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MINUTES:

Of the 2nd regular meeting of the 88th SRC held on Wednesday the 2nd March. Meeting held in the Professorial Board Room.

A. Meeting open at 6:31 pm

A1. Election of Deputy Chairperson

The Chair moved that Georgia Mantle be elected Deputy Chairperson.

Seconded: Isabella Brook

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

B. Acknowledgement of Country

The University of Sydney Students' Representative Council acknowledges the traditional owners of this land (Sydney), the Gadigal people of the Eora nation. We stand on this land today as beneficiaries of an uncompensated and unreconciled dispossession that occurred over 200 years ago. Many of the descendants of those dispossessed live just down the road in abject poverty, and as young people it is important to recognise how this history of dislocation and disenfranchisement has contributed to the inequality we observe in modern society. We acknowledge both our privilege and our obligation to redress the situation as best we can: to remember the mistakes of the past, act on the problems of today, and build a future for everyone who now calls this place home, striving always for genuinely practical and meaningful reconciliation.

C. Apologies, Proxies and Leaves of Absence

Apologies were received from:

Dylan Williams
Alice Strauss
Michael Elliott
Sean Tingcombe
Vanessa Song (Wom*n's Officer)
Liam Garman

Proxies

David Hogan to Ed McCann
Vinil Kumar to Kim Murphy
Zhitong Liu to Alexander Shu
Tom Baker to Alex Fitton

Absent

Jenna Schroder

Michael Sun

Lorena White

D. Changes to Membership

E. Electoral Report

E1. Consideration of any resignations

Ridah Hassan resigns to Eleanor Morley

Zhitong Liu resigns to Zeyu (Alexander) Shu

Madison Mclvor resigns as Indigenous Officer.

Motion to accept the resignations.

Moved: Sam Kwon

Seconded: Cameron Hawkins

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

F. Minutes of the previous Council meeting.

Minutes of the 1st meeting of 88th SRC Council held on 3rd February 2016 were circulated.

Motion: that the minutes of the 3rd February be accepted.

Moved: Monique Newberry

Seconded: Ed McCann

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

G. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business for this item.

H. Question Time of 15 minutes, which may be extended by resolution for a further 15 minutes.

I. Visitor's Business

There was no business for this item.

J. Report of the Undergraduate Fellow of Senate

Procedural motion to move to agenda item R1.

Moved: Cameron Caccamo

Seconded: Cameron Hawkins

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

R1.

Motion: **Motion of commiseration for Elliott Miller**

On the First of March 2016, University of Sydney student Elliott Miller passed away after a battle with cancer.

Elliott was highly regarded in the performing arts community; he was elected as Director of the 2016 Arts Revue after two years as a cast member, directed and starred in many SUDS shows, and was a regular feature in USyd's Theatresports competition. His passing is our collective loss; his spontaneity and outrageous acting and comedic talent will be sorely missed.

Those close to Miller have found the opening week of University difficult; some have been academically hindered, including missing classes. With many services, events, and a funeral occurring in the following week, the SRC should ensure all students know of its caseworker service.

Action:

The SRC:

- Formally expresses its commiserations to the family and friends of Elliott Miller,
- Resolves to advertise, via Facebook, the caseworker services the SRC provides, with an emphasis places on inviting students who may be academically hindered by this or any other similar circumstances.

Cameron Caccamo spoke to the motion talking about the impact this has had on a number of students and that this is a point where the SRC services are really valuable for supporting those affected and that we should do our best to make clear those services are accessible.

Lachlan echoed Cameron Caccamo's comments

Liam spoke in favor of the motion saying what a loss many he knows were experiencing and that he hopes they have the support needed at this time.

Moved: Cameron Caccamo

Seconded: Lachlan Ward

The motion was put and **CARRIED**

Procedural motion to move straight to section Q. all items

Moved: Cameron Caccamo

Seconded: Eleanor Morley

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

Q. Motions of Notice

Q1.

