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## General Council Meeting

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### LOCATION

DATE MONTH 2024

Minutes written by Lana van Wyk

Attending

**NAME (POSITION)**

Attending via proxy

**N/A**

Apology

**N/A**

Absent

**N/A**



## Opening

Eric De Sousa opened the General Council Meeting of the Notre Dame Student Association on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 5.43pm.

## Agenda Items

### **1) Acknowledgment of Country**

Eric reads through the Acknowledgment of Country. Demonstrates website for indigenous resources.

### **2) Approval of Proxies**

Eric puts forward the motion to approve the proxies of Edward and Elizabeth, Bless seconds. All are in favour; the motion is passed.

### **3) Academic Chair Update**

Tharushi proposed an idea to create new Canva accounts for the NDSA academic committee, Eric suggested to just create a new email in order to access it. Georgia then suggested to all sign into the same account.

- 1- As Read.
- 2- As Read.
- 3- As Read.
- 4- As Read.

### **4) Assist Directors Update**

Introduction:

- As Read.
- Sebastian introduced himself as the new Assist Director for 2024.

ASSIST:

- Comfortable space for students
- Connection within the community at Notre Dame



- Creating a space for students and reaching goals.

Pantry Cupboard:

- As Read.

How to Adult Week:

- Will be looking at what worked and didn't work last year.
- As Read.
- Will be held in week 6 as Harmony Week is in week 5.

### **5) Event Directors Update**

Motions per table below.

Ball Themes:

- As read.
- Georgia suggested voting at NDSA stall or with a QR code for those walking around.

NDSA 2024 Ball:

- As Read.
- Council discussed various complications and considerations regarding venue's and dates for the ball.
- Overall general preference towards using Optus as the venue.
- Mikaela stated that we may need to sacrifice on other events in order to run the ball at an affordable cost.

Sundowner:

- Will be run as a standing event.
- 50% discount for NDSA members.
- 15% discount for new students.
- Will need someone to have a fully charged device for Spotify streaming on the day.

### **6) Clubs Directors Update**

As Read.

### **7) Ordinary Council Members Update**

Difficulty in process for approval of funding for MCSA. Has to be an affiliated club.

- Suggested to have the club use out of pocket and be reimbursed once they have the bank account.



- 1- As Read.
  - o 21<sup>st</sup> March is the International Happiness day, proposal to have students make a call home telling their families they love them etc.
- 2- Majority not aware of NDSA stall on the Monday for the International Student Orientation day on the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024
  - o Rest as read.
- 3- As Read.
- 4- Early bird sale until 29<sup>th</sup> February. HBF Run 19<sup>th</sup> May.
  - o Recommended to keep the HBF kits here at the office so that students can pick them up. Bless will advertise.

### **8) Welfare Update**

- 1- Will need to double check with Rebecca regarding food safety.
- 2- As Read.
  - o Eric mentioned previous years plans for International Women's Day
- 3- Lana mentions that there is someone interested in the Mature Age Representative Role
  - o Georgia mentioned that there were a few people interested in the various positions available for welfare committee.
  - o Eric went through the applicants for the Welfare positions.

Accessibility Representative: Aadish Reji

LGBTQIA+ Representative: Shelley Dewrance

Mature Age Representative: Yeshey Choden

### **9) Secretary's Update**

- Council decided that it was out of budget to have the Boost Van, so it was cut from the O-Day plans.
- Payment for Get Chunky to be sent out following meeting.

### **10) General Business**

Mikaela mentions that we are already over budget for O-Day. Budget \$3500, current total \$4035.

Eric says that he would prefer that we do get chunky over boost as it will cause more traffic towards our stall rather than the boost van. General consensus.

Canned drinks/water for trolley for walking around on o-day.

Bless asks for help marketing for students using the academic committees to get teams from every school for the Founders Cup

Eric resuming duties still catching up on emails etc. The marquee has arrived.

Asked for any recommendations for the office etc.



Sebastian asks when the NDSA website when will it be updated. Will be done soon. Need to get photos done soon.

Will get photos done before next meeting.

Shirts will arrive before O-Day.

Badges have been delayed and will not arrive before O-Day.

### **Summary of Motions**

<b>Motion</b>	<b>Put Forward By</b>	<b>Seconded</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Result</b>
To have Optus stadium be our venue for the ball on the 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2024 (Tentative).	Japneet	Tharushi	All in favour	Passed
Meet the Welfare and Academic Committee's event	Shanara	Tharushi	All in favour	Passed
Welfare event Week 1 Wednesday – Friendship bracelets and Sundae's	Shanara	Eric	All in favour	Passed
Coffee and Cookie's on the 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Shanara	Lana	All in favour	Passed
Expenditure of \$1050 on a coffee van.	Shanara	Sebastian	All in favour	Passed
Expenditure for 50 cookies.	Shanara	Tharushi	All in favour	Passed
Co-Opting Aadish Reji as the Accessibility Representative	Eric	Shanara	All in favour	Passed
Co-Opting Shelley Dewrance as the LGBTQIA+ Representative	Sebastian	Georgia	All in favour	Passed
Co-Opting Yeshey Choden as the Mature Age Representative	Eric	Tharushi	All in favour	Passed




## Closing

Eric officially closes the general council meeting at 7.11pm.

## Confirmation of Minutes

By signing below, I, Eric De Sousa, confirm that these minutes are a correct and accurate reflection of the meeting dated 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024.



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Signed: Eric De Sousa, President