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## AGENDA – ANUSA STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC) 5 2019

Tuesday, 30 July 2019

6:15pm, Marie Ray Room 2.02

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### Item 1: Meeting Opens and Apologies

***Meeting opens at 6:18pm***

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

1.2 Apologies

### Item 2: Passing the previous meeting's minutes

***Proposer: Tanika Sibal***

***Seconder: Jocelyn Abbott***

***Status: Motion passes***

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### Item 3: Executive Reports

3.1 President's report (E. Lim) [Reference A]

**Eden:** Huge congratulations to Matthew and the Bush Week team. Was a fantastic week. Went incredibly well. Elections – I have mainly been delegated administrative duties. If you have further questions let me know. We have also had resignations from Anu Palmer and Priyanka since the last SRC. I want to thank these individuals for their hard work. Would also like to congratulate Sarah and her team on a fantastic NAIDOC week so far. Would also like to mention Climate Strike, Friday 9 August which is next week.

***Content warning for remainder of report: AHRC Report, SASH.***

**Eden:** This Thursday, two years since AHRC “Change the Course” report. Challenging week for lots of people in this community. I would like to thank all the other student advocates. Advocacy in the SASH space is exhausting but very important. Continued pressure placed on student leaders to work in this space isn't great – need to work with uni administration. Still disappointed around lack of communication and progress over the past 6 months. Will be releasing a progress report with PARSA and Women's Dept on August 1 for progress since last year. We will be planting flags, hosting a sit-in from 2-3pm at University House, and a wind down from 3-4pm. Supports will be available.

***Procedural motion to extend Eden's speaking time by 2 minutes.***

***Proposer: Tanika Sibal***

***Secunder: Jocelyn Abbott.***

***Status: Passes***

**Eden:** Supports available during the day. Wear black to stand in solidarity with survivors. Would mean a lot to student advocates in this space who have worked over many many years. If you have the energy to join we encourage you to do so. Please know support is available for anyone who needs it. Please look after yourself.

Q: There have been 4 Department Officer resignations and lots of College Rep resignations. Why, and do you have any plans to tackle the issue?

A: Each and every person who steps down has their own reasons for doing so. Don't think it would be appropriate for me to comment on those reasons. Continue to thank those who have contributed and extend warm wishes for their future.

Q: Res hall space, NOUS review and AHRC updates?

A: Will be including information around NOUS review specifically in report released in August 1. Res hall space is very important. Have started engaging with IHC a couple of weeks ago. Look forward to continuing that engagement. Progress has been slow, student consultation has been slow.

Q: Did the university consider propriety of holding Founding Day celebrations?

A: Found out very late on. Have raised concerns about the sensitivities of the day and respect.

Q: Climate strike – want to know what happened with the motion brought to University Council. Good that was brought forward. Was it voted up?

A: I would flag and seek leave from the Chair to talk about my role as University Council member, not as ANUSA President. Is that ok?

Chair: Yes.

A: In my role as undergrad university council member, raised member sent to me by Wren on behalf of climate strike organizing group. That motion, as I emailed to Wren, Education Committee, Environment Collective, was read out word for word. Council did not resolve to have the motion move but heard the motion and said they were concerned about the global impact of climate change and supports student and staff having voices heard on the issue.

Q: Distinction between your role as President and University Council member alludes me. Did you argue against the University Council members who didn't want to discuss the motion and argue for it to be adopted?

A: As mentioned, I raised the motion. As flagged to Wren, conversed with many University Council members about the issue. They resolved not to accept it.

Q: One of the policies you ran on was Workplace Learning Strategy. Was wondering what steps you've taken in that area?

A: Steps taken have been in context of university committee meetings. It has been raised a number of times but other issues have popped up in academic boards and

committees so hasn't been the first thing to discuss. But with joint TLDC next week could bring it up there. Still scope this year to continue to push that.

Q: Became aware that the Uni House sit in had been pushed back due to Founding Day

A: Not true. Timing for sit-in has flipped around consistently. Chose that time because thought it would be most strategic. Joint decision from RR student working group. Have spoken in depth about this, timing and other things happening on that day. Action did change in response to things happening that day. In RR student working group we have a number of students who sit on that. It was discussed then. Happy to discuss it further but action happening throughout the whole day and university is very clear on plans for the day and priorities that I have and ANUSA has and that won't be lost.

***Motion to accept the President's report.***

***Proposer: Sarah Loynes***

***Seconder: Brigid Horneman-Wren***

***Status: Passes***

### 3.2 Vice President's report (C. Clapp) [Reference B]

**Campbell:** Met with two deputies for Wellbeing Committee, Issy and Jocelyn on Monday. Working towards lots of exciting events and advocacy. Pointing that in direction of student mental health. Elections – I am working on Probity for the elections. Funding caps for full ticket \$1200, minimum is \$150. AQAC – not a lot happened. Approving and accrediting courses. Approval for research into lecture attendance. TLDC – main talking point, academic calendar including 12 vs 13 week semesters. Raised concerns about switch from 13 to 12 weeks and a lot of courses not changing their content. Next Thursday, joint TLDC sitting. If you're interested, happy to send more information through. Other things to quickly flag – August 1 on Thursday, would be great to see as many people as possible. Student advocates are sick and tired of fighting in this space. Seeing too many things go wrong in residential halls. It's important that we remember what August 1 means and stands for. Also August 9, Climate Change walkout. Important that as students we attend that.

Q: Joint TLDC – Couple of things to push. 12 vs 13 week semesters. Given you've raised this before. Where do you think conversation next week will go?

A: Reason I thought it was important to bring up – at the last TLDC I raised those concerns as a student perspective. But other representatives meant to go away and get other perspectives. Lots of other perspectives to discuss.

Q: Confidential SELTs pushed back due to data breach. Why?

A: They decided it wouldn't be prudent at this time to pursue confidential survey given other issues.

Q: One or two Kambri vendors haven't opened yet, when?

A: At last Kambri PCG every vendor was open. Another group now responsible for approving vendors. So no idea.

Q: Last Kambri PCG meeting happened. So as in the last one? Where we're at with that, what was discussed at it? Continuing issues with Kambri such as student welfare events not being able to be held with \$150 cleaning fee etc.

**Point of clarification from Eden:** There is an advocacy tab on the ANUSA website explaining the work happening in the space. Also in my report. Have also released the draft requested last SRC on there. If problem accessing that document let us know so we can reupload it. Also requested updates from Chief Operating Officer that haven't been sent back to us.

Q: What went on with that final group? Where are we at with cleaning fee, booking for rest of spaces?

A: Project Control Group (PCG) largely about building of Kambri. A lot of those issues to do with administration were referred to other groups as referenced in my report. Venue booking policy not discussed in final PCG.

Q: Question about Chris Grange, Chief Operating Officer of ANU who has left. Is ANUSA concerned about what will happen in October?

Point of clarification from Eden: He hasn't left yet. They have appointed a new person. Will be a handover period.

**Motion to accept Vice President's report.**

**Proposer: Tanika Sibal**

**Secunder: Dominic Harvey-Taylor**

**Status: Passes**

### 3.3 Education Officer's report (T. Sibal) [Reference C]

**Tanika:** Flagging launch of Young Worker's Centre at the RUC.

Q: Have had to chase up printing leaflets for Climate Strike. We're in the midst of a climate crisis. What's your justification for refusing to put more than 250 pages of leaflets out?

A: We already printed 250, printing another 250. Other groups involved in this. We have a limited budget.

**Kim Stern has been named.**

Q: Why Pizza with Brian and EdComm trivia scheduled at same time?

A: Uni scheduled Pizza with Brian. We didn't have choice.

Q: So no control over trivia?

A: Trivia happens on Tuesday of Bush Week so we went with that.

Q: NUS Education Conference, value that contributed?

A: I couldn't attend. Lachy, Aisha, Madhu and Shivali went from ANUSA. Couldn't get it in time for this SRC but will get a report done for next one.

**Motion to accept the Education Officer's report.**

**Proposer: Tyrus**

**Secunder: Kai**

**Status: Passes**

**Chair moves to Campbell with no dissent.**

### 3.4 General Secretary's report (L. Day) [Reference D]

**Lachy:** Thanks everyone for coming to new venue. Hope it works out well. Well done to Bush Week team – unfortunately Matthew is really sick so can't be here. Everyone should be proud. Shoutout to Sarah for NAIDOC week. Personal thanks and congratulations to Pri as well. Firsthand have seen the work she has done and passion she's given to the role. Association is worse off not having her here. Wish her the best of luck. Policy register finally complete!

#### ***Lachy Day has been named.***

**Lachy:** I'm really proud of policy register. It's taken a long time. Also had ANUSA retreat in the break. Really useful use of their time. Talked about private meeting of the SRC to talk about more strategic matters, ANUSA as an association etc., looking at timetable for this term, only week that would work is Week 5 which is election week and I will be taking leave that week so hard to organize a meeting in that week. My other thought is having it around Week 6, after people's exams, alternatively middle of next term. SRC people get in contact with me about your thoughts. To pre-empt a likely question about NUS – found it was quite useful. Planning for August 9 went well. So many people from ACT all in same room was good, all factions also there.

Q: Why is the policy register only back to 2013?

A: Looked into 2012 too. Minutes were harder to read? Couldn't be sure that they were motions passed before then. Relevance of things pre-2010 given it was nearly a decade ago? If need to can look further back.

Q: Accessibility of SRC. Event only went up yesterday. No posters for it. Email only sent out to reps. At best, not really prioritizing student body.

A: As mentioned in comment on Woroni post that was later taken down, decision to make Facebook event this week was due to too many Bush Week events going up that week. Some events were missed being put up last week. Thought it should go up on Monday due to that. At last SRC I said this SRC would be on this date. Constitutional requirements were met for notice and all reps communicated to. Speaking of meetings, OGM event went up today. You should all come.

Q: Do you have any fun plans for OGM?

A: It's going to be quorate. Beyond that, continuing trend of trying to move to evening meeting to boost attendance. Also over a mealtime so food. Probity report will be tabled there. Fun stuff about updating financial regulations maybe.

Q: Form of consultation for governance review?

A: Couple of forms. Firstly focused consultation groups with specific groups such as Clubs Council. Also town halls which everyone can attend. Some sort of online feedback mechanism as well. Online component to each part as I recognize not everyone can come. More to come though.

Q: Will people who have already graduated be invited to come given this started last year?

A: Hadn't really considered that but no overwhelming harm. Want as much say as we can.

***Motion to accept the General Secretary's report.***

***Proposer: Brandon***

***Secunder: Tanika***

***Status: Passes***

***Chair passes back to Lachy with no dissent.***

3.5 Treasurer's report (D. Jose) [Reference E]

**Dash:** Taking my report as read. Not much has been happening. Busy with Bush Week expenses. Trying to get proper documentation. Took leave for 3 weeks.

Q: Says you took leave 24 June to 12 June?

A: Typo

Q: Election duties?

A: Barbeque duties, probably more

***Motion to accept the Treasurer's report.***

***Proposer: Aisha***

***Secunder: Brandon***

***Status: Passes***

3.6 Social Officer's report (M. Mottola) [Reference F]

**Lachy:** Matthew is away. Has sent in apologies. Doesn't have a report in. Because of Bush Week he sought special consideration to put in report late but then got ill before he could put in report. Unfortunate set of circumstances. You can email him for an update on Bush Week.

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#### **Item 4: Department Officer Reports**

4.1 Indigenous Department (S. Loynes) [Reference G]

**Sarah:** Take mostly as read. Thanks everyone for NAIDOC Week shoutout. We've had great participation at our events. It'd be really good to see some familiar faces at our ANU NAIDOC Week concert on Saturday night. We have cut down on prices to make it more accessible – last year was \$20-30, this year \$11. We've worked really hard to make that change. Has also been stressful.

***Motion to accept the Indigenous Officer's report.***

***Proposer: Tian Xiao***

***Secunder: Sam***

***Status: Passes***

4.2 Women's Department (P. Tomar) [Reference H]

**Lachy:** Nobody from the Women's Department is giving a report as Priyanka isn't here. Has been tabled. Email the Women's Department for further questions.

***Motion to accept the Indigenous Officer's report.***

***Proposer: Sam***

**Secunder: Annabelle**  
**Status: Passes**

#### 4.3 Queer\* Department (S. Neave) [Reference I]

**Sam:** Taking report mostly as read. Pride Week is next week. Come along. Also have our ball which is for Queer\* students and allies. Friday the 9<sup>th</sup>!

Q: August 31<sup>st</sup>?

A: Motion about this. Do what we can about this. Going to, with Kim organize a meeting for this. Everyone's welcome. King O Malley's on Monday the 5<sup>th</sup>. Will post on Facebook.

Q: Last SRC some discussion about statement about Eurovision Israel issue?

A: Good point. Will post that.

Q: Queer\* ball ticket prices, issues around transparency regarding why the prices are higher. Event was deleted then remade with no justification or explanation?

A: Comes down to package received from QT hotel? Open bar open for 3 hours, last year it was 2. We've got canapes as well. Don't have sit down food, that's correct. Have changed venue within hotel itself. This year in the speakeasy part so we have our own bathrooms as that was an issue last year. In terms of price discrepancies, it's just how it worked out. Tried to make it as affordable as possible.

Q: Have you considered publicizing that information – might help explain to people who are wondering about it?

A: Yep will do.

**Motion to accept the Queer\* Officer's report.**  
**Proposer: Brigid Horneman-Wren**  
**Secunder: Isabella Keith**  
**Status: Passes**

#### 4.4 International Students' Department (H. Ang) [Reference J]

**Lachy:** No apologies and no report received. Will follow up on this.

#### 4.5 Disabilities Department (M. Janagaraja) [Reference K]

**Madhu:** Mostly as read. Thank you to Matthew and rest of Bush Week team for trying their best with accessibility. Also did send an email to SRC about using the word "accessibility" please understand what it means in the disability action movement. Excited to be trialing a version of accessibility training with Clubs Council at their special events training.

**Content warning: Institutional betrayal**

Madhu: Appeal procedure – show cause, if you have been in breach of Progress Rule. Leads to you being excluded. Also late withdrawal a separate process on basis of many grounds, including medical or as a disability. Processes are separate from each other. If you don't show cause, could be excluded or expelled despite the fact that you still have applications being processed. I'm explaining this because I've been in communication with students in the university who've been excluded due to this

process. Lots of working being done in this space. Example of a society and system failing marginalized groups. Not good enough. Horrifying that people's lives have been changed as a result of this – visas stripped etc., yes it's reversible but onus shouldn't be on them. We need to do be doing better. I hope everyone treats ANUSA Student Assistance Officers as first

Q: 251 hours worked – seems like a lot, significantly more than other Officers? Could you break it down a bit for SRC?

A: Primarily pastoral care, administration. Over the last two months, committee hasn't been around as much. Maybe my own lack of boundaries, advocacy is tiring and doesn't end.

Q: Timelines from F&S about Spoons Space?

A: Still waiting on exact confirmation. Not a lot of active tradies in Canberra at the moment.

***Motion to accept the Disabilities Officer's Report.***

***Proposer: Sarah***

***Secunder: Maddy***

***Status: Passes***

4.6 Environment Department (M. Woodforde) [Reference L]

**MC:** I would encourage everyone to come to the Climate Walkout. Also 20<sup>th</sup> of September. EC will be supporting both actions.

Q: Report says Nick has stepped back over past few months, has he resigned?

A: He hasn't resigned in any formal capacity. Still coming to meetings and doing some of the other work involved in the EC. We can probably expect that he might write a resignation soon.

***Motion to accept the Environment Officer's report.***

***Proposer: Tanika***

***Secunder: Jocelyn***

***Status: passes***

4.7 Ethnocultural Department (A. Setipa) [Reference M]

Aisha: Taking mostly as read. One update – unfortunately we have to cancel our Revue this year for reasons including time constraints. Definitely confident it will happen next year. Also want to flag our change in exec. Aroa our Deputy had to step down. Department would like to thank her for all her hard work and congratulate Joanna Lin on becoming our new deputy. Now opened up nominations for our Secretary position. If you're interested send me an email.

Q: Any nonrefundable costs Department has to bear due to cancellation of revue?

A: No not at all. Hadn't signed a contract with Kambri yet.

***Motion to accept the Ethnocultural Officer's report.***

***Proposer: Issy***

***Secunder: Harsh***

***Status: Passes***



***Procedural motion for a 5 minute break until 7:21pm***

***Proposer: Issy***

***Secunder: Tyrus***

***Status: Passes***

***Meeting reconvenes at 7.21pm***

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## **Item 5: Clubs Council Chair Report**

5.1 Report by J. Howarth (Chair) [Reference N]

**James:** Report was fairly straightforward. I am proudly now the longest serving chair of Clubs Council despite not reaching my full term yet. Clubs Council exists on peripheral of ANUSA. This has caused issues with meetings, getting things done, administrative errors. Not criticism of ANUSA executive but the constitution more so. Which is deeply flawed. Clubs Regs that empower Clubs Council are pretty bad. One of the things I personally believe is Clubs Council used to be further integrated with ANUSA. Will note that there was a so-called “secession motion” in order to have Clubs Council consider secession from ANUSA or more postgrad representation. Believe the two are not unrelated.

