

**MINUTES OF SRC MEETING #3
OF THE UTS STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION
HELD AT 5.30pm 10 APRIL 2015**

**IN THE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION ACTIVIST SPACE (Level 3, Room 18)
UTS TOWER BUILDING 1, ULTIMO**

Please note that these are draft minutes that are yet to be reviewed and passed at an SRC meeting.

Members Attending: Sarah Mulhearn (Wom*n's Officer)*, Jennifer Pham (SRC Councillor), Lawrence Warren (Broadway Campus Convenor)*, Abhishek Loumish (UTS Council – Postgraduate Students Rep), Tracy Tang (Overseas Student Officer), Aaron Colley (Broadway Campus Committee Rep), Ben Jackson (Kuring-gai Campus Convenor), Luke Chapman (Assistant Secretary & Markets Campus Convenor), Fabian Vergara (SRC Councillor), Brigida Johns (Treasurer), Dean Mattar (President), Jess Xu (Secretary), Melanie Wilson (Postgraduate Officer)*

Observers: Rayan, David, Locky*, Peter*, Kate Alway (Postgraduate Representative Union Convenor)*

Names marked with an asterisk () indicate people that were present for part of the meeting.*

Agenda:

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2. ANZAC Oath and Minute Silence
3. Apologies and proxies
4. Declarations of interest
5. Passing of Minutes from Previous Meetings
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26. Caseworker Database
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29. Other business

Meeting opened: 5.43pm

1. Acknowledgement of Country

Dean delivered an Acknowledgement of Country.

2. ANZAC Oath and Minute Silence

Aaron Colley read the oath and conducted a minute of silence.

3. Apologies and proxies

- Sashin Ranasinghe (SRC Councillor) sent apologies and proxied to Jennifer Pham.
- Mohamed Rumman (SRC Councillor) sent apologies and proxied to Aaron Colley.
- Sam Howes (SRC Councillor) sent apologies and proxied to Tracy Tang.
- Ellyse Harding (Markets Campus Committee Rep) sent apologies and proxied to Fabian Vergara.
- Charlene Humphries (Australian Indigenous Officer) sent apologies and proxied to Jess Xu.
- Aaron Ngan (UTS Council – Undergraduate Students Rep) sent apologies and proxied to Abhishek Loumish.
- Max Murphy (Education Vice President) sent apologies and proxied to Dean Mattar.

4. Declarations of interest

Brigida declared a conflict of interest on the Agenda Item 12 – Financial proof for Textbook Equity Scheme (TES).

5. Passing of Minutes from Previous Meetings

5.1 [6-2-15 SRC Meeting #2](#)

Motion: to approve the finalised minutes of this SRC Meeting #2.

Moved: Brigida

Seconded: Jennifer

CARRIED

5.2 [10-2-15 SRC Executive Meeting #3](#)

Motion: to approve the finalised minutes of this SRC Executive Meeting #3.
Moved: Sarah
Seconded: Brigida
CARRIED

5.3 [17-3-15 SRC Executive Meeting #4](#)

Motion: to approve the finalised minutes of this SRC Executive Meeting #4.
Moved: Jennifer
Seconded: Sarah
CARRIED

6. President's Report

[Please see attachment](#)

Motion: to accept the President's Report.
Moved: Brigida
Seconded: Sarah
CARRIED

7. Secretary's Report

[Please see attachment](#)

Motion: to accept the Secretary's Report.
Moved: Sarah
Seconded: Jennifer
CARRIED

8. Education Vice President's Report

[Please see attachment](#)

Motion: to accept the Education Vice President's Report.
Moved: Brigida
Seconded: Sarah
CARRIED

9. Queer Officer's Report

[Please see attachment.](#)

Motion: to accept the Education Vice President's Report.
Moved: Brigida
Seconded: Sarah
CARRIED

10. Kuring-gai UTSSA Office

Submitted by Kate (PRU Convenor).

Access to the UTSSA Kuring-gai office has been tricky in the past year when Kuring-gai Munchbar has been running, and the difficulties have continued this year. This is a solution so we can come and go without bothering security all the time, and also don't need to deal with city security, who seem to have caused the problem in the first place!

Motion: That UTSSA authorise Kuring-gai security to change the tumbler on the Kuring-gai Students' Association office door lock, to allow us to have our own keys again.

Discussion

Dean clarified that after speaking to the mover of the motion, this issue had already been resolved. Dean struck the motion from the agenda.

