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MINUTES of the **6th** meeting of the Executive Committee, 91st SRC, held on Friday 22nd March, in the Gosper Room, SRC Offices.

PRESENT: Jacky He (Chair), Niamh Callinan*, Yuxuan Yang*, Dane Luo^, Vonnie Li, and Xiaoyu Jin.

Apologies: Caitlyn Chu^, Josie Jakovac, Prudence Wilkins-Wheat, Alex Yang.

Minutes: Julia Robins

Meeting Opened: 10:14am

*^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 Caitlyn Chu^, Josie Jakovac, Prudence Wilkins-Wheat, Alex Yang.

Moved: Dane Luo

Seconded: Niamh Callinan

The apologies were accepted.

3. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on the 8th March 2019 were distributed.

There was a correction to the minutes of the 4th Meeting that was accepted in the 5th, it was asked that those minutes not be accepted and there for the minutes of the 4th not be accepted until the correction be made.

The correction was to the report of the Publication Managers from the 4th Meeting of the Executive.

Original:

14.1. Report of the Publications Officers

The Publications Officers submitted a report:

Motion: That the meeting move *in-camera*.

Moved: Niamh Callinan

Seconded: Yuxuan Yang

The motion was put and **CARRIED**

The meeting moved *in camera* at 12.02pm

Motion: That the Publications Officers Report be accepted, and that the Secretary to Council appoint a staff member to work on the issue.

Moved: Niamh Callinan

Seconded: Prudence Wilkins-Wheat

The motion was put and **CARRIED**

The meeting moved *ex camera* at 12.32pm

Corrected:

14.1. Report of the Publications Managers

The Publications Managers submitted a confidential report:

Motion: That the meeting move *in-camera*.

Moved: Niamh Callinan

Seconded: Yuxuan Yang

The motion was put and **CARRIED**

The meeting moved *in camera* at 12.02pm

The meeting moved *ex camera* at 12.32pm

Motion: That the Publications Managers Report be accepted, and that the Secretary to Council work with the Publications Managers to create a new DSP procedure.

Moved: Niamh Callinan

Seconded: Prudence Wilkins-Wheat

The motion was put and **CARRIED**

It was explained that these changes were to ensure clarity and transparency when dealing with confidential issues.

Motion: that the amended minutes of the 19th February and the minutes of the 8th March 2019 be accepted.

Moved: Dane Luo

Seconded: Niamh Callinan

The motion was put and **CARRIED**.

4. Business arising from the minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. Correspondence

An Email from Mad Pizza to the executive was circulated.

Jacky He spoke to the correspondence saying that while there is precedent in receiving deals from businesses for students, such as Bondi Pizza supplying vouchers for O-week. Adding that he thought this email's intention was unclear that it wasn't right for only the executive to a deal in exchange for promoting a business to students.

The correspondence was noted.

6. Workplace Health and Safety Report

Melissa de Silva provided a written report

Sushi smell - I've placed a complaint through Julia Cohen (Uni WHS) to go to Riskware to see if we can get a solution to the situation.

Fire exit – I’ve continued to send photos to Clint (USU Building Manager) about the obstruction of the fire exit in the corridor between us and the Sushi Shop. I’m waiting on a reply.

I’ve made an appointment with Cheryl from Security to do lock in and disperse training.

Motion: that the report of the Workplace Health & Safety Officer be accepted.

Moved: Dane Luo

Seconded: Niamh Callinan

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

Jacky He resigned the Chair to Dane Luo to give his report

7. Report of the President

Jacky He provided a written report

SRC Pizza and Beer Party

Caitlyn, the international student officers and I have been actively working together to host a SRC Pizza and Beer Party which is open to all undergraduate students for registration. The event will take place at Courtyard on the 28th of March and we anticipate to have an approximate number of 100 undergraduate students attending. We have also invited a few undergraduate tutors from various disciplines to participate in event. Our motive for hosting this party is to engage the undergraduate students with the SRC, give them a time for relief from assessments and allow them to network with tutors and receive some study tips from the tutors. The event will be advertised on Facebook, WeChat, What’s App, and will be open for both domestic and international students.

This event complies with the SSAF guidelines of “providing food and drinks to students on university campus”, “promoting the welfare of students” and “supporting recreational activities”, hence also consistent with Section 19-38 of the Higher Education Legislation Amendment Act 2011. Our usage and consumption of alcohol has been approved by the manager of Courtyard (for as long as the alcohol is purchased from Courtyard), complies with USU’s alcohol policies, and also the University’s newly amended alcohol policies.

