

SRC Meeting #1

16-1-15

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

Members Attending: *Lawrence Warren (Broadway Campus Convenor), *Max Murphy (SRC Councillor), Aaron Ngan (UTS Council - Undergraduate Student Representative), Akshay Raj Kumar (SRC Councillor), Andy Zephyr (SRC Councillor), Charlene Humphries (Australian Indigenous Officer), Mohamed Rumman (SRC Councillor), Sam Howes (SRC Councillor), *Luke Chapman (Markets Campus Convenor), Fabian Vergara (SRC Councillor), Tracy Tang (Overseas Students' Officer), Sashin Ranasinghe (SRC Councillor), *Sarah Mulhearn (Womn's Officer), Dean Mattar (President), Jess Xu (Secretary), *Brigida Johns (Treasurer), *Melanie Wilson (Postgraduate Officer), *Ellyse Harding (Markets Campus Representative)

Observers: *James Wilson (Vertigo Editor), *Dylan

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

Agenda:

1. Acknowledgement of Country
2. Apologies and proxies
3. Declarations of interest
4. Passing of Minutes from Previous Meetings
 - 4.1 Returning Officer's Report on SRC Reps Elect
 - 4.1.1 Internal Legal Advice
 - 4.2 18-12-14 SRC Exec Meeting #1
 - 4.3 14-1-15 SRC Exec Meeting #2
 - 4.4 15-1-15 Markets Campus Committee Meeting
 - 4.5 12-1-15 Broadway Campus Committee Meeting
5. President's Report
6. Secretary's Report
7. Education Vice President's Report
8. By-Laws Working Group
9. Bluebirds & Bees
10. Australian Youth Climate Coalition (AYCC) National Summit 2015
11. Textbook Equity Scheme
12. Presidents' Summit

13. Other Business

Meeting Opened: 5.41pm

PLEASE NOTE: Several amendments have been made to this document as carried in motion 4.2 of [6-2-15 SRC Meeting](#).

1. Acknowledgement of Country

Dean delivered an Acknowledgement of Country.

2. Apologies and proxies

Apologies and proxies for non-attendance

- Maddie Clouston (SRC Councillor) to Aaron Ngan
- Jennifer Pham (SRC Councillor) to Jess Xu
- Jake Witchard (SRC Councillor) to Max Murphy
- Ben Jackson (Kuring-gai Campus Convenor) to Fabian Vergara
- Abhishek Loumish (UTS Council - Postgraduate Student Representative) to Charlene Humphries
- Aaron Colley (Broadway Campus Convenor) to Mohamed Rumman

Partial attendance

- In the event of arriving late, Melanie Wilson proxies to Tracy Tang
- In the event of arriving late, Ellyse Harding proxies to Akshay Raj Kumar
- In the event of leaving early, Akshay Raj Kumar to Ellyse Harding

3. Declarations of interest

None were noted at this point.

5.44pm Brigida Johns entered the meeting

4. Passing of Minutes from Previous Meetings

5.51pm Melanie entered the meeting.

Motion 4.1: to accept the agenda item 4.1 (Returning Officer's Report on Reps Elect), as outlined in agenda item 4.1.1 (Internal Legal Advice) on the interpretation of Constitution.

Mover: Sarah

Secunder: Max

11 FOR, 13 AGAINST (2 challenge votes)

NOT CARRIED

6.09pm Ellyse entered the meeting.

Motion 4.2: to accept the minutes of agenda item 4.4 (15-1-15 Markets Campus Committee Meeting) and agenda item 4.5 (12-1-15 Broadway Campus Committee Meeting).

Mover: Akshay Raj

Secunder: Fabian

CARRIED

Motion 4.3: to accept the Returning Officer's Report, as outlined by the Internal Legal Advice on the interpretation of Constitution.

Mover: Sarah

Secunder: Max

12 FOR, 12 AGAINST - TIED VOTE

MOTION PENDING

There was discussion of conventions in UTSSA for standing orders & tied votes, meeting procedures, declarations of interests, and ability of The Chair of meetings to move and second motions.

Motion 4.4: to move a censure motion declaring that Max Murphy was in fault and should have declared a conflict of interest in the agenda item 4.2 (18-12-14 SRC Exec Meeting #1), motion 11.1.