***Motion to accept the Clubs Council Chair Report.***

***Proposer: Brandon***

***Secunder: Taylor***

***Motion passes***

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## **Item 6: General Representative Reports**

6.1 Report by Brandon Tan [Reference O]

**Brandon:** Bush Week went well. Met the NUS Welfare Officer.

***Motion to accept Brandon’s report.***

***Proposer: David***

***Secunder: Tyrus***

***Status: Passes***

6.2 Report by Madeleine Lezon [Reference P]

**Maddy:** Not going to take report totally as read. It’s 4000 words. You probably have better things to do than read it. Also not trying to make it sound like these issues are only faced by RRR students. Wanted to talk about homesickness and idea that people who come from far away don’t see family much. Dislocation, which comes from a place of guilt – shouldn’t have left family etc., common theme I’ve found. Please read the whole thing, have a few recommendations. When speaking to DSL they were talking about big program they’re starting next year for transitional support for RRR students. First recommendation to make sure university knows that’s happening. Don’t let it fall behind or be a trial thing. Also encourage work done by regional support communities. Expand skill up program. Common theme that came up with survey is youth unemployment in regional communities. So when students come here, might not have resume you need to get a job etc. so working on that.

***Procedural to extend Maddy's speaking time by 2 minutes.***

***Proposer: Tanika***

***Secunder: Harsh***

***Status: Passes***

**Maddy:** Increase transparency about requirements for residential halls for returners, especially at UniLodge. Can't let student needs be lost.

Q: Will new admissions system make a difference in RRR student numbers?

A: Depends. It's intimidating to ask for help. If put forward in a way that people don't have to ask for help but more something to help you, don't be afraid for asking for help – then yes.

Q: Congrats on the report. Well put together. Could you comment on how your role as a Gen Rep was important in producing this report? What did the role give you?

A: Having an audience is nice. Could stand in the courtyard and ask people to listen to me but they might not. Support from Tanika was great, she helped me initiate it. Being Gen Rep is cool.

Q: My question before was about new admissions model – thoughts?

A: Mixed thoughts. Anything that takes a little bit of strain off year 12s is good, making it more well rounded. But emphasis on extracurriculars – not always available to people. If your school doesn't have a debating club etc.

***Motion to accept Maddy's report.***

***Proposer: Aisha***

***Secunder: Tanika***

***Status: Passes***

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## **Item 7: Probity Elections**

**Chair moves to Campbell with no dissent.**

Felix Freelander (nominee): Helped develop new funding model. Want to give back. Have time available. Good experience.

***Procedural for 15 minutes of question time or until no further questions.***

***Proposer: Tanika***

***Secunder: Issy***

***Status: Passes***

***Procedural motion for Jason to make short statement on behalf of Noah Yim for 20 seconds, in favour of Noah's nomination.***

***Proposer: Jason***

***Secunder: Felix***

***Status: Passes***

Jason proposing: He helped write changes to funding limits. He understand them. He'd be good.

Felix waives right of reply.

**Question time resumes.**

Q: What relevant experience do you have?

A: I have positions on various societies. I have done that sort of thing before. Helped write CSA's new electoral regulations.

**Procedural motion for James Howarth to speak on behalf of Felix for 20 seconds.**

**Proposer: James**

**Secunder: Felix**

**Status: Passes**

James: Felix is great at maths. ANUSA really needs that. Please vote for him.

**Question time resumes.**

Q: What's the biggest thing probity should do differently? Have you read last reports?

A: Haven't read past report but have insight. I don't feel qualified to answer question about what we should do differently.

Q: On a scale of 1 to 10 how much do you like logarithms?

A: 6.

**Procedural to move an item of Other Business after Probity Elections, to have another SRC Safety discussion.**

**Proposer: Tanika**

**Secunder: Kai**

**Status: Passes**

**Procedural to have safety discussion in camera.**

**Proposer: Tanika**

**Secunder: Felix**

**Status: Passes**

**Procedural to move in camera for the vote on probity officers.**

**Proposer: Tanika**

**Secunder: Kai**

**Status: Passes**

**Felix and Noah are both elected as 2019 Probity Officers.**

**Chair passes back to Lachy with no dissent.**

**Motion for 5 minute break until 8.08pm**

**Proposer: Campbell**

**Secunder: Kai**

**Status: Passes**

**Grace Isred named.**

**Kim Stern named.**

**Wren Somerville named.**

***Chair moves to Campbell to announce Probity election results, with no dissent.***

***Chair moves back to Lachy with no dissent.***

***Kim Stern has been named.***

***Kim Stern has been named again, meeting adjourns at 8:16pm until he leaves.***

***Meeting resumes at 8:40pm as Kim Stern leaves.***

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## **Item 8: Motions on Notice**

### **Motion 8.1**

#### **Preamble:**

Transparency is one of the fundamental pillars which establishes the SRC's trust with the greater Undergraduate community. Mandatory reporting by Executive Officers, Department Officers and College Representatives (with the opportunity for scrutiny) has proven to be an effective measure to bring light on the actions of SRC members. The current norm for General Representative reporting, on the other hand is to usually present one after a project has already occurred.

This is reasonable in the sense that the logistics and results of the event can be propagated to the student body. Despite this, it casts a shadow over the contributions and actions of General Representatives who have not completed a 'project' per se, making it virtually impossible to be kept up-to-date with these contributions outside of the SRC. The following motion aims to offer a base-line measure to represent transparency in the actions of the General Representative body in an accessible manner to the wider undergraduate community

#### **Motion:**

The SRC compels all General Representatives to provide a written report for SRC 6 2019, with the option to speak to said report.

***Moved by Cahill Di Donato***

***Seconded by Kazimir Lim.***

***Wren Somerville has been named again.***

**Cahill, moving motion 8.1:** Reason why I decided to move this is because I don't believe that the role of Gen Rep and their contributions are being accurately represented at an appropriate level to the university outside of the SRC. We've had 5 Gen Rep reports so far, all of which have included results/progress of projects. Wanted to say I think these reports have been well written and appropriate and professional. That being said we are over halfway through the year and less than 50% of Gen Reps have reported to the SRC. For someone not on SRC like myself, I have very little understanding of what the majority of these elected Gen Reps have done so far – not because they haven't done anything so far but because there is an expectation that they report once they have made progress. Would like to give a shoutout to the Gen Rep Facebook page, good idea to bring to light these small contributions. But want more formal, official setting. I don't expect reports as detailed as exec reports, just everything that they have done and their contributions to ANUSA up to SRC 6. If report has already been given, speaking to progress since. Was originally going to move that Gen Reps report to every SRC but this is more of an experiment.

***Kazimir waives right as seconder.***

***Speaking against, Dom:*** Thanks so much for raising the motion. Interesting. Good idea in principle, transparency and accountability are very important, have spoken about this before. But have my doubts about whether the obligation to submit written reports addresses this issue. Addressing the longer term goal in particular of more consistent reporting. Issue with SRC reports – permanent public records, yes, but readership is low. Not sure if increasing size of document by extra 14 reports will help with readability. Also work of Gen Reps is quite varied, some working on long term individual projects. Focus on transparency and accountability should be looking at alternative avenues rather than SRC reports. Don't really see the advantage of someone who is working on longer term report to produce gradual reports. Other reps are making substantial contributions through discussions and debates etc., hard to capture in a report. Also some working in deputy roles – exec should speak to this. There is an issue of Gen Reps who don't do anything though and I think those issues should be addressed to the Gen Sec.

***Speaking for, Jason Pover:*** Sunlight is the best disinfectant. Most Gen Reps are doing a great job but we don't know about that. Would be great to see that. Doesn't compel Gen Reps to make massive reports, could be quite brief. Someone who is a deputy could mention what they have been assisting on. Not a big issue. Those involved in institutional reform and debate, what their positions were on those debates. Report can come in very different forms. This is to catch people who don't come to SRCs or don't submit a report. Should be accountability. They are elected to do a job, there should be accountability.

***Speaking against, Wren Somerville:*** I want to talk about accountability and responsibility. Earlier motion about Hong Kong---

***Wren has been named.***

***Bec moves that the speaker no longer be heard.***

***Lachy clarifies this motion.***

***Cahill seconds it.***

***Grace asks for point of clarification: It's a censorship motion?***

***Lachy: It is called "the gag" in the standing orders.***

***The procedural motion passes.***

***Speaking for, Kai Clark:*** Jason has covered most of my points. Value in raising these. People do read reports. Uni administration etc. read reports sometimes. It's a way of telling people things are happening. Not everyone has to read it but sometimes the right person can read what's happening and may want to help and contribute. Also meant to be experimental. Would hope to see more consultation with Gen Reps by SRC 6 to see what works moving forward. Could be an election debate. Generally for experimental purposes, a lot of value in this. Can discuss long term consequences at SRC 6.

***Bec moves that the question now be put.***

***Lachy clarifies this motion.***

***James seconds.***

***Procedural motion passes.***

***Cahill waives right of reply.***

***Motion 8.1 passes.***

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## **Motion 8.2**

### **Support for the August 9th National Day of Action**

#### **Preamble:**

The National Union of Students (NUS) is holding a University Walkout for Climate Action on the 9th of August. This national day of action will encourage students to walk-out of class and join protests in major cities to show universities and the government that we must take climate action now! This climate walkout has been organised in light of the Student Values Survey run by NUS earlier this year, which demonstrated that climate change and climate action were the most pressing issues on students' minds.

#### **Motion:**

This meeting of the SRC moves:

1. To endorse the August 9th Uni Walkout for Climate Action, and
2. That the student association will encourage all students at the university to attend the demonstration in their city, through social media, mailing lists and other avenues
3. To direct the student association to organise a contingent to the main protest
4. To encourage all office-bearers to support and promote the demonstration at their events in the lead up to August 9
5. That the President will publish a press statement or statement to the students endorsing the climate walkout

***Moved by Eden Lim***

***Seconded by MC***

***Eden, moving:*** Would like to reiterate importance of this strike. This motion with its wording and all is being passed around the nation, different student associations and organisations. It is part of a national movement that I believe ANUSA should be a part of. It is about the mass university student walkout demanding climate action. I went over it in my report. We have the banner up on the balcony which is looking great. Would encourage everyone to attend. Appreciate all the work other student advocates have done in this space especially Environment Collective and Education Committee.

***MC seconding:*** Reiterating points 3 and 4. Role that SRC and ANUSA should play in encouraging other students to participate in this.

***No speakers against.***

***Grace proposes two amendments to the motion:***

#### ***Adding:***

*To support students skipping class to attend,  
To shut down ANUSA during the protest and publicise that everyone from ANUSA is at the walk-out*

***Grace speaking for amendment:*** Explicit support for students to skip class should happen. It's a climate emergency. 12 years to stop massive climate disaster. A student union should

be political, support democracy and freedom. Also ANUSA should close its office, that's a bare minimum of what the student union should do in this circumstance. I think we should merge the motion into one and add these two things. Also should be ashamed for undemocratic conduct to support Hong Kong protestors.

***Sam Neave has been named.***

***Sarah: Point of clarification – Are we voting for both amendments at the same time?***

***Lachy: Voting separately.***

***Jason, speaking against:*** This was discussed in Ed Comm today. Tanika mentioned it. To shut down ANUSA during the protest and publicise everyone in ANUSA is at the walkout – ANUSA is more than reps. Professional staff. Those professional staff provide necessary and vital support services for students. Michael the lawyer provides legal advice. Student assistance officers help students dealing with very difficult things. This amendment seeks to impede ANUSA from doing that. Regardless shouldn't pay those staff for not showing up – bad idea.

***Grace, speaking for amendments:*** What do people think a strike is? Involves taking time off work. It's one hour. Not sure why it's a controversial amendment. Passed a motion earlier this year to do anything...

***Skanda, speaking against:*** I'm treasurer of ANU Greens. We support the Climate Walkout. Important issue. I also commend the first part of the amendment. That's the point – skipping class. ANUSA should do their best to support students attending. Glad it was raised at University Council. However I don't agree with shutting down ANUSA. For the reasons Jason, Tanika brought up. It's a deeply problematic thing to propose as an organization to tell professional staff to walk off the job for a political reason and to publicise that they're attending the protest, noting ANUSA hires professional staff who are not part of this SRC. Can we compel them to attend? Seems ridiculous. Problematic. Professional staff do a really really important job. Doesn't change the impact of the walkout, whether they continue to do their jobs while this walkout is taking place. Walkout is important and glad it's happening but second part of motion a bad idea.

***Nick, speaking for:*** At the last uni contingent to the student strike earlier this year, PARSA shut down their offices for an hour. Showed that they were committed to their staff and their people. Shows that it deserves that one hour of our time. Need to back up commitment to show that we take it so seriously that we will shut down our offices for one hour. Reason I got involved in my student union – ANUSA – is because there's a long history of them standing up for these sorts of things. Against apartheid in South Africa, Vietnam War etc. You didn't stand against Hong Kong ---

***Procedural that the question be put.***

***First part – skipping classes – passes.***

***Second part – Does not pass.***

***Back to original motion, with addition of “to support students skipping class to attend”***

***Original motion 8.2 with addition passes.***

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**Motion 8.3 was not moved by anyone present in the meeting**

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#### **Motion 8.4**

This SRC reaffirms its support for full LGBTI civil rights and opposes all forms of discrimination against the queer community, including the denial of services or access to facilities on the basis of their sexuality. The SRC rejects the argument that the current religious freedoms bill before the Parliament has anything to do with genuinely protecting religion - it's simply cover for enshrining homophobia and transphobia. We condemn homophobia and transphobia of both the LNP, for their consistent attacks on LGBTI individuals, and the ALP, for deleting the words "LGBTIQ" in their policy platform, and being willing to "work with the government" on the religious freedoms bill. We oppose this bill in any form and see it as a desperate attempt by the bigots in parliament to restore their "right" to discriminate and hold homophobic and transphobic ideas after decisively losing the marriage equality plebiscite in 2017. ANUSA commits to supporting protests by ANU students and the Canberra community against these attacks, including promoting, and encouraging members to attend, Equal Love Canberra's August 31st Protest Religious Exemptions Bill: No Right to Discriminate! rally.

***Moved by Grace Carter***  
***Seconded by MC.***

***Grace moving motion:*** Speaking of ways to gain back your credibility here's a really fucking easy motion to support---

***Grace Carter has been named.***

***Grace:*** This is within your purview, aligns with constitution. Vote for it.

***MC seconding:*** I think it's pretty obvious that the SRC needs to reject homophobia.

***No speakers against.***

***Grace waives right of reply.***

***Motion passes.***

#### **Motion 8.5**

ANUSA condemns the AFP's raids on the ABC and Annika Smethurst. The raids were a clear attack on the freedom of the press and a transparent attempt to intimidate journalists into not holding the government of the day to account. ANUSA calls on the ANUSA President to draft and send a letter to our local representative, Alicia Payne, as well as the two senators for the ACT communicating ANUSA's concerns. This letter will be made publicly available.

***Moved by Jason Pover.***  
***Seconded by Kai Clark.***

***Jason moving:*** This was originally attached to a spicy preamble which I cut out in negotiations with others. I had this whole speech prepared predicated on spicy paragraph.

***Kai waives right as seconder.***

***Jason waives right of reply.***



***Motion passes.***

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## **Item 9: Other Business**

### **9.1: Women's Department Motion**

***(Content warning for SASH and institutional betrayal.)***

Motion that:

1. The SRC affirms its support for Women's Officer Priyanka Tomar and thanks her for all her hard work, advocacy and care that she has given the Women's Department and the broader ANU community over the course of her role as officer.
2. The SRC condemns the university's lack of response and lack of transparency surrounding its responses to incidences of SASH on campus and for this to be shown in the form of attending the August 1st sit in from 2-3pm on the University House lawns.

***Proposed by Siang Jin Law.***

***Seconded by Madhu.***

***Jin proposing:*** We need to collectively thank Pri for what she's done for the Women's Department and ANUSA throughout her term and the past few years. She's put so much of herself into the Department. We also know how hard advocacy can be when it involves SASH and when it involves working with the university. Condemning university for lack of transparency and movement in this space heavily led to Pri resigning. If you care about SASH advocacy please come from 2-3pm on Uni House lawns. Take care of yourself it's a hard time. Would be cool to get more people in. strength comes from numbers.

***Madhu waives right to speak.***

***No speakers against.***

***Jin waives right of reply.***

***Motion passes.***

### **Motion 9.2**

ANUSA condemns the AFP's raids on the ABC and Annika Smethurst. The raids were a clear attack on the freedom of the press and a transparent attempt to intimidate journalists into not holding the government of the day to account. ANUSA calls on the ANUSA President to draft and send a letter to our local representative, Alicia Payne, as well as the two senators for the ACT communicating ANUSA's concerns. This letter will be made publicly available.

***Moved by Jason Pover***

***Seconded by Dom***

***Jason moving:*** This is a good moment for discussing this issue because taking our civil liberties away is not a bipartisan issue. The ALP is purporting to stand up for something. I'm shocked. Good moment. Good moment for ANUSA to lend its voice. Not the kind of meaningless motion moved by those at the back of the room as it has an actual action attached to it.

**Dom seconding:** For context, Jason moved this motion at Ed Comm and it passed there. Thanks Jason for providing context. Would reemphasise his last point of a specific call to action that I think ANUSA can get behind.

**Grace speaking against:** I think press freedom is really important. I think it is pretty ridiculous to say that the protests in Hong Kong are meaningless and that the SRC has a legitimate right to vote on this issue but not on the question of the protests in Hong Kong. Ridiculous to say as a body that you have some concern with transparency, democracy and the right of people to be able to report when you've unanimously decided that you don't support the protests in Hong Kong and that students don't have the right to hold you accountable. Someone should get up here and say something about it.