In the past, SUPRA has also hosted similar events of a similar scale that is open to all postgraduate students, such as their prominent Wine and Cheese Party. One of the other reason why we are hosting the event is because we want undergraduates to have an equivalent experience as the postgraduate students. Historically, each of SUPRA’s events cost around \$1500 for the same size of attendance. Compared to SUPRA, our event will only cost \$905 for catering and an additional \$20 for name cards and balloon decorations. This amounts to \$9.25 per head as compared to \$15 per head from SUPRA events, proving our event to be relatively cost-effective. Hereby I would like the executives to approve of the \$925 expenditure for the event, the expenditure break-down is shown below:

100 x \$5 Furphy Schooner (Negotiated with USU) = \$500 (one free beer for each registered student upon entry)

3 x \$135 Pizza Combo (Each combo serves 30 students) = \$405

Name Cards + Balloons = \$20 from Officeworks

Motion: The executives approve \$925 in total for SRC to host the Pizza and Beer Party at Courtyard on 28th of March 2019.

Progress Update on Open Learning Environment

On Wednesday 6th of March, Sean Perry, who is one of the elected student representatives sitting on the academic board, also a Dalyell scholar and I met with Professor Peter McCallum, who is the Chair

of the Board of Interdisciplinary Studies, and also the person responsible for the operation of the OLE units. We proposed a few preliminary solutions that would:

1. Possibly increase more six credit point units so that students are not stuck with the option of doing 2 credit point units
2. Make it possible to complete OLE units through overseas exchange programs
3. Mitigate the extra workload that Dalyell Scholar students have to take on
4. Provide additional staff support

Professor McCallum has informed me that these proposed changes will be raised in the April Board of Interdisciplinary Studies Meeting, and if that is passed, will be reported to the UE Education Committee and Academic Board. If the stakeholders and professors are satisfied with the suggestions and the changes pass through the committee meetings, it will be implemented starting from Semester 1 of 2020.

SRC Acquittals

Over the weekends, Dane and Niamh have put together a list of SSAF acquittals for the student representative projects, office-bearer stipends, elections, Welcome Week (or Orientation Week as it was called in 2018) and National Union of Students Expenditure. The acquittal was reviewed by me and was then sent off to Chitra who then combined the student acquittals with the staff acquittals. The acquittal was finally reviewed by me and was sent off on Tuesday. The Vice Presidents and General Secretaries will provide the executives with more detailed information about the acquittal in their respective reports. We want to thank Chitra for her instrumental contribution during this process.

Enterprise Bargaining Agreement

The Enterprise Bargaining Agreement (EBA) is an agreement that SRC executives sign with the staffs at SRC, and is renewed every 5 years. The last time the EBA was negotiated was back in 2015 during Kyol Blakeney's year, and requires a review and renewal this year. I have spoken with Chitra last week regarding the general process that takes place during the negotiation of EBA, and shared this information with the general secretaries. We are in the process of examining the 2015 EBA right now to see if there are any amendments to be made, and we are hoping to begin the negotiation process sometime soon. In order to begin the process of EBA, we must first nominate and elect two representatives who will communicate on behalf of the executives with the elected representatives from the staff committee once the EBA begins.

Motion: To nominate and elect two representatives who will represent the executives, along with the President, to engage in the negotiating process of the EBA.

Jacky He gave an overview of the contents of his report.

Jacky He called a discussion and for nominations for the EBA negotiation team.

Motion: to move the meeting in camera

Moved: Yuxuan Yang

Seconded: Xiaoyu Jin

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

The meeting moved *in camera* at 10:33

The meeting moved *ex camera* at 10:34

Motion: That the report of the President be accepted, with all included expenditure and with the Nomination of Niamh Callinan and Dane Luo to the EBA negotiating team.

Moved: Xiaoyu Jin

Seconded: Yuxuan Yang

The motion was put and **CARRIED**.

Jacky He resumed the Chair

8. Report of the Vice Presidents

Caitlyn Chu and Dane Luo submitted a written report

For both the Health Days and new Research and Policy Officer position initiatives below, we really want to thank the entire Casework and Policy Department – James, Mel, Sharon, Lorna, Louise and Breda – for their help on this initiative, particularly for sharing their knowledge and contacts.

Health Days

In collaboration with our caseworkers, we are organising Health Days at our satellite campuses. This is analogous to bringing Welfare Week and the SRC's Welcome Week presence to our satellite campuses. Too often, they feel ignored compared to the many events and activities that take place at Darlington/Camperdown. We believe that it's extremely important that all students, no matter the campus they're completing their course in, have access to student support services.

The **first Health Day** is going to be at the **Mallet Street campus** for **Nursing and Midwifery students** on **Tuesday 16 April 2019**. We chose a day in week 8 because third year Bachelor of Nursing students have clinical preparations after the mid-semester break. Also, BN Honours students have seminars in week 8. That way, we can make sure we can find a suitable time that brings together as many undergraduate Nursing students as possible.