Motion: **Solidarity with the Let Them Stay campaign**

Preamble

The High Court ruled on 3rd February that the deportation and off shore detention of 267 asylum seekers currently residing in Australia is completely lawful. Among them include around 30 babies, people with medical conditions and women who have been sexually assaulted.

Protests were called the day after the court ruling across all major cities in Australia. The campaign, with the slogan “Let Them Stay” has spread across Australia, with staff in workplaces taking photos in solidarity, and with stunts like people suspending themselves off bridges or towers with Let Them Stay banners.

The popular pressure has meant that state premiers across Australia have come out and said they would resettle the asylum seekers in their states. Despite this, Malcolm Turnbull remains set on the deportations, with the full support of Bill Shorten. This puts Bill Shorten to the right of Liberal NSW premier Mike Baird who also offered his support to asylum seekers.

Churches have come out offering sanctuary to asylum seekers. The principle of sanctuary is an ancient practice that entails churches providing protection and immunity against state arrests. The churches offering sanctuary are therefore prepared to outright defy the Australian state and its refugee policy.

In Brisbane, medical staff at Lady Cilento hospital have refused to discharge baby Asha, thereby protecting her and her family from being returned to Nauru. Baby Asha was flown in to Brisbane from Nauru after suffering burns and needing immediate medical attention. The medical staff recognise that the dismal conditions at Nauru are detrimental to her health and wellbeing. Their actions have inspired protests around the country, including a recent solidarity action at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital.

Platform

- The SRC endorses the Let Them Stay Campaign

- The SRC reaffirms its commitment for refugee rights and the call for the cessation of deportation, the release of all refugees from detention and their immediate settlement in Australia.

Action

- The SRC will provide refuge to any asylum seeker facing deportation or harassment from authorities.
- **[Added]** That the SRC encourages all councilors and office bearers to attend the protest against Immigration minister Peter Dutton at the Australian Monarchist League dinner on March 10.

The SRC will immediately upon passing this motion take a “Let Them Stay” solidarity photo and share the photo through social media.

Kim Spoke to the motion, saying that the government’s legislation was unethical and that many actions have taken place to prevent these deportations. She continued that it is important that the SRC take up these issues and show support and welcome all refugees, and we should offer sanctuary to refugees. Concluding that we can’t call ourselves an anti racist union if we don’t show support on these issues.

Declan Maher spoke to the motion saying that the government was going to wait for this to die down then keep the deportations going and that it was important to keep this in the public eye. He concluded with that’s why we need to keep attention on this issue to maintain awareness on these atrocities.

Eleanor Morley moved an addition to the motion:

That the SRC encourages all councilors and office bearers to attend the protest against Immigration minister Peter Dutton at the Australian Monarchist League dinner on March 10.

The amendment was amenable to the movers.

Moved: Kim Murphy

Seconded: Declan Maher

The motion was put and **CARRIED**

Q2.

Motion: **Rally Against the Restructure March16**

Preamble

- University management have made clear their plans to push ahead with a restructure opposed by staff and students that will dramatically change Sydney University for the worse. Degree cuts, staff cuts and faculty mergers have all been confirmed, and there is doubtless other changes yet to be proposed that will act to reinforce a two-tiered higher education system, pricing working class students out of a quality education.
- The Education Action Group has planned a rally against the restructure for Wednesday March 16 at 1pm, meeting outside Carslaw. This will only be the first step in a campaign to stop the restructure, and it is important that the whole SRC commits to ensuring the success of this rally, and the campaign more generally.

Platform

- The SRC stands unequivocally against all aspects of management's restructure.
- As the only 100% student run organisation on campus, the SRC recognises the key role it must play in organising the student campaign against the restructure, and will accordingly make this the priority of 2016.

