

# Students' Representative Council, University of Sydney

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## **MINUTES:**

of the meeting of the Representatives-elect of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC held on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 5pm in the Professorial Board Room, University of Sydney.

Quorum count at 5:30pm.

Meeting was found inquorate. (19 reps in attendance)

Procedural motion to wait another 30min

Moved: Grace Street

Seconded: Shovan Bhattarai

The motion was put and **CARRIED**.

There was a quorum count at 6:00pm (30 reps in the room plus proxies) The meeting was found quorate.

Meeting Opened: 6:02pm.

96<sup>th</sup> SRC President Harrison Brennan opened the meeting and thanked the 96<sup>th</sup> SRC council for their work this year and spoke about the work done this year and about the participation levels of different groups.

Harrison Brennan resigned the chair to the President Elect Angus Fisher

Angus Fisher gave the acknowledgement of country.

## 1. 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.

Angus gave a small speech about perceptions of the SRC, aims of the SRC, and plans for the upcoming term, and aims for the incoming council year.

Shovan Bhattarai was named. Luke Mešterović was named.

# 2. Election of Chairperson

As per regulations, Angus Fisher President-elect, took the Chair

Apologies and Proxies of the Representatives Elect:

Bohao Zhang to Victor Zhang Eleanor Douglas to Jasmine Donnelly

#### Additional:

Ethan Cao to Yuanbo (Bob) Song 7:01pm Christine Peng to Guanlin (Aiden) Chen 7:02pm Sidra Ghanawi to Like Mestrovic 7:10pm Bea McDonald to Noah Rancan 8:54pm Anu Khulan to Misheel Galkhuu Rand Khatib to Ellie Robertson William Khoury to Celina Di Veroli 10:58pm

# 3. Appointment of Returning Officer

In accordance with SRC Regulations Part Ten, s.27, Riki Scanlan (Electoral Officer for the 2024 elections) was appointed Returning Officer.

Angus Fisher vacated the Chair to the Returning Officer, Riki Scanlan.

Riki Scanlan proposed a speaking limit of 91 seconds per person for each election.

Shovan Bhattarai moved a procedural motion to set the speaking time to 2 minutes per person for each election.

Moved: Shovan Bhattarai

Seconded: Harrison Brennan

The procedural motion was put and **CARRIED**.

The speaking time was set to 2 minutes per person for each election.

Riki Scanlan called the roll and passed out the ballots to the Representatives-Elect.

Riki Scanlan spoke about the voting process for the night.

Procedural to make the speaking time per person.

M: Simon Upitis S: Maddie Clark

## 4. Election of Vice-President

Joint nomination: Shovan Bhattarai and Bohao Zhang

The candidates spoke to their nomination.

Results:

Thus, Shovan Bhattarai and Bohao Zhang were declared elected unopposed as the Vice-President of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

## 5. Election of General Secretary

Joint Nomination: Anu-Ujin Khulan and Grace Street

Nomination: Simon Upitis

The candidates spoke to their nominations.

Results:

Simon Upitis - WITHDREW

Anu-Ujin Khulan and Grace Street - ELECTED UNOPPOSED

Thus, Anu-Ujin Khulan and Grace Street were declared elected unopposed as the General Secretary of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

There was a call for a 10 minute recess

Moved:

Seconded:

The meeting adjourned at 6:52pm

There was a quorum count at 7:02 The meeting was found quorate Meeting resumed at 7:02pm

## 6. Election of the Executive (5 General Members)

Nomination: Martha Barlow Nomination: Gerard Buttigieg Nomination: Deaglan Godwin Nomination: Phillip Howard

Nomination: JINGRONG (CHRISTINE) PENG

Nomination: Alisa Rao

The candidates spoke to their nomination.

Shovan Bhattarai was named a second time.

Results:

Deaglan Godwin - WITHDREW

Thus, Martha Barlow, Gerard Buttigieg, Phillip Howard, Jingrong (Christine) Peng, and Alisa Rao were declared elected unopposed to the Executive Committee of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

#### 7. Election of an Education Officers

Nomination: Vieve Carnsew

Joint Nomination: Jasmine Al-Rawi and Luke Mesterovic Joint Nomination: Thomas Thorpe and Bea McDonald

The candidates spoke to their nomination.

Results:

Vieve Carnsew - 1

Jasmine Al-Rawi and Luke Mesterovic - 26

Thomas Thorpe and Bea McDonald - 9

Thus, Jasmine Al-Rawi and Luke Mesterovic were declared duly elected as the Education Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

## 8. Election of a Women's Officer

Joint nomination: Martha Barlow and Ellie Robertson

The candidates spoke to their nomination.

#### Results:

There being no other nominations, Martha Barlow and Ellie Robertson were declared elected unopposed as the Women's Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

## 9. Election of Two Welfare Officers

Nomination: Maddy Clark Nomination: Rand Khatib

Joint nomination: Dan O'Shea and Mia Williams

Nomination: Annabel Pettit Nomination: Lucas Pierce

The candidates spoke to their nominations.

Dan O'Shea waived his right to speak.

Jasmine Al-Rawi was named.

Results:

Maddy Clark - WITHDREW
Rand Khatib - WITHDREW
Dan O'Shea and Mia Williams - ELECTED
Annabel Pettit - ELECTED
Lucas Pierce - WITHDREW

Thus, Annabel Pettit, Dan O'Shea and Mia Williams were declared elected unopposed as the Welfare Officers of the  $97^{th}$  SRC.

## 10. Election of two Ethno-Cultural Officers.

Nomination: Kayla Hill Nomination: Dana Kafina

The candidates spoke to their nominations.

Results:

Thus Kayla Hill and Dana Kafina were declared elected unopposed to the role of the Ethno-Cultural Officers for the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

# 11. Election of two First Nations Students' Officers

There being no nominations the positions of the First Nations Students' Officers were put on notice for the first meeting of the 97<sup>th</sup> Council.

## 12. Election of two International Students' Officers

Nomination: Alexander Buchanan

Nomination: Taleen Jameel

Joint nomination: Jingrong (Christine) Peng and Hongyuze (Ethan) Cao

Joint nomination: Yuanbo (Bob) Song and Fengxuan (Mary) Liu

Alexander Buchanan spoke to his nomination.

Taleen Jameel spoke to their nomination.

Jingrong (Christine) Peng and Hongyuze (Ethan) Cao waived their speaking rights.

Yuanbo (Bob) Song and Fengxuan (Mary) Liu waived their speaking rights.

#### Daniel O'Shea was named.

Results:

Alexander Buchanan - 11

Taleen Jameel - WITHDRAWN

Jingrong (Christine) Peng and Hongyuze (Ethan) Cao - 14 Yuanbo (Bob) Song and Fengxuan (Mary) Liu - 11

After the distribution of preferences Jingrong (Christine) Peng, Hongyuze (Ethan) Cao, Yuanbo (Bob) Song and Fengxuan (Mary) Liu were declared duly elected as the International Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

#### 13. Election of two Environment Officers

Nomination: Alexander Buchanan
Nomination: Lauren FInlayson
Nomination: Deaglan Godwin
Nomination: Lilah Thurbon
Nomination: Gerard Butigieg

The candidates spoke to their nominations.

Results:

Alexander Buchanan - 8

Lauren Finlayson - WITHDRAWN

Deaglan Godwin - 15 Lilah Thurbon - 15

Gerard Butigleg - WITHNDRAWN

Informal - 1

Thus, Deaglan Godwin and Lilah Thurbon were declared duly elected as the Environment Officers of the 97th SRC.

In accordance with the regulations there was a break at 8:35pm

There was a quorum count at 8:55pm

The meeting was found quorate.

The meeting resumed 8:57pm

Due to fewer reps and proxies in the room than ballots distributed, all ballots had to be returned and re-allocated.

The ballots were redistributed, all ballots and reps were accounted for.

## 14. Election of two Global Solidarity Officers

Nomination: Jasmine Al-Rawi

Joint nomination: Jessica Heap/Taleen Jameel Joint nomination: Dana Kafina/Emma Searle

Nomination: Om Karki

The candidates spoke to their nominations.

Jasmine Al-Rawi was named a second time

Results:

Jasmine Al-Rawi - WITHDRAW

Jessica Heap and Taleen Jameel - 15
Dana Kafina and Emma Searle - 15
Om Karki - 9

Thus, Jessica Heap, Taleen Jameel, Dana Kafina and Emma Searle were declared duly elected as the Global Solidarity Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

# 15. Election of two Inter-Campus Officers

Nomination: Laura Alivio

Joint nomination: Hugo Naea Ceran Jerusalemy and Jessica Smith

Nomination: Ewan McMurtrie

Joint nomination: Cassidy Newman and Sihan Zhad

Nomination: Eddie Stephenson

The candidates spoke to their nominations.

Gerard Buttigieg was named.

Results:

Laura Alivio - WITHDRAWN

Hugo Naea Ceran Jerusalemy and Jessica Smith - ELECTED UNOPPOSED

Ewan McMurtrie - WITHDRAWN

Cassidy Newman and Sihan Zhad - ELECTED UNOPPOSED

Eddie Stephenson - WITHDRAWN

Thus, Hugo Naea Ceran Jerusalemy, Jessica Smith, Cassidy Newman and Sihan Zhad were declared elected unopposed as the Inter-Campus Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

# 16. Election of two Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment (SASH) Officers

Joint nomination: Ishbel Dunsmore and Grace Street
Joint nomination: Lucy Sullivan and Saskia Morgan

The candidates spoke to their nominations.

Results:

There being no other nominations, Ishbel Dunsmore, Grace Street, Lucy Sullivan and Saskia Morgan were declared elected unopposed as Sexual Assault/ Sexual Harassment Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

#### 17. Election of two Queer Officers

Nomination: Jamie Bridge

Nomination: Wendy Thompson

The candidates spoke to their nominations.

#### Results:

Thus, Jamie Bridge and Wendy Thompson were declared elected unopposed as the Queer Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

# 18. Election of two Disabilities Officers

Nomination: Remy Lebreton
Nomination: Vince Tafea

## Results:

Thus, Remy Lebreton and Vince Tafea were declared elected unopposed as the Disabilities Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

# 19. Election of two Mature-Age Student Officers

Nomination: Julius Wittfoth
Nomination: Yasmine Johnson

#### Results:

It was found the Julius Wittfoth was ineligible for this position.

Thus, Yasmine Johnson declared elected unopposed as the Mature-Age Students' Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

The second Mature-Age Students' Officer role remains vacant to put on notice for the first meeting of the 97<sup>th</sup> Council.

Procedural motion to keep nominations for Interfaith Officer open for 5 more minutes

Moved: Harrison Brennan Seconded: Grace Street

the motion was put and **CARRIED**.

Nominations will close at 10:40pm

## 20. Election of two Interfaith Officers

Nomination: Jasmine Al-Rawi Nomination: Gerard Buttigieg Nomination: Jocelyn Chen Nomination: Keira Fairley

Nomination: Zijun (Johny) Shen
Nomination: Thomas Thorpe
Nomination: Tom Williams
Nomination: Kefan (Coco) Yu

Nomination: Rose Zoori

The candidates spoke to their nominations. Jocelyn Chen waived her speaking rights. Zijun (Johny) Shen waived his speaking rights Kefan (Coco) Yu waived their speaking rights Rose Zoori waived their speaking rights

#### Results:

Jasmine Al-Rawi - WITHDRAWN Gerard Buttigieg - WITHDRAWN

Jocelyn Chen - 0

Keira Fairley - WITHDRAWN

Zijun (Johny) Shen - 3 Thomas Thorpe - 9

Tom Williams - WITHDRAWN

Kefan (Coco) Yu - 17 Rose Zoori - 9 Informal - 1

Thus, Kefan (Coco) Yu and Rose Zoori were declared duly elected as the Interfaith Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

#### 21. Election of two Social Justice Officers

Joint nomination: Aron Khuc and Lauren Finlayson Joint Nomination: Yoshi Leung and Leo Moore

The candidates spoke to their nominations.

#### Results:

Thus, Aron Khuc, Lauren Finlayson, Yoshi Leung and Leo Moore were declared elected unopposed as the Social Justice Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

## 22. Election of two Refugee Rights

Joint nomination: Laura Alivio and Bassy Ranasinehe
Joint nomination: Lucas Pierce and Ishbel Dunsmore

The candidates spoke to their nominations.

Results:

Thus, Laura Alivio, Bassy Ranasinehe, Lucas Pierce and Ishbel Dunsmore were declared elected unopposed as Student Refugee Rights Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

# 23. Election of four Student Accommodation

Joint nomination: Misheel Galkhuu and Kai (Connie) Wong

Nomination: Tiana Moore
Nomination: Om Karki
Nomination: Kayle (Li) Su

Joint nomination: Luming (Jason) Xu Yuxuan Wang

Joint nomination: Alex Buchannan and Bea McDonald

The candidates spoke to their nominations.

Misheel Galkhuu and Kai (Connie) Wong waived their speaking rights

Kayle (Li) Su waived their speaking rights Alisa spoke on behalf of Bea McDonald

#### Ty Seeto was named

Results:

Misheel Galkhuu and Kai (Connie) Wong - 15

Tiana Moore - WITHDRAWN

Om Karki - 9
Kayle (Li) Su - 0
Luming (Jason) Xu and Yuxuan Wang - 15
Alex Buchannan and Bea McDonald - 0

Thus, Misheel Galkhuu, Kai (Connie) Wong, Luming (Jason) Xu and Yuxuan Wang were declared duly elected as the Student Accommodation Officers of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

Procedural motion to limit speaking time to 1 minute per person

Moved: Riki Scanlan

Seconded: Harrison Brennan the motion was put and **CARRIED**.

## 24. <u>Election of Chairperson of the Standing Legal Committee</u>

Nomination: Gabriel Crowe
Nomination: Deaglan Godwin
Nomination: Lilah Thurbon
Nomination: Tom Williams

The candidates spoke to their nominations Gabriel Crowe waived their speaking rights.

Results:

Gabriel Crowe - 0
Deaglan Godwin - 22

Lilah Thurbon - WITHDRAWN Tom Williams - WITHDRAWN

Informal - 1

Thus, Deaglan Godwin was declared duly elected as the Chairperson of the Standing Legal Committee of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

## 25. Election of Six Directors of Student Publications

Nomination: Eliza Crossley
Nomination: Celina Di Verdi
Nomination: Hamish Evans
Nomination: Noah Howlett
Nomination: Leann Rook
Nomination: Anu-Ujin Khulan
Nomination: Norn Xiong

Results:

Eliza Crossley - 6
Celina Di Verdi - 9
Hamish Evans - 6

Noah Howlett - 0 (3 after distribution)

Leann Rook - 6 Anu-Ujin Khulan - 6

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Due to a draw a candidate was eliminated at random through a google sheets random number generator and Noah Howlett was eliminated.

Thus, Eliza Crossley, Celina Di Verdi, Hamish Evans, Leann Rook, Anu-Ujin Khulan, and Norn Xiong were declared duly elected as the Directors of Student Publications of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

# 26. Inter-Campus Committee

Nomination: Red Tilly

Nomination: Harrison Brennan

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Nomination: Yuxuan Wang Nomination: Sihan Zhao

Results:

Thus, Red Tilly and Harrison Brennan were declared elected unopposed to the Inter-Campus Committee of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

# 27. Standing Legal Committee

Nomination: Eliza Crossley Nomination: Kaylie Su

Results:

Thus, Eliza Crossley, and Kaylie Su were declared elected unopposed to the Standing Legal Committee of the 97<sup>th</sup> SRC.

# 28. Report of the Returning Officer

Riki Scanlan reported:

- i) That elections had been conducted according to SRC Regulations;
- ii) That, as each election had been conducted, each of the above persons elected had been declared so elected to the respective Officer and Committee positions.
- a. That due to an oversight Julius Wittfoth was not actually eligible for the position of Mature Age Student officer and so was not elected.

Motion to accept the report of the Returning Officer

Moved: Angus Fisher

Seconded: Jessica Heap The motion was put and **CARRIED.** The meeting was declared closed at 12:00am