Mover: Luke

Secunder: Akshay Raj

22 FOR, Lawrence AGAINST, Max ABSTAINED.

PLEASE NOTE: this motion was amended to read 'censure motion' as carried in motion 4.2 of [6-2-15 SRC Meeting](#).

CARRIED

Motion 4.5: to carry all motions and expenditures of the agenda item 4.2 (18-12-14 SRC Exec Meeting #1) as emergency expenditures, as Max's vote on SRC Executive has not been confirmed.

Mover: Luke

Secunder: Sam

Max and Lawrence ABSTAINED.

CARRIED

Motion 4.6: the SRC directs the President to seek external legal advice upon the ability for The Chair to move and second motions.

Mover: Akshay Raj

Secunder: Fabian

CARRIED

Motion 4.7: to amend the minutes in agenda item 4.3 (14-1-15 SRC Exec Meeting #2) so that Luke and Raj have their declarations of interest noted in the motion 8 regarding reimbursement of NUS National Conference travel.

Mover: Luke

Secunder: Raj

CARRIED

Motion 4.8: to carry all motions and expenditures of the agenda item 4.3 (14-1-15 SRC Exec Meeting #2) as emergency expenditures, as Max's vote on SRC Executive has not been confirmed.

Mover: Luke

Secunder: Ellyse

Lawrence ABSTAINED.

CARRIED

5. President's Report

08/12/14 - 16/01/15

Name: Dean Mattar

Student ID: 11893296

Induction - 08/12/14 – 19/12/14

Throughout my time and involvement in student associations, there is usually a significant lack of hand over and information provided to incoming officers and councillors. Throughout the lead up to Rep-Select, I went through previous documentation passed at UTSSA to establish an induction pack. The Pack included a notepad, pens, the out-going students handbook, a copy of the constitution and importantly the Student Representative Council Induction Pack, which contained the documentation and outline of the roles and responsibilities of the union and how the student representative council works.

Furthermore, throughout December, between 15th – 19th I coordinated individual induction meetings with each currently elected Office Bearer. I processed the handover of email accounts, provided them information on how collectives process expenditures, collected information and provided them with a pin code and

provided them a space to communicate any further questions and concerns.

Second Hand Book Store - 17/12/14

Upon entering my role as President, I was informed that our current staff member who coordinates the Second Hand Book Store requested to move from their managerial role to a casual position due to personal medical concerns. Following her advice and the advice of our Executive Officer Mariah, we were able to facilitate this process smoothly and fill the vacancy.

QSN Meeting - 18/12/14

The Queer Student Network requested that UTS hosted one of their regular meetings at UTS, using the new Activist Space. They are currently in the process of coordinating the Cross Campus Mardi-Gras Float; I have forwarded all the relevant information to the newly elected Queer Officers.

Executive Meeting - 18/12/14

Please see minutes attached to the Agenda.

Meeting with Shirley Alexander - 19/12/14

Jess and myself attended a meeting with the DVC. We spoke to her regarding academic misconduct, providing clarifications and concerns that were passed on to us by our caseworkers. She clarified and confirmed the introduction of the trimester system. We also expressed concerns of a complaint we had received regarding student accessibility in the student centre BLD10, she has confirmed to endeavour to resolve the issue promptly. The DVC also confirmed that once the newly elected environment officer is confirmed, we would be able to coordinate meetings with the VC regarding the results of the referendum. This is a promising opportunity to push the university into divestment and to increase their sustainability.

Meeting with Vertigo - 22/12/14 – 23/12/14

Met with university management and Vertigo to discuss the relocation of their office to ensure that Vertigo's new space was adequate for future teams. This included a discussion with the quantity surveyor and a brief discussion regarding the future of building two. Furthermore I met with the Vertigo team to discuss any other their concerns going into 2015 and provide a space to converse with them regarding any immediate expenditures that they required before the role over to the new budget.

Office Closed - 23/12/14 – 5/01/15

Office closed over Christmas and New Year break.

Meeting with Stephanie - 05/01/15

Stephanie is a staff member of the UTSSA that we contract out to work on designs and publication. We have asked her to coordinate and correspond with the university regarding O-Day (18th of Feb). She has provided a list of the total amount of stalls that were used in previous years, including Kuring-Gai campus. twenty two to twenty three stalls in total, where four were allocated to PERC clubs, 14 for the SA and collectives, four were sold and one for Kuring-Gai. We have given permission for Stephanie to seek a quote for the total expenses of the stalls, and look into the possibility of selling off the same amount as last year to ensure that we break even with expenses.