The **second Health Day** is going to be at the **Cumberland campus** on **Tuesday 30 April 2019** for **Health Sciences students** who are at that campus. We are liaising with the relevant Faculty Societies, NGOs, student organisations (including SUPRA and NUS) and support services about this event.

In the December SSAF Budget Allocation, the University agreed to fund \$1100 for Health Days. For the first Health Day, we estimate \$400 to provide a free Subway lunch to attract students to the ground floor. For the second Health Day, we estimate \$500 to host a BBQ at Cumberland outside the Library. And we estimate \$200 for supplies, expenses and printing. We request the Executive approve \$1100 for the entire initiative. That way, for example, if we underspend for the first Health Day, we can spend more at the second Health Day. A full breakdown of expenses will be provided in Executive reports.

Motion: That the Executive approves \$1100 for food, expenses and supplies for the Health Days initiative.

New Research and Policy Officer

At the last Executive meeting, we requested for expenditure to advertise for a new Research and Policy Officer. We are very proud that this is the first time the SRC is getting this dedicated position, which will expand the Casework and Policy Department to deal with real student issues! And we are really excited that there has been lots of interest for this position!

This is an update to the Executive on how these funds have been spent. The position is advertised on the following sites:

- SRC website: <http://srcusyd.net.au/about-us/src-jobs/>
- NCOSS: <https://www.ncoss.org.au/jobs/7831>
- Ethical Jobs: <http://www.ethicaljobs.com.au/Members/srcusyd/research-position>
- University of Sydney CareerHub: <https://careerhub.sydney.edu.au/students/jobs/detail/3997238> - and it was good to see that the position was listed in the weekly Job Alerts newsletter that gets emailed to students on 8 March 2019.

Applications will close on 31 March 2019. Interviews will be held on 5 April 2019.

Beer & Pizza Party

Caitlyn is organising a beer and pizza party with the International Student Officers and Jacky in Courtyard Café on 28 March 2019. We plan to invite several tutors from different faculties and we hope to attract around 100 undergraduate students to attend.

Engaging with Faculty Societies

Health Sciences Wellbeing Picnic

From our discussions with Health Sciences students, we understand that Bachelor of Health Sciences students are starting to have more classes at the Camperdown/Darlington campus but those doing more theoretical majors (for example, Human Movement, and Hearing and Speech) are on the Cumberland campus. In 2019, Occupational Therapy and Diagnostic Radiography students will be on Darlington/Camperdown. The University's slow transition is making it difficult for Health Sciences students and some students find that their friends are separated between campuses on different days.

In light of this, we are collaborating on a wellbeing picnic on Saturday 30 March 2019 (week 5) in Victoria Park with **HealthSoc**. Since our really successful wall planners, Welcome Week bags and Orientation Handbook/Counter Course books have basically all been handed out (which is really good!), we have been working with Mel and Laura to create information packs with important information and flyers for the event.

Science Mentor Program

Caitlyn started the mentor program for Science students and received around 45 mentees. She also found 8 mentors with high grades in each major to connect with mentees. We still want to carry out the mentor program for other faculties and we welcome all of the executives to discuss it with us.

WeChat Interaction and International Student Engagement

Caitlyn has been posting WeChat article weekly, including a review of the Welcome sessions with SULS and SASS. The article for Welcome sessions attracted a wide readership and helped many students who didn't come to the Welcome session. Additionally, Caitlyn has organised a weekly schedule to post an article once a week. We have found that these articles are helping many international students hear about services and support available to them inside and out of the University. At the same time, we have also communicated with the International Student Officers and we can expect a presence of SRC on WhatsApp soon as well!

SSAF Acquittal and Audit

Since the last meeting, Dane has been working on several parts of the SSAF acquittal, which has now been submitted. We want to thank the Senior Executive and all of our staff department heads (Chitra, Mel, Thomas, Mickie and Amanda) for all their assistance in getting this submitted. Dane participated and signed off on the audit of the 90th Council. Details are in the report of the General Secretaries.

Regulations Review

We have been working on reviewing our *Regulations* with Cameron and Julia. So far, we have gone through the document to identify issues and clean out obsolete and inoperative provisions. If anyone would like to express a view or contribute in any way, please email us.

Communications and Publications Department

At the fourth Executive meeting, Dane moved a motion that the Publications Managers receive the one day equivalent of casual cover for 13 weeks. Dane has worked with Amanda and Mickie to sort out this arrangement. It has been agreed that it will be served by an extra 3.5 hours per week for Mickie and an extra 3.5 hours per week for Amanda from 27 February 2019.