Action

- The SRC will shut down its services for the duration of the rally (1pm-3pm).
- The SRC encourages all Office Bearers and Councillors to attend the March 16 rally.
- The SRC encourages all Office Bearers and Councillors to involve themselves in building this rally, and future actions organised by the campaign.
- The SRC will run information stalls on campus in the lead up to the rally in order to advertise it.
- The education officers will ensure a press release has been circulated prior to the rally.
- **[Added]** To encourage all councilors and office bearers to sign up to Thunderclap, and to the EAG organizing and 'Fight the Restructure' Facebook pages.

Eleanor Morley Spoke to the motion saying there was a really good response from new students at O-week with regards to the restructure; this motion is more of a practical motion for the March 16th rally. I think its worth noting that there hasn't been enough of a build up of this rally yet so I encourage people to attend the EAG and also to take on the task of building the rally, by talking to people you know and helping out on SRC stalls and lecture announcements.

Kim moved her speaking rights as seconder to April Holcombe, April Holcombe said it would be good if the SRC shut down during the Rally to get more people there, and that more meetings were needed with regards to the rally, and hopefully there will be more people coming along to them, April concluded by encouraging those present to attend.

Liam Carrigan spoke to the motion stating that it was a really good motion and this is a campaign the council should rally around. Liam continued saying that this was announced at the end of last year when the EAG was least able to organise people, adding there is a range of ways to get involved and that this has been an excellent way of taking advantage of social media and asked those present to join thunderclap a Facebook add on to help build the rally. Concluding that the council should be doing as much as possible as they were elected on a mandate to represent students and that changing a profile or cover photo and signing up to thunderclap is a small thing that can make a difference to the movement.

Liam Carrigan proposed an amendment to add to the actions points

To encourage all councilors and office bearers to sign up to Thunderclap, and to the EAG organizing and 'Fight the Restructure' Facebook pages.

It was amenable to the movers.

Eleanor Morley added that the reason we want to shut down the SRC is to show that the SRC is taking this seriously, that the SRC is about fighting, not just about offering services. Eleanor concluded saying that two hours is not a long time in the scheme of things and there were 7 days the SRC was shut down during the staff cuts campaign and no one questioned that.

Dylan Griffiths spoke to the motion mentioning a disappointing number of people who had not yet responded to the Facebook event for the rally and at last check only 39 people had clicked attending so far.

Lachlan Ward agreed that it would be a good thing to shut down in solidarity, but disagreed that because the SRC shut down in the past it should do so again. Adding that this is a new council that can make its own decisions. Concluding that sometimes there are waiting times of 2 weeks to see a caseworker and I don't think it is appropriate to prevent those students from accessing those appointments.

Proposed an amendment to remove the action to shut down the SRC at that time.

It was not amenable to the movers.

Lachlan Ward moved the amendment as a foreshadowing motion.

Seconded: Justine Landis-Hanley.

Monique Newberry added to the debate that two hours out of a whole week is not that bad.

Oliver Plunkett agreed with Eleanor Morley, adding that SRC should shut down because the SRC is a union and it's important that it goes out like a union would concluding that it would be a very symbolic move.

Justine Landis-Hanley spoke to the motion but added concern over shutting down the SRC and limiting students' ability to access the advocacy services. Adding that instead the council consult with the casework and legal services are amenable to shutting down that we shut down but not if they disagree to the motions.

Siobhan Ryan asked if there was anyway to find out if there were already appointments booked at that time.

April Holcombe added the staff aren't the union the council is the union, and the staff answer to the union.

Dylan Griffiths spoke to the motion mentioning a time he was in the office when a student asked the from desk what the difference between the SRC and the USU was, to answer the question the person at the front desk said the USU does bars and parties and the SRC works on welfare issues for students. Adding that this rally is about student welfare, and it is in the University's interested to not have a strong fighting student union. Concluding with it is important that there is a strong union, and this would be a good way to show solidarity and fight the restructure as much as possible.