5.54pm – Locky entered the meeting.

11. Clarification of By-laws & Constitution and advice received from the Executive officer

Tabled by Luke.

Discussion

Dean clarified that there have been no changes made to the Constitution. Upon Luke's inquiry about the status of By-Laws passed by 2014 SRC, Dean clarified that no new By-Laws have been enforced.

Luke noted that on the SA Website, the By-Laws attached to the Constitution document are not the same as the separate By-Laws document available.

Action Point: For the Receptionist to merge By-Laws documents.

12. Financial proof for Textbook Equity Scheme (TES)

Tabled by Brigida.

Brigida declared a conflict of interest.

Please see attached document regarding:

- [Tax invoice from Law Students Society](#) (LSS)
- Receipts from Business Students Society (BSoc)

Brigida stated that BSoc spent \$740.29 and LSS spent \$743.60. Each society will be respectively paying the difference from \$750 back to UTSSA.

When asked what kind of student benefits have come from this scheme, Brigida reported that the SA allocation of \$750 to LSS Textbook Equity Scheme (TES) went

to purchasing 8 textbooks which helped 8 students with their studies. She explained that BSoc's TES used the funds in a similar way, and that BSoc's TES has just started and it is expected that the demand for both schemes will continue to grow.

Brigida said she has contacted the SA Secondhand Bookshop about partnering in expanding the TES, however there is some concern from the Bookshop manager about the effect of giving away free textbooks, with little mechanism for ensuring they textbooks are returned, and how that may disrupt their current business model. Fabian asked about whether partnering with the Secondhand Bookshop would involve an allowance or a subsidy, and there was brief discussion that this detail would need to be considered with Bookshop manager & SA staff.

Locky asked what criteria there are for determining eligibility to access the TES. Brigida clarified that they have accepted Centrelink statements, pensioners card, references from Equity & Diversity Unit.

Aaron raised an issue about the turnover rate regarding currency of textbooks, and there was discussion about how this may be an ongoing issue.

6.02pm – Sarah left the meeting.

6.03pm – Kate entered the meeting.

6.04pm – Sarah re-entered the meeting.

Motion: to accept the financial proof of TES.

Moved: Aaron

Seconded: Fabian

Abstained: Brigida

CARRIED

6.04pm – Lawrence left the meeting & passed his proxied to Sarah Mulhearn.

13.2014 Audit of UTS Students' Association (UTSSA)

Tabled by Brigida.

Please see attached [2014 Audit document here](#).

Brigida and Dean have looked through the audit for 2014 and Brigida reported that by the end of 2014, \$150 000 was not spent as a result of poor budgeting.

- Conference Budgets – extra \$30 000 spent in 2014, Brigida proposed a cap on this spending.
- Orientation – Brigida reported that \$35 000 more spent as a result of poor relations with Steph who had contacts with people organising the stalls.
- Legal Service – maintained the same spending.
- Bluebird Brekkie – maintained the same spending.
- Bookshop – increased spending.
- Student Advocacy & Caseworkers – Dean spoke about the two existing caseworkers speaking with over 1000 cases each, stating there is an overwhelming need for another staff member. There is also a need to allocate

funding to invest in a digitalised database so that UTSSA is able to look at trends in academic issues students are facing. This could allow us to advocate and implement pre-emptive measures, addressing issues within faculties as well as Teaching & Learning Committee.

- Charity & Not For Profit status – Brigida noted that there was an administrative error and confirmed that the UTSSA is listed as a charity organisation.

6.10pm – Peter left the meeting

6.14pm – Peter re-entered the meeting.

There was discussion about possible conferences that students and members of Collectives would be interested in attending.

6.16pm – Melanie entered the meeting.

Motion: to action Budget Committee to draft a policy on Collective Conference expenditure to be presented at the next SRC Meeting, while also considering information about Collectives' prospective conferences for 2015.

Moved: Luke

Seconded: Aaron

CARRIED

Motion: to accept the Audit report delivered verbally by Brigida.

Moved: Aaron

Seconded: Fabian

Abstained: Brigida

CARRIED

14. Reimbursements for Rad Sex and Consent Week

Tabled by Sarah Mulhearn (Wom*n's Officer)

Sarah submitted this agenda point along with following motions passed in Wom*n's Collective meetings on 2 March and 9 March.

6. Food for Rad Sex and Consent Week (from 2 March meeting)

Potential for WoCo to spend money for pizza or other foods (e.g. fruit) for the week. There was discussion about donating vegan sausages. Jess A and Melody noted they may be able to assist w/ Vegan sausages. Jess A suggested we may be able to obtain fruit via Bluebird.

