* Dep 20th Anniversary. Looking to invite key ANU staff as well as an open invitation to all previous Queer* Officers. Open to all students and aimed at increasing awareness across campus.

German Sparkle Party (Pending Approval)

Potential party idea for 20th anniversary celebrations pending approval from Collective.

Upcoming Events

- **IDAHOT**
- **Pride Week**
- **Inter Collective/ Queer* Ball**
- **Queer* Film Festival**

Campaigns

ISGD Awareness

Campaign aimed at increasing awareness of ISGD (intersex and sex and gender diverse) issues on campus. Likely to build on NUS Queer Campaign “We all need to pee” and have a focus on increasing prevalence of unisex bathroom in student hubs.

Rainbow Tick

Help facilitate ANU Counselling and Health Service achieve the Rainbow Tick, a national best practise for LGBTIQ inclusion for health services.

Mentoring System

Trialling a mentoring system by pairing up later year Q* Collective members with new comers to provide guidance during first term of university. Designed to increase support for first years and to develop stronger collective involvement.

Expenditure

Total O-Week Expenditure - \$3490.44

ANUSA O-Week Q*Dep Budget - \$4000

Agreed expenditure limit with ANUSA Social Officer

New ANU Queer* Logo - \$30

Day to Day \$50

ART \$50

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' DEPARTMENT REPORT

Koranid 'Suzy' Nopamornbodee

O-week activities

1) Rights and responsibilities of an international student session

- Happened at MCC T1 on Monday 10th February from 10.30am -11.30am
- Over 60 international students turned up
- Collaboration with SET Team to organized this
- Guest speakers:

(i) Natalie Young (Acting Deputy Manager of Student Experience and Transitional Team)

(ii) Megan Bourke (Academic Standards and Quality Office)

(iii) Michael Curtotti (ANUSA/PARSA Lawyer)

2) Life as an international student session

- Happened at MCC T2 on Wednesday 12th February from 10.30am-11.30am
- Over 100 international students turn up to this session
- Collaboration with SET Team to organized this
- Guest speakers:

(i) Prof. Richard Baker (Pro-Vice Chancellor [Student experience])

(ii) Eric Chan (Student space manager)

(iii) Karolina (an exchange student from Sweden)

(iv) Musau Kilonzo (ISD Vice-president of advocacy)

(v) Allianz

(vi) Shane Paderanga (CBE faculty representative)

3) Market day

- We were giving away free travel mugs with ISD logo on it to international students especially first year. Inside the mugs, there was a name card sized information about the ISD and how to contact us. We hope that they would carry the travel mugs around campus so that they could help advertise the ISD indirectly.

- We also helped distribute ANUSA diary and CBE first year survival guide.

- Advertised Lunar New Year that is happening on 15th February 2014.

- Advertised International Students' Welcoming Evening (ISWE) that is coming up next Friday.

- We are recruiting an officer as well. We will be sending email to them soon. The interview for our officers will be held in week 1.

Non-O week activities.

1) Lunar New Year (LNY)- Saturday 15th February 2014

- Joint event with Unilodge, another 15 national clubs to celebrate Lunar New Year

- There will be plenty of free food, performance and raffles.

- Overall expenses: \$8,000

Note; The event is not happening yet when this report is writing.

Publications:

- We are on the process of finishing up the International Student Guide (ISG). We are planning to print 2,000 copies of it and distribute it to first year international students.

Advocacy:

The first project that ISD is pushing this semester is Interhall International Representative Committee (IIRC) project. This committee will be responsible for taking care of all international students who live in halls and colleges, so that the ISD can concentrate more on helping international students who live off campus. We would make all the international students who live in halls and colleges a member of IIRC. So far, we have contacted all international representatives of each hall and college and form a facebook group.

We are now on the process of finding more information about how to make this happen.

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DISABILITIES DEPARTMENT REPORT

Laura Campbell

- O WEEK BBQ- Fantastic, ran well with a lot of help and the couscous was a hit with the crowds.
- O WEEK MARKET DAY- This was our best day by far. We gave out all show bags and the coffee meant we hit a much larger audience than ever.
- BUDGET- Our total spending for O week was \$750.00
- MEETING- our next meeting will be this coming Wednesday with an emphasis on administrative work of nominating and electing deputies.

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INDIGENOUS STUDENTS' DEPARTMENT REPORT

Clem Pickwick