New website

Amongst the projects being worked on by the Communications and Publications Department is upgrading our website. As we all know, our website currently uses an old template and uses a web address www.srcusyd.net.au that is difficult to find. Dane has been working with our Publications Managers to look through many templates and move content over to a new web address www.src.usyd.edu.au, which should be easier to find. Redesigning the website makes it more intuitive to use and delineate clearly the SRC's different services and objectives, thus encouraging greater engagement with the student body more generally. One of the improvements that we are keen on is for Officers to upload their reports or make blog posts. It is our hope that this function can also extend to Representatives or even open it up to all undergraduate student to showcase their work.

Dane Luo gave an overview of the report and called for nominations for a member of the executive to sit on the selection committee for the Research and Policy Officer.

Niamh Callinan and Yuxuan Yang nominated for the position.

Dane Luo suggested as Yuxuan Yang was already sitting on the selection committee for the Electoral Officer that he consider withdrawing to give others a chance.

Yuxuan Yang withdrew his nomination.

Motion: that the report of the Vice Presidents be accepted with all included expenditure and the Niamh Callinan be appointed to the Selection Committee for the Research and Policy Officer.

Moved: Yuxuan Yang

Seconded: Xiaoyu Jin

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

9. Report of the General Secretaries

Niamh Callinan and Yuxuan Yang submitted a written report

Acquittal

The acquittal required by the University for last year's expenditure of the SRC's SAFF allocation was submitted on the 18th of March (last Monday). During the preparation of the acquittal, a significant amount of time was spent reading and cataloguing the work of last year's SRC, in particular the work undertaken by all Student Representatives. This was highly insightful as it was an opportunity to understand the progression of the SRC last year both in terms of projects and expenditure. Also, from this, there are a number of initiatives and projects run last year that will be expanded upon throughout this year as well, which provides us with a great platform to continue improving student representation of ongoing issues and build upon the momentum created through the hard work of the representatives last year. One challenge from writing the acquittal particularly in relation to Student Representative Stipends and Student Representative Projects was a limited amount of numerical data, particularly in regards to event turnout and collective growth. Therefore, throughout this year, we will try to collect and collate some numerical data from various events, initiatives and projects from all OBs to ensure that next year's SRC executive have both qualitative and quantitative data to write the acquittal.

We would like to thank Dane for also assisting in writing the acquittal and Jacky for editing and submitting the acquittal.

Audit

Last week, Jacky, Dane and myself had a meeting with the Auditors, who took us through the accounts from the period of November 30st 2017 – November 31st 2018, and also December 31st 2017- December 31st 2018. The breakdown in income and expenditure over the last year, has been useful in understanding the financial side of the SRC and I would like to thank the Auditors for taking the time to answer our questions, explaining each item of income and expenditure and also providing us with some advice to better improve the financial direction of the SRC.

We would like to thank Chitra for all the work that went into organising the accounts for the Auditors Report, and also her ongoing support in providing advice regarding the accounts of the SRC.

Fortnightly Breakfasts

As part of the SRC's focus on Outreach Initiatives this year, we have decided to commence a breakfast held fortnightly throughout the remainder of this semester and hopefully semester 2 (this will be subject to evaluation dependant upon the success of the breakfasts in semester 1). The provision of food and drinks for students is one requirement of SSAF and we believe that there are a number of reasons fortnightly breakfasts are a viable approach to this.

Firstly, many students due to various factors, skip breakfast which significantly affects the ability of anybody to full perform throughout the day. We would like to ensure that students who have not been able to access breakfast are provided with an opportunity to do so.

Secondly, we will be using these breakfasts as an opportunity for students to have face-to-face time with their SRC representatives and also with the caseworkers. The purpose of this is to increase awareness and accessibility to the SRC services and provide ongoing information to students about what the SRC is doing and gaining feedback as to what issues students would like to see the SRC advocating for.

Thirdly, we would like to invite each of the Student Representative Departments and Collectives to attend one breakfast each (depending on interest). The purpose of this is to enable each Department and Collective another opportunity to promote a particular project or event or alternatively just another opportunity to engage with students without the expense of providing food and drinks. The logic behind this is twofold; one to provide another platform that all Departments and Collectives have access to advocate issues they have identified, and secondly to have an increased engagement with students who may not be as engaged with the SRC due to various circumstances.

The number of students we aim to engage with is 100, and a breakdown of the cost is provided below.

