

Minutes of Previous Council Meeting (1 March 2023)

1. Procedural Matters

Georgia Thomas opened the meeting at 6:35pm

1.1. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

Georgia acknowledged the traditional owners of the land.

1.2. Attendance

Georgia Thomas, Agastya Mudgal, Grace Franco, Yuka Maruyama, Yeganeh Soltanpour, Tony Tu, Daniel Garcia Zapata, Rafael Aquino, Anjali Malhotra, Billy Zimmermann, Merlin Wang, Leila Clendon, James Wood, Tom Zhai, Lani Bushnell, Simranjeet Singh Dahia, and Ruby Stewart, Mutaher Ishaque, Hamish McNamara, Sana Vohra, Veronica Yang, Sebastian Thompson, Jia Ming

1.3. Apologies

1.4. Absences

Sana Vohra

1.5. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: That the agenda as circulated be adopted

Moved: Anjali Malhotra **Seconded:** Rafael Aquino **Motion carried**

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Motion: That the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as a true and accurate record

Moved: Anjali Malhotra **Seconded:** Daniel Garcia Zapata **Motion carried**

3. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

4. Correspondence

5. New Members

6. Motions on Notice

7. Office Bearer Reports

7.1. President

Georgia handed the chair to Agastya at 6:38pm.

Georgia delivered her report.

Motion:

The SRC:

- *Supports the expansion of the YouX Breakfast Club program from four days a week to five days a week*
- *Supports the expansion of the YouX Breakfast Club program to cover trimester timetables*
- *Requests the investigation of more frequent mobile breakfast club programs at the Waite and Roseworthy campuses.*

Moved: Georgia Thomas

Seconded: Merlin Wang

Motion carried

Agastya hands back the chair to Georgia at 6:50

7.2. General Secretary

Agastya delivered his report.

7.3. Education Officer

Grace delivered her report

1st motion:

1. The SRC unequivocally supports the referendum to create a Constitutionally recognised Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice to Parliament.

2. The SRC will advocate and campaign for the Voice to Parliament through various methods, including but not limited to

a. posts on social media;

b. distributing educational information;

c. distributing campaign resources;

d. attending relevant events where possible; and

e. keeping informed on the campaign by From the Heart and the Uluru Statement.

3. The SRC commits to listening to the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students throughout this process.

Action:

1. The Education Officer and President will write to Vice Chancellor and DVCA petitioning the Uni to publicly support the Voice to Parliament.

2. This correspondence will include highlighting the position taken by Universities Australia (as outlined in the preamble), and the precedence set by UNSW Sydney the University's Management Board in affirming their support for the Voice.

Moved: Grace Franco

Seconded: Ruby Stewart

Motion carried

2nd motion:

- 1. The SRC commits to advertising the vacancy of ATSI Officer on social media and in publications.*
- 2. The SRC commits to filling the vacancy of ATSI Officer as soon as practicable after an application has been received; and*
- 3. The SRC acknowledges the importance of providing Aboriginal and Torres Straight people a platform on the SRC and in all university spaces.*

Moved: Grace Franco

Seconded: Hamish McNamara

Motion carried

7.4. Queer Officer

Billy delivers his report

Motion:

That Section's 9.d, 11.c, 11.f, 14.d, 15.f of the SRC Standing Orders be amended to contact gender neutral language.

Moved: Billy Zimmermann

Seconded: Rafael Aquino

Motion carried

Agastya to update new standing order by next meeting.

7.5. Postgraduate Officer

Daniel delivers his report.

7.6. Social Justice Officer

Report taken as read.

7.7. Disability Officer

Report taken as read.

7.8. International Student Officer

Yeganeh delivered her report.

Motions:

- 1. The SRC make a statement of condolences to the students affected by the devastating earthquakes in turkiye and Syria (currently).*
- 2. The SRC share a link to an authorised and recognised fundraiser for anyone choosing to want to donate (happy to adjust this/show evidence of how reputable this organisation is) additional statements to clarify that students have full choice on whether or not they want to donate being up to them can be added, as we don't want anyone to feel pressured.*
- 3. The SRC accepts to hold a vigil for the lives of family students have lost , and those affected in Syria an turkiye after Ramadan.*

4. *The SRC accepts to invite an authorised speakers and fundraising agents to the vigil , and not attempt to collect any funds itself, and NO student bodies/fundraising agents, other than those invited by the main vigil organiser attempt to exchange anything physical for money even if it's for the purpose of donations.*

5. *(possible motion to clarify above : the SRC will vote on and accept the vigil organisers in the last meeting before the actual vigil, and no one maybe added after that SRC meeting is held).*

6. *A hold of \$20 be placed tentatively for the purchase of candles and images of those who's lives were lost to display at the vigil. (Students did say they will be bringing their own images as well just in case , and other members are welcome to display images as well.)*

Moved: Yeganeh Soltanpour

Seconded: Anjali Malhotra

Motion carried

8. General Business

8.1 International Women's Day (Anjali Malhotra)

Motions:

1. The SRC will share an online post on their Facebook page in recognition of International Women's Day on 8/3/23, with the post including a link to the SRC Women's Officer's Support Form, email contact, a statement encouraging female students to access the form throughout the year to obtain support, and links to authorised/official women's support helplines/organisations.
2. The SRC will provide \$30 to the SRC Women's Officer for the printing of posters that have the SRC Women's Officer's Support Form link, email contact, and a statement encouraging female students to access the form throughout the year to obtain support, to be placed around the University of Adelaide campuses.