Motion: To pass \$100 to be reimbursed later for the purchase of foods for Rad Sex and Consent Week.

Moved: Melody

Second: Michelle

CARRIED [Unanimous]

6. Spending for Rad Sex and Consent Week (from 9 March meeting)

There was an extension on spending for the Rad Sex and Consent Week kick off event, specifically by Divina Blanca, so Sarah suggested that an extension should be made to the upper spending limit for the event.

Motion: to pass an additional upper spending limit of \$50 for the reimbursement of funds spent on Rad Sex and Consent Week by Divina Blanca.

Moved: Drew

Seconded: Nidhi

Abstained: Divina

CARRIED

Motion: to approve reimbursement of Divina Blanca for funds spent on Rad Sex and Consent Week, as detailed in [receipts attached](#).

This expenditure item was moved to the next Executive meeting.

15. Repeal Motion 5 'Palestine Solidarity' from 2014 SRC

Tabled by Ben Jackson (Ku-ring-gai Campus Convenor).

Background On August 7 2014 the UTSSA passed a motion pertaining to the ongoing Israel-Hamas conflict in Gaza. The following is an extract from the minutes of said meeting:

5. Palestine solidarity

The following motion was passed by the UTSSA SRC at the meeting. A complimentary [sic] motion was also passed by the UTS Muslim Society.

Motion:

1. That the University of Technology Sydney Students Association affirms their support for and commitment to the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign against Israel.
2. That the University of Technology Sydney Students Association condemns the ongoing massacres in Gaza, which to date has killed over 1,900 people, displaced over 100,000 and injured thousands more.
3. That the University of Technology Sydney Students Association expresses support and solidarity to the Palestinian resistance against the apartheid and imperialist state of Israel and its current war, and condemns any attempts to equate the actions of the occupied with that of the occupier.
4. That the University of Technology Sydney Students Association condemns the following office bearers in the National Union of Students - National General Secretary Isabelle Kingshott, National Welfare Officer Jack Boyd and National Ethno-Cultural Officer Daniel Nikoloski - for taking part in the upcoming Australia Israel and Jewish Affairs Council's Rambam Israel Fellowship program, which involves an all-expenses paid trip to Israel. University of Technology Sydney Students Association recognises that to visit Apartheid Israel in this context and via this program is to be complicit in its ethnic cleansing of the Palestinian people.

Moved: Kate

Seconded: Chris

Source: UTSSA Website

<http://www.sa.uts.edu.au/sites/default/files/Documents/sites/default/files/Documents/7-8-14%20SRC%20Meeting%20DRAFT%20minutes.pdf>

Motion

The motion carried at the 2014 August 7 meeting of the UTSSA, was politically partisan and took aim at the State of Israel, AUJS at UTS and made the Students Association take a partisan stance on a geopolitical conflict over 14,000 kilometres away.

The UTSSA has a proud history of remaining a body that provides services to students on campus and standing up against discrimination. Members of the UTSSA are encouraged to have their own views on any geopolitical conflict or issue, however there should be no partisan motions that alienate students from participating in the UTSSA, such as in this case.

Motions such as these inflict duress on Jewish students, and cause an unnecessary level of conflict, hatred and victimisation on campus. Discrimination of any form has no place at UTS.

For the good of both Jewish and Palestinian students, it is best that UTSSA not involve itself the conflict. The UTSSA remains committed to supporting all students at UTS, regardless of race, ethnicity, culture, religion or any other basis.

Actions:

- The UTSSA repeals the motion in entirety.
- The UTSSA reaffirms their opposition to all forms of discrimination and apologises for duress caused to students.

Ben withdrew the motion & requested it to be tabled at the next SRC Meeting.

16. Membership of the UTSSA Facebook working group

Tabled by Luke Chapman (Assistant Secretary).

Background: The *UTSSA Working Group 2015* Facebook group has proven a useful forum for organising. Currently membership is defined in the description as a; “*space for members of the 2015 UTSSA including, office bearers, elected members, ex-officio members, councillors, observers, committee members and members of collectives.*” <https://www.facebook.com/groups/utssa2015/members/>

Membership as of 10.03.2015 is 39 people. Opening membership to all collective members would unintentionally allow non-members of the UTSSA to join the working group e.g. non-students who are collective members and could also lead to a dramatic increase in the groups size limiting its effectiveness as an organising space for the executive.

