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MINUTES of the **11th** meeting of the Executive Committee, 89th SRC, held on 27th July in the Office Bearer Room, SRC Offices.

PRESENT: Isabella Brook (Chair), Bella Pytka*, Daniel Ergas*, Iman Farrar^, James Gibson^, Ella Bickley, Claudia Gulbransen Diaz, Irene Oh, Liam Donohoe, and Adam Boidin.

Apologies: Iman Farrar, Irene Oh, Ella Bickley and James Gibson

Minutes: Isabella Pytka

In attendance: Isabella Brook (Chair), Daniel Ergas*, Isabella Pytka*, Claudia Gulbransen Diaz, Liam Donohoe and

Adam Boidin

Meeting Opened: 12:07pm

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 Iman Farrar, Irene Oh, Ella Bickley and James Gibson

The apologies were Noted.

3. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on the 29th June 2017 were distributed.

Motion: that the minutes of the 29th June 2017 be accepted.

Moved: Daniel Ergas Seconded: Liam Donohoe

The motion was put and **CARRIED**.

4. Business arising from the minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. Correspondence

6. Workplace Health and Safety Report

No report

^{*^}Joint position holders, counted together towards quorum.

7. Report of the President

Resigned the chair to Adam Boidin

The NUS Education Conference during the semester break was successful. There were good discussions regarding the strikes around the Country. Overall, the good work of the National Union of Students was highly visible.

I have been undergoing Student Orientation work and have spoken at an IT Students, International Students and Undergraduate Students welcome to University and have spread the word of the SRC on campus, and what we do.

I have been finalising a survey, regarding the Special Consideration system and overall Student Administration. This survey will be partnered with SUPRA, and therefore will have larger reach. It is being checked currently by Casework team and should be ready by Week 2 of Semester 2.

The Australian Human Rights Commission Report on Sexual Assault will be coming out on August 1st, and I have been working closely with the Wom*n's Officers on preparing an impact preparation for SRC and USYD generally.

Motion: Move in Camera Moved: Adam Boidin

Seconded: Claudia Gulbransen-Diaz The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

Moved in Camera at 12:10pm.

Moved ex Camera at 12:18pm.

Motion: That the report of the President be accepted.

Moved: Claudia Gulbransen Diaz

Seconded: Isabella Pytka

The motion was put and **CARRIED**.

Adam Boidin resigned the chair back to Isabella Brook.

8. Report of the Vice Presidents

Over the holidays, the federal government has announced that the PATH internship program will now contain retail internships. This effectively means that students 15-24 could be forced to work for 3 months unpaid stacking shelves in basic retail outlets like the Coffee Shop in order to access their welfare payments that they are already currently receiving. Furthermore, the business receives \$1000 and has the ability to simply fire and rehire someone new at the end of the 3 months each time.

The Vice Presidents agree with the ACTU's assertion that 'government-sanctioned program that actually borders on slavery' and if an internship program did create more jobs 'people should be paid for those jobs'. As such, over the next semester we plan to organise a campaign that denounces the PATH program and informs the student population of the program.

Motion: that the report of the Vice Presidents be accepted.

Moved: Daniel Ergas Seconded: Isabella Pytka The motion was put and CARRIED.

9. Report of the General Secretaries

Daniel has met with Michael Thompson, the State Branch President of the NTEU regarding the Co-Op campaign and is liaising with the National Branch of the NTEU. UMSU is donating \$4k and SUPRA is donating \$3k to the campaign. Daniel has spoken to UWA regarding their involvement in the campaign.

Daniel and Isabella have met with the Honi Soit team regarding their plans for the election edition.

Daniel has been working with Collective Office Bearer's regarding O'Day and their plans, since we do not have individual collective USU tents.

Isabella has attended the first Learning Advisory Board Meeting regarding Data access at the University.

Whilst Isabella was at NUS Education Conference, Bella attended two meetings on behalf of Isabella, a working group for Academic Board regarding the voting status of Ex-Offico members of the Board and the Undergraduate Studies Committee.

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

Moved: Claudia Gulbransen Diaz

Seconded: Liam Donohoe

The motion was put and CARRIED.