PERC (Political, educational, religious and cultural) Clubs - 06/01/15

Going through the documentation from 2012 to present, I have emailed out and contacted previously affiliated PERC clubs with the UTSSA to request, if they were interested in re-affiliating. I have also contacted previous PERC clubs that membership lapsed in 2014, requesting if they were interested in affiliating with us going into 2015. I have also provided information outlining what is required to affiliate with students interested in participating. The list below outlines the student groups who have been contacted via email.

1. Atheists society – Waiting for reply
2. Student Justice for Palestine – Waiting for reply
3. RU4MyChoice – Waiting for reply
4. Gamsat Peeps – Waiting for reply
5. STOB – Currently processing paper work.
6. UTS Labor Club – Affiliated
7. Resistance – Young Socialist Alliance – Affiliated

Wom*ns and Vertigo Room relocation - 08/01/15

Met again with university management to discuss the relocation of the Wom*ns Room and Vertigo, accompanied by our executive officer Mariah and Wom*ns Officer, Sarah. Allowed management to measure the space and answer any concerns they had with relocation. Relocation will either be happening before term, during the semester one-two break or at the end of term, depending on what is the most beneficial time for the collective and/or Vertigo.

Education Action Network Meeting - 13/01/15

At the meeting I was accompanied by our EVP, Assit Sec and members of council, I encourage further interested members of the SRC to attend. The EAN confirmed that the National Day of Action to happen in NSW will be the 25th of March, 2pm outside UTS. Other key dates that were announced was their snap action protest on the 9th of February (first day of sitting parliament) where Pyne plans to reintroduce his Bill regarding deregulation of universities. The EAN's Activist Day School will be held on the 15th of February (location to be announced).

Meeting with NUS National Education Officer - 14/01/15

Meeting with Hannah Smith, the national union of students, national education officer. We spoke about the coordination of the National Day of Action, along with debriefing NUS on the status of our campus.

Executive Meeting - 14/01/15

Please see minutes attached to the Agenda.

AYCC Meeting -15/01/15

Meeting organised to coordinate and speak with the Australian Youth Climate Coalition. The AYCC are interested in meeting with us to discuss the possibility for them to host their national youth empowering and training conference to happen from Feb 13-15th.

Notice

Throughout this year, accountability will be a key focus on our association. As for safety and security, ever OB and Vertigo should have been given a pin code and access to their reinvent email addresses and computers. In reference to several items that have gone missing over the years, and in recommendation from our executive officer, Jess and I will be storing SA equipment either in our office or in storage. If any members wish to use said items, such as for example our badge makers or video cameras, they will be requested to log the item out and therefore taking legal responsibility for the item until they have returned and logged the item in. Collectives OB's are allowed to log out items for their collective for larger periods of time, however will also be required to return the items before their term is up. Hopefully this system will reduce the amount of theft that has happened previous years.

If anyone has any further questions please feel comfortable contacting myself.

Motion 5.1: The SRC directs the President and Treasurer to seek clarification on funding with reference to the Political, Educational, Religious, and Cultural (PERC) Clubs that can affiliate to the UTS Students' Association (UTSSA).

Mover: Brigida

Seconder: Andy

CARRIED

7.02pm Raj left the meeting & proxied his vote to Ellyse.

7.03pm Luke left the meeting.

7.04pm Melanie & Sarah left the meeting.

7.05pm Luke re-entered the meeting.

7.07pm Sarah & Melanie re-entered the meeting.

There was discussion to clarify what language the UTS Academic Board has used regarding teaching period changes due for 2016 with introduction of these terms:

- trimesters - 3 compulsory semesters; AND
- balanced semesters - 2 compulsory semesters, optional 3rd semester (currently in use)

Motion 5.2: The SRC accepts the President's Report for Dec 14 - Jan 15.

Mover: Jess

Seconder: Max

CARRIED

7.09pm Jess left the meeting

7.10pm James left the meeting

7.11pm Lawrence left the meeting, and Jess re-entered the meeting.