Chloe Smith passed the chair to Georgia Mantle

Chloe Smith spoke in favor of the motion but against the shut down of the SRC citing that caseworkers are the best at assessing what is needed and would not want to put a student at risk for the sake of shutting down for two hours. Concluding that the services have a big impact on students.

Georgia Mantle returned the chair to Chloe Smith

Monique Newberry added that consultation with the caseworkers is important and that might be a good idea as they will know the impact more than we would.

Cameron Caccamo suggested a possible amendment,

That the SRC will not accept new appointments for its services but will honour existing commitments

Adding that this also has the effect of promoting the rally at the same time, and that people were over exaggerating the issues. Noting this is for only 2 hours in two weeks time. It 's not unreasonable to shut down and it shouldn't be too hard to reorgansie appointments. Concluding that it is the responsibility of the union to be a fighting union not just a service provider for the time the protest on.

The amendment was not amenable to the movers.

Eleanor Morley spoke, agreeing with Chloe Smith's assessment on the ability and importance of the Legal and casework teams, but added that the stance on which this motion was being opposed was somewhat hysterical compared to the actual content of the motion, which is that the SRC put the attention to promoting the rally for just 2 hours. Adding that the attempted amendments were wrong, as there is enough room outside those hours where the caseworkers can reschedule appointments. Concluding by noting that the NTEU is going to be running a rally at the same time because as Michael Spence said many of them face being fired.

Liam Carrigan spoke, agreeing that the SRC should be shut down to make a point, and that the caseworkers would be in support of this, adding that they believe the staff are stanch unionists and the restructure is going to have a huge impact on students if it isn't fought. Concluding that the SRC can shut down for two hours.

Alex Fitton added to the debate asking if the hours of the SRC could be extended to make up for the lost hours.

Chloe Smith replied suggesting that it may conflict with the EBA.

Lachlan Ward Lachlan Ward changed the foreshadowing motion to '*That the SRC will not accept new appointments for its services but will honour existing commitments*'.

Adding that he did not agree that this was hysterical and that there should be consultation with the SRC legal service and caseworks, for all we know they have to be in court.

Moved: Eleanor Morley

Seconded: Kim Murphy

The motion was put and **CARRIED**

Q3.

Motion: **Fighting Islamophobia on Campus**

Preamble

Since the declaration of the so-called 'War on Terror', Islamophobia has become the dominant form of racism across most of the western world. It pervades every institution of society here in Australia - most obviously in the media, the political discourse, pop culture, and is then refracted in our workplaces and on our streets.

It is the duty of every student unionist to stand up against this barrage of racist filth, on and off campus. This council is proud to stand in a tradition of doing just that - last year we supported a number of demonstrations against racism, fascism and islamophobia.

The Sydney University management have spent much money and effort on trying to construct an anti-racist image. Last year, along with some misguided student activists, they launched a hypocritical campaign called "racism: it stops with me". The goal of this campaign is to lend a progressive sheen to their neoliberal practice. In assigning blame to random individuals, rather than the structures of society, the campaign was always a distraction from the real struggle against racism. However recent events have shown just how cynical this effort really was.

In the last three months the Islamic Prayer rooms at Sydney University have been attacked five times. As far as we know there has been no attempt by the university to seriously investigate the attacks, beyond a few token supportive comments. Significantly, these comments don't mention racism.

In contrast, when a group of students organised two separate non-violent direct action against visiting Israeli war criminals, the university immediately sent a global email to all students and staff decrying supposed racism involved from the parts of the protesters. These protesters included respected anti-war activists such as Jake Lynch, Bosnian refugee Alma Torlakovic, and others. The allegations were farcical, and were thrown out in the subsequent investigation.

The difference in response to these two incidents is telling. University management are happy to cry racism in order to undermine pro-Palestinian activism, but when actual racism rears its ugly head, they say and do nothing.