**Kai has been named for yawning.**

**Grace:** In the little secret discussion you had there wasn't even a vote on whether this discussion on Hong Kong should be had. Everything you're doing is a joke and you're all jokes.

**Procedural from Kai that the question now be put.  
Procedural motion passes.**

**Motion passes.**

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#### **Item 10: Meeting Closes at 9:26pm**

The next meeting of the Student Representative Council is scheduled to be on Tuesday, 13 August 2019 at 6:15pm at Location Kambri

Expected Close of Meeting: 10pm

Released: 26 July 2019 by Lachlan Day

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## Reference A

### SRC 5 Report President

#### Summary

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1. **Internal ANUSA Responsibilities**
    - *Welcome*

Hi all!

I hope everyone had a fantastic break and managed to fit in a bit of R&R! Wishing everyone all the best for Semester 2!

Transitioning back into Uni after the Semester break can be challenging, so please take care and look after yourselves. Our Student Assistance Unit can assist with service referral to ANU and Community services. They can be booked through emailing [sa.assistance@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.assistance@anu.edu.au).

- *Bush Week*

Congratulations to all those involved with Bush Week! A huge thank you to Matthew and his three Bush Week Coordinators – Jacob, Eb and Clare! What a fantastic week and an amazing achievement. A thank you must also be given to all the volunteers, staff and reps who were able to make the week happen.

- *Service Update*

ANUSA has a new Financial Controller!

ANUSA is currently recruiting one new Student Administration Assistant and a new Community Life Officer.

- *Building Update*

The Boardroom was closed for about a week and a new dividing wall has been put in. ANUSA was not given notice of this so we were creative with our meeting spaces.

- *Number 3 Bus Advocacy*

A motion from SRC 3 was passed. The motion is below:

*The SRC calls upon the ANUSA President to convene a committee made up of the ANUSA Vice President, the ANUSA Education Officer, the ANUSA Disabilities Officer and the ANUSA Student Assistance Officers to consistently communicate on this issue and collaboratively work together in the pursuit of accessible and available campus transport for students in the interim before the launch of the official ANU internal shuttle service in late 2019. Members of this committee should provide an update on this work in SRC 5 and in SRC 7 in 2019*

The Committee has met multiple times since the motion was passed and information has been put up on our website regarding the work of the committee. It can be accessed through the following link: <https://anusa.com.au/advocacy/otheradvocacy/>

I have copied and pasted the content below:

### **The Number 3 Bus**

ANUSA continues to advocate for an accessible and inclusive campus. We believe that all students should be able to have a campus experience that is accessible and equal for all. The removal of the Number 3 bus has meant that students have been disadvantaged through a lack of accessible transport options. ANU DSA and ANUSA continue to advocate for accessible and adequate transport on campus.

If you have been affected by the termination of the Number 3 bus and have faced increased difficulty with attending classes, please

email [sa.admin@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.admin@anu.edu.au) or [sa.assistance@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.assistance@anu.edu.au).

### **The ANUSA SRC passed a motion during SRC 3 it reads as follows:**

#### **Preamble:**

The Number 3 Bus has been terminated since April 29, 2019. The ANU is seeking to implement a generous internal shuttle service that takes a comprehensive route looping around the ANU from the start of 2020, with a potential soft launch near the end of 2019. This shuttle service is excellent news - it is frequent, free and accessible. However, this does not change the fact that there is no consistent, comprehensive or reliable service to transport students around the ANU in the approximate six month period in between.

The sole existing service - the campus traveller/night bus takes 3 different routes that operate at irregular intervals at various times, has limited capacity and is not wheelchair accessible. Furthermore, the official website indicates a potential range of 20 minutes (10 minutes either way) for the arrival time of the service in question. In theory this is partially mitigated by the fact that it is able to be tracked via the ANU OK app - however, there have been consistent reports of this app not functioning as hoped.

This motion rests on three fundamental goals - that the campus traveller needs to arrive at allocated stops closer to the designated times on the timetable and needs to be trackable via the ANUok app, that strategic plans need to be formed to accommodate and assist with the needs of students who will suffer extraneous hardship as a result of this situation - e.g., increased difficulty attending class and that alternative mechanisms need to be implemented to ensure that students continue to feel safe on campus at night.

#### **Motion:**

The SRC calls upon the ANUSA President to convene a committee made up of the ANUSA Vice President, the ANUSA Education Officer, the ANUSA Disabilities Officer and the ANUSA Student Assistance Officers to consistently communicate on this issue and collaboratively work together in the pursuit of accessible and available campus transport for students in the interim before the launch of the official ANU internal shuttle service in late 2019. Members of this committee should provide an update on this work in SRC 5 and in SRC 7 in 2019

#### **Where are we at?**

The Committee has met and in line with the motion has identified four main asks:

- That an internal ANU bus is set up for 2020
- That the campus traveller arrives at allocated stops closer to the designated times on the timetable
- Accurate tracking of the campus traveller via the ANUok App

- That ANUSA continues to advocate and support those who suffer hardship as a result of this situation, specifically increased difficulty attending class

### **What have we done?**

- ANUSA has begun the process of consultation with the University regarding accessible transport options for students
- ANUSA continues to support students adversely affected by the closure of the Number 3 bus through our Student Assistance Unit

### **What are our next steps?**

- The Committee is requesting a commitment and timeline for the implementation of the internal ANU bus shuttle alongside continued student consultation on the matter.
- Advocating for a more accurate and on time campus traveller or asking for a revision of the current timetable if it is not feasible.
- Ensuring that the ANUok app accurately reflects the location of the campus traveller to ensure students aren't stranded on campus after dark.
- Continuing to support students negatively affected by the lack of reliable on campus transport

If you have any questions regarding the work of this Committee, please email [sa.admin@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.admin@anu.edu.au)

- Kambri (ANUSA's progress on advocating for a more student friendly and financially accessible booking policy)

I have contacted the University regarding why there was internal miscommunication from their end and assurances that this won't occur in the future.

The Chief Operating Officer has sent an email confirming the following commitments that the University made during the forum. They are below:

- Investigate options for cyclist and pedestrian separation on University Avenue and other areas of Kambri
- Investigate the addition of extra bike racks at Kambri
- Continue to investigate the inclusion of a bike shop and/or bike repair stations
- Correct some ambiguity of language in the booking process about the cleaning costs
- Meet with ANU-affiliated drama and theatre groups to continue the discussion around pricing structures and booking process
- Publish the suite of drafts of the booking policy, with identifying information available. The exact mechanism for publishing these drafts is being investigated
- Further review the process in October, incorporating ongoing feedback provided by students and student associations.

I have contacted both the Chief Operating Officer and the Provost about who will be assuming the responsibility for the above commitments given that the Chief Operating Officer is resigning in September. This person will be the new Chief Operating Officer.

In addition to work surrounding following up commitments made in regards to the Kambri Booking Policy, I have raised concerns with the following.

- 1) The unaffordable price point of multiple tenants in the Kambri Space – I was informed that businesses with higher price points altered their stock to include student friendly prices.
- 2) The lack of shade/heating in the outside sections of the precinct – The University is investigating options.
- 3) Issues surrounding pedestrian safety in the laneway – The University is investigating options including speed bumps.

For further feedback on the Kambri space, the University has a feedback form that has been posted.

- Climate Walkout

Congratulations and thank you for all those advocates involved in this, specifically the ANUSA Environment Collective and the ANUSA Education Committee. ANUSA are contacting the University management in regards to student and staff members not being penalised for attending the walkout.

On Friday August 9, join the Uni Walkout for Climate Action!

- Association Meetings

Since last SRC there was a CRC and an AGM.

## 2. University Responsibilities

- *Respectful Relationships*  
CW: Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment  
RRSWG

The Respectful Relationships Student Working Group has met multiple times since SRC 4. The membership for this group includes: Zyl Hovenga-Wauchope, Eden Lim, Campbell Clapp, Priyanka Tomar, Tess Corkish, Pippa Amanta, Bernardo Cielo and Respectful Relationships Unit are invited to attend.

We have a further broader student consultation group that informs what action items the RRSWG undertakes. The formation of this student group has been led by Priyanka and Campbell.

The RRSWG have been working hard on compiling a progress report and organising for August 1 which will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the AHRC report. I will update the SRC verbally on this as there are detail finalisations that are occurring. I'd like to thank all those who have and continue to advocate in this space. It is exhausting and unacceptable that such a significant burden continues to be placed on student leaders advocating in this space. Please know support is available for those who need it. Canberra Rape Crisis Centre can be contacted on 6247 2525 from 7am until 11pm. They can connect you with counsellors on campus.

1800 Respect is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

### RRU

The Respectful Relationships Unit has recruited one staff member and is at the recruitment stage for an additional staff member.

- Committees: Academic Board, University Research Committee, Mental Health Working Group, IDEA Committee, 2019 Committee for the VC's Awards for Excellence in Education

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Academic Board</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No further updates</li><li>• AB polling questions: As flagged in CRC, if anyone has any questions they would like me to submit to Academic Board polling questions, please let me know. This is noting that in order for the question to be included in the Academic Board Agenda, the majority of Academic Board need to vote for the question. Please contact myself and</li></ul>
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	Hazel who are the Undergraduate students on Academic Board.
• University Research Committee	• Nothing to report
• IDEA Committee	• Nothing to report
• Library Advisory Committee	• Nothing to report

### *Student Partnership Agreement*

The Student Partnership Agreement is an agreement signed with Academic Board. The full agreement can be found on the website as can the previous SPA. The current SPA is a result of the 2018 CRC and PARSAs representatives working out some of the key areas for Student Partnership with the University. The Student Partnership Agreement will be reviewed by the current CRC for 2020.

#### 1. Student Representation

Project	Responsibility	Outcomes	Rationale	Progress
Development of a policy for Course Representatives	DVC(A) ANUSA PARSA	Develop policy and procedures to standardise course reps and information flow across the university.	Practice for appointing Reps is in place but is uneven across Colleges – Need to advocate for a University wide policy to ensure best practice.	<i>Working with PARSA to collate information regarding past trainings and what has been included. Gaining feedback from Semester 2 trainings.</i>
Engagement with the Student Voice Australia project to contribute to and encourage Student Partnership across the sector	AB (Chair) ANUSA PARSA	Continued knowledge sharing within the sector regarding Student Partnership Agreements.	<i>As the National University, the ANU has the opportunity to take a leadership role in this space.</i>	<i>Publishing of our SPA.  University engaging with Student Voice Australia.  PARSA attending student summit (day of SRC 4 so I was unable to attend).</i>

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### Equity

Project	Responsibility	Outcomes	Rationale	Progress
Admissions, Scholarships & Accommodation reform	DVC(A) ANUSA	The ASA needs clear timelines of review over the coming 5 years, and should be reviewed against established measures of equity and diversity. These KPIs for review should be developed in consultation with ANUSA.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reform will have considerable impacts on the student body and student concern that equity and diversity will not be achieved is best managed through working with students as partners.</li> <li>This aligns with the Admissions, Scholarships &amp; Accommodation project being led by DVC(A).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Currently the University is gathering initial data regarding the current ASA intake.</i></li> <li><i>PARSA and ANUSA still considering what action is realistic given limited data.</i></li> </ul>

### 2. Wellbeing



<b>Project</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Outcomes</b>	<b>Rationale</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Healthy University Strategy & Action Plan	Registrar of Student Life ANUSA PARSA	Focus is now the implementation of a Healthy University Plan. This must be done in consultation with students, noting that the plan will need to be iterative to respond to changing impacts on the health of the university.	It is important for the success of this project to work collaboratively to report on the implementation of this Health University Plan.	- <i>First Healthy University Strategy meeting happened and Vice President attended in my absence. This is the first meeting this year.</i>

### 3. Quality Assurance

<b>Project</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Outcomes</b>	<b>Rationale</b>	<b>Progress</b>
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Review into the Future of Teaching and Learning	DVC(A) ANUSA PARSA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An annual meeting of the TLDC be held as joint between student representatives from every academic college, as well as college representatives who regularly sit on TLDC. This meeting, chaired by PVC(E) with a key leader from ANUSA and PARSA, could focus on significant aspects of education.</li> <li>Continue effective student input and feedback into the ILEAP project.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is a need to involve students in the strategic direction for teaching and learning and quality assurance set by ANU. This must include capturing the student voice in issue identification.</li> <li>Students must be engaged at all stages to ensure the feedback loop can be closed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Follow up meetings have occurred between the Acting DVCA, PARSA and ANUSA.</i></li> <li><i>Joint TLDC between staff and students planned for August.</i></li> <li><i>ANUSA and PARSA will have an opportunity to provide two Agenda items each.</i></li> <li><i>The CRC will vote on the Agenda items they would like included.</i></li> <li><i>The Vice President is assisting with the ILEAP project.</i></li> </ul>
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#### 4. Quality Enhancement

Project	Responsibility	Outcomes	Rationale	Progress
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<p>multi-dimensional instrument that captures student and staff evaluation of learning, teaching and the learning environment.</p>	<p>DVC(A) ANUSA PARSA</p>	<p>Continued student involvement in the Beyond Selt Project and actively seeking student feedback during the implementation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A new instrument is necessary to capture student feedback throughout the course in order to provide ongoing enhancement and responsiveness to the needs of students.</li> <li>This aligns with the SELT Tool project being led by PPM.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continuing involvement in the beyond SELT project</li> <li>Pilot happened in Semester 1 SELTs.</li> </ul>
<p>HDR Reviews by Dean, HDR</p>	<p>Dean, HDR PARSA ANUSA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development of an opt-in oral examination pilot for PhD candidates.</li> <li>Development of best practice guidelines for the HDR experience, drawing on specific examples from the various academic colleges of the University.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oral examinations are proving popular in PhD programs around the world as they can be more appropriate for certain disciplines. The fact that assessors are required to justify their opinion in conversation with other assessors provides the possibility of fairer outcomes. However, there may be unintended consequences from an oral examination in regards to potential discrimination. An opt-in pilot program allows for the ANU to explore this option in a methodical manner while reviewing potential drawbacks.</li> <li>The HDR experience at the ANU varies considerably by discipline, college, and school. There are excellent examples at all colleges of certain practices which greatly improve the HDR experience in supervision, training, support, mentoring, business linkage, or social assistance. However, these are not all delivered consistently between colleges. Through reviewing these practices at the ANU colleges the AB can develop best</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PARSA focus</li> </ul>

			practice guideline as examples for the other colleges to consider for implementation. This would foster a sense of collaboration between colleges, and promote an improved HDR experience.	
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3. Timesheet

Between the 16<sup>th</sup> of May and the 24<sup>th</sup> I have worked 412.5 hours. During this time there were absences in our office. This meant that some tasks had to be completed by different portfolios. I took 6 days leave during this time.

As I have previously mentioned, please send me feedback if there are any further breakdowns that the SRC would find useful.

## Reference B

### Vice President's Report Student Representative Council (SRC) 4

#### Executive Summary

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#### 1. Hello and Welcome

Welcome back to Semester 2 and congrats to everyone on making it to SRC 5! Just wanted to flag, as usual, that you should all ask as many questions as possible and to flag anything with me before SRC if you think I haven't explained it well enough. Also let me know if I'm using any acronyms that you are not aware of. If I say that I'll take a question on notice, please send me an email at [sa.vicepres@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.vicepres@anu.edu.au)

Huge Congrats to the Bush Week team on an amazing job putting together a great week of events.

#### 2. Student Support

I have engaged in a variety of student support ranging from academic issues to accessibility issues around the university. If you become aware of any issues significantly affecting students' learning experience, please send them through to me at [sa.vicepres@au.edu.au](mailto:sa.vicepres@au.edu.au)

Over the past few weeks I have largely been working with the Student Assistance Officers to help people with applications for special consideration, deferred exams and other academic related appeals. I have also been assisting with a few issues to do with not following policies and procedures around Class Outlines etc in the new semester.

#### 3. Miscellaneous/General

- NUS Welfare Officer attended our Market Day Stall
- Worked on sponsorship with Lachy for Market Day and Bush Week – we have so many \$7 Movie tickets from Palace, so please come use them.

- Presented at several induction programs (Clubs and Colleges) about what ANUSA offers
- Currently working on Course Representative Trainings which will be in week 3 in Kambri – still finalising times.