6. Secretary's Report

Name: Jessica Xu

Student No.: 11390236

Date: 14 Jan 2015

Campus Committees

In December I have formally invited Faculty Student Representatives of their eligibility to become members of relevant Campus Committees, as requested by various members of the 2014 and 2015 SRC. I have also informed the Campus Secretaries of new members of their Committees, as well as send invitations out for the first meeting of the Markets Campus Committee.

Semester 1 Calendar

Together with Dean, I have organised a calendar of monthly SRC Meetings and submission dates for monthly reports, agenda items and stipend, then distributed this calendar to all elected members of UTSSA, SRC and Vertigo. I'm currently working out a few kinks to make this calendar a more useful tool to ensure the UTSSA & SRC are transparent and accountable.

UTSSA Website

Since December 2014, I have been making enquiries as to how to edit & update the website. Currently there are a few barriers to editing the website, which will hopefully be resolved soon. I plan to update the website with the calendar, minutes of SRC & Exec meetings, input current information about Departments, Collectives, Campaigns and SRC, all to be ready for O'Day on 18 Feb.

Guide to Collective Budget Spending

I drafted two versions of this guide, which have been edited by Mariah, the Executive Officer, and shared with Brigida, the Treasurer, to facilitate a more efficient and accessible process for Collectives to spend their budget money.

Administrative Handover

During the summer break, I've help Dean with facilitating a handover to new Office Bearers with setting up the new working space in the UTSSA office, updating the PIN code access to UTSSA office after hours for new reps, and setting up templates for monthly reports & stipend timesheets (a new requirement of Office Bearers, as they are now eligible for stipend payments).

Marketing of UTSSA

With the SRC Exec, Dean, Sarah, Jess, the receptionist, and Steph, the Marketing Officer, I've been working on new initiatives to make UTSSA, SRC, Collectives and our services more visible to current and new students of UTS. These include branded USBs for O'Day, printed pamphlets about UTSSA Services, Collectives & the SRC, use of the noticeboard for a UTSSA calendar and SRC minutes, and possibly stalls/bannerbugs in well-frequented areas of the uni.

Welfare Officer elections and handover

I am currently in the process of facilitating handover & election of a new Welfare Officer for 2015. As this was my role in 2014, and the Welfare Officer previously did not exist in the UTSSA Constitution or By-Laws until the changes made in late 2014, I have been managing different ideas of the election procedure - Collective endorsement, and SRC appointment. I will assist in any way that the Collective wants in the election for Collective endorsement.

Students Thinking Outside Borders

I've assisted the student-based group supporting refugees and asylum seekers in ending mandatory detention with booking the Activist Space for 31 Jan - 1 Feb to use for their Mapping Project meetings.

Meeting: SRC Executive meeting #1

I gave notice for, collected agenda items and relevant documentation, and wrote minute for this meeting. If you would like to view them, please contact me on secretary@utsstudentsassociation.org

Meeting: Shirley Alexander

I attended this meeting on 19 Dec 2014 with Dean. Please see the President's report for more details.

Meeting: relocation of Wom*n's Space and Vertigo Office

I attended a meeting on 8 Jan 2015 regarding the relocation of UTSSA space in Building 2, due to happen in late 2015/early 2016, along with Mariah, Dean, Sarah, the Wom*n's Officer, and James, a Vertigo Editor. We discussed the specific requirements for each space, the options for relocation, and the timeline of moving.

Please let me know via secretary@utsstudentsassociation.org if you have any questions!

7.13pm Lawrence re-entered the meeting.

7.16pm James re-entered the meeting.

The President will inquire about individual swipe card access for students to UTSSA Office, who don't have access to getting student cards.

There was a discussion of who is entitled to access the UTSSA Office after hours, and what is stored in the locked and unlocked spaces of the UTSSA Office.

Motion 6.1: the SRC directs the President to table an agenda point item in an SRC Executive meetings that is open to every UTS student, in order write 'UTSSA Office Access Procedure & Policy'.

Mover: Andy
Seconded: Luke
CARRIED

Motion 6.2: Vertigo have autonomy and control of their equipment and property purchased on behalf of the SRC.

Mover: Luke
Seconded:

Carried en bloc in procedural motion 1

Motion 6.3: The President & Treasurer will inquire into purchasing a lock box, to table at the next Executive meeting, with the keys to be given to Vertigo for them to decide who will be legally responsible for the item portable items they purchase. The UTSSA Executive Officer would keep a copy of a spare key.