Platform

1. This SRC recognises that Islamophobia in particular has been actively constructed and promoted by leading figures across Australian society for cynical political ends.

2. This SRC recognises that management campaigns against racism are little more than token attempts at PR, and reflect no genuine desire to challenge structural racism.

3. This SRC condemns the attacks on the Muslim Prayer room as motivated by racism.

Action

1. The SRC President will write a letter to the University demanding that it send a global email about Islamophobia on and off campus, and encourage students to stand with our Muslim sisters and brothers.

2. The SRC will [work in consultation with departments to fundraise] one thousand dollars to SUMSA from central funds in order to facilitate the renovation/refurnishing of the room in an act of solidarity.

3. The SRC will put a full-page ad in Honi Soit (not on the back) about our opposition to Islamophobia and solidarity with all those affected.

4. The SRC will establish lines of communication with SUMSA and all other relevant collectives in order to respond rapidly to such attacks in the future.

5. The SRC will consult with SUMSA and all other relevant collectives about further action that can be taken to assist them in defending their prayer room and fighting islamophobia on and off campus.

Kim Murphy spoke to the motion stating that it's proven to be quite clear that the target of government's is Muslims and depicting them as terrorists. Last week the prayer room at University of Sydney was vandalized, this has happened before and this has happened at other universities. This motion is about showing solidarity, and the university is not an anti racist university and they have done anything about it and don't see it as a race issue yet when anti racism activist called out Israeli war crimes, they sent out a letter about not being a racist and condemning the anti racist activists.

Liam Carrigan added that they thought the motion was good and looked at the issue well.

Lachlan Ward asked to amend the motion to include to action point two, to donate \$1000 to SUMSA from volunteering departments' budgets. Lachlan Ward inquired if it was amenable?

The change was amenable to the mover.

Ed McCann Spoke on the motion noting that they believed any act against peoples freedom of expression is wrong and that these attacks horrendous. Ed McCann continues stating that there is a difference between the racist rhetoric of groups such as Reclaim Australia and those who raise concerns around ideology and statistics that confront people in tutorials yet many of the latter are labeled the same as the former.

April Holcombe responded to the comments of Mr. McCann, disagreeing with his assessment of what students raise in tutorials as not being racist and adding that and it wouldn't be a surprise if Ed McCann and member of his faction were responsible for the destruction of the. Concluding by suggesting that the University of full of people, millionaires and billionaires, who like to kick people in the teeth, and the concerns expressed were nothing more than crocodile tears.

Monique Newberry added to the debate that if someone is making a particular gross comment about a particular minority or group and that they shouldn't be accepted for saying that. Adding that they believed it was important that people are be able to practice their religion safely and freely, not told off and told to come back at more convenient times when other students are able to practice their religions in peace.

Dimitry Palmer spoke against the comment made by April Holcomb, stating they wished to reject and condemn the comments calling them an accusation and refuted that accusation. Dimitry continued saying the attacks on the prayer room were disgusting and condemned them, then added the need for a more open debate and that focusing explicitly on islamophobia on campus locks out other students who face issues with racism on campus that are not islamophobia. Dimitry continued saying that the suggestion SRC should write a letter, is just a token, and an attempt at PR, adding that if the university did something that it would be called out for being tokenistic. Dimitry Palmer concluded by saying while he fully supports the SE=RC supporting the Sydney University Muslim Student Association, and any support we give to assist them with repairing the prayer room he rejects the suggestion that a person from his political association has anything to do their the vandalism in the first place.

Michelle Picone spoke to the motion calling it a very level headed motion and that asking the university to do something about a prevalent issue on campus is completely reasonable, the arguments against this are unreasonable.

