



**2017 S.A. General Committee Meeting
The Loft Meeting Room
Monday 13th March 2017**

Present: Dylan Gojak, Ana Ferreira Manhoso, Macy Gregson, Edward Blake, Emma Gooderson, Rachel Porter, Joshua Scardina, Justine Ralph, Seth Wolff, Curtis Read, Ashani Jeyadevan, Dee Cooper, Ashley-Rose Hooper, Darcy Harwood, Emily Judd.

Absent:

Apology: Daniel Ta, Jayden Roberts.

Opening

Dylan opened the General meeting of the Student Association at 6:00pm.

Agenda Items

1. Acknowledgment of Country

Dylan reads through the Acknowledgment of Country.

2. Passing of last minutes

Dylan proposes to pass the minutes. Seth seconds the motion. The motion is passed.

3. Approving proxies

There are no proxies to approve.

4. Welfare Update by Welfare Director

Justine reads through her paper, beginning by saying that she has successfully established the Welfare sub-committee. She calls for more male involvement, and has also set up a Facebook page. In regards to the course "Consent Matters: Boundaries, Respect, and Positive Intervention", she says that it was too long for an average student to complete. She encourages all council members to complete the course. Her feedback to the company was that the course should be separated into three separate courses, instead of one long one. Dee suggests rolling the course out to unit coordinators for Ethics classes at Notre Dame, and Justine was also thinking of speaking to the respective School, but mentions that this will be a long process if it were to be implemented, but is interested in following this up. In regards to the mental health launch, she has had lots of positive feedback, and Ana mentions that the University Facebook page and NDLS both shared the poster. The sanitary items trial is still being finalised, and Emily has designed a sticker. She hopes that this will be implemented a few weeks before Wellness Week so that

discussions during Wellness Week will be more conducive. She also says that Wellness Week planning is well underway, and Curtis and Ashley have been assisting Justine with the planning. Dylan has been talking with someone and mentions that 'bring your animal to uni day' may be a possibility, and this may be discussed at a later date. Justine also mentions that she has been in contact with Headspace and is developing ideas for other activities during Wellness Week. Curtis asks whether Justine is still interested in having yoga, and she confirms that this will still go ahead. Justine is having a meeting soon regarding discussing the mental health aspects during Wellness Week and how to implement related events. Emily arrives at 6.10pm. Justine also confirms that Wellness Week will be both fun and informative, in order to appeal to students but also to facilitate important discussions. There is nothing else to discuss.

5. Events Update by Events Director

Darcy asks the council for some feedback from the Back to Uni party. There is general positive feedback from the council, and Justine comments on the different atmospheres that were created by the venue. Ana also mentions that the manager was very accommodating, and Justine also mentions that the food did not come out at time. Ana is not sure how necessary food will be at future events. Darcy mentions that it is a safety so that the University signs off on our events. Dylan was very happy with the event, especially since that it was incident-free and the guests were well behaved. He would like to look into cheaper drinks or a different token system at future events. Dylan was also happy that we profited, and is very happy that our image is beginning to circulate more popularly. Justine also mentioned that there was a low council turnout, and Darcy would like to see greater turnout at our Cocktail Party and Ball.

In regards to the Cocktail Party, Darcy is leaning towards the Old Brewery as the location. She suggests having a 4-hour drink package, and for the first half an hour of the event that we have a bar tab. The capacity for the location is up to 200 people. The minimum spend for this location is \$12,000, and Darcy thinks that we may be able to afford \$9,000 (through negotiation). Darcy will continue to be in contact with the location, and will work on getting the minimum spend reduced. Dylan asks Darcy to look at options for an after-party in Claremont, and also whether the location will reduce the minimum spend. The council is keen to hold our event at the Old Brewery. Ideas about an after-party will continue to be discussed and looked into. Teddy suggests having a VIP ticket that will include transport to another location afterwards. Darcy was looking at holding the event in week 10, 13 May, and the council is happy with this date. Dylan affirms that the publicity for this event will have to be very early and very big in order to reach Education and Nursing students (who will be in the middle of exams/prac).

6. Environment Update by Environment Director

Ana reads through Jayden's paper. She and Jayden had a meeting with Dave McLean regarding the vending machines. She concludes that any confirmation of new vending machines will not occur until Prindiville Hall is refurbished.

7. Publicity Update by Publicity Director

Emily reads through her paper. She hopes to have the second issue of Hunch released around week 8. She has included a contents page. Dylan would like to promote businesses that have student discounts on our Facebook page to fill in time when we are not promoting events.

8. Clubs Update by Clubs Director

Dee reads through her paper, and there is a new club event form for SAHND, who will be holding a BBQ on the 22nd. The Business Society also had an EGM today to elect a new council. She has received an affiliation for a Red Cross Club, and presents their affiliation request to the council. Ana says that she needs to upload this affiliation request so that the council can debate it and fully understand the goals of the club. Ana also mentions that the PAANDA office bearer update is incorrect, and this will be amended. Social Justice has presented their disaffiliation request, and MindHive has also been in contact in regards to disaffiliation. Dylan leaves at 6.37pm, and Ana is the presiding Chair of the meeting. The Business Society held their EGM, and Dee reads through the results. NDBS have submitted a funding request for a CV workshop. They have requested \$41 for Subway platters. Dylan returns at 6.40pm. Dee has spoken with Heather from NDBS in regards to the management of the Club, and Ana would like to see them request funding that will be put towards fundraising. Dee explains the situation, and advises that we grant the funding request. Dee also notes the expansion of the NDBS to include ordinary council members that will help the running of the Club. Curtis leaves at 6.45pm. Dee proposes that the funding request be approved. Joshua seconds the motion. The motion is passed. Dee also notes the non-response from many Club members, and says that this is incredibly frustrating. She has spoken with Dylan about updating our club procedures and policies from next semester. Dylan would like Dee to draft a letter to clubs that are not participating, and let them know that it is disrespectful to ignore notices from the SA. Curtis returns. Ana asks whether it might be worth contacting 2016 councils in order to find out the new Club executives, and this should be followed up. Dee is not sure how effective sending letters to Clubs will be, as she thinks that if people feel that they are being told off, they are less likely to get in contact. She confirms that we need to review the policy documentation and make sure that it is very transparent so that all Clubs follow it. Dylan mentions that the policy he has sent to Dee is the policy that was created by the Student Board. This cannot be changed. But the Clubs Guidelines can be changed. Dylan is setting up a sub-committee to amend these documents as a team effort. She opens to the council for more ideas about getting clubs to get in contact with us. The council suggests reaching out firstly will be the best approach. Macy and Darcy will get in contact with Club 46 and NDLSS respectively in regards to updating the Office Bearer Updates.

9. Discount Program by Joshua Scardina

Joshua reads through his paper. He has been placed in charge of revamping our Discount Program. Rachel suggests that he contacts businesses and mention our capacity for publicising their businesses as an incentive. He will also be looking for new businesses to include in our program.

10. Academic Update by Academic Director

Seth reads through his paper. He mentions that the Book Swapping page has got lots of likes, but has had no posts. He asks the council for advise on how to get people posting. Ana suggests including a checklist on how to use the page. The council will spearhead posts in order to get more response. He is still looking into holding some Medicine-related events. The Dean Consultative Committee's are still being looked into, also. There are no more updates.

11. Sports Update by Sports Director

Curtis reads through his paper. He was thinking of a sports-related voucher will be a good prize for the winner of the Pool Tournament. Dylan was thinking of advertising the event and suggests having a \$1 donation to play in the tournament. This will