Mover: Dean
Seconded:

Carried en bloc in procedural motion 1

Procedural motion 1: to move that Motions 6.2 and 6.3 to be moved en bloc.

Mover: Luke
CARRIED

7.43 - 7.54pm the SRC adjourned for break.

Motion 6.4: The SRC accepts the Secretary's Report for Dec 14 - Jan 15.

Mover: Dean
Seconded: Max
CARRIED

7. Education Vice President's Report

8th of December 2014- 14th of January 2014

Admin

On the 16th of December 2014, I had my induction with the President and went through the layout of the Student's Association, administrative procedures and some of the tasks I had to start with.

National Union of Students National Conference

I attended the National Union of Students National Conference at Monash University, Melbourne as a delegate. At conference one of my policies, specifically relating to UTS was passed which spoke out against trimesters and called for students having a greater say in how their University was run.

Handbook

The first task assigned to me was to plan and research the 2015 handbook. Having read through prior handbooks and consulting with other members of the executive, it was decided that the 2012 handbook had the best design and the most clear content. The 2012 designer, Linda Hoang, was contacted and a meeting has been arranged for the 17th of January to discuss both design ideas and to obtain a quote. The Printing office has also been contacted and at current I'm awaiting to receive a quote from them.

As was the case with the 2012 handbook, collective office bearers have been notified and have been asked to write contributions, and have also been notified of necessary articles associated with their collective, e.g. Centrelink Article by the Welfare collective. There were numerous complaints about the 2014 handbook and it's content, particularly about the length of the drugs piece and the comparatively short length of other less controversial articles, and moves have been made to address this. There were issues with parts of the handbook being libellous and many articles were decidedly political and didn't address student based issues or describe the services the UTSSA offers.

The contributors to the handbook and their respective pieces are as of this moment (these are in no particular order):

- History of UTSSA (Assistant Secretary)
- Vertigo (Vertigo Office) - Housing "Survival" Guide (People in housing have been notified)
- General Info about Collectives (President and Secretary)
- Indigenous Collective (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Officer)
- Wom*n's Collective (Wom*n's Officer)
- Queer Collective (Queer Officers x2)
- Ethnocultural Collective (Contacted Collective)
- International Collective (International Officer + contributions from the Collective)
- DAG's (NUS Disabilities Officer, as there is no UTSSA Disabilities Officer at current)
- Environment Collective (Environment Officer)
- Post-Graduate Collective (Post-Graduate Officer)
- PRU (PRU Convenor) - Welfare Department (Collective has been notified, outgoing Welfare Officer assisting, see Facebook page)
- Education Collective (EVP)

- Jumbunna (NUS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Officer)
- Sexual Health (Queer Officers + Wom*n's Collective)
- Sexual Consent (Treasurer + Wom*n's Collective)
- Services at UTS (RE Welfare)
- PERC's (President)
- Unionism (NUS OB's)
- Centrelink (See Welfare Dep. Facebook Page)
- Youth Homelessness (" ")
- Mental Health (" ")
- 2SER (2SER's Breakfast Host)
- NUS (NUS NSW State President, NUS National Ed)
- CAPA (CAPA Delegate)
- CISA (CISA Delegate)
- Editorial (EVP)
- Meet SRC (I'm arranging this as we speak)
- Lies your teacher tells you (EVP)
- Getting Involved in activism (EVP)
- Transport (See Welfare Dep. Facebook Page)
- Substance Help (EVP)
- Glossary of Education Issues (EVP)

Education Action Network

I attended the Education Action Network meeting held at UTS on the 13th of January. I was asked as the UTS education officer to report back on some of the issues happening at UTS and addressed those present on UTS specific issues. These included trimesters, compulsory mathematics and other issues. I also spoke on the need to focus the next NDA on State based issues as the NSW election happens three days after, and in favor of keeping the demonstration based on George Street as opposed to the UTS Green Space.

This report was withdrawn.

There was clarification that the Treasurer will be submitting a report next SRC meeting.

7.57pm Max left the meeting.

The President clarified that the extended deadline for student handbook submissions would be 20 Dec.

Motion 7.1: No person in the UTSSA should represent themselves, or publish themselves, Education Vice President, Assistant Secretary, and/or Welfare Officer, until they have been confirmed into these positions. This motion will be retrospective, applying to previous meetings and records.