Eleanor Morley spoke to the motion highlighting the prevalence of islamophobia in Australia by the police and the rhetorical of the two major parties. Adding that the motion was written with SUMSA but they did not feel comfortable moving the motion tonight or attending the meeting out of fear of a backlash. Eleanor continued saying it was worth noting that islamophobia is prevalent in the country by the policies and rhetoric of the two major parties. Eleanor concluded by saying that this motion was written with SUMSA but they didn't not feel comfortable or safe coming to meeting because of the racism they suffer on campus, by those who Ed McCann would defend,

make racist comments in tutorials. I would hope that everyone else in this room would shout down such comments.

William Doors added to the debate stating that the Liberal party is a party of pluralism. Continuing by saying that the actions of the destruction of the prayer room, was heinous, but as usual, the far left has made this about islamophobia disregarding all the other forms of racism student experience on this campus.

Georgia Mantle responded to the comment by saying that as an Indigenous student she knows and has experienced the racism and abuse on campus many face, but that in this situation it was not the Indigenous students room, also in the Old Teachers College, that was vandalised but the Muslim prayer room. Concluding that we should be putting water on the house that's burning and show support to those who need it, when they need it until everyone is safe on campus.

Matthew Campbell spoke to the motion expressing distaste at the way the motion was being discussed, expressing particular dislike for the way William Door, Ed McCann and Dimitry Palmer spoke against the motion saying they moved the conversation to non-relevant issues such as concern at being able to make "racist" comments in tutorials.

Cameron Caccamo spoke to the motion saying that if Dimitry Palmer has concerns it was not inclusive he could use his position as interfaith officer, and write a piece for their allocated space in Honi Soit to talk about those issues. Cameron concluded his comments saying the motion should be passed.

Cameron Caccamo proposed an amendment, to put provide space for an advertisement for SUMSA in Honi. It was amenable to the mover.

Liam Carrigan spoke to the motion to include the other Muslim student organisations on campus in consultations. It was amenable.

Kim Murphy spoke to her motion dismissing many of the comments made against the motion as garbage and that many of those who spoke against the motion also spoke with fake concern and a desire to be seen to distance themselves from the racism perceived to be associated with their political affiliation. Adding that it is the party that those who have spoken against this motion who are approving the raids on Muslim houses and scaring and demonizing the Muslim community on the front of tabloid papers. Suggesting that they support "barbarism" and asking why should there be a measured response to barbarism. Concluding by suggesting that those who spoke against the motion are ruining people's lives, and that they have no dignity or integrity.

Moved: Kim Murphy

Seconded: Zahra Makki

The motion was put and **CARRIED**

Procedural to move to the report of the Chair of Standing Legal

Moved: Cameron Caccamo

Seconded: Monique Newberry

The motion was put and **CARRIED**.

N1. Report of the Chair of Standing Legal

Cameron Caccamo tabled a written report.

RULING ON KWON/HARRIS

BACKGROUND:

At the representative-elect meeting of 2015, the very last election of the night saw three nominees elected to the Standing Legal Committee. Liliana Tai was elected under Affirmative Action, while a joint ticket of Sam Kwon and Jaden Harris was also elected into the second spot.

There is the question, however, of whether this election was correctly held. As the interpreter of the Constitution and Regulations, the Chair of Standing Legal has the responsibility of following up this question and determining the validity of the election.

RELEVANT REGULATIONS: (C is constitution, R is regulations)

- C2 (b): The Council shall consist of the Representatives, the President and other Officers of Council as specified in Section 4 hereof and as defined in the Regulations...
- R1.1: The Council shall consist of the Members of the Council gathered together in the manner prescribed by the Constitution and the Regulations
- R1.2: The members of the Council shall be The President, The Representatives, The Officers established by the Constitution, such Officers as are appointed by Regulation to be Members of the Council, and such other persons who are appointed ex-officio by the Regulations to be Members of Council
- R1.3 (a): (A list of all officers that can then be Members of Council)
- R1.3 (b): The above Officers, the five ordinary members of the executive and all members of standing committees, shall be elected by proportional representation at the special Council meeting of the Representatives-elect...
- R1.3 (d): All Officer positions may only be split once and shared between two members of the student body
- R1.3 (d)(i): The following positions shall not be shared: the 5 general members of the Executive, Chair of the Standing Legal Committee, all members of Committees and the Directors of Student Publications.