#### 4. Committee Meetings

Academic Quality and Assurance Committee (AQAC)	Met on 30 <sup>th</sup> May -
Teaching and Learning Development Committee (TLDC)	Met on 6 <sup>th</sup> June - Discussed the Academic calendar and discussed whether the shift to 12 weeks has been positive. -
Kambri Project Control Group (PCG)	The last meeting I attended was the last meeting of the Kambri PCG. The rest of the information about Kambri will be through the Kambri Reference Group (Matthew), Kambri Committee and Kambri Operations Group.
Healthy University Strategy Working Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Met for the first time on 23/07</li> <li>- Discussed the need for more suicide prevention strategies at the universities and the need for better support</li> <li>- Discussed ongoing problems with the burden we place on student leaders, particularly in the residential space.</li> </ul>
iLEAP Steering Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Meet fortnightly</li> <li>- About interactive learning in line with the Vision for Teaching and Learning.</li> <li>- Looking at having iLEAP Scholars (students) who work with the staff in specific courses to develop their program. This position will be paid and advertised within colleges.</li> </ul>

#### 5. University Projects

Beyond Student Experience of Learning and Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Decision was made not to proceed with the Pilot of Confidential SELTs following the data breach. They are still committed to providing confidential SELTS.</li> <li>- The new SELT format was implemented last semester – if you have feedback about the structure feel free to pass it on to me.</li> </ul>
Parking Review	No Updates – followed up on 18 <sup>th</sup> June and was told that next steps have not been decided but will pass on that information requests are coming through.
Timetabling Review	Eden attended the first meeting for me while I was on leave.
Respectful Relationships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We continue to prepare for August 1<sup>st</sup>, as well as pushing</li> </ul>

#### 6. ANUSA Projects

Wellbeing Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Has not met since last SRC.</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will begin meeting fortnightly from Week Two. We will be working on a Mental Health Symposium with the university as well as several other smaller events.</li> <li>- Working with deputies on events (Joc) and Advocacy (Issy) and what they've got planned for the rest of the year.</li> </ul>
Skill Up!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Using the ANU Union Space for RSA and Coffee Training and Marie Reay for First Aid.</li> </ul>
Sex and Consent Series	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Down to two directors and will mostly be run in Week 9.</li> <li>- Still really excited for this.</li> </ul>
Honours Roll	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Shut Up and Write is every Wednesday from 9am – 12pm – tell your friends!</li> <li>- Honours Writing Retreat will be in the second week of the September Teaching Break</li> <li>- Two seminars being run on 7<sup>th</sup> August and 11<sup>th</sup> September.</li> </ul>
Mental Health Training for Academics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Attended two trainings for academics about Mental Health that went well and will be working with CASS on a proposal for how we can make this more consistent across colleges and potentially even make it compulsory.</li> </ul>
Residential Halls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Met with Residential Hall Presidents to discuss the Universities progress on the Nous Review and how we can establish greater communication in this space.</li> <li>- We are looking into a pizza with Brian style session about what the University has done in this space since December last year considering some changes in Division of Student Life.</li> </ul>

## 7. Elections

I am dealing with probity for the elections.

Also, a reminder to anyone running in elections that it is my expectation that if you are running you come and talk to me or a former Vice President about the role and what it entails. As well as this I can inform you where we are at on any policies.

## 8. BKSS

- Definitely building up more consistent use of the space now that people are starting to become aware of where our space is.
- Managed with Bush Week fairly well and got some cool new stuff out of it

## 9. Timesheet

I have worked 307 Hours since last SRC. A large portion of that was focusing on ANUSA Projects such as Skill Up. Also large portion of Academic Advocacy and Meetings, as well as Bush Week Preparation and Events. . Parts of that were President while Eden has been on leave and working on August 1<sup>st</sup> preparations and engaging with Residential Halls.

## Reference C

### SRC 5 REPORT - EDUCATION OFFICER

#### Summary:

1. Introduction
2. Workers Rights Campaign
3. Pizza with Brian
4. 9th August Student Walkout for Climate Action
5. Elections
6. Student Retention Rates
7. Low-SES/Low-Income Students
8. Anti-Poverty Week
9. Ethical Investment Campaign
10. Budget
11. Timesheet

#### Introduction

Hi all, hope everyone had a fabulous break and taken some time to relax and recoup. Since last SRC, I had taken 2.5 weeks of leave, so this report will have less activities than my usual reports.

#### Workers Rights Campaign

The Education Committee is working with PARSA on a campaign about workers rights. We have released a survey, and held a trivia event in Bush Week. We have also collaborated with the Young Workers Centre, who kindly donated prizes for the trivia in Bush Week and will be continuing to support the campaign into the semester. PARSA also organised a life-sized board game which you may have seen on Market Day and cute beanies! We also will be continuing to work with Canberra Students for Fair Work and hope to run more Payslip Health Checks, amongst other activities as well. I'm really excited to see this campaign in action and hope it will have a meaningful impact to make the lives of students better.

#### Pizza with Brian

Pizza with Brian occurred on the 23rd of July and I was fortunate enough to host it. Student turn out was quite low (I'm assuming that's because it was bush week), but there were many ANU staff members there. It was a great opportunity for students to come along and ask any questions, and I would highly encourage more student attendance in the future!

#### 9th August Student Walkout for Climate Action

I will be moving a motion in the upcoming Education Committee for us to endorse/support the 9th of August walkout. I have been working with Campbell to encourage non-management ANU staff to support students and staff attending the walkout without having any negative repercussions. Eden has been in contact with management about this as well.

#### Elections

Dash and I will be organising the BBQs/universal lunch hours during election week, along with helping the rest of the exec as needed.

#### Student Retention Rates

I currently sit on a group which was created as a response to Education Minister Dan Tehan's Higher Education Standards Panel's report 'Improving Retention, Completion and Success in Higher Education'. The committee has now met twice and is comprised of various stakeholders from around the university. It will be meeting again in the near future and the main aim of it is to prepare a submission in response to the original report. I'm currently working with our student assistance officers to prepare some information regarding what ANUSA does for student retention rates.



If anyone would like to come along with me, please reach out, I'm sure there's always room for more student reps.

### Low-SES/Low-Income Students

I'm currently working with Yasmine Poole on establishing a committee for low-SES and low-income students. Our end goal is to create more scholarships and structural support for low-SES students at the ANU. We will also be releasing a survey and a facebook group soon, so keep your eyes peeled!

### Anti-Poverty Week

ANUSA will be participating in Anti-Poverty Week in October 2019. Members of staff, Campbell and I have been attending planning meetings for this with the ACT Council of Social Service (ACTCOSS) and we will have more information about this in the near future.

### Ethical Investment Campaign

The Ethical Investment Campaign with PARSA has currently taken a break. PARSA had to withdraw for the time being, so we have currently put a pause on this campaign. We're working on the workers rights campaign instead.

### Budget

Our total budget for this year is \$10000.

	Budgeted	Spent	To Spend
Food for Meeting 1	\$40	\$43.85	
Logo Design	\$250	\$250	
Snacks for Fair Work Panel & Gifts for Speakers	\$100	\$60	
Food for Meeting 2	\$40	\$38.40	
Food for Meeting 3	\$40	\$41	
Budget Party	\$250	\$213.85	
Materials for Kambri Stall	\$100	\$15	
Federal Election Debate	\$350	\$310	
Bush Week Trivia	\$1500	\$1390	
Education Conference Travel Expenses	\$300	\$240	
Education Conference Registration	\$1925	\$1925	
Education Conference Accommodation	\$800	\$838.16	
Food for Meeting 4	\$40	\$40	

<b>Food for Meeting 5</b>	\$40	\$29.82	
<b>Food for Meeting 6</b>	\$40	\$0	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$5815</b>	<b>\$5435.08</b>	

### **Timesheet**

Since the 17th of May until 25th of July I have worked 164 hours. Please email me at [sa.education@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.education@anu.edu.au) if you would like a full breakdown of these hours.

## Reference D

### General Secretary Report

#### Executive Summary

1. Welcome and shout outs
2. Policy Register
3. Meeting changes
4. Delegation of Election duties
5. Risk Register
6. Organisation of Aug 9 NDA
7. Bush Week Sponsorship
8. Governance Review

1. Welcome and shout-outs

Welcome everyone to a new Semester! I have listened to SRC feedback about the location for SRC's and have moved them to Kambri! I hope you enjoy! Please let me know if you have any additional feedback on locations for SRC.

Massive shout out to Matthew, Eb, Claire and Jacob for an awesome Bush Week! They all worked really hard and it was awesome to see their hard work pay off.

2. Policy Register

This document is now complete and is in the process of being uploaded to the ANUSA website. I am incredibly proud of this project and hope that it will become an ever-growing foundation of institutional knowledge for the Association. Currently the document is 160 pages long, nearly 45 000 words long and goes back until 2013. It's quite the gripping read!

3. Meeting changes

This term is a bit odd already with SRC and CRC occurring in the same week, so I thought it may be useful to outline the meetings that will be occurring for the rest of this term.

Week 4: SRC 6 + OGM 1 (or 2 depending on if you count the inquorate meeting in term 1)

Week 6: CRC 6

4. Delegation of Election duties

As was passed as a motion in a previous SRC, I have delegated my election duties to various other members of the executive. They have included these in their reports. In an acknowledgement of the exec carrying this role for me, I have been helping out in other ways (as noted in this report)

5. Risk Register

ANUSA has recently been provided with a personalised "risk profile" by Deloitte. Part of this included a creation of a Risk Register Template for ANUSA to use. I will do my best to complete this document and update it as needed. I hope that this project is ongoing into the future.

6. Aug 9 NUS NDA organisation

When Tanika was on leave, I was in charge of organising the ANUSA aid to this rally. This included attending organising meetings and printing advertising materials for the rally. Now Tanika is back, she is now helping out in this space

#### 7. Bush Week Sponsorship

When Dash was on leave, Campbell and I took charge of securing Bush Week sponsorship and external stakeholders for Market Day. I appreciated this change of pace over the winter break. Details of sponsorship can be found in the completed Bush Week report.

#### 8. Governance Review

Over the break, ANUSA received the first round of recommendations for the external consultants for the Governance Review. Some of these recommendations were lacking in detail. These recommendations are being sent back. We are aiming to start consultations with various groups/student body this term with the ultimate goal of a completed set of draft amendments being completed by December 1 to come into effect after the July ANU Council Meeting for the 2021 elections.

## Reference E



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## TREASURER'S REPORT

Dashveen Jose

### Executive Summary

- Expenditure report
- SSAF
- Bush Week
- Bank Australia
- Financial Review Committee
- Tax Help volunteer program
- Leave

### Expenditure report

### Profit and Loss

The Australian National University Students' Association Incorporated

For the period 1 December 2018 to 25 July 2019

Cash Basis

**Account** **1 Dec 2018-25 Jul 2019**

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#### Trading Income

Sales - BKSS	2,600.64
Sponsorship - External	72,911.06
SSAF Allocation	1,441,666.09
Ticket/Event Sales - First Year Camps (FYC)	186.36
Ticket/Event Sales - O Week	119,764.44
<b>Total Trading Income</b>	<b>1,637,128.59</b>

#### Cost of Sales

BKSS	
Food/Consumables	12,655.32

<b>Total Cost of Sales</b>	<b>12,655.32</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>1,624,473.27</b>
<b>Other Income</b>	
Interest	33,103.34
Miscellaneous (Sundry) Income	208.91
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>33,312.25</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>	
Accounting/Bookkeeping - Xero	24,725.84
Administration Expenses	337.50
Auditing	19,460.00
Bank Fees with GST	721.37
Bank Fees without GST	344.14
BKSS Non-food	4,357.66
Bus expenses	4,172.13
Bush Week - Events	7,163.62
Bush Week General expenses	402.41
Bush Week Merchandise	4,595.80
C&S Training and events	472.28
Cleaning	616.47
Clubs Council Grants Committee	67,535.13
Committee projects - Sex and Consent Week	7,194.08
Consultancy	35,272.92
Department - Stipends	31,541.64
Department - Superannuation	855.00
Departments & Collectives	70,276.96
Education Committee	1,662.01
Equipment Hire expense	687.66
Fees & Subscriptions	1,601.83
First Year Camps	5,553.18
Health & Wellbeing Co-ordinator - ANUSA Contribution	120,643.98
Honoraria	13,333.60
IT Support & Equipment	50.84

Leadership and Professional Development	12,094.95
Legal Expenses	7,639.03
Marketing & Communications - Advertising	9.53
Marketing & Communications - Diary	2,528.60
Marketing & Communications - Printing	3,780.45
Marketing & Communications - Software Subs	3,892.33
Meeting Expenses	635.87
Non-committee projects	47.51
NUS	4,087.74
Other Employee Expense	7,402.98
Other Insurance	16.50
O-Week Events	209,403.50
O-Week Food purchases	3,480.07
O-Week General expenses	2,386.98
O-Week Merchandise	9,280.50
Printer	3,011.45
Salaries and Wages	565,415.07
Sponsorship - Canberra RCC	43,058.37
Stationery/General Supplies/Postage	3,473.49
Student Assistance Unit Grants	17,798.77
Student Assistance Unit Purchases - Exam Health	916.91
Student Assistance Unit Purchases - Grocery Vouchers	146.36
Student Assistance Unit Purchases - Pantry/Other	2,849.44
Student Engagement	2,948.73
Student Leadership Development program	107.01

Superannuation Expense	78,098.17
Telephone	100.00
Training	125.45
Utilities	1,569.35
Workers Compensation Insurance	6,174.99
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>1,416,058.15</b>
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>241,727.37</b>

#### **SSAF:**

ANU's Financial Shared Services has paid the second installment of SSAF in the amount of \$613,977.30.

#### **Bush Week:**

In the coming weeks I will be working with Liana (financial controller) on creating a profit & loss statement for Bush Week. I hope to get this out by the next SRC.

#### **Bank Australia**

Bank Australia account has been finalised (as seen in ANUSA's post). I'm currently syncing Bank Australia to Xero to ensure all incomes & expenditures can be reported appropriately.

#### **Financial Review Committee**

I have met with the newly elected Financial Review Committee. Everyone looks keen and excited which is great to see. We have gone through expectations and responsibilities whilst in their roles. Since the last FRC could not present a report at the AGM, I consulted with Michael (ANUSA lawyer) regarding whether there was a breach in the constitution. The outcome of this discussion is this year's FRC will conduct a report for both last year and this year.

#### **Tax Help Program**

I have completed all of the ATO's Tax Help assessments and am officially an accredited tax help volunteer. The Community Liaison Officer will inform me when my future sessions will take place.

#### **Leave**

I took leave during the period 24th June 2019 till 12th June 2019



**Reference F**

No Report was received from the Social Officer at the time of the Agenda being published.

## Reference G

### STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL 30/7/2019

#### **ANUSA Indigenous Officer's Report**

Sarah Loynes

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#### Executive Summary

1. Past, ongoing and upcoming events
2. Bush Week
3. ANU NAIDOC Week
4. Resignation of Deputy Officer
5. Expenditure

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1. Past, ongoing and upcoming events

#### *Past Events*

In Week 10 of Semester 1, the Department ran our Fireside Yarn event 8-10pm on 17/5/19. Gamilaroi undergraduate astronomy student Peter Swanton hosted the event. Although the number of participants was lower than expected at five students, it was still successful in bringing in students who did not or rarely engaged with department activities. Thank you again to Peter for volunteering his time and sharing his knowledge of Indigenous astronomy with us.

In Week 11 of Semester 2, the Department hosted our final Koori College Night event of the semester at Ursula Hall 6-7pm on 22/5/19. Thank you again to General Representative and Ursula Hall Senior Resident Isabella Keith for helping us book a space at the hall and for getting us into contact with the Deputy Head of Ursula Hall. The event was attended by six students, with a number who did not previously participate in prior Koori College Nights.

During the semester break, members of the ANUSA Indigenous Department with the organisational and financial assistance of the Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre participated in 2 escape room experiences. These events were held with the intention of building and maintaining the participation of Indigenous student numbers with the AUN Indigenous community outside of the primary academic sessions. Across both events, between 6 to 10 students, with a mix of those who were active and inactive department members attended.

During Orientation Week, 15/7-19/7, the Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre hosted an afternoon tea on 17/7 and lunch on 18/7 for graduating students. These events intended to celebrate the mid-year undergraduate and postgraduate graduating Indigenous students. Congratulations to all said graduating students; the ANUSA Indigenous Departments wishes you all the best with your endeavours.

#### *Ongoing Events*

In Semester 2, the Department will continue to run its weekly 1hr Coffee Catch Up events at different cafes across the ANU campus. As with the last semester, the time and day of these events are to be determined by a poll. Due to Bush Week and ANU NAIDOC Week, the regular Coffee Catch Up events will not begin until Week 3. They will run until Week 12; no events will run during the teaching break or the exam period.

On 24/5/19, the Department had its first collective meeting of Semester 2 at the Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre. Unfortunately, no students attended, and the meeting was cancelled. The lacking attendance may be due to conflicting events and that many students have yet to return to Canberra. The dinner purchased for the event thus was kept in the Tjabal Centre kitchen, and notice was put out to students about it as not to create financial and food waste. Department meetings will continue to be held fortnightly on Wednesdays 6-7pm in the Tjabal Centre boardroom. A homemade dinner shall be provided to all participants. Our next meeting will be 7/8/19 6-7pm.

#### *Upcoming Events*

In Week 2, the Department will be running ANU NAIDOC Week; the annual national celebrations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, cultures and histories. Please see section 3 for more information regarding ANU NAIDOC Week.

In Week 3, in collaboration with the ANSUA Queer Department, the Department will be hosting a knitting workshop on 8/8/19. Although the time and location of this event have yet to be decided, the workshop aims to teach students, staff and community members how to knit a pride flag-inspired scarf. Indigenous Department member Bridie Moy will host this event. The Indigenous Department holds all organisational duties and financial responsibility.

In recognition of the Queer Department's Queer Ball lying on the International Day of Indigenous Peoples, the Indigenous Department will be providing five equity tickets to Indigenous queer students to the event. Students can obtain a ticket to the event via google form posted in our closed Facebook group or via the link provided in the department's weekly emails sent out to Indigenous undergraduate and postgraduate students.

In Week 4, the Department plans to host a panel with Indigenous undergraduate and postgraduate science students as a part of ANU Science. This panel discussion will explore the intersections and differences between Western and Indigenous forms of scientific knowledge and practice. The idea of this event was initially inspired by attempts made in 2018 to have a similar event run during ANU Science Week.

## 2. Bush Week

For Bush Week, the Department participated and/or hosted the following events: Autonomous Brunch, Department 101, Market Day and Solstice x Indigenous Department: Jewellery Making. Autonomous Brunch was held on 23/7/19 at As You Like It Café from 10am-12pm. Unfortunately, the participation in this event was minimal in comparison to the one run during O-Week.

