



STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

2021 Meeting 4 - April

Wednesday April 28th – 5:00-7:00pm

Meeting ID: 876 6325 3361

Unconfirmed Minutes

Members Present:

Daniel Bonatti (Chair)
Nikodin Matic
Tyler Wilson
Rosina Armstrong-Mensah
Adeem Jiwani
Simon Preuss-Kearney
Robert Reed
Manika Sahni
Crystal Ram
Rameez Parkar

Observers/Additional:

Grant Murray
Richard Martino

Apologies:

Maria Manos
Tracey Tran
Vicky-Rae Renier-Clark

1. Procedural Matters

1.1. Welcome, Introduction, and Apologies

The Chair officially opens the meeting at 5:04pm, acknowledging Country, and welcomed members and guests. The following members have provided their apologies for this meeting; Tracey, Vicky & Maria.

1.2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Custodians of the Land

The Chair acknowledges the Council is meeting remotely on the lands of the Darug, Eora, Dharawal, Gandangarra, Wiradjuri and Bundjalung peoples. The Chair pays respect to campus and community Elders, past present and future and acknowledges any First Nations peoples present.

1.3. Declarations of Interest

The Chair invites the committee to declare any new conflict of interests in relation to any matters on the agenda or their role on the committee more generally. Daniel declares his conflict of interest as chair.

1.4. Starring of Item

All items to be starred.

1.5. Order of Business

Order as per agenda.

1.6. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Crystal and Simon confirm the previous minutes.

1.7. Confirmation of Member Reports

Daniel encourages reps to get their reports in as 5 were missing.

1.8. Action Sheet from Previous Meeting

March Action Sheet		
Agenda Item/Action	Responsibility	Completion
3.1 Tyler and Simon to organise informal meeting to discuss the policy details.	Simon/Tyler	Completed
3.2 Simon to create budget request for chess board.	Simon	Completed
3.7 Rameez to coordinate working party	Rameez	Ongoing
3.9 Order devices and organised time with Marissa to secure their locations.	Pearl (or acting President)	Completed

3.10 Tyler to note budget allocation for incidentals.	Tyler	Ongoing
3.11 Submit plan of action for funding for SRC to review.	Nikodin	Ongoing

2. General Business of the Council

2.1. Report from the Chair

Firstly, appreciate job well done Tyler setup the meeting. If you want your verbal written in the minutes word for word you must tell Tyler (General Secretary) before you start.

Welcome all. I thank the SRC for the privilege to chair the meeting, most importantly having had no objections.

I want to flag as part of the VPPE role descriptions I am supposed to do a report to SRC at each monthly meeting, this has not happened in 2 years. The SRC chair today is sorry for the resignation of President Mary-Pearl Chung, Vice-President (Undergraduate) Griffen Burgess, Environment Collective Danielle Wolf Albertine. We Thank them for all their excellent work and time.

Wishing newly incoming elected SRC best wishes for the future, expecting they do better helping students and their voice in years to come.

Please if the SRC Committee today contemplates to allow new President in early to Chair May and June meetings.

I wish to mention, shouldn't have had meeting today as it clashes with pre-existing event community dinner at Bankstown with Daniel Jantus for wish SRC falls into involvement with Provost Communities.

2.2. Report from Student Community

Name change from SR&P to Student Community. Grant reinforces Daniel's point on vacant positions within the SRC and if there is no contention then with the results of the election, we will allow the vacant positions to be filled early by the newly elected students. If anyone has any queries, please flag it with Grant.

We have heard from our legal team on procedural amendments and advised everything looks good apart from one minor detail which Grant and Richard will hash out and provide an update ASAP. Addresses SSAF project and looks to reach out to experts. Another SSAF project on the horizon too, peer-to-peer creative agents and their expertise could be integrated with the SRC.

Couple of staff met with director of Bandanami. NAIDOC coming up soon between 4-11th July. If SRC has any ideas or indigenous students in network, they are encouraged to participate.