Discussion

Luke spoke about the broad nature of the group description as it stands, and his idea about restricting membership to relevant people and delegated representative(s) of Collectives. Dean noted that there were some Collective representatives present that could speak on the matter.

Sarah advised that Grievance Officers in Collectives should be included in the UTSSA Working Group online space, as they have a special interest in understanding the technical aspects of how the UTSSA functions.

Kate thought the motion was not necessary, that Collectives could self-organise who would be involved in the UTSSA Working Group online space, and membership could be left open to whoever is interested.

Motion: A member of the executive will amend the description and membership criteria of the *UTSSA Working Group 2015* Facebook group to the following;

“Check this space for important announcements and reminders of upcoming UTSSA events and meetings.

This is a working and information space for elected and ex-officio student representatives of the UTSSA, Campus committee members, UTS National Union of Student delegates and nominated representatives or co-representatives of collectives. All members must be current students of UTS. Please be polite and respect all members, bullying and heckling will not be tolerated. This is not a forum for political discussion or debate, save discussion points for meetings.

If you have any grievances please contact one of the page admins immediately to have any issues resolved.”

Moved: Luke

Seconded: Fabian

Abstained: Jennifer, Jess

CARRIED

6.21pm – Sarah left & re-entered the meeting.

17. Facebook group members and preferred names

Tabled by Luke Chapman (Assistant Secretary)

Background: Some members of the UTSSA Working Group 2015 use pseudonyms for their profiles. This causes issues of identification for the purposes of monitoring membership of the group.

Motion: Members who use pseudonyms for their Facebook profile shall email the Secretary providing their name and profile name. The Secretary will produce and maintain a list detailing members' names, profile names, and position granting the member access to the group. The Secretary shall make this list available to all members of the Executive at the next meeting.

6.24pm – Sarah re-entered the meeting.

Discussion

Luke explained that in the potential case of grievances UTSSA Working Group 2015 online space, there may be issues with resolving issues if there are more anonymous accounts involved. Therefore, Luke asserted that there is a need in identifying who is operating more anonymous accounts.

Amended Motion: Members who use pseudonyms for their facebook profile shall email the secretary providing their preferred name and profile name. The Secretary will produce and maintain a list detailing members' names, profile names, and position granting the member access to the group. The Secretary shall make this list available to all members of the executive at the next meeting.

Moved: Luke

Seconded: Aaron

CARRIED.

18. Constitutions and governing documents of Collectives and Departments

Tabled by Fabian Vergara

Background: Currently there is no central record of the constitutions or governing documents of collectives. Ensuring that constitutions are available to students is a cornerstone of good governance and transparency.

Motion: The President shall request copies of all the collective/department constitutions and governing documents and email a copy of each to every member of the UTSSA as they become available. Where the collective/department has no such documents the President will send an email to all members of the UTSSA notifying them of this. When possible, the constitutions will be made available on the UTSSA website.

Discussion

Fabian spoke about issues of governance and transparency in relation to Collectives, and said that constitutions should exist and be made available.

Dean clarified that they can request governance documents from Collectives but that doesn't guarantee that they will hand documents over.

Luke thought that it is a reasonable request to have these documents for the point of transparency. Aaron agreed with this.

Fabian clarified that his intention was not to influence the enforcement of constitutions or breaching the autonomy of Collectives. Instead, the motion was put forward to facilitate transparency, good governance, perhaps even facilitate new potential members to understand and join Collectives.

Tracy spoke about how it is essential for a Collective to have a constitution or policy documents for the sake of transparency, otherwise they may have loopholes – eg. with minutes not being available online to Collective members.

Melanie spoke about the importance of constitutions in clarifying if decisions can be validly made.

Ben wanted to clarify a detail of the proposed motion – if the Collectives withhold their governance documents, would there also be a notification sent to UTSSA members?

Following on from this query, Kate spoke about the motion in current form seemed geared towards calling out Collectives that do not have a constitution.

Luke proposed an amendment – in the section “collective/department has no such documents” to add “or choose not to share this”. Luke spoke about providing a point of contact as an option for students who may want to clarify whether there is a constitution for Collective(s).

Fabian stated that without a constitution, the nature of Collective(s) are obscured.

Dean spoke about the motion not implying that Collectives are required to adopt a Constitution and expressed that some Collectives choose to operate without a constitution, rather with a Charter of Understanding. Dean suggested that where there are no governance documents, there could be contact details for students to find out more information about the Collective.