Department 101 was held on 23/7/19 at the Brian Kenyon Student Space from 3-4:30pm. Secretary Maddy Crowe was the Department delegate at this event. Although no Indigenous students attended the event, it was still a worthy venture in terms of engaging with other potential collective members for the different departments.

Secretary Maddy Crowe and I ran the Department Market Day stall. Again, Indigenous student engagement with the stall was low, as only two students approached us. However, we were able to pass onto students some information not only about our Department but also provide notice about ANU NAIDOC Week.

As of the writing of this report, the Solstice x Indigenous Department: Jewellery Making events has yet to occur (runs from 10:30am-12pm 26/7/19). Thank you to Social Officer Matthew and the Bush Week Coordinators for not only collaborating with us on this event but for all the other amazing events that have been held thus far for Bush Week.

## 3. ANU NAIDOC Week

### *Overview*

As of the writing of this report, all ANU NAIDOC Week events, autonomous and non-autonomous have been gone live on both our Facebook page, Eventbrite and website. All events except for the ANU NAIDOC Concert, are free to students, staff and broader Canberra community members to attend. The Department has sought to create events financially and physically accessible to the community. Thank you to all of our financial supporters – all the academic college Reconciliation Action Plan committees (except College of Engineering & Computer Science), the Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre and ANUSA – and, in advance, the volunteers for your assistance in creating ANU NAIDOC Week the best it can be!

### *NAIDOC Concert*

Our annual ANU NAIDOC Concert is to be held on 3/8/19 from 7pm to 10:30pm at Manning Clarke Hall in the Kambri Cultural Centre. Ticket prices are 50 to 66% cheaper than the previous year at \$11.64 each for all students, staff and community members. Equity tickets have been purchased by some other departments and are available to the public if needed. If you are a student who would like an equity ticket, please email us at sa.indigenous@anu.edu.au, and we will organise one for you. Ticket purchases include not just access to the performances but also dinner for the night. The line up for the concert this year include hip-hop trio Oetha, rapper Drmngnow and rapper Dallas Woods.

A thorough summary of the ANU NAIDOC Week proceedings and expenditure will be delivered in the next SRC 6 report. In the meantime, if you have any questions about the week or the concert, please email me at [sa.indigenous@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.indigenous@anu.edu.au). Alternatively, see me during my office hours at the Tjabal Centre on Tuesdays 2-4pm.

#### 4. Resignation of Deputy Officer

In July 2019, our Deputy Officer Bride Moy effectively resigned from her position. On 28/7/19 the Department will release the official notification for the position's vacancy and will open nominations. Nominations will close on 7/8/19 at 5pm, and the new Deputy Officer will be elected during the Department meeting later at 6-7pm on 7/8/19. During the interim of Bridie Moy's resignation and the election of the new Deputy Officer, Secretary Maddy Crowe has taken on the responsibilities associated with the Deputy Officer role.

#### 5. Expenditure

At the time of writing this report, the Department was undergoing an internal financial review, and thus, an expenditure report is not available. An expenditure report will be available for public viewing alongside this and other SRC reports published in the duration of my term as Officer, on our website from 12pm 30/7/19. Check out our website here: [www.anusaindigenous.com](http://www.anusaindigenous.com)

## Reference H

### WOMEN'S OFFICER REPORT

*Priyanka Tomar*

*CW: Sexual Assault & Harassment, Institutional Betrayal, August 1st*

#### **Executive Summary**

1. Bush Week
2. NOWSA
3. Semester 2 SASH Campaign
4. August 1st
5. Resignation

#### **Further Information**

##### **1. Bush Week**

We held one major event during Bush Week (other than the Department 101 session that was organised jointly with other departments). The Welcome Picnic was successful with around 20 people attending. At the picnic we also launched our EmBody Power zine that compiled the photo series featuring members of the department and their stories. A huge thank you to Sydney, Jin and Nupur for making the zine a reality.

In my capacity as Women's Officer, I also consulted with Matthew during Bush Week to help make sure ANUSA events were as safe as they could be for our members and volunteers had appropriate information and support.

##### **2. NOWSA**

Last week the NOWSA Conference was held in Sydney at Macquarie University. As it coincided with ANU Bush Week, there was substantially less interest to attend the conference this year which was unfortunate. Regardless, there was an ANU contingent to the conference from Wednesday to Friday, with one of our collective members, Juliette Baxter, even presenting a workshop on feminist media. Hopefully the students who were able to attend will be able to bring back valuable knowledge and skills that the department can benefit from in the coming semester.

##### **3. Semester 2 SASH Campaign**

Our second semester campaign will be centered around Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment advocacy in Australia. In contrast to last year's campaign which focused on what we can do as individuals to ensure we are maintaining Respectful Relationships, this year we will be presenting broader discussions about SASH advocacy, and the 'Me Too' movement in Australia. Some of the ideas that we are working on include:

- An event discussing the legal issues hindering the growth of the Me Too movement in Australia (eg. Defamation laws, consent laws, non-consensual image sharing laws etc)
- A workshop on how to take care of yourself as a student advocate in the space (discussing issues of vicarious trauma etc)

- An online harassment campaign aimed at encouraging students to be active bystanders in ANU online spaces
- An event aimed at directly challenging alternative rhetoric that has emerged in Australia denying the rape crisis on our campuses (eg. Bettina Arndt)

The collective has agreed that this campaign will comprise of fewer large scale events instead of the smaller more frequent event schedule that we organised for the EmBody Power Campaign.

#### **4. August 1<sup>st</sup>**

Over the last two months with ANUSA (Campbell and Eden specifically) and PARSA I have been organising action for the second anniversary of the AHRC 'Change the Course' report (August 1st). From my perspective, this year SASH advocacy has been hindered by a stagnant, unengaged and sometimes unwilling university administration. I am personally upset that my term as Women's Officer has been marked by such little movement in the space.

The RR Advisory group has met only once this year (this is the only university body charged with overseeing the AHRC recommendations implementation), there has been continued lack of student consultation (with the implementation of the NOUS report), the RRU has faced hiring difficulties in the first half of the year, and there was limited to no responsiveness by the university executive to attempted communications from the Student Working Group. It also became apparent that the code of conduct working group that advocates had consistently been explicitly told was underway and in progress had not even been set up. Finally, the Foundation Day lecture being scheduled for August 1<sup>st</sup>, a day that is both hugely important and distressing for large portions of the student population clearly illustrates the lack of care, respect and diligence of the university to engage meaningfully with this issue. It has been incredibly disappointing seeing the lack of progress in the space following a period of some huge successes last year.

As such, ANUSA and PARSA have decided to host a sit-in outside the Foundation Day lecture to protest the university's lack of continued engagement with SASH. In conjunction with this we will be setting up symbolic actions in Kambri such as putting up banners and posters and blacking out windows. Safety precautions are being taken to ensure that survivors and those who may be affected by the presence of these actions are adequately supported and able to avoid these areas on the day should they need to. If you have any further questions about this, please direct them to Eden or Campbell.

I would highly encourage that if you are able, you attend the sit-in to show solidarity with survivors. The AHRC report shows that 1 in 5 students were sexually harassed in a university setting. Furthermore, the rate of sexual assault at ANU is double that of the national average. This is not a niche issue - odds are if you live at college and/or have friends at university, you know someone affected by sexual assault or harassment. All ANU students have a right to a safe and inclusive university experience and as student representatives it is our responsibility to hold the administration to account to make sure that becomes a reality.

Finally, I would like to note that this time of the year can be incredibly distressing for survivors. Please remember to look out for each other and know that you can reach out for support and assistance if you need it.

If you or someone you know needs help or support, you can contact Canberra Rape Crisis Centre (CRCC) on 6247 2525, 7am-11pm any day of the year, including public holidays. You can also text 0488 586 581. You can call Lifeline's 24 hour crisis support service on 13 11 24. ANU students can

access the ANUSA Student Assistance Officers at 6125 4093, by emailing [sa.assistance@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.assistance@anu.edu.au), or dropping into the ANUSA Offices (Monday to Friday, 9am – 5pm). ANU Counselling is also available to access if you are an ANU student.

## 5. Resignation

It is with deep regret that I must inform the SRC that I am resigning from my position as Women's Officer. Due to ongoing personal reasons, I have realised that I do not have the capacity to finish my term this year.

Reflecting back on my 8 months in this position brings up very conflicting emotions. My time as officer has been without a doubt fulfilling both in terms of the things I have learnt personally, but also through my interactions with the varied ANU community. I have been incredibly lucky to work with exceptionally dedicated, progressive and compassionate student advocates some of whom have also become my closest friends. Being surrounded by people driven with a resolute passion for change in my day to day work is something I will always feel blessed to have experienced.

During my university experience, the Women's Department has been one of the most rewarding spaces I have been engaged in. I feel incredibly privileged to have been given the opportunity to lead such an inspiring group of people. With Jin and Nupur alongside me as unwavering pillars of support, I am so proud of all that we have achieved as a department. I am sure that they will both continue their remarkable work as they jointly take on the Women's Officer role for these last few months.

Despite this, this work has taken a lot out of me. Unfortunately, constantly engaging with frustrating roadblocks, feeling overburdened, overworked and isolated as well as dealing with vicarious trauma became a regular aspect of my role. I know that this is not necessarily a default experience of all ANUSA representatives, but I also know it is not an uncommon one.

Student activism is not easy. We do important work here, and many of us would still be operating in these spaces had we not been elected into these positions. Our passion and dedication is the reason we are able to make an impact at this university. However, it is also the reason so many of unravel.

In the last few months of your terms, I would just like to remind you that you are more than what you give to this institution, that people love you and care for you despite AND because of what you do in these roles, and that institutions will continue to survive beyond our individual actions. Effective activism is not immediate – it takes years and years for the work of advocates to manifest. Adjust your notions of success. Know that handling the baton for a second even though you didn't manage to sprint and win the race is still an actively positive contribution to the movement you are serving.

In love and solidarity,  
Priyanka

## Reference I

Queer\* Officer Report - SRC 5

### *Introduction*

Welcome back! Semester Two is going to be jam-packed for the Queer\* Department. I'd like to thank all the different teams the Q\* Department executive have worked with recently on campaigns and other events. Although there is a lot happening, I will keep my report concise.

### *Bush Week*

Over the course of Week One the Department ran several successful events, such as an autonomous queer coffee at Smiths, as well as a pancake brunch. I'd like to thank the volunteers who helped myself and the executive on market day. We also ran a successful autonomous 'Queer\* Coffee' session with our friends at Smith's Alternative.

### *Pride Week*

Pride Week is coming up in Week 3! There is a lot of activities in the works and we are striving to work with as many community stakeholders as possible, both within the ANU and in the wider Canberra region. To summarise:

- A Gender Agenda and Aids Action Council will be conducting seminars and workshops throughout the week across various topics, including sexual health and physical health.
- Queer\* Ball will be hosted on Friday 9th August at the QT Hotel in NewActon. Tickets are on sale now - both drinking and non-drinking - and are available to the queer\* community and allies.
- Various autonomous social events (coffees & BBQs).
- Universal Lunch Hour hosted by the Queer\* Collective.

### *Queer\* Collaborations*

During the winter break, myself and other members of the Queer\* Collective attended the annual 'Queer\* Collaborations' conference. This year, Deakin University hosted the conference in Warrnambool. It was a fantastic and insightful week of workshoping and collaborating. The department would like to mention a special thanks to SEEF for financially assisting our delegation this year. Solidarity is crucial for the betterment of our community. I'd like to personally thank the ANU's delegates for their outstanding behaviour throughout the conference - you all represented this university with grace.

### *Ongoing Campaigns*

After Pride Week the department's focus will shift towards our campaign for this semester, based around the mental and physical health of the queer\* community. Please contact myself or my deputies if you would like to be involved in the planning of this campaign.

### Finances

Main financial costs for June/July were larger than average, but expected. As the department funded a delegate (5 attendees) to attend Queer Collaborations 2019 in Warrnambool. We also paid the majority of our deposit for our venue package (includes catering and bar service) at QT Canberra for the upcoming Queer Ball (August 9th).

### Expenditures

Activity	Cost
Bush Week	\$38



Queer* Collaborations	\$4,159.86
Queer* Ball	\$6,900

Incomes:

Activity	Amount
Queer* Ball ticket sales	\$1000 (as of 27/7)

## **Reference J**

At the time of the agenda being published, no report from the International Student's Department had been sent in.

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## **DISABILITIES OFFICER REPORT**

Madhumitha Janagaraja

### **Executive Summary**

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### **Introduction**

Good evening everyone! My name is Madhu, and I am the Disabilities Officer. I would encourage anyone and everyone here to come and see me at some point to discuss all things related to disability and accessibility – even if you don't identify as having one. They're considerations that can be integrated into almost every project, so the discussion would be highly appreciated. Please contact me at any time at [sa.disabilities@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.disabilities@anu.edu.au)!

The last two months have been significantly challenging at the ANU. The focus of my work has shifted completely to advocacy and pastoral care due to significant changes in student services and issues with communication in the implementation of various policy by the university. Advocacy fatigue has become a significant issue amidst this onslaught among all representatives, and I encourage all students to seek support and take time off when necessary.

I would also like to speak to Pri's work throughout the course of this year – as the department officer I have probably worked most closely with this year across several projects and welfare issues, she has always been a pillar of strength. Pri – I've had the privilege of calling you both a colleague, and now one of my closest friends. Your commitment to your values and clarity of vision has never failed to inspire me. Most people will never even know or be able to understand just how hard you've fought against significant barriers and pressure, but I have nothing but respect and admiration for your integrity. You have justified my convictions, always had my back in every bureaucratic nightmare we've been forced to navigate and

made me a better advocate. Thank you for your dedication and commitment – and always being the Officer, your collective needed. I know that Jin and Nupur will do a fantastic job too and welcome them.

### **Spoons Space – move and issues with space**

The process of moving the spoons space was not as smooth as originally hoped – notice of the plan to do so was received less than 10 days before the intended removal date of the demountable – the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June. Due to this being in the middle of exam period, and the fact that we had not had an opportunity to survey the accessibility or amount of space provided to us, we had to oppose this decision. Further negotiation and discussion saw to this date being shifted to the 12<sup>th</sup> of July – when we did move. While it was to my understanding from the very beginning that the new space would require alterations to ensure that it would be fully suitable to our needs, it has been disappointing to discover that it currently does not function as an autonomous space.

This is because its location is centred between two staffed services – which allows foot traffic and strips anonymity. The primary purpose of the Spoons Space has always been to provide an autonomous student space that affords privacy and comfort – this does neither. At the time of writing this report, I've been continuing contact with Facilities and Services to negotiate one of two things to be enacted over the next few weeks– either a tight timeline in which the autonomy of the space can be restored through mild renovation of the area, or provision of a new space. In the interim, I have been hesitant to open the space for use considering the current safety and privacy concerns – which render it unusable.

However, the need for the space is more pressing – as such, depending on further discussions with the collective and after careful consideration of precautionary measures to mitigate risks, we will be conditionally opening the space for use shortly as I pursue necessary action through other avenues. Despite a lack of clarity in communication, I am pleased that F&S has promised to rectify necessary issues as they come up and will be providing updates in future SRC's on the progression of this issue.

### **Access and Inclusion – changes to staffing and EAP procedures**

Upon perusal of actual numbers, I have confirmed that around 13.5% of the ANU student population is in possession of an EAP for various reasons – over 3,500 students. These students are primarily assisted by SASO's at Access and Inclusion – Student Assistance Support Officers. It has come to my attention that Access and Inclusion are expecting cuts to their staffing in the next few– more specifically, a reduction in SASOs from 6 staff to 2.8 as they move to be under the Division of Student Administration rather than the formerly existing Division of Student Life.

Additionally, Access and Inclusion are now formally providing an explicit expectation for EAP's to be 'valid and in place' at least 2 weeks before an examination for special examination arrangements to be in place – students attempting to initiate this procedure after this time will be considered on a 'case by case' basis. These dates sit at week 3 for midsemester examinations, and week 9 for final examinations – while the deadlines seems the standard at most universities, I am questioning of the capacity Access and Inclusion has to accommodate a high influx of requests case by case with their current staffing numbers.

These changes are apparently unrelated to each other, but they are nevertheless concerning in conjunction – disability can be complex or evolving, and students with disability may struggle most of all to meet these deadlines when they most need to do so. The proposed solution of information about these deadlines being shared with students by every lecturer is partially helpful but does not account for the inevitable nature of the timelines on which disability tends to appear or be exacerbated – e.g. in periods of high stress.

Ultimately, I believe that Access and Inclusion staff do some excellent work, but it is evident that cuts to staffing will likely deteriorate the speed and quality of service provided due to the limit of capacity. There have also been numerous concerns about the new location of their service in the Di Riddel Centre – access to the service is not anonymous, and therefore inaccessible. I have also seen an increase in reports of students requiring individual academic advocacy as a result of numerous student services being at capacity. While all services on campus have been at peak for a very long time, it is concerning that the situation is potentially worsening even further.

At this stage, I have drafted a survey for feedback on student experience – whether they have experienced increased difficulty in accessing essential services at such an early stage of the semester or simply would like to see changes in the current execution. The results of this survey will inform the needs and demands that I and the DSA will be taking forward to the university for implementation.

### **Disability Action Plan movement**

The Disability Action Plan for ANU is in the process of being drafted – it is now under new management (Mark Mulligan and Melinda Brady) from the work environment sector of Human Resources – I would like to see further external consultation with Disability self-advocacy institutions, but am pleased with its overall progress.