- R7.3: In addition to such other Committees as are established elsewhere in these Regulations, there shall be the following Standing Committees of Council:
 - R7.3 (d): The Standing legal committee, which is described in Part 9
 - R9.1: There shall be a Standing Legal Committee whose powers shall be purely advisory, and which shall consider such matters as are referred to it by the Council and in particular shall report on proposed changes to the Constitution or these Regulations
 - R9.1 (a): The Committee shall consist of the Chairperson of the Committee, the President, the Vice-President, and General Secretary *ex-officio*, and two members of Council elected at the special Council meeting of the Representatives-elect, according to part one of these regulations [R1.3 (a)], after the Annual elections.

RULING:

The Kwon/Harris case comes down to two clear breaches of the regulations. Firstly, it is clear that Kwon should not have been allowed to nominate at the time. Kwon did not fulfill the requirements of being a Member of Council, holding neither a Representative position nor an Officer position [R1.2, R9.1 (a)]. Harris was an elected Representative and thus eligible. The Returning Officer should have ruled Kwon as ineligible and continued the election as if Harris was a singular nominee.

Since the Representatives-elect meeting, Kwon has been elected to Council via a casual vacancy, thus making him eligible for the position. However, this does not change the ineligibility of the nomination at the time.

Secondly, it is quite clear that the joint nomination should not have been permitted regardless of Kwon’s eligibility. R1.3 (d)(i) is quite unambiguous in stating that committee membership positions cannot be shared by more than one member of the student body. The nomination should have been outright rejected, or, using the discretion of the Electoral Officer as was exercised throughout the meeting, split into two separate nominations.

The Chair is of the opinion that, if this had happened, Harris would have been duly elected to the position. However, such an opinion should not be the basis for any resolution.

RESOLUTION:

It is clear that Kwon’s nomination was invalid, as was the joint nomination of Kwon/Harris even if Kwon was eligible at the time. It would be unfair, then, to let one or both nominees continue in the position without an election held to determine the best candidate.

The Chair of Standing Legal recommends that the position be considered vacant, with an election to be held at the next possible Council Meeting. All Members of Council should be allowed to nominate; this should not be a decision just between Kwon and Harris, as other candidates are more than eligible to nominate provided they meet the requirements of being a Member of Council.

I'll be around the SRC to talk about election reform if you want to come down.

Motion: that the minutes of the Standing Legal Committee meeting be accepted.

Motion: Cameron Caccamo

Seconded: Ed McCann

The motion was put and **CARRIED**

K. Elections

K1. Election of 2 Members of the Intercampus committee (must study at a campus other than Camperdown/Darlington)

No nominations were received.

K2. Election of one standing legal committee member (must be a councillor, ex officio member or an officer bearer)

Three nominations were received from Jaden Harris, Same Kwon and Mathew Campbell. Sam Kwon withdrew his nomination.

Jaden Harris spoke to his nomination

Mathew Campbell spoke to his nomination.

The election was held by secret ballot.

Jaden Harris: 13

Matthew Campbell: 7

Invalid: 3

Jaden Harris was declared duly elected.

L. Report of the President and Executive

L1. Executive Minutes

Minutes of the Executive meetings from the 27th January 2016

Motion: that the minutes of the executive meetings from 27th January 2016 be accepted.

Moved: Monique Newberry

Seconded: Ilya Klauzner

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

L2. Report of the Executive

Report of the executive from the 4th Feb to the 2nd March 2016.

The report was circulated and noted.

The President deferred the Chair to the Deputy Chairperson.

There was a request for a quorum count.

The Secretary to Council called a quorum count.

The meeting was found inquorate.

Meeting lapsed at 8:08pm