Kate proposed to scrap the sentence with UTSSA email.

Procedural motion: to move the motion as amended by Luke.

Moved: Luke

CARRIED

Amended motion: The President shall request copies of all the collective/department constitutions and governing documents and email a copy of each to every member of the UTSSA as they become available. Where the collective/department has no such documents, or chooses not to disclose them, the President will send an email to all members of the UTSSA notifying them of this. Where possible, the constitutions will be made available on the UTSSA website with contact details provided.

Moved: Fabian

Seconded: Aaron

Abstained: Abhishek, Dean, Sarah, Jennifer, Jess

CARRIED

19. Clarification of the usage of the terms “Collective” and “Department”

Tabled by Fabian Vergara.

Background: The terms “Collective” and “Department” have been used interchangeably to describe the various groups the UTSSA supports. The Constitution includes multiple uses of the terms “committee” and “collective” to describe groups with the same purpose. This is bad practice as it is a source of

confusion and can obscure the endorsed nature of the group and any rights or responsibilities they have within the Student Association.

Discussion:

Dean indicated they are happy to bring this issue to William to clarify.

Luke stated that it could be a style guide rather than a legal issue eg. is it Education Department or Education Action Group? If there is a decision, then we could have clear branding.

Motion: At the next meeting of the UTSSA, after consultation with relevant stakeholders, the President will present an official guide detailing the difference between a department and collective and a list of the various group titles and how they have chosen to identify.

Moved: Fabian

Seconded: Brigida

CARRIED

20. Provide Notice of Leave

Tabled by Luke Chapman (Assistant Secretary)

Background: From time to time executive members of the association may take voluntary leave. Taking leave without giving notice disrupts the business of the association.

Motion: Members of the executive shall give 7 days notice to all members of their intention to take leave including date of commencement and date of return. The executive member will also set up an out of office reply during the duration of their leave. If a period or periods of leave are longer than one fortnight, the association will cease payment of honorarium or stipend until the member returns. In cases of emergency the member shall notify the president as soon as possible, the president will then make a broadcast email to all members.

Discussion

Dean spoke about this being a breach of the Constitution regarding the honorariums that are Constitutional enshrined.

Luke clarified that the motion was drafted under assumption of new By-Laws being in operation.

Amended motion: Members of the executive shall give 7 days notice to all members of their intention to take leave including date of commencement and date of return. The executive member will also set up an out of office reply during the duration of their leave. In cases of emergency the member shall notify the president as soon as possible, the president will then make a broadcast email to all members.

CARRIED en bloc

Procedural motion: to pass on motions in agenda item 20-23 en bloc.

Moved: Luke

CARRIED

Motion: to move motions in agenda items 20-23 en bloc, with amendments to motion 20 and 21.

Moved: Luke

Seconded: Fabian

CARRIED

21. Regulations and Rules

Tabled by Sam Howes.

Background: There has been much talk of UTSSA policies and regulations governing the business of the UTSSA however such regulations and rules have only being made available at the discretion of the president. A central folder of all policies should be available to all members of the UTSSA to educate members on their roles and responsibilities.

Motion: That the President collects all existing UTSSA policies, charters, rules, and regulations, making them available to all members in a central and easily accessible location that is preferably digital for members to access to by the next meeting.

Amended motion: That the Secretary collects all existing UTSSA policies, charters, rules, and regulations, making them available to all members in a central and easily accessible location that is preferably digital for members to access to by the next meeting.

CARRIED en bloc

22. Contact Returning Officer Casual Vacancies

Tabled by Sam Howes.

Background There are a number of casual vacancies that need to be filled in the UTSSA, UTSSA committees and Campus Committees.

Motion The President shall contact the returning officer within 10 days requesting that they organise elections to fill vacant positions in accordance with the constitution and electoral regulations.

CARRIED en bloc

23. Post constitution and meeting minutes on the UTSSA Website

Background

The UTSSA website allows the association to be more transparent in its business by making available to all students the governing documents and records of business conducted at these meetings.

Motion

For the Secretary to post the constitution and by-laws and minutes from general meetings on the UTSSA website for the public to view. The Secretary will provide a progress report at the next meeting.

CARRIED en bloc

24. Membership of Andy Zephyr

Background

The UTSSA constitution states;

“1.3.2 A person ceases to be a member of the Association when they cease to be a registered student of the University.”.