### **Number 3 Bus/Internal shuttle**

I am unsatisfied with the current communication received around the progress of the Internal shuttle project – I and the committee are still waiting to meet with relevant project heads to gain a better understanding of where the work being done is at. We will be pursuing this further next week. The DSA also spoke about the government's responsibility to engage in the process of providing a replacement mode of transport to students on ABC Canberra Radio on the mornings show on 17<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Accessibility policy for ANUSA**

I have been rewriting parts of a proposed accessibility policy for ANUSA that was initially written by Tom and Aji Sana (2016 and 2017 Disabilities Officer respectively) in 2017 – the DSA intends for this to be passed this year once it receives approval from ANUSA staff.

### **Accessibility training**

I have been working on training modules for accessibility – I hope to be able to provide this to all future ANUSA representatives and clubs as a guide on how to make events and social media accessible to all students.

### **NUS Education conference**

I had the privilege of attending the NUS Education conference with other ANUSA representatives – there were some highly informative workshops that I will be providing further reports on to my collective and I was glad to have had the opportunity – however, I was significantly concerned by the lack of safety at the conference, as well as how unbelievably inaccessible it was – primarily due to conduct.

### **Bush week**

Bush week was a small-scale event – we participated in Departments 101 (which I'm sure other Departments will report on), market day (got to see Tom again!) and ran our regular casual coffee.

### **ANUSA elections**

I am pleased that election candidates are consulting with departments around disability policy – however please be aware that heckling or harassing students is an electoral offence, and that collective meetings are not a space to do this. Consultation about policy must happen through either me, or the DSA deputies alone – alternatively, please feel free to consult with wonderful external organisations such as WWDACT. Additionally, it is a gentle reminder that department spaces are not a tokenistic tool for partisan agendas – while we are delighted that these conversations are happening, they should be happening year-round, and future officers will be holding elected representatives to account on said policies.

### **Expenditure and timesheet**

The departments finances and financial reporting are currently in a state of review – I have been working with ANUSA's financial controller on this and will provide a comprehensive summary in my next SRC report.

Between SRC 4 and July 26, I have worked 251 hours. Please email me at [sa.disabilities@anu.edu.au](mailto:sa.disabilities@anu.edu.au) if you would like a further breakdown of these hours.

**Reference L**

No Report from the Environment Collective was received by the time of the Agenda being published



## Reference M



## ETHNOCULTURAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Aisha Setipa

### Executive Summary

1. Department Activities
2. Expenditure
3. Timesheet

#### 1. Department Activities

### Ethnocultural Exec

We recently had a change in our executive team, and as of Monday the 22nd of July, Joanna Lin is our new Deputy Officer. This also means that we have opened nominations for the position of Secretary. Elections will be taking place at our next collective meeting on the 5th of August. If you are interested in the role, please email me before 4pm on the 5th of August.

The department would also like to thank Aroa for all her hard-work and dedication during her time as Deputy Officer.

### Campaigns

This semester we will be collaborating with the Indigenous department and ANUSA on an Anti-Racism Campaign. We are looking at having it during week 7 over two days, and the campaign will include a wide range of events including a panel of anti-racism activists.

## Bush Week

We had a pretty successful Bush Week this year! We, and the other departments, ran a Department 101 session which went well. We also hosted a Hot Chocolate and Chill session on Thursday which was amazing, and I thank everyone that was able to attend. Market Day was great! We also unveiled some of our new merchandise, which included our newly designed tote bags, stickers and smart wallets. I would like to thank the amazing work that the ethno exec has done in preparation for Bush Week, and Manya for her amazing design skills.

## Ethnocultural Revue

We had our first rehearsals on the 22nd of July, and we will be having another on the 27th of July. Everything is coming along well; we are finalising things with the venue (Kambri), as well as putting together a backstage and technical crew. If you are interested in getting involved in the revue, please email: [anuethnorevue@gmail.com](mailto:anuethnorevue@gmail.com)

### 2 Expenditure

<u>Date</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
03/07/2019	Merchandise (tote bags)	\$1,252.90
03/07/2019	Merchandise (smart wallets)	\$286
05/07/2019	Merchandise (stickers)	\$330
25/07/2019	Hot Chocolate & Chill Session (Bush Week)	\$167.98
<b><u>Total</u></b>		<b><u>\$2,036.88</u></b>

### **3. Time Sheet**

Since the 17th of May, I have worked 34 hours. Please email me if you would like a more detailed breakdown

## Reference N

### CLUBS COUNCIL CHAIR

#### REPORT TO SRC5

James Howarth

27/07/2019 - sa.clubschair@anu.edu.au

### **Executive Summary**

Over the break, Clubs Council continued to continue its work albeit at a slower pace. For the first time the Council had 'Named Officers' meetings, acting as non-binding opportunities for our six 'named officers' – the Chair, Secretary, Funding, Affiliations, Communications, and Community Officers – to meet and discuss strategic priorities for Semester 2 and the upcoming weeks. The full Executive had three meetings during the break, one of which was for the first time inquorate (needing seven members to meet and only attaining six). Besides the general approval of grants, the Executive formed various working groups to further improve the Clubs Council in its governance practices. Two Branch Officers resigned during the break, and we opened nominations to fill their places.

#### **1 The Team**

Officers were not mandated to attend meetings during the break, however there was still a fantastic degree of involvement from Executive members despite this. The Executive continued to function throughout the break, although at a slower pace as grant requests eased up and various Officers went on holiday.

#### **2 Affiliations**

130 clubs and societies have been successfully affiliated with the Clubs Council. Re-affiliations closed in late April, and as such since then all affiliation applications have been to newly affiliate. There have been few new applications to affiliate at CCM3, with most functioning clubs and societies having already affiliated with the Clubs Council.

#### **3 Communications**

The Clubs Council Facebook page has gained significant traction since I last submitted a report, with over 200 likes and having already hosted or co-hosted a number of Council events. Moderation standards have also been implemented with the ANU Clubs and Societies Facebook Group Page, led by our Executive-appointed Modmins Niam, Ben and Eli. Our Communications Officer Ji has continued to maintain our Page and E-mails, ensuring our Officers stay up-to-date on any e-mails respective to their portfolios.

#### **4 Community**

The next Balls and Events training will be hosted on July 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm. I cannot stress enough the importance that any Clubs Executives interested in running Balls or Events attend this training, as it is mandatory to receive funding for said balls/events. The Clubs Council has also organised a Networking and Social Night in coordination with the ANU Union at the ANU Union Bar. It will be taking place on August 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:30pm – make sure to book your tickets, its free!

#### **5 Funding**

We have been working with Clubs who have received notices from the ATO. ANUSA is working towards resolving this issue. The Clubs Council has spent a little over 50% of our budget now, having paid out \$76,748.45 of our \$150,000 budget. This amount, while reasonable at this stage by standard budgetary considerations (being a little over halfway through the year as well), may mean that Executive expenditure will be stricter over the coming Semester. This is due to Balls season approaching, which often demands a large amount of capital given much higher expenditure by Clubs than normal.

#### **6 Conclusion**

I look forward to the good work our Officers will continue to do during Semester 2. I can also proudly note (and joke) that I have now been the longest-serving Chair in the role's admittedly-brief history! Whether that's a comment on me, or the role, is up to you to decide.

## **Full Report**

### **1 The Team**

Despite non-mandatory attendance for Executive meetings over the break, our Officers continued to work hard and be involved wherever they could. Understandably, a number of Officers were either interstate or out of the country for their holidays and couldn't make our meetings. Whilst our first and third meetings met quorum requirements, unfortunately our second meeting (during the middle of the break) was one person short of our seven-person quorum. Despite this, the Officers who had dutifully showed up discussed the issues at hand for general consideration, and made sure to update other Officers on the discussions that were had. During this, no decisions or motions were made, not were any grants able to be approved.

Two of our Branch Officers resigned. The first was Harry Vinter, our 'Discipline' Branch Officer, and the second was Abigail Manning, our 'Humanitarian, Social Justice and Advocacy' Branch Officer. I'd like to thank both of them for their fantastic work during their time on the Council, and for laying down a high standard as precedent for their fellow and future Branch Officers to follow. Both Officers resigned out of good faith, being unable to carry out their duties due to no longer being effectively present at ANU for the duration of Semester 2. I again thank them for this, and for vacating the roles to allow other aspiring students to help out.

### **2 Affiliations**

The Clubs Council now consists of 130 different clubs and societies. The list of affiliated clubs and societies, as well as their branches, can be found here:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Pgv3Wt8mIL4Pp0V\\_7HpU8-Vi5SBaxLLwEdstW\\_AxlfU/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Pgv3Wt8mIL4Pp0V_7HpU8-Vi5SBaxLLwEdstW_AxlfU/edit?usp=sharing)

While less than the total amount of affiliated clubs from last year, the lower amount is expected as standards for affiliation have been higher and clubs and societies, sadly, do dissolve by natural attrition as students graduate. There have been a few new applications for affiliation since CCM2 (and since Re-Affiliations closed), however I do not expect the number of affiliated clubs to go above 140.

### **3 Communications**

The Clubs Council Facebook Page hit the ground running, and had been chugging at full steam. A number of events and trainings have been organised via the page, in cooperation with both ANUSA and external organisations such as the ANU Union. The Page also hit over 200 likes within only a month or two, and has been actively receiving and answering questions there, or redirecting students where appropriate.

Just because we had a new Page didn't mean we would abandon the Facebook Group popularly followed by over 2000 students. However it was agreed by the Executive that standards and rules on the page weren't clear, and a team of Executive-appointed modmins (made up of Executive Officers Niam, Ben and Eli) formulated rules which were later approved by the Executive and subsequently posted to the group page. Communications Officer Ji has been maintaining the e-mail side of things, as well as maintaining our social media platforms in cooperation with the modmins and our Community Officer. Most e-mails that have come through have been either funding or events related.

### **4 Community**

The next big training for Clubs Council is the Balls and Events training, which is mandatory for clubs/societies seeking to host balls or large scale events and receive grants to fund them. The Training will be hosted on the 31st of July at 5:30pm, and is likely to be the last of its kind before Balls season. This training is mandatory for any clubs and societies seeking to receive funding for any Balls or large-scale events – please spread the word!

The Clubs Council will also be hosting a Networking and Social Event on the 1<sup>st</sup> of August 7:30pm at the ANU Union Bar. This event was organised in coordination with the ANU Union, who have kindly provided their large events space for the event to allow Clubs members and Executives to socialise and network, perhaps leading to future cooperated events to occur. The event was organised by our Community Officer Ebe, who has been very keen to provide this opportunity to clubs, and has been strongly involved in the planning and organisation for the Night.

## **5 Funding**

Some clubs have been receiving notices from the ATO requesting tax returns from clubs. ANUSA has been making efforts towards resolving this issue, and is working closely with affected clubs and societies to make sure that everything is done right and by the book.

The Clubs Council has spent \$76,748.45 of its \$150,000 budget, passing the halfway mark just before the break. If the normal spending trajectory was equivalent to the trends of the past half-year, the Council would be on track to spend its full budget by the end of the year. However, clubs and societies spending is anything but standard, and it is likely that there will be a spike in the amount of money requested by clubs as Balls season approaches. As such, is it likely that the granting of money by the Executive will be stricter over the coming months, in order to appropriately balance grant-requests so as to not go over budget.

## **6 Conclusion**

I once again want to thank our ex-Branch Officers Harry and Abigail for their fantastic work. They were both a pleasure to work with and contributed greatly to the improvements the Council has made this year. I'd also like to thank the remaining Officers, and I look forward to working with them this semester given how great they have been so far. As I joked, I have in fact been the longest-serving Chair in Clubs Council history (which only is three years or so!), and I look forward to continuing to lead the Council until the end of my term.

## Reference O

### General Representative Report Brandon Tan

#### 1. Acknowledgment of support

Before I begin my report, I would like to thank the following individuals for assisting/collaborating with me on the projects I have undertaken during my time on ANUSA:

- ANUSA Facebook page: Ailsa Scheurs (co-admin/content contributor), Eden Lim (approval/support) Isabella Keith (co-admin/content contributor), Jade Lin (content contributor), Kate Melhuish (graphic design, future handovers)
- Clubs ball award changes: Ebe Ganon & Matthew Mottola (for being open to my suggestions as well as organising this)
- Election guide: Bec Donald-Wilson (support), Campbell Clapp (organisation), Isabella Keith (writing), Kai Clark (editing and writing), Kate Melhuish (graphic design)
- Lion King movie screening event: Kate Melhuish (organising the Qpay ticketing system), Kathryn Lee (logistical support)

#### 2. ANUSA General Representative Facebook page

Since Isabella Keith's (General Representative)'s report at the SRC 4, I am proud to say that we have launched a Facebook platform! Please like it if you haven't, and invite your friends to do the same.

To recap, the main purpose of the platform is to increase the visibility and transparency of the work that Gen Reps are doing while potentially serving as a backlog that past/previous work committed by Gen Reps. Additionally, having the Gen Rep Facebook page gave me some flexibility in creating an online event to organise the Lion King holiday movie screening.

Apart from sharing the main ANUSA page's announcements and opportunities, I'm proud to say that content includes: Humans of New York-ish profiles, tips on plastic free July, a segment of cool facts on "What does ANUSA do", and survey work created by other General Representatives.

If you have content ideas, chuck me a message! I think I'm rather looking forward to writing the handover for this when the time comes.

#### 3. Clubs Ball award changes

I've been working with our social officer and the Clubs Council's community officer to suggest potential new awards to be distributed during the annual clubs ball that recognizes the hard work done by student committees and volunteers.

As part of this, I examined how different student unions around the world conduct society awards and used examples from the University of Sheffield and the University of Sydney.

After a discussion, I am glad to say that two new awards will be introduced this year. Furthermore, "event of the year" has been split into two categories, "big" and "small", with attendance being its prime distinction. Given how most of last year's nominees were balls

for the latter category (apart from National Science week), I think this distinction is somewhat necessary.

More details on this will be announced during the Clubs Networking & Social Night, and I look forward to this year's nominees.

#### **4. ANUSA Election guide**

As a result of the Election Reform working group held in Semester 1, Lachy Day proposed the idea of a "guide" or publication as a potential Gen Rep project.

With this in mind, I assembled a team where we wrote a ten-page guide that serves as a primer on running for ANUSA positions. Incorporating the latest constitution changes that happened during June's AGM, this guide covers topics such as exclusion zones and limits on campaign expenditure, while providing some tips such as how to get started and the support available to candidates.

The guide was officially released last week, and do have a read if you're going to be one of the candidates running for elections in less than a month.

I would like to thank this team once again, as the majority of the writing was set against the pressures of Week 12 exams.

#### **5. Lion King screening event**

The last thing I organised before the SRC was a movie screening at Dendy cinemas by using \$250 from the Gen Rep pool. Although there was some confusion about the requirement of "booking" a ticket through Qpay to attend the event, tickets for the event were booked out. The movie was pretty good but it's no Avengers Endgame.

This event is in line with my election goal to diversify events and ensure some happen around the holidays for those who remain in Canberra. I've been planning a film screening for a while now and the timing was great as this happened during "Semester 2 O-week", when most students would be back in the great city of Canberra. Furthermore, I was able to distribute flyers of the Solstice bush week to people who attended this event.

With only "one break" left, I'm hoping to organise some further holiday activities, so please don't hesitate to email [sa.generalreps@anu.edu](mailto:sa.generalreps@anu.edu) for any suggestions!



## Reference P

### **Regional Students Initial Consult Report Conducted between May and July 2019 for the ANUSA SRC**

**Madeleine Lezon**

#### Introduction

As we are well aware, ANU student experiences are incredibly diverse. With the change in admissions policy, ANU administration has suggested that more students from these diverse backgrounds will be benefitted and encouraged to attend our university.

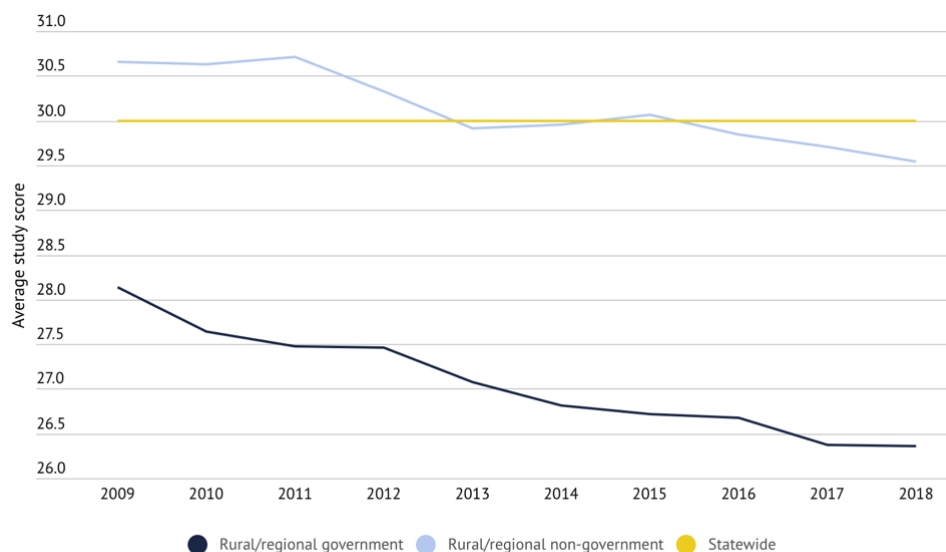
As a regional student myself, originating from Sugarloaf Creek in Victoria's northern region, I've personally noticed the struggles and hardships of many of my regional peers. As such, I was encouraged to open this survey to bring together student experiences and provide feedback to ANUSA as to our personal interaction with these students has benefitted or otherwise affected these students.