Moved: Anjali Malhotra

Seconded: Ruby Stewart

Motion carried

8.2. Trans Right Protest (Leila Clendon)

Motion:

The SRC:

1. Opposes the Australian and New Zealand tour of far right and transphobic British commentator Kellie-Jay Keen.
2. Supports the protest on the 16th of March against Kellie-Jay Keen's transphobic protest in Adelaide.
3. The SRC supports the principle that organising amongst the widest layer of students possible is necessary to build a broad campaign, and to do this resources are needed.

Actions:

1. The SRC will share the event for the protest against Kellie-Jay Keen on the SRC Facebook page with a short message about the importance of attending.
2. The SRC commits up to \$250 for printing leaflets and posters for the protest.
3. SRC members who support the motion will attend the protest where possible.

Procedural Motion: To limit speaking time to 1-minute

Moved: Billy Zimmermann **Seconded:** Rafael Aquino **Motion carried**

Anjali Malhotra is timing speakers.

Rafael Aquino proposes to amend action point 2 to \$160 instead of \$250

Moved: Rafael Aquino **Seconded:** Billy Zimmermann **Amendment Carried**

Motion now reads:

The SRC:

4. Opposes the Australian and New Zealand tour of far right and transphobic British commentator Kellie-Jay Keen.
5. Supports the protest on the 16th of March against Kellie-Jay Keen's transphobic protest in Adelaide.
6. The SRC supports the principle that organising amongst the widest layer of students possible is necessary to build a broad campaign, and to do this resources are needed.

Actions:

4. The SRC will share the event for the protest against Kellie-Jay Keen on the SRC Facebook page with a short message about the importance of attending.
5. The SRC commits \$160 for printing leaflets and posters for the protest.
6. SRC members who support the motion will attend the protest where possible.

Moved: Leila Clendon **Seconded:** James Wood **Motion carried**

8.3. Stand in Solidarity with Student Activists – Drop the Charges Against Cherish Kuehlmann (James Wood)

The SRC:

1. Stands in solidarity with UNSW SRC Education Officer Cherish Kuehlmann, commends her for protesting the Reserve Bank and Commbank to demand action be taken on the housing crisis, and calls for all charges against her to be dropped.
2. Condemns the NSW Police for the extreme bail conditions imposed on the Education Officer and demands they be withdrawn immediately.
3. Opposes attacks on the right to protest in NSW and calls on NSW Parliament to repeal the recently passed anti-protest law (Roads and Crimes Legislation)
4. Opposes similar anti-protest laws passed recently in Victoria, Queensland and Tasmania by governments, both Labor and Liberal.

Action Points:

1. The SRC will release a public social media statement condemning the arrest of Cherish Kuehlmann and articulating the key demands and action points of the motion. This statement will also share the Megaphone petition by UNSW SRC Councillor Gina Elias calling on the NSW Police to drop all charges against Cherish.
2. The SRC will write to the UNSW SRC and the National Union of Students, conveying the SRC's position, and calling upon them to adopt a similar stance in solidarity with Cherish Kuehlmann.

Sebastian Thompson proposes to remove point 1 (from SRC)

Moved: Sebastian Thompson **Seconded:** Agastya Mudgal **Amendment failed**

Original motion proceeds to a vote

Moved: James Wood **Seconded:** Leila Clendon **Motion carried**

8.4. End the Privatisation of the University Health Practice (James Wood)

The SRC:

1. Calls for the university to scrap their contract with Better Medical and fund the cost of bulk-billing for all, and for University Health Practice to be back under the ownership of the university accountable to students.
2. Opposes any privatisation or charges of gap fees at the University Health Practice.
3. Condemns the Federal Labor government for giving tax cuts to the rich whilst supporting the health system being privatised and run for profit.

Action Points:

1. The SRC will endorse and publicly share on its social media accounts the petition launched by the No Adelaide University Cuts campaign group to oppose the University Health Clinic's gap fees and privatisation of the clinic
2. The SRC will provide necessary funds to print at least 100 posters promoting the petition with a QR code link (\$40). These posters will be located in visible locations across North Terrace and other campuses
3. The SRC will support future stunts, protests or other public events on campus such as the delivery of the petition to oppose the introduction of gap fees.

Billy Zimmermann proposes an amendment to remove point 3 and all action points

Moved: Billy Zimmermann **Seconded:** Rafael Aquino **Amendment carried**

The original motion proceeds to a vote



Moved: James Wood

Seconded: Leila Clendon

Motion carried

Georgia closes the meeting at 8:21 PM.