10. Report of the Administration Manager

The Annual Elections opened yesterday (the 26th July). If there are any issues, please contact Chitra.

Still working on getting soundproofing between James' and Breda's office and have received numerous quotes, but is still in discussions with the Casework Team.

Motion: to move in Camera.

Seconded: Adam Boidin

The motion was put and **CARRIED**.

Moved: Claudia Gulbransen Diaz

Moved in Camera at 12:27pm.

Moved ex Camera at 12:30pm.

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

Moved: Adam Boidin Seconded: Isabella Pytka

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

11. Report of the Casework and Policy Manager

James introduced himself to the Executive.

12. SRC Legal Service Report

Thomas had nothing to report.

13. Approval of Payments

13.1 Reimbursements

Imogen Grant (wom*n's collective): \$44.05 Anti-rape on campus photo/poster campaign.

Imogen Grant (wom*n's collective): \$20.00 Food for wom*n's room.

Imogen Grant (wom*n's collective): \$250 NOSWA housing for WoCo member.

James Campbell (casework): \$13.00 USB.

Jenna Schroder (EAG): \$150.00 Accommodation for Edcon.

James Newbold (EAG): \$290.00 Accommodation for Edcon and registration.

Motion: that reimbursements be approved en bloc.

Moved: Daniel Ergas Seconded: Liam Donohoe

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

14. Any Other Reports

15. Other Business

15.1 Staff Leave

Hani Bawazir: Annual, 06/06/17, 1 day, 1 hour

Sharon Maher: Annual, 14/08/17-18/08/17, 5 days, 35 hours

Annual, 15/06/17-16/06/17, 2 days, 14 hours

Chitra Narayanan: Annual, 7/06/17, 1 day, 7 hours

Annual, 31/07/17, 1 day, 7 hours Annual, 24/07/17, 1 day, 7 hours

Breda Dee: Annual, 28/07/17-22/08/17, 18 days, 126 hours (93.32 paid and 32.68 unpaid)

Melissa de Silva: TIL, 25/07/17, 1 day, 3 hours

Rebeccah Sallit: Annual, 21/08/17-22/08/17, 2 days, 14 hours (9.8 paid and 1.51 unpaid)

Julie Harrison: Annual, 17/07/17-18/07/17, 2 days, 16 hours

Motion: that the staff leave be approved en bloc.

Moved: Daniel Ergas

Seconded: Claudia Gulbransen Diaz The motion was put and **CARRIED**.

15.2 Funding requests

Honi Soit

As I have discussed with most of you, we are keen to have a regular edition this year in addition to the election edition that provides profiles of the candidates. I'm writing to request approval of that.

We are hoping to print 1000 copies of the election edition and 2000 of a regular edition in week 7. Mickie provided me with a quote indicating that printing the copies will cost about an additional \$1000.

I asked Chitra for an update on the *Honi* discretionary budget as I know this is a fair amount of money. Due to general printing costs being a bit less than expected, we have \$7,302 left. We have some outstanding costs from a party, but should still have over \$6000 remaining by my understanding — so, plenty of money to fund this initiative. I've CC'd Chitra in case you need any additional details.

To reassure you all, I've also included a quick rundown of our reasons for wanting this below.

- 1) The election edition isn't picked up by very many people each year. 1000 copies should be more than enough to satisfy demand and ensure that students who are interested can get the information they need about the SRC elections.
- 2) The additional regular edition printed during the election period will be subject to the same standards as the other editions printed during that period (i.e, the coverage will not be partisan, and will be DSP'd by Paulene).
- 3) It's more environmentally friendly and does more for students to print a paper that people can pickup and a read
- 4) We're closing in on the end of the year way too fast and we're keen to produce as much content as we can before then!

Recommendation: The request from Honi Soit will be withheld until Paulene Graham, the Electoral Officer for the 2017 SRC Elections, returns with a final decision, after consultation with the SRC Constitution and Regulations.

Request from Education Collective

\$40 for Oday, which we would spend on lollies and small toys that would be used to attract students to the stall by way of a lucky dip.

Motion: that the request from the Education Collective be approved.

Moved: Daniel Ergas Seconded: Liam Donohoe

The motion was put and **CARRIED.**

The meeting was declared closed at 12:40pm