Breakfast

- Bacon and egg rolls
42 (bread roll packs of 6 x 7) = \$14,
Bacon packs of 7 for \$5 [D'orsogna Bacon Streaky 200g](#) = \$30 (6 packs)
Eggs Eco 10 Large Free-Range Eggs 6.95 x 3 = 20.85
One 12 pack (Manning Valley Free Range) = \$7
 - Fruit Cups- 40 seasonal fruit (\$35-\$40)
 - Yogurt – 28 (Greek yogurt packs of 4) \$35
 - Juice – 6 x 2 litres Golden Circle (5 x \$2 = \$10) + orange juice \$5 = \$15
- Total: \$162 (per breakfast)

Expenditure for the Year

I have started working on a breakdown of this year's SRC budget. Whilst as has been mentioned on a variety of occasions we are unaware as to what the total amount of money the SRC has access to yet based on our SSAF application and what we will be allocated. However, I have started to research previous years' budgets, particularly in regards to the breakdown of allocated amounts given to the Departments and Collectives. In doing so I have started to collate an outline of the past 5 years as a rough indicator as to what each year has previously allocated. For me this provides a precedent from previous Councils, however I alongside Yuxuan will be having further discussions with all OBs and Collectives regarding their specific plans for the year and asking them for a rough budget to be provided by around Mid-May. Our hope is that we will know for certain what our SSAF allocation is, and can start finalising each Department and Collectives budget by this time.

I would also like to note that I am also recording the amount each Department has spent monthly in order to keep track of where the expenditure is at. The purpose of this is to allow each department a track of how much they have spent and to also allow the executive to have a record of the funding we have approved each month has gone to.

Note from Council Meeting

At the last council meeting, a question was raised regarding the Executives decision to rescind a funding reimbursement that was approved by the previous Council. I would like to note that the reason why this was able to occur was passed in a motion on the 1st Executive Meeting held on the 4th of December 2018.

However, I would like to note that point here as well, just reiterating what the motion:

We have become aware that the Executive passed a number of motions relating to expenditure in items 7 (President's Report), 13.1 (Approval of Payments - Invoices), 13.2 (Approval of Payments - Reimbursements), 13.3 (Approval of Payments - Requests) on Friday 30 October 2018.

We are providing notice and kindly ask to rescind those motions and for the motions to be relisted for redetermination at the next Executive meeting, pursuant to part 3 section 4(i) of the Regulations (R3.4(i)).

Pursuant to part 3 section 4(iv) of the Regulations (R3.4(iv)), the following Executive members request that the motions not in any way be observed or acted upon unless and until the rescission motion is defeated. If they have been acted upon, we will not rescind their expenditure.

The executive also has the ability to review all minutes and decisions from previous meetings, as per the agenda of each meeting; as this executive, had a cross over period between the last years executive's final meeting and our first meeting, we were able to review the minutes and query decision that were made.

Education conference

We want to hold an education to let our university students know what happen in our university. Our students have the right to know the direction of high-tech research, so that students can understand the advantages of our school and stimulate themselves initiative. After discussing with education officer Eva, we decide locking the theme on the “AI” and we plan to invite the Prof. Tao Dacheng and some professor from uni innovation center as the guest speaker. The social media will publish the event after all detail finished.

Niamh Callinan and Yuxuan Yang gave an overview of their report.

Motion: that the report of the General Secretaries be accepted with all included expenditure.

Moved: Dane Luo

Seconded: Vonnie Li

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

10. Report of the Administration Manager

There was nothing to report from the Administration Manager

11. Report of the Casework and Policy Manager

Melissa de Silva submitted a written report.

Super busy, mostly because of complexity of cases rather than numbers – still

Still a lot of committees. We maintain our belief that the president is too busy to be attending all of these committees and most of them should be delegated to interested/capable others. I hear that there are more working groups to be formed. Oh dear.

Health Day is starting to get some interest from NGOs. Supra is excited to join us too. Dane is going to ask for some money in his report. We have gone from about 30 students at nursing to about 230. Rather interesting really. Hopefully some of the student reps will be coming to help out. This will be a good event

Honi corrections. Thankfully we worked out the latest error in honi, but I wanted to check if there was anything I could do to help. I think it is really important to have everyone in the SRC have a clear understanding of the nuances of the services we offer. Staff are super happy to help with any training that is needed or to answer questions or clarify any information. Please let me know how we can better support you in the work that you do.

Tenancy forum – same as “honi corrections” above. I was wanting to engage with the attendees. To do this I would like to ask for two movie tickets. I can get two adult hoyts tickets for \$15.30 from the USU, so I would like \$30.60 for this event.

RLC training – Redfern Legal Centre offer training webinars throughout the year. Members get these for free. Others pay \$80 per person per session. With 5 caseworkers, just one session would cost \$400. Membership is \$290. Can we buy membership with RLC.