2.3. Report from Collectives

Disability - Forum inclusion on 1st of month. 9 Students and 5 staff which was good turnout. In the process of working what plan is for next three months with different days of recognition for disability. DC is going to put out EOIs for positions as they may lose a member to the SRC.

Women's Collective - Day at Campbelltown had great turnout. Support from students helping with preparation and serving.

International – Working on an application for CISA. Spoke with Careers team to advertise more services to international students especially those in their home countries.

2.4. Report on SRC Budget

Tyler will be organising next quarterly budget committee meeting to occur a week prior to the upcoming June meeting.

2.5. Reports and Recommendations from SRC Committees

2.5.1. SRC Clubs & Activities Committee

Nik will be holding the second and final clubs and activities forum which he will send out invites via WesternLife.

3. New Business of the Council

3.1. Pursuing the Overdue Procedures

Grant acknowledged the procedures update in his reports. Grant will provide an update within the week.

Daniel seconds the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

3.2. Women's Room Maintenance

Robert seconds the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION: Rosina to chase up relevant department to maintain this.

3.3. Women's Collective Engagement

Daniel seconds the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION: Rosina to submit budget request.

3.4. Reaffiliation with CAPA

Manika seconds the motion.

Simon asks what we get for paying the higher fee. Nikodin suggests it is too much money for a seat on a committee especially if it is a position that doesn't have much influence in the committee. Grant suggests requesting the discounted fee and amending the motion. Simon clarifies that today we are just reaffiliating and the fee is to be discussed later.

Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION: Daniel to liaise with relevant person.

3.5. Reaffiliation with CISA

Nikodin asked when our previous year membership ended. Daniel suggested it was soon but does not have a specific date.

Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION: Daniel to liaise with relevant person.

3.6. Postgraduate Committee

Simon seconds the motion.

Simon questioned the large budgets for the smaller number of students.

Nikodin abstains.

Nikodin suggests committee members to report to the VPP.

Motion passed.

Action: Coordinate Postgraduate working group and explore the possibility of an association and its benefits.

3.7. Clean Up Our Campus SRC & Student Spaces

Robert seconds the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Action: Simon to follow up

3.8. Disconnect Between Students and Their Schools

Rameez suggested that beyond starting the clubs we need to support them in an ongoing fashion.

Rosina seconds the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Action: Simon to coordinate working group.

4. Other Business

Daniel addresses NUS emails and suggests delegates to have a meeting to report back to the SRC.

Action: Rameez to coordinate NUS meeting.

Nikodin and Simon have been coordinating events and request help if anyone is free to assist. You can reach out to Simon or Nik to assist.

Action: Simon to share zoom link.

5. Next Meeting and Close

Tyler addresses concerns that reps are not bringing forward their availabilities and meetings are barely reaching quorum. All reps need to disclose their availabilities as early as possible to ensure meetings can be organised. Daniel address meeting clashes with Provost community dinners as well as other meeting times which could eliminate some reps being in attendance. Nikodin believes it is a new low for the SRC that students were not invited to the SRC since quorum is barely ever met. Tyler will find the website to record availabilities which will be circulated via student email. Grant states that all reps need to communicate their availabilities. It is an expectation that is not to be taken lightly. Meetings that are not being held due to the lack of communication of reps.

Action: Tyler to gauge availabilities.

Meeting officially closed at 6:43pm.

Additional Documentation for April SRC Meeting

April Action Sheet

Student Representative Council Action Sheet		
Action	Responsibility	Completion
3.2 Rosina to chase up relevant department to maintain this.	Rosina	
3.3 Rosina to submit budget request.	Rosina	
3.4 Daniel to liaise with relevant person.	Daniel	
3.5 Daniel to liaise with relevant person.	Daniel	
3.6 Daniel to coordinate Postgraduate working group and explore the possibility of an association and its benefits.	Daniel	
3.7 Simon to follow up	Simon	
3.8 Simon to coordinate working group.	Simon	
Rameez to coordinate NUS meeting.	Rameez	
Simon to share zoom link for events meetings.	Simon	
Tyler to gauge availabilities	Tyler	Completed