This report is in no way the be all and end all of regional consultation. It has been developed through a combination of personal experience, feedback from 65 survey results and discussion with the ANU division of student life. If this report inspires others or reminds any of its readers of their own experiences that they wish to share, the anonymous survey link will remain open until the end of the year [here](#). The questions on the survey will be included in this report in Appendix 1.

I would like to thank all those that supported this endeavour and in particular those regional students that responded to the survey as well as the regional students' societies on campus (ANU Regional Rural Remote Society (RRRS) & ANU Rural, Regional & Remote Mentoring (RRRM)) that have been incredibly supportive throughout the process.

#### A background to regional disadvantage in Australian Universities

In June, *The Age* published an article detailing the widening gap between regional and metropolitan students in Victorian secondary schools ("[We're in a bubble': Country kids left behind as education gap widens](#)"). The following graph demonstrates the fall in average study score (final VCE subject result) in both state and non-government regional Victorian schools over the last decade.



Data: Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority

Causes of this slump were attributed to poor education quality due to limited incentives for teachers to move to regional areas, decreasing school sizes, limited subject availability and careers guidance as well as the high cost of university.

The intimidating cost of university goes far beyond HELP debt. Australia's high cost of living often alienates regional and low-SES students from attending university as those who cannot commute may not be encouraged to attend university or even view it as an option. A recurring trend that will be explored later in this report is the limited effort students felt were put in by many universities to educate regional and low-SES students on the availability of financial assistance opportunities. Compared to those who grow up in cities, young Australians from regional areas are around half as likely to have a university qualification or higher-level VET qualification by their mid-twenties.<sup>1</sup>

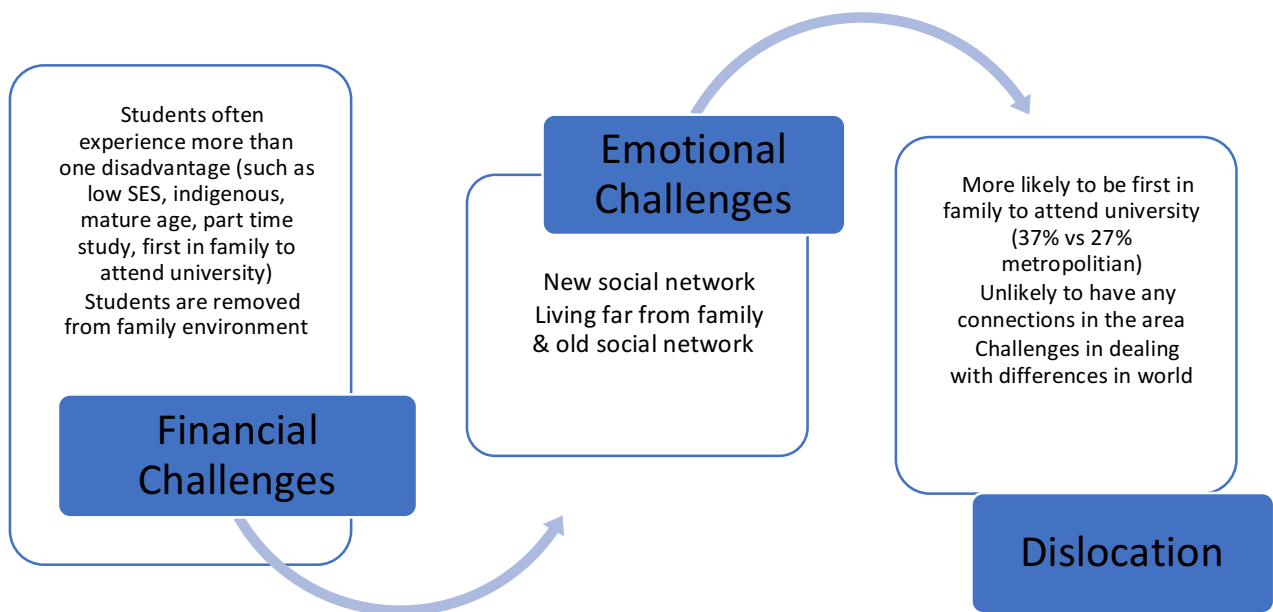
When these students get to university, they are met by further barriers. In 2014, nearly 60% of regional students relocated for university, compared to 27% of their metropolitan counterparts.<sup>2</sup> Across the country, regional students have a completion rate of 69.8 per cent, while remote students have a completion rate of 59.5 per cent, compared to the 73.6% average.<sup>3</sup>

So what are the general causes of this disparity? The [2018 National Regional, Rural and Remote Education Strategy Framing Paper](#) hypothesises the following:

<sup>1</sup> As per the Australian Government Department of Education and Training (2018) Internal Analysis based on the Australian Census Longitudinal Dataset, 2011-2016 as appears in the 2018 National Regional, Rural and Remote Education Strategy Framing Paper

<sup>2</sup> Baik, C., Naylor, R. & Arkoudis, S. (2015) [The first year experience in Australian universities: Findings from two decades. 1994-2014](#). Centre for the Study of Higher Education, The University of Melbourne, Melbourne, p. 80.

<sup>3</sup> 2015 data



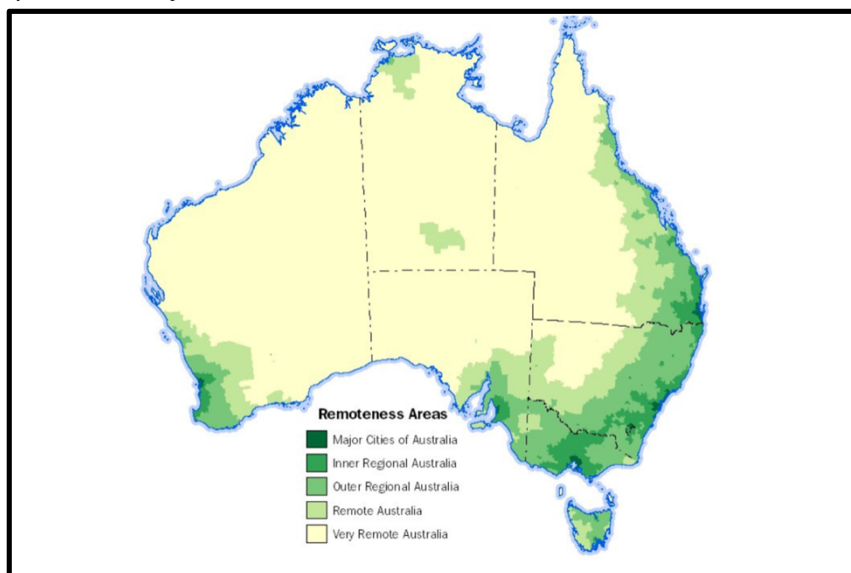
**This report will address the applicability of these three challenges to the experiences of undergraduate ANU students in the following section.**

### Survey Results

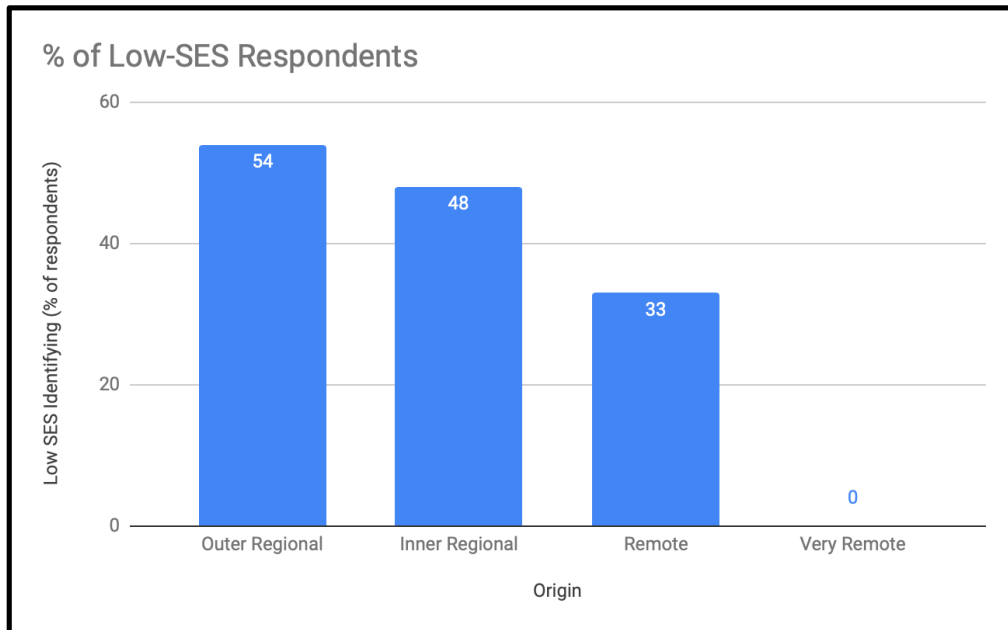
Of the 65 respondents to this survey, five selected 'major city' as their place of origin and were as such excluded from the following summary to ensure consistency.

### Demographic trends in respondents

Respondents were asked to determine their place of origin through the use of the following official map published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.



Respondents overwhelmingly identified as Outer Regional (48.3%), followed by Inner Regional (40.0%), Remote Australia (10%) and Very Remote Australia (1.7%). The next question asked respondents if they self-identified as Low Socio-Economic Status (SES).

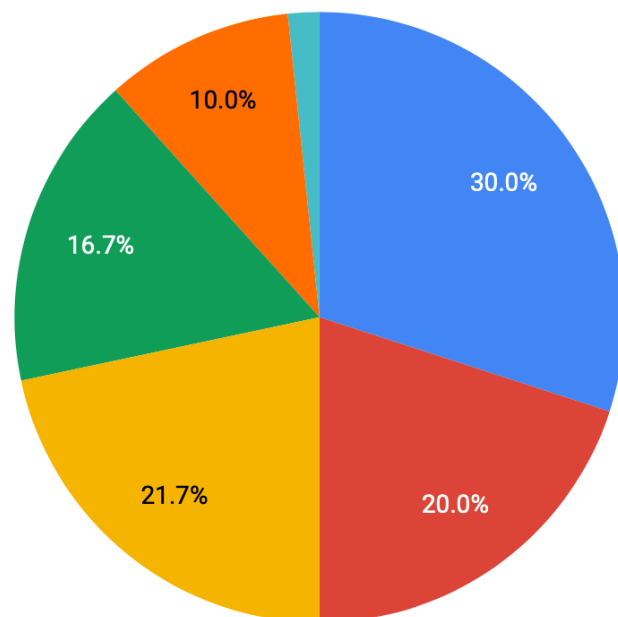


Overall,

48% of respondents self-identified as Low-SES.<sup>4</sup>  
 The final question in this section related to living situation.

### Living Situation of Respondents

- Unilodge
- Non-Catered other than Unilodge
- Previously on Campus, now off-campus
- Catered
- Off-Campus
- Off-Campus with family



### Student Wellbeing

The majority of respondents rated their student experience as a 4 on a scale of 1 (very poor) to 5 (very enjoyable). The average response was 3.45. Students from Remote Australia were the least satisfied, with an average response of 3.17.

Section results:

- 56.7%** of respondents are happy with their student experience;
- 35.0%** are involved in clubs or societies on campus;

<sup>4</sup> In 2018, ANU published statistics suggesting that 2.5% of the total undergraduate population are Low SES <https://services.anu.edu.au/files/guidance/ANU%20Student%20Statistics%20%28June%202019%29.pdf>. Based on postcodes at time of collection and as such may not include students who have changed their postcodes upon relocation.

However,

**38.3%** feel unsupported at university;

**41.7%** feel they do not know how to access support services;

**21.7%** only speak to other students in tutorials;

**56.7%** want to be more involved in student life;

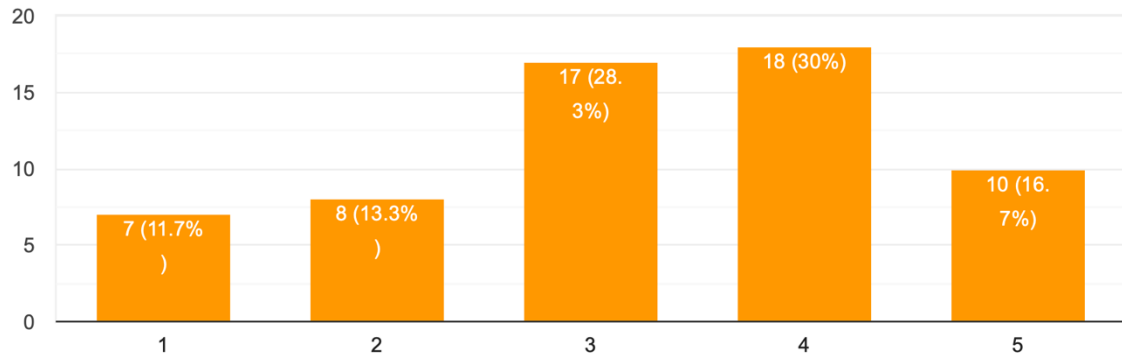
**38.0%** of those currently living on campus are concerned for their future housing situation.

### **Knowledge of Canberra**

In this section, six questions were asked in order to ascertain if there were any key weakness areas in regional student knowledge that could be addressed by ANUSA directly (ie. through an expansion on the first year's guide, through seminars or other publications). Again, these are scored from one (strongly disagree) to five (strongly agree).

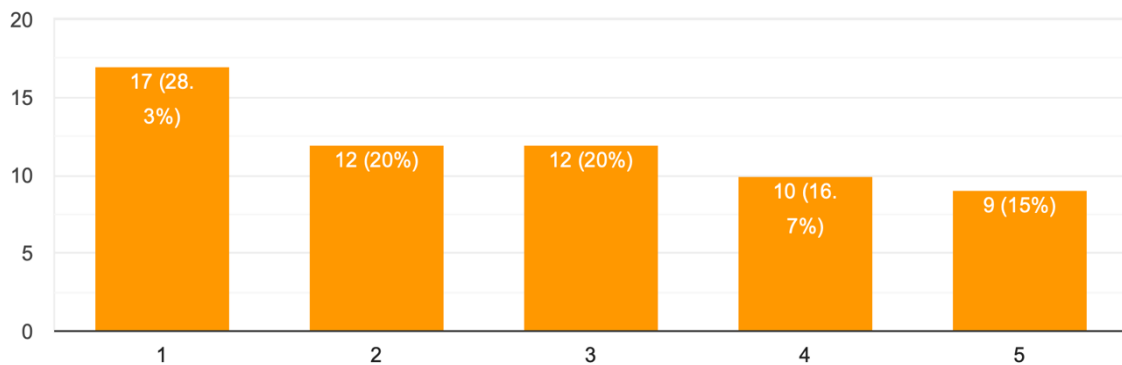
### I know how to use the bus network in Canberra

60 responses



### I know how to use the light rail network in Canberra

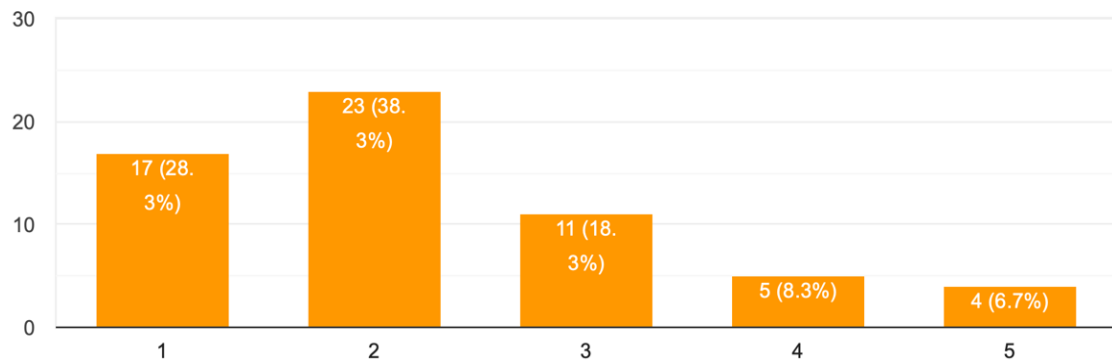
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Many regional areas of Australia do not enjoy public transport networks. These questions acknowledge that public transport may be daunting for regional students. Low light-rail knowledge may be due to the timing of this survey – the light rail is very new.