Motion 24.1:

For the Secretary to fulfil their role under section 10.11 and section 10.11.1.2.1 to notify members of resignations and casual vacancies. The Secretary shall send a broadcast email to all members of the Student Association informing them of the membership status of Andy Zephyr.

Dean clarified that the tasks in this motion have been completed, therefore the motion is no longer relevant.

Motion 24.2: for the President compile a report informing SRC about the enrolment status of Andy Zephyr during the period 2014 – 2015.

Moved: Luke

Seconded: Brigida

CARRIED

6.49pm – Locky left the meeting.

25. PERC Club list

Background

There is currently no list generally available to SA members listing Political Educational and Religious Groups (PERC) clubs that are registered with the UTSSA, detailing club contact and executive. Such a list would be helpful to members seeking to collaborate with clubs and help them organise events and seek funding.

Motion That the Secretary provides a list of all currently registered PERC clubs, their executives, and contact information, to be presented to members by the next general meeting

Discussion

The current PERC Club list is [available here](#) and the information has been available and updated on the SA website as relevant.

Dean clarified that the tasks in motion had already been completed.

Luke asked that the President provide notification about PERC Clubs.

Motion: the President provide notification of new PERC Clubs and withdrawal/de-registration of clubs.

Moved: Luke

Seconded: Aaron

CARRIED

26. Caseworker Database

Tabled by Max Murphy (Education Vice President)

Preamble: At current the two caseworkers hired by the UTSSA do not have anything by way of a database. They have a filing cabinet that keeps the records of all their clients and some cases date back many years. This is problematic in that there is no way by which to obtain any data about particular subjects or members of staff.

Having a database would help identify subjects that have a particularly high level of failure or complaints that name specific members of staff repeatedly. With this data, Student representatives at the UTSSA would have the ability to report to University Management with reliable quantitative information with the aim of improving student life on campus. Other universities have databases where they can readily and easily access this information.

Motion: To create a working group to look into caseworkers on other campuses and their databases. This would then be presented at the next SRC Executive meeting and to the UTS caseworkers, and if agreeable to both to then have the database implemented at the UTSSA.

Moved: Jess

Seconded: Sarah

CARRIED

27. International Students' Collective spending

The International Students Collective passed a motion in their 2 April meeting as follows:

3. Reimbursement of Nidhi for the costs of the Meet & Greet

a. Nidhi bought bandaids, a roll of masking tape and a permanent marker for this event.

b. Motion: Reimburse Nidhi for a total of \$15.21 from the collective budget.

i. Put Forward by: Linus

ii. Seconded by: Onan

iii. Motion passed Unanimously

This expenditure item was moved to the next Executive meeting.

28. Indigenous Collective spending

The Indigenous Collective passed spending motions in their 1 April meeting as follows:

Motion: Pay \$100 for Indigenous University Games registration.

Moved: Chris Combridge

Seconded: Jesse Wright

All in favour. Motion passed.

Motion: \$300 of Collective budget to go towards a bar tab at Indigenous Collective Event.

Moved: Lakaree Smith

Seconded: Tyrrell Freeman-Mafi

All in favour. Motion passed.

Motion: Alan Daly to be reimbursed \$750 for money spent at 2014 Indigenous Collective Event.

Moved: Amber Lowrey

Seconded: Jesse Wright

All in favour. Motion passed.

This expenditure item was moved to the next Executive meeting.

29. Other Business

‘Trimesters at UTS?!’ Facebook event

Luke wanted to clarify why the term ‘trimesters’ was being used and who made the Facebook event.

Jess clarified that she and Max made the event together ahead of a briefing meeting where there was an opportunity to ask the senior management staff questions about new teaching/learning model in 2016. We decided that using ‘trimesters’ in the title

Luke asserted that the Executive should be notified or consulted if there is action taken on behalf of the UTSSA.

Motion: that any official communication referring to trimesters should be changed to balanced semesters, noting that this is the preferred wording of Academic Board and other bodies in UTS.

Moved: Luke

Seconded: Aaron

CARRIED

Report back about Kuring-gai UTSSA Office

Kate spoke about gaining key access to the Kuring-gai UTSSA Office, making it much easier to set up regular Munchbar events. However, an unknown person has been accessing the jammed old door to the archived files.

Dean has clarified Jessica Hill (Receptionist) has been instructed to itemise and archive files that are at Kuring-gai UTSSA Office.

Kate clarified that Security at the Kuring-gai Campus is looking into whether other people are being let into the UTSSA Office space. This is a pending action.

Meeting closed: 6.57pm