Mover: Sam

Secunder: Luke

1 AGAINST, 4 ABSTAINED

CARRIED.

Procedural motion 2: to move all agenda items 8 & 12 to be moved en bloc.

Mover: Luke

Secunder: Andy

CARRIED

8. By-Laws Working Group

Preamble: It has been noted that some members of 2015 SRC want to amend By-Law changes recently passed by 2014 SRC.

In an attempt to make this process run smoothly, we are requesting that the SRC calls for a working group. The working group will consist of any interested student, provide the SRC a draft copy of changes and amendments.

Motion: For the SRC to call for a By-Law working group, open to an interested students, which will meet as frequent as they see fit to coordinate putting together a draft copy of recommended changes and amendments. That the SRC accepts the Assistant Secretary to facilitate the By-Law working group meetings.

Mover: Dean Mattar

Secunder: Luke Chapman

Carried en bloc in procedural motion 2

9. Bluebirds & Bees

Preamble: Stephanie, the Marketing Officer, has been looking into starting up some beehives at UTS so Bluebird Brekkie Bar can serve its very own honey, and we can collaborate with UTS Green, Food Co-op, and possibly neighbouring businesses with this initiative. UTS Green, the sustainability department of UTS, is already very keen to get on board.

Beehives at UTS:

Beehives require little maintenance and one single hive can produce a large amount of honey. Australia is the only country whose bees don't suffer the same problems of hive death and disease that the rest of the world is currently facing. Bees are responsible for the pollination of fruit and nut crops, most flowering plants, as well as rooftop and backyard gardens. Looking after even a number of beehives is a quick, simple and rewarding task.

Beekeeping schedule:

Bees are self sufficient, requiring only a nearby source of water. That said, hives require:

- A few hours work to transport and set up.
- A fortnightly check from late August to late May (bees hibernate through winter) to make sure bees are healthy and the Queen is still laying eggs.
- A day to harvest and process the honey about every 12 months.
- Four to eight hours on one day in spring (September-November) to split the hive so the bees don't swarm (see below on swarming).
- Potential training of other beekeepers during regular checking/harvesting.

Space Requirements:

- A single hive would require roughly 1.5 x 1.5 metres, but several hives could be placed in rows roughly one metre apart.
- In terms of the requirements of space around the hive(s), it's important to have a source of water close by, and the hives should be easy to walk around (i.e. not against a wall). Hives should not be in a place where they may have to be lifted above the shoulders (a hive full of honey is heavy!).
- Morning and afternoon sun with some shade in the middle of the day during summer is ideal but not necessary.
- After harvesting the honey (usually once, occasionally twice, per year) a clean space away from the hives in which to separate the honey from the wax honeycomb would be needed.
- Space to store harvested honey.
- UTS may wish to fence the hives off, or provide signage to anyone else who may use the roof but the hives themselves will be fine as long as they are not moved.

Getting stung and swarming

There is the possibility that there might be a higher number of bees collecting honey and pollen from around the UTS campus, and therefore the likelihood of bee stings may increase. Bees will collect honey from up to two kilometres so may not even be on campus. Bee stings do swell up and they do sting, but the risk to staff and students is still not particularly high. Bees are not aggressive by nature and go only between harvesting pollen and nectar and their hive - they don't socialise outdoors. A coroners report on urban beekeeping in Australia in 2000 found that death by allergic reaction to bee venom is less likely than by a lightning strike.

Each spring, beehive colonies will sometimes divide into two separate groups, one staying in the hive and one 'swarming' - leaving the hive behind in order to search for a new hive. Swarms can be prevented. Removing half the existing colony of bees into a new, empty hive in spring stops the bees swarming, and doubles the output of honey (or gives someone else the chance to adopt a colony of bees).

There was discussion about health concerns with increased possibilities of being stung by a bee on campus, the potential liabilities for injuries that UTSSA could encounter, and consultation with a group of students that are allergic to bees to bring their recommendation to SRC.

Motion: That we endorse and support sustainable approaches with Blue Bird Brekkie Bar, with the SRC requesting the President and Treasurer to obtain a quote in full of the costs of this project, the insurance liabilities the UTSSA could incur, and seek the recommendations of a focus group of students who have allergies to bees, all of which to be provided before any further action is taken.

Mover: Andy

Secunder: Ellyse

CARRIED

10. