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MINUTES of the 9th meeting of the Executive Committee, 90th SRC, held on 17th May 2018 in the President's Office, SRC Offices.

PRESENT: Imogen Grant (Chair), Nina Dillon Britton*, Adriana Olguin Malavisi^, Zixuan Wei.

Apologies: Yuxuan Yang*, Aaron Yi, and Bella Pytka, Thomas Manousaridis and Maya Eswaran.

Minutes: Julia Robins

In attendance: Chitra Narayanan

Meeting Opened: 3:16

*^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 Thomas Manousaridis, Aaron Yi, and Bella Pytka, Maya. The apologies were noted.

No apologies were received from Steven Wu or Yuxuan Yang.

3. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on the 19th April 2018 were distributed.

Motion: that the minutes of the 19th April 2018 be accepted.

Moved: Adriana Olguin Malavisi

Seconded: Nina Dillon Britton

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

4. Business arising from the minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

6. Workplace Health and Safety Report

There was nothing to report.

7. Report of the President

Imogen Grant gave a verbal report:

- There will be a Wentworth must fall organising meeting here tonight. We are trying to reinvigorate this campaign, if anyone is interested in joining this campaign aimed at decolonising education
- There was a snap action protest against an anti-abortion event organised by Life Choices and the Catholic Society
- We will be putting a submission in relation to the sexual assault and harassment for the Crimes Act.

Motion: That the report of the President be accepted.

Moved: Nina Dillon Britton

Seconded: Zixuan Wei

The motion was put and **CARRIED**.

8. Report of the Vice Presidents

Adriana Olguin Malavisi gave a verbal report

Starting set up for services week. It will be week two, semester two. Organising groups are meeting soon.

Moved: Nina Dillon Britton

Seconded: Zixuan Wei

9. Report of the General Secretaries

Nina Dillon Britton gave a verbal report:

I'm working on a couple of this one has been put on the back burner because life gets in the way

- Trying to get the University to disclose what information it collects about students from their data and log in information
- Want to look into student services' surveys and get a better idea of how they say students are finding services compared to what information we have. I think we have quite powerful anecdotal evidence and stories that show how the system is failing
- SUPRA and the USU have had their elections, and there was supposed a meet up with the organisations about working together on issues and that fell through. We need to look into starting that up a bit better so we can build across out organisations
- I am compiling a list of all the faculty representative. I want to get in touch with them and talk about what issues they see arising, and also letting them know what issues we are seeing that are relevant to them
- We had a radical education organising meeting and we want to have the 90th SRC celebrations on the last day of that event.

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

Moved: Zixuan Wei

Seconded: Adriana Olguin Malavisi

The motion was put and **CARRIED**.

10. Report of the Administration Manager

Chitra Narayanan entered the meeting at 3:32pm

- Staff Cards for the front and back door are ready
- Requesting \$3000 for a consultant for testing the elections data base, I need to get a quote and suspect it will be less but would like to pre-empt a higher cost just in case

- The University has changed the policy on computers – we used to lease them, now we have to buy them, it will be that we need to buy the computers, it still comes out of our in-kind agreement, but it means the computers will need to last longer than we have in the past, I would also like to update the computers in the office bearers room as well.

Nina Dillon Britton ask Chitra Narayanan about the Honi Soit computers saying that they have expressed a desire for more.

Chitra Narayanan said that unfortunately there is only enough wiring for 5 computers. She added that more computers might be viable if editors were happy to use their UniKey to access the university’s Wi-Fi but that is not always viable or appropriate. Chitra concluded that new computers would be looked into in more detail in when their lease is up.

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

Moved: Nina Dillon Britton

Seconded: Zixuan Wei

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

11. Report of the Casework and Policy Manager

Casework staff can encounter issues in casework which may impact on the staff person's own well-being.

From time to time the SRC has supported staff by providing access to external support by a qualified counsellor. This is consistent with the SRC’s obligations under WHS policy and law. This support may sometimes also contribute to better outcomes for the student.

I request the SRC provide this support now and reimburse the staff person \$220- after they have attended the counselling session. (with appropriate invoice paper work, etc.).

Motion: To accept the report of the Casework and Policy Manger \$220

Moved: Nina Dillon Britton

Seconded: Adriana Olguin Malavisi

Motion was put and **CARRIED.**

12. SRC Legal Service Report

There was no report form the Legal Service Manager

13. Approval of Payments

13.1. Reimbursements

Imogen Grant (Exec):	\$28	Additional cost on Farewell gift for Julie Harrison
Omar Hassan (EAG):	\$41.96	Materials for Black Deaths in Custody rally
Kelton Muir (CRAC):	\$275	Pizza for post film screening event (\$7 p/p)
Josephine Goldman (Enviro):	\$13.68	Snacks for fossil free meeting
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Zac Gillies-Palmer (Enviro):	\$20.89	Snacks for film screening
Andrew Rickert (Honi):	\$91.60	costumes for USU election coverage

Motion: that reimbursement is approved.

Moved: Nina Dillon Britton

Seconded: Adriana Olguin Malavisi

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

14. Any Other Reports

14.1. Report of the Education Officer

The Education Action Group allocates \$5000 of the Education budget to assisting with transport costs, accommodation and registration for the 2018 NUS Education Conference for regular EAG attendees. The NUS Education Conference is the most important event in the calendar of education activists every year, where we get the opportunity to meet, coordinate, discuss and debate the national education campaign and the broader strategy of the National Union. This money is allocated to help students, especially those on low incomes, with the cost of attending the conference and will be allocated according to survey responses as organised through the EAG Facebook group. Regular attendees of the EAG will be prioritised for funding.

Motion: that the report of the report and up to \$5000 for registration, transport and accommodation.

Moved: Nina Dillon Britton

Seconded: Zixuan Wei

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

Report of the Ethno-Cultural Officers

ACAR is planning to have the ACAR Honi launch in week 11 and wanted to have an event with food and a bar tab. An event along the same lines was held last year at Courtyard, but we are still deciding the venue.

Could you please approve a \$350-\$400 a funding request for food and bar tab for about 15-20 people.

Imogen Grant asked why there isn't funding from the USU who have subsidised this in the past.

Nina Dillon Britton said that the USU are not finding them as much this year as they are no longer promoting the Ethno-Cultural space or portfolio as much.

Imogen Grant asked the executive which of the two funding amounts they wished to support

Nina Dillon Britton said that \$400 would be better as she believes more people will attend than has been anticipated in this report.

Imogen Grant agreed with the \$400 but asked the officers to chase up the USU if possible.

Motion: to accept the report and \$400 expenditure of the Ethno-Cultural Officers

Moved: Adriana Olguin Malavisi

Seconded: Zixuan Wei

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

15. Other Business

15.1 Staff Leave

Amanda LeMay

Annual, 04/05/18, 1 day, 8.75 hours

Annual, 18/05/18, 1 day, 8 hours

Breda Dee	Annual, 18/05/15, ½ day, 4 hours
Hani Bawazir	Annual/TIL, 15/06/18 – 29/06/18, 7 days, 51 hours
James Campbell	TIL, 20/04/18, 1 day, 7 hours
Julia Robins	Annual, 22/05/18, 1 day, 6 hours
	Annual, 15/05/18, 1 day, 3 hours
Laura Kitsos	Carers, 22/06/18, 1 day, 7 hours
Lorna Pringle	Study, 19/04/18, 1 day, 7 hours
	Study, 04/06/18 – 07/06/18, 3 days, 21 hours
Melissa de Silva	Annual, 11/05/18 – 14/05/18, 2 days, 14 hours
	Annual, 06/07/18, 1 day, 7 hours
	Annual, 27/07/18, 1 day, 7 hours
	Annual, 17/08/18, 1 day, 7 hours
	Annual, 24/08/18, 1 day, 7 hours
Sharon Maher	TIL, 14/05/17, 1 day, 7 hours
	Annual, 08/06/18 – 25/06/28, 11 days, 77 hours

Motion: that the staff leave be approved en bloc.

Moved: Zixuan Wei

Seconded: Nina Dillon Britton

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

The meeting was declared closed at 3:55