Batyr – The University is running a session with Batyr, an organisation that is aimed at reducing the stigma of mental health for university students. There are 12 places available for the SRC. It’s on 24th April 2pm. Please let me know if anyone wants to attend. With limited places I am taking a list as a first come, first

served basis. If there is enough interest I'm going to ask the University if they will provide another session. If not, this might be something that we could consider putting on ourselves.

Youth Week – 12th April for all students aged 18-34 years. King George Hotel in the Rocks.

NSW International Student of the Year – Nominations close 28th June - "The NSW International Student of the Year Awards recognises the contributions made by individual students to both the international student community and the broader NSW community."

Dane Luo spoke in favour of the report especially the membership to Redfern Legal Centre which will make the cost of the seminars for the casework and policy team cheaper overall. Dane also spoke in favour of the Batyr program.

Niamh Callinan sought to clarify that with membership to Redfern Legal Centre that the seminars became free.

Dane Luo clarified that was the case.

Motion: that the report of the Casework and Policy Manager including funding for movie tickets (\$30.6) and RLC membership (\$290) be accepted.

Moved: Dane Luo

Seconded: Niamh Callinan

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

12. SRC Legal Service Report

There was no report from the SRC Legal Service

13. Approval of Payments

13.1. Invoices

There were no invoices received

13.2 Reimbursements

Nell O'Grady (Honi Soit):	\$180	Promotion stickers for Honi Soit
Gabi Stricker-Phelps (Women's):	\$32.95	Menstrual products for Sanitary Item Project
Daniel Cotton (Enviro):	\$61.36	Office works flyer printing
Jazzlyn Breen (Harassment):	\$20	Placard materials
	\$30	Stamps to send lobbying materials to MPs

Dane Luo asked why the printing was not done at the SRC.

The secretary to council clarified that the Environment Officer Alex Vaughan said the printing had been done without their prior knowledge.

Motion: that reimbursements to Honi, Women's, and Sexual Harassment departments be accepted and the Environment Department's be rejected.

Moved: Niamh Callinan

Seconded: Dane Luo

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

14. Any Other Reports

14.1. Report of the Education Officers

The Education Officer Submitted a written report

The Education Officers have kept busy so far into or terms. What follows is a summarized list of all that we have worked on so far.

- Counter Course: many long nights in the SRC, and many valuable contributors who should be thanked for their writing and thoughts. Big thanks to Amanda and Mackie from Publications. Praise for CC was unanimous thanks to everyone's hard work.
- OWeek was spent talking to students about the SRC and the EAG, focusing on campaigns for Concession Opal Cards for international students, The Ramsay Centre, and students' rights at work (especially international students), as well as building the climate strike.
- Invasion Day: the EAG organised in solidarity with Indigenous peoples. Our contributions in printing for and advertising the protest to students were appreciated by Fighting In Resistance Equally, who organised the march through Sydney to Yabun.
- Meetings: The EAG has had two meetings. We discussed Ramsay, Opal Cards, arms and fossil fuel divestment and the climate strike.
- NTEU Solidarity: supporting an upcoming rally of our university staff who are facing managerial restructured which will damage not only their own working conditions but also the services and education of students.

We've also supported various other causes in solidarity but listing them would be hard. We are happy to respond to questions and James sends apologies for being unable to attend the executive meeting.

Niamh Callinan clarified that showing solidarity with the NTEU in this situation generally means sharing and promoting their posts on Facebook.

Motion: that the report of the Education Officer be accepted.

Moved: Vonnie Li

Seconded: Xiaoyu Jin

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

14.2. Report of the Women's Officers

The women's officers submitted a written report

International Women's Day Celebrations:

- (a) *UN Women Volunteering:* The major theme of the IWD breakfast was #MorePowerfulTogether and there was a strong focus on violence against women not only in Australia but in the Pacific Region more broadly. This was particularly poignant after 13 women have died from violence in Australia this year alone as of 13 March. 2/3 women in the Pacific Region experience violence. It was inspiring to learn about and actively support the innovative and change-agent programs that UN Women are so committed to. The volunteers from USYD relayed to us that they found the training session and the morning to be a very informative, interesting and rewarding opportunity. The UN International Women's Breakfast Committee expressed thanks to the USYD Women volunteers and sent each volunteer a certificate of appreciation. We will continue to contact UN Women to see if any other volunteer opportunities arise throughout the year.

(b) Screening of Period End of Sentence.

The event was held in the New Law Room with approximately 20-25 guests. The following food was purchased for the event:

- 5x \$5 pizzas from Dominos = \$25
- Other food items from Aldi and Coles (as per receipt on reimbursement form) costing \$27.69.

The total amount spent on the event was approximately \$52.69.

Sanitary Item Project:

We have purchased our first batch of sanitary items. We consulted Mel who helped us source affordable sanitary items from Woolworths. We also spoke to Laura about the administration of the project. We thank both Mel and Laura for their support and assistance.

The reimbursement form was submitted for this purchase.

The total cost was \$32.95 including the following items:

- Woolworths Select Regular Pads x 2 = \$3.60
- Woolworths Select Super Pads x2 = \$3.60
- Woolworths Select Tampons Regular x10 = \$22.50
- Woolworths Select Tampons Super x1 = \$2.25
- 1x Reusable Bag for packaging = \$1.00

We are also working on designing an update for the box at the front of the SRC office which contains the sanitary items. We are expecting to spend between \$5-\$10 on this.

We intend to refill stock each month and will estimate amounts depending on the demand observed in the next few weeks especially as posters start to go around in aim of increasing awareness of the project.

Women's Health Week and Mental Health:

We are proposing a Women's Health Week from 6-9th of September 2019. This would involve health focused talks, information sessions and workshops or classes. Some of our ideas are listed below:

- Zumba Classes (with the Breakfast Club)
- Contraception and Sex Talks
- Self-defence classes
- Meditation and the art of mindfulness
- Understanding abortion and options for women seeking an abortion
- Nutrition talks
- Focusing on helping students (particularly students who are not from Sydney or do not live locally) access reliable and affordable health care services such as GPs, dentists and sexual health clinics.

We are liaising with the University of Sydney Health Service, Health Education Officer Officer, Miriam Deshayes, who we engaged with after the Safer Communities Advisory Meeting/ Miriam also wants the University Health Service to collaborate with SUPRA and the SRC for University Mental Health Day on the 7th of May. Her proposal for the day would be to have a stall on Eastern Avenue to encourage USYD students and staff to write down ways in which they can use their voice to inspire action, spark discussion and foster change around mental health on a community level. She is open to our ideas and suggestions as well.

External Events

We have three event promotions which we are or will be sharing via our Facebook page:

- Vege-Table Mondays- Addison Road Community Centre Marrickville from 18th March
- Shared Table Project for Local Homeless Women: 28th March
- #Feminist Conversation between Roxane Gay and Christina Hoff Sommers 29th March (10% discount applies)
- Women's Legal Service: A feminist legal perspectives seminar based on the topic of "*Connecting Communities: A Project to Prevent Modern Slavery*" 10th April

Meetings:

We met with Vice-Chancellor Michael Spence and Sophia Zeritis. It was a highly constructive meeting where we discussed our major project ideas, sexual assault and harassment policy and the ways in which the university can work with the SRC to deliver the best outcomes for USYD students.

Female Journalism and Online Platform:

We met together with the following girls who responded to our call out including: Kate Scott, Holly McDonald, Amy Mifsud, Caroline Song, Angel Opie, Charlotte Plashik, Sonia Gao, Olivia-James Mckeown, Connie Zhang, Sarah Sekandar and Hannah Kingsmill. Together, with these women we are working on promoting women's issues and opinions via the platform, currently the infrastructure used is called the ENID network which was created two years ago by former USYD students who have since left university and are wanting us to continue the legacy of the site. This USYD Women committee are also attending lectures over the next few weeks to raise awareness about USYD Women and the projects we are running this year from the SRC office.

Posters:

We have made contact with Maya, the Women's portfolio holder on the USU in terms of how the USU and SRC may work together in promoting women's issues on campus. In particular, we would like to get our sanitary item posters printed and placed on the backs of bathroom doors around campus.

Additionally, we have made posters to gather contributors for the online platform, ENID, and also to promote the USYD Women Facebook Channel. We will submit a photocopying form in the next week for these posters.

Motion: that the report of the Women's Officers be accepted including the \$52.69 expenditure – the other \$32.95 having already been approved in the reimbursements section.

Moved: Xiaoyu Jin

Seconded: Yuxuan Yang

The motion was put and **CARRIED**

4.3. Report of the International Students' Officers

The International Students' Officers submitted a written report

The international student collective is looking to host an international student barbecue on Saturday 23rd of May 2019, and has already done the organising, and is waiting for executive approval of funding towards the event. This event will be held at the Cockatoo Island and will be strictly alcohol-free. We expect around 50-60 people to attend our event on Saturday. The goal of this event is to engage the international students with the SRC by providing them food and drinks, guide them to see more of Sydney and allow international students to make friends and develop their network. The event will be advertised in the International Student Collectives Group, What's App and WeChat, and we welcome the attendance of ALL undergraduate international students.