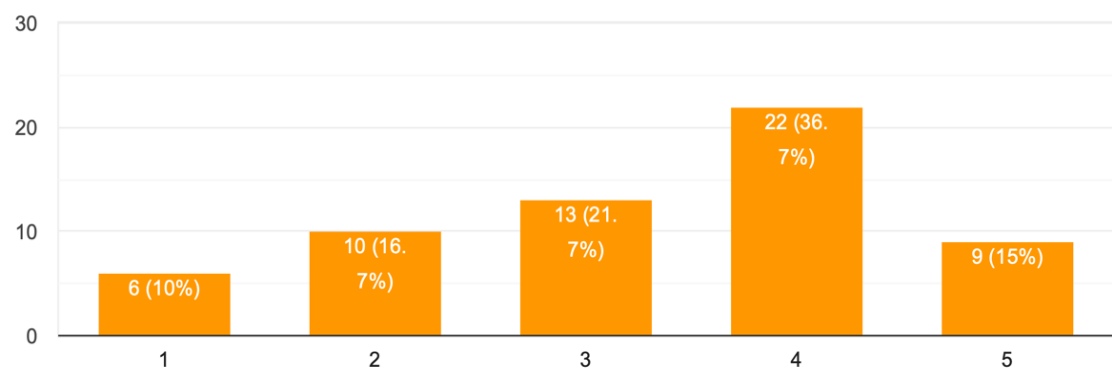
### I know how to use Access Canberra and the general services it provides

60 responses



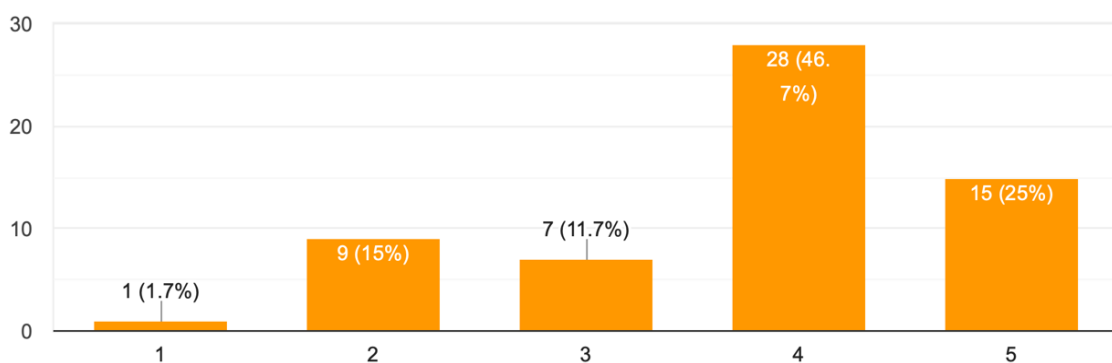
### I know how to go to the doctor and what I am entitled to

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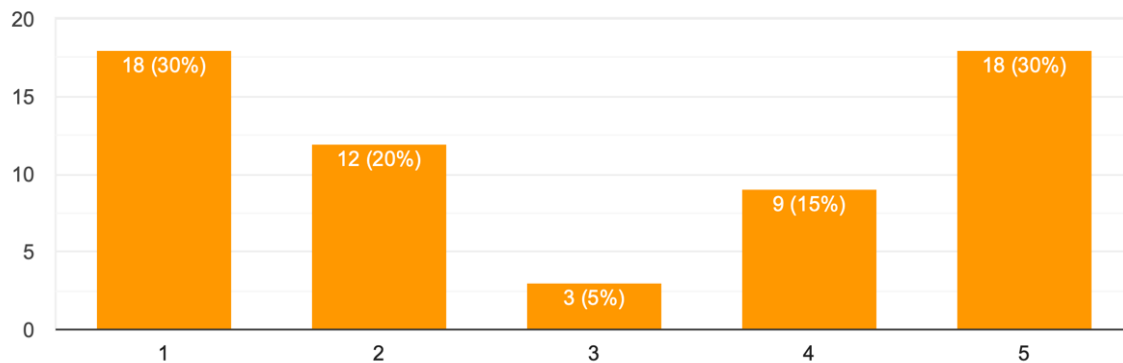
### I understand my rights of work under Australian law

60 responses



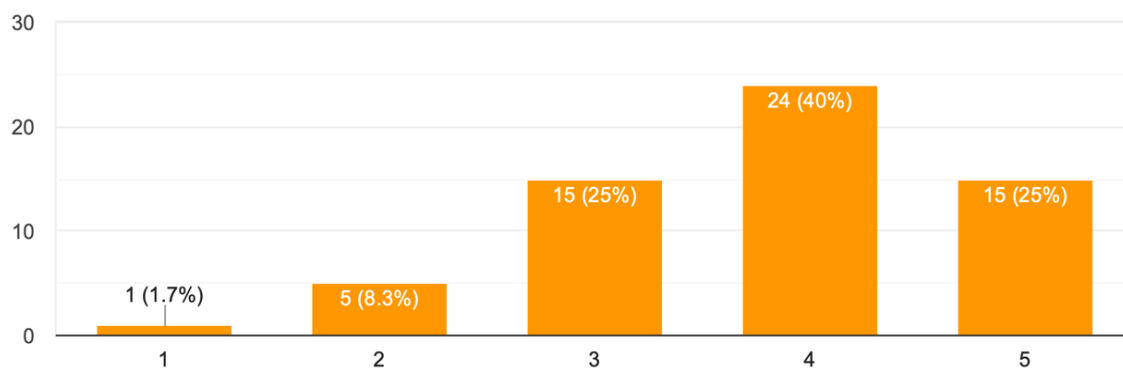
### I know my closest hospital and how to get to it

60 responses



### I feel comfortable living independently in Canberra

60 responses



#### Support Networks and ANUSA

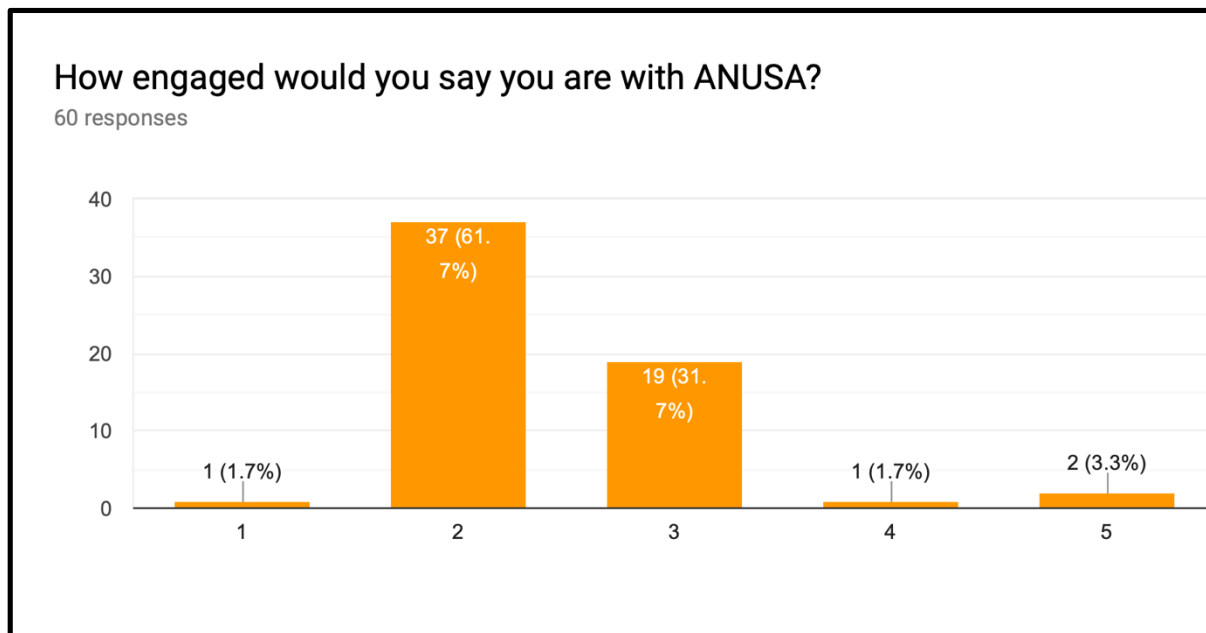
This section was included to gauge regional student interaction with ANUSA as the undergraduate peak representative body.

The majority of respondents (83.3%) turned to friends first when in need of help. While this is to be expected, a third of respondents indicated that they found it difficult or very difficult to form friendships and make connections during their time so far at university. Only two



respondents indicated that they had previously emailed or asked an ANUSA representative for help.

There is a clear issue with ANUSA engagement with this demographic, as demonstrated below (where one = not at all engaged and five = very engaged)



Of those that had engaged with ANUSA, 30% said they felt ANUSA had not provided them the necessary support. 8.3% said ANUSA had provided them necessary support, while 58.3% said that while they had not approached ANUSA, they would feel comfortable in doing so had they needed to.

When asked for the most beneficial service provided to them by ANUSA (in an optional response section) the majority of respondents quoted social events including O-Week and Universal Lunch Hour. Several respondents expressed that they had very rarely if at all interacted with these events. Others expressed that they knew of some of the programs run by ANUSA (ie. free breakfast) but had never used them.

### Further Feedback

In the final section of the survey, respondents were asked what they would like to see done for Regional students at the ANU.

A summary is presented below;

1. Centrelink advice;
2. Greater visibility of support services including those for mentoring;
3. Increased visibility of scholarships;
4. Increased pressure for ANU to keep in mind the needs of Low SES Students.
5. Greater engagement by the ANU with regional secondary colleges to provide information regarding enrolment, scholarships and other bursaries so that regional arrivals are as informed as metropolitan counterparts;

6. Increased transport services (including spreading knowledge as to how to use Canberra public transport, increased parking opportunities, carshare, transport bursaries, etc);
7. Increased knowledge of feelings of exclusion felt by regional students;
8. Increased number of events that do not revolve around drinking;
9. Increased presence of greenery on campus to assist with mental health and to break up university environment;
10. Increased ISIS and general tech support;
11. Increased job seeker support. Regional students are less likely to have had any job experience as regional unemployment is increasing, and have trouble competing in the Canberra job market.

Some respondents also mentioned that they have experienced financial problems due to compulsory 52-week college contracts (most notably at Unilodge) which either discourage them from returning home during breaks or financially disadvantage them when they must return home.

Of the above comments, many fall outside of ANUSA's capabilities as an advocacy body. Some of these are merely things to keep in mind when we plan events.

I have made some recommendations on page 14, which I hope all representative will note.

#### Possible Weaknesses with Survey

For the sake of transparency, the following variables may have affected the outcomes of this survey.

- No guarantee all respondents truly came from the area represented;
- No guarantee all respondents were undergraduate students at the ANU;
- Respondents may have been influenced by earlier questions as to their listed concerns in the free prose section;

#### Application of these challenges to the framework

## Financial Challenges

- Centrelink Accessibility Issues
- ANU Accessibility Issues (ie Global Programs requiring full upfront payment)
- Employment challenges due to limited employment backgrounds and familial requirement to go home and assist over breaks
- Cost of living (inc. on campus accomodation)
- Limited visibility of financial support opportunities (scholarships, centrelink bursaries, NRAS)

## Emotional Challenges

- Social isolation
- Environment changes
- Lifestyle changes

## Dislocation

- Limited public transport understanding
- Social isolation
- Limited visibility of mentoring services, especially of those that do not make students feel tokenised
- Imposter syndrome

### Meeting with ANU Division of Student Life

I met with Ash Dowling from the Division of Student Life on the 29th of May to have a brief talk over the university's plan to accommodate for regional & low SES students next year with the change in admissions model.

The Division of Student Life is working on a pilot program to be rolled out in 2020 for regional/low SES students and eventually for all first-year students. It is currently in planning, but Ash described it as a co-run program by both students and staff to act almost as an extension of the Set4ANU program with three focus areas – academic support, personal development and social support. It would run for the full year with more active participants

invited to be part of the mentorship team for future years. It is currently being designed in collaboration with students from RRR Mentoring as well as staff members, with the hope of getting more regional and low-SES identifying students on board in Semester 2.

Aims of the program include:

- Setting up an online platform for students in the program to ask questions and allow them to form realistic expectations of the university experience;
- Connecting students with existing programs and increasing their visibility within the wider ANU community;
- Creating a regional students' community and support network within the ANU, especially in light of the new admissions model;
- Extending mentorship opportunities beyond O-Week;
- Connecting students to peers within college communities;
- Normalising mental illness and increasing knowledge of support networks within the Low-SES & RRR communities;
- Creation of a resource platform;
- Acknowledging the important role of family for RRR and Low-SES students through inviting students to bring family to campus for community building events, particularly early in the process;
- Defeating imposter syndrome!

I shared some initial concerns that had come up in the survey regarding wider student experience at the ANU. We noted that for low-SES regional students who are also one of the first people from their families to go to university, the process of applying and moving is so tiring that students may experience emotional barriers to social activities and support networks. We noted the common concern that students who come from regional areas often feel a sense of guilt as a result of moving away, and how pre-arrival social support would be very effective at normalising the homesickness experience and encouraging good mental health practices.

I shared my concerns that as the support system currently stands it is both mildly inaccessible and intimidating, and that I would welcome any attempt at normalising the asking-for-help experience.

From my brief meeting with Ash I am very confident that the program is in good hands and look forward to future collaboration.

#### [A brief summary of the ANU Regional Scholarship system](#)

As of July 2019, there is one academic (ANU Region Scholarship) and one access (ANU Rural and Regional Equity Scholarship) scholarship currently available in addition to the externally funded George Alexander Scholarship (Academic & other criteria). Overall this equates to 7+1+5 scholarships per year assuming no overlap. The ANU Region Scholarship is university wide.

Other scholarships are available depending on college, living situation and/or presence of other financial hardship, which can be found [here](#).

#### [Comments from Students in this Space](#)

Solomon Jones – ANU Regional Rural Remote Society (RRRS) 2019 President:  
Longford, Victoria

*"I feel as though Access and Inclusion is supporting regional students in their funding of the mentoring group, however most regional support to students is pushed for by and run by student groups and would be almost non-existent if this weren't the case as far as I can see... I find the university has facilities for students within the campus as a whole, however **colleges and residences lack recognition for the challenges RRR students face**. This comes from my personal experience as well as a lot of feedback I have received from other students."*

Anonymous:

*“So when I first came to university I settled in pretty well at first. But then when the excitement of term 1 wore off some pretty terrible mental health began to set in surrounding homesickness and a huge imposter syndrome. It felt like EVERYONE was from one of the elite schools and was managing uni so well!*

*Unfortunately by the time I realised (when I was about to drop out), all the systems like Set4ANU had already been running a long time and I thought it was too late to join anything.*

*I did manage to get by though by dropping a subject and commuting some more time to my mental health and personal development.”*

Anonymous:

*“...Last year I applied for a summer course overseas through global programs who guaranteed me a grant. However, they wanted me to pay course fees upfront and then reimburse me with a grant. Unfortunately I could not afford to pay for the course fees upfront which meant that I could not participate in the course...”*

### What is being missed out on & what can ANUSA do?

While the Division of Student Life is making excellent progress in trying to tackle this issue, the 2020 program is new and obviously is yet to be trialled. As such, there is a lot ANUSA can do in terms of providing resources and support for students who will not be affected by this new program (ie later year students) while also working as an advocacy body to make sure that this key demographic of students is not ignored in future, both within ANUSA's programs and the wider ANU.

### Recommendations

1. **Encourage** the university's development of the 2020 transitional support program for regional students;
2. **Encourage** the work done by RRRS and RRRM in creating a safe and supportive space for regional students;
3. **Expand** the SkillUp program;
  - Will assist in alleviating financial strain on students that cannot afford to do these courses individually as well as providing students with limited work opportunities at home with necessary skills to increase job-readiness;
4. **Increase** educational resources available to current students advertising financial help offered to regional students both by the university and externally;
5. **Lobby** the university to increase transparency requirements for ANU residential colleges regarding returner's process;
  - Will provide further security to regional students and allow them to plan their futures at the university without worry;
6. **Lobby** the university to expand its engagement with low SES and Regional students, to further understand and acknowledge the challenges faced particularly in light of the admissions changes. Encourage the university to further engage with these students.

## Conclusions

I suspect many of ANUSA's engagement issues with regional undergraduate students stem from a wider, more systemic issue of low engagement. However, without further research this is very hard to ascertain with any certainty. I implore ANUSA more generally to keep up the work done, much of which is very beneficial to the student experience. However, it is obvious from the results of this survey that a whole demographic of students feels left behind and ignored by the students' association.

I have crafted and presented this report in the hope that student delegates, especially going into election season, are making sure to craft an environment as inclusive and representative as possible. It also has the purpose of sparking discussion among other representatives who may have an interest in regional advocacy. I have left out the recommendation of creating a regional collective as I do not feel this is a course of action that has been suggested directly by this survey. However, I do feel there is work to be done in terms of engaging fuller with student groups on campus that aim to represent regional students, as there are insights there that may be lost if they are not encouraged.

## Appendix 1 – Survey Questions

1. Is this your first year of university?
2. Look at the map from the ABS below. Which of the following describes your home?
3. Are you living on campus?
4. Optional: Do you identify as a low-socioeconomic student?
5. How would satisfied are you with university life so far? (1 Low to 5 High)
6. Do you agree with any of the following statements? Tick all that apply.
7. On a scale of 1 (Strongly Disagree) to 5 (Strongly Agree)
  - a. I know how to use the bus network in Canberra
  - b. I know how to use the light rail network in Canberra
  - c. I know how to use Access Canberra and the general services it provides
  - d. I know my closest hospital and how to get to it
  - e. I know how to go to the doctor and what I am entitled to
  - f. I understand my rights of work under Australian law
  - g. I feel comfortable living independently in Canberra
8. How do you usually ask for help? Tick all that apply.
9. How have you found networking? (ie forming friendships, creating connections) (1 Difficult to 5 Easy)
10. Do you feel you have been provided with the information necessary for your success at university?
11. How engaged would you say you are with ANUSA? (1 Low to 5 High)
12. Do you feel you have been provided with support from ANUSA when you have needed it?
13. What has been the most beneficial service provided to you by ANUSA? (e.g. free breakfast at the BKSS, emergency housing grants, advocacy, universal lunch hour, social events such as O-Week)
14. What would you like to see done to help increase the student experience of Regional/Rural students at the ANU?
15. Anything else?