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MINUTES of the **15th** meeting of the Executive Committee, 87th SRC, held on 12th August 2015 in the Office Bearers Room, SRC Offices.

PRESENT: Kyol Blakeney (Chair), Max Hall[^], Chiara Angeloni[^], Laura Webster, Subeta Vimalarajah.

Apologies: *Madison Mclvor (happy to be called via phone if meeting is inquorate)*

Alison Xiao
Christopher Donovan
Georgia Kriz

Minutes: Max Hall

In attendance:

Meeting Opened: 10:23

*[^]Joint position holders, counted together towards quorum.

1. Acknowledgement of Country

The University of Sydney Students Representative Council acknowledges the traditional owners of this land, the Gadigal people of the Eora nation. We pay our respects to the elders both past and present of the Eora nation and extend that respect to other Aboriginal people present.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Madison Mclvor, Christopher Donovan, Georgia Kriz and Alison Xiao
The apologies were accepted.

Moved: Chiara Angeloni

Seconded: Laura Webster

3. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on the 28th July 2015 were distributed.

Motion: that the minutes of the 28th July 2015 be accepted.

Moved: Laura Webster

Seconded: Chiara Angeloni

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

4. Business arising from the minutes

Page 2 – 11 – Change “recognisance” to “reconnaissance”

Page 2 – 11 – Change “council” to “counsel”

Page 4 – 8 – Change “fist” to “first”

5. Workplace Health and Safety Report

No Report

6. Report of the President

Committee business:

Academic Standards and Policy – Took the caseworkers policy for a University wide policy on discontinuation. The aim was to have this approved by the committee so that it could go to Academic Board. Ideally this would be implemented by week 7. The conversation around this concluded that Kyol should contact Student Administrative Services about implementing the policy among the other reforms that they are looking at. If SAS are unwilling to take this one, we will retry with AS&P and Academic Board.

Simple extensions: Lost the debate to save Simple Extensions. The new University wide special considerations procedure will go to Academic Board to be considered at the next meeting.

Admissions Committee – International students and their deferral rights were discussed. Happy to say that international students have the same deferral rights as domestic students: they will be allowed to defer for a year.

Senior Executive Group, Education: The board decided that Turnitin will be used for all text based assignments for 2016. Next discussed academic board reps – Max and Mady had expressed interest. Kyol has information on this available.

Student Consultative Committee: Kyol spoke about the RATE and the University's affiliation through advertising with Deicorp. Strongly opposed this and the hypocrisy of its superficial actions to support Indigenous peoples. Kyol spoke about the new, bigger bus to shuttle between SCA and Camperdown/Darlington campus. Have noticed that there are no buses between the other satellite campuses and C/D. Next step will be fixing this. Have been invited to do night walks with security to find unsafe spaces and places that need improved lighting and security. Will also review the security procedures. Subeta noted that the Wom*n's Officer's had received the dates. Max asked if this included Cumbo. Subeta advised that there would times for all campuses

University Administration: In the last exec meeting, I noted that Mel, Thomas and Kyol were reviewing the Uni's complaints and policy procedure. We have made a procedure that would introduce policies that have more direction for students in need of support – e.g. who to contact and what the procedure would be; stronger involvement of the SRC and SUPRA; the introduction of a compulsory response time to get back to a student; and a number of different mediation procedures and alternatives that can be used.

NAIDOC trivia and Karaoke night: The SRC has been invited to attend this on Thursday 13/08. Kyol gave an open invitation to all present to attend.

Motion: That the report of the President be accepted

Moved: Chiara Angeloni
Seconded: Laura Webster
The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

7. Report of the Vice Presidents

No report

8. Report of the General Secretaries

We met with USU and SUPRA executive regarding shared resources. A further meeting was planned where each organisation would bring back a list of potential shared resources and how it would be shared amongst the organisations – a memorandum of understanding was suggested.

USU Treasurer Edward McMahon mentioned the possibility of moving the bookstore to a better location. We were approached by SUPRA's Tom Greenwell about vacant Student Faculty Representatives to contact people who may be interested. Working with Lorna about finding Department Representatives. We've been working with Subeta and Laura to consult with collectives and councillors regarding a proposed stipend model which would see greater distribution of stipend allocation which was instigated by Office Bearer consults.

Motion: that the report of the General Secretaries be accepted.

Moved: Subeta Vimalarajah
Seconded: Laura Webster
The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

9. Report of the Administration Manager

We weren't able to get printers from the University so I have been researching printers for the caseworkers and Kyol's office. The cost will be \$2239.

Motion: that the report of the Administration Manager be accepted.

Moved: Chiara Angeloni
Seconded: Laura Webster
The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

10. Report of the Casework and Policy Manager

Dear Exec,

I request your approval for overtime for Lorna Pringle for 5 1/2 hours work on Tuesday 4 August. This was out of her usual hours/days (which are Monday, Thursday and Friday) .

I asked her to work these days as we were down 3 caseworkers on that day (on sick, special and annual leave) and it was a peak period with drop ins and urgent show cause deadlines.

I am happy to answer any questions.

Motion: that the report of the Casework and Policy Manager be accepted.

Moved: Laura Webster

Seconded: Chiara Angeloni

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

11. SRC Legal Service Report

No report of the SRC Legal Service.

12. Approval of Payments

12.1. Invoices

Motion: that the invoices be approved en bloc.

Moved:

Seconded:

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

12.2 Reimbursements

- a) \$67.06 to David Shakes from the Education department for Materials for working bee.
- b) \$883 to Erima Dall from Campus Refugee Action Collective (CRAC) for minibus to refugee convergence.
- c) \$65 to Erima Dall from Campus Refugee Action Collective (CRAC) for Pizza and drinks for evening forum on "The Cambodia Solution: why it isn't safe for refugees"
- d) \$127 to Peter Walsh from Honi Soit for expenses incurred for reporter celebration.
- e) \$205.20 to Chitra Narayanan for SRC Resso (casework) database hosting.
- f) \$131.20 to Blythe Worthy from the Education department for stickers for rally.

Motion: that reimbursements be approved en bloc.

Moved: Kyol Blakeney

Seconded: Max Hall

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

13. Any Other Reports

13.1. Report of the Wom*n's Officers

Following the Feminist Education Groups we've had three schools contact us to hold incursions at which we would be able to speak with whole grades from the school.

Reclaim the Night is being planned. We have been helping them out a bit with preparation. The event will likely have a "community vibe".

Hey Sis! Campaign – We are working with the Law Society. They are not allowed to collect money, but we will be able to collect money at their events. Collections will also be taken at the Tampon Tax rally this Friday.

Tampon Tax Campaign – The big rally is this Friday. Alisha Aitken-Radburn, Hannah Smith and Subeta are speaking at the rally. Additionally, there are a lot of student performers. We will know by next week how the CFFR is going to decide.

University's Sexual Harassment Campaign – The survey that was intended to be launched during Radical Sex and Consent Week has been delayed. Subeta is meeting with Uni management and Elizabeth Broderick, who will administer the campaign.

Motion: that the report of the Wom*n's Officers be accepted.

Moved: Laura Webster

Seconded: Chiara Angeloni

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

14. Other Business

14.1 Staff Leave

Joyleen Sloane: Annual leave 01-09-2015 to 02-09-2015. 2 days, 14 hours.

Joyleen Sloane: Annual leave 07-09-2015 to 08-09-2015. 2 days, 14 hours.

Joyleen Sloane: Leave without pay 03-09-2015 to 04-09-2015. 2 days, 14 hours.

Sharon Maher: Special leave 05-08-2-15 to 06-08-2015. 2 days, 14 hours.

Chitra Narayanan: Time in Lieu 10-08-2015. 1 day, 7 hours.

Amanda leMay: Annual leave 27-07-2015. 1 day, 7 hours.

Amanda leMay: Annual leave 01-07-2015 to 08-07-2015. 2 days, 16 hours.

Mickie Quick: Annual leave 14-08-2015 to 18-08-2015. 2.5 days, 17.5 hours.

Motion: that the staff leave be approved en bloc.

Moved: Kyol Blakeney

Seconded: Laura Webster

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

14.2. Request from Ethnic affairs

Return flights Melbourne to Sydney, \$200 - flights for interstate guest, Amina Ziard, to be part of the panel 'Sexual Ethics and Rights in Islam' for Rad Sex & Consent Week

Note: it is difficult to find Muslim-identifying speakers willingly to speak publicly on sex and sexuality which is why we've found it necessary to bring in a speaker from Melbourne.

MWC president, Fatema Ali, is currently out of action due to personal issues thus ACAR is stepping in to support this event.

\$50 - panel on 'Intersections of Violence: Muslim women in the domestic and public space' featuring Maha Abdo from the Muslim Women's Association. We want to provide snacks at the event.

Funding Request: VERGE FESTIVAL (ACAR Poetry Slam)

Two interstate guests have been invited to perform, Abe Nouk and Abdul Hammoud. Both are from Melbourne. We have a budget from Verge but need a top-up.

Flights \$200

Food \$80

Gifts of appreciation for artists: \$100

Prizes for audience: \$50

Motion: that the request be approved.

Moved: Max Hall

Seconded: Chiara Angeloni

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

14.3 Request from Indigenous collective

This email is just to confirm that the Indigenous Collective will be donating \$550 from our budget to the Redfern Tent Embassy in line with the motion that was passed at Council earlier in the year.

Motion: that the request be approved.

Moved: Chiara Angeloni

Seconded: Laura Webster

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

The meeting was declared closed at 11:02