3 x Beef Blade Roast (\$16.97 each) = \$51
 6 x Coles RSPCA Approved Free Range Chicken Drumsticks (\$5.50 each box) = \$33
 5 x Coles Bakery White Sandwich Bread Loaf = \$9.00
 A kilogram of Mushroom from Coles = \$12.00
 Frozen Vegetable from Coles = \$10.00
 2 x 1.5kg Coles Beef Sausage = \$20.00
 Miscellaneous (E.g. Handkerchief, plastic fork, plastic knife, table cloth, sauce, salt, pepper etc.) = \$40.00
 5 x 1.5L Coles Water = \$4.50

The total adds up to \$179.50, which is about \$3 per head - and this is after trying out many cost-reduction strategies and options (such as buying the meat at discount prices and letting students bring their own drinks whilst we provide water). Can I please ask that the executives to carefully consider the request and approve the funding ?

Dane Luo said it was good to see that office bearers are sending in reports

Jacky He noted that he has been assisting with this and the event was already being promoted but the officers weren't spending money till they knew it was approved.

Dane Luo asked why it was being held at Cockatoo Island

Jacky He suggested it was for fun.

Motion: that the report of the International Students' Officers be accepted with all included expenditure.

Moved: Dane Luo

Seconded: Xiaoyu Jin

The motion was put and **CARRIED**

15. Other Business

15.1 Staff Leave

Breda Dee:	Annual, 30/04/19 – 28/06/19, 46 days, 322 hours
James Campbell:	Annual, 20/03/19 – 21/03/19, 2 days, 14 hours Annual, 27/03/19 – 28/03/19, 2 days, 14 hours Annual, 09/04/19 – 16/04/19, 6 days, 42 hours
Julia Robins:	Annual, 17/04/19 – 18/04/19, 2 days, 10 hours Annual, 29/04/19 – 30/04/19, 2 days, 10 hours Annual, 16/05/19 – 20/05/19, 3 days, 15 hours
Laura Kitsos:	Annual, 15/04/19 – 16/04/19, 2 days, 14 hours Annual, 23/04/19 – 26/04/19, 3 days, 21 hours Annual, 24/06/19 – 26/07/19, 25 days, 175 hours Annual, 30/09/19 – 11/10/19, 10 days, 70 hours
Melissa de Silva:	TIL, 24/04/19 – 26/04/19, 2 days, 14 hours (leave already requested for 25 th)
Mickie Quick:	Annual, 01/04/19 – 02/04/19, 2 days, 10.5 hours

Motion: that the staff leave be approved en bloc.

Moved: Niamh Callinan

Seconded: Dane Luo

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

15.2 Swipe Card Access

The following students have requested swipe access:

Julia Kovic Interfaith Officer

Mohammad Jahanzaib (Lashary) International

Motion: that the swipe access be approved en bloc.

Moved: Dane Luo

Seconded: Niamh Callinan

the motion was put and **CARRIED.**

15.3 Statement from the Vice President

Dane Luo (Vice President) made the following statement:

Louise Stack

I am saddened to hear that Louise, one of our wonderful caseworkers, will be leaving us on 4 April 2019. Louise has been very kind and gracious to all the staff and students who visit our office, and in her time has helped many students seeking assistance from the SRC. It is really encouraging for me to see such a happy face and lovely person around the office all the time. She has played an important role in the Casework and Policy Department when James went on sick leave. I thank her for her service and contribution to our organisation. I know that she will be missed by all the staff and students here. And I wish her the very best for her studies in regional Australia.

Jacky He and Niamh Callinan wished to concur with Dane Luo's statement.

Josie Jakovac emailed asking that her agreement be noted.

15.4 Circular motions

Passed circulars:

C10 that \$350 be allocated for advertising the Electoral Officer role and that Yuxuan Yang was appointed to the selection committee for the Electoral Officer

The circular motion was noted.

15.5 Honi Soit Opinion Competition

The annual Honi Soit Writing completion is now underway. After meeting with Alumni Development Office and Honi editors we will be holding the competition in Semester 1 with the event at the end of Semester.

We have secured \$5000 contribution from the Alumni donor Dr. Wenkhart and the Development Office will cover the majority of the catering costs (approx. \$1500). The SRC has contributed \$550 each year for various things such as sponsored posts, chair hire, donor gifts and some contribution to catering. We would like to make sure that this maximum amount is included as a line in the budget this year as well. We will report any specific costs for the competition against that line.

Please note this is separate to the Honi budget.

Total: \$550

Motion: that the \$550 funding for the Honi Opinion Competition be approved.

Moved: Dane Luo

Seconded: Niamh Callinan

the motion was put and **CARRIED.**

The meeting was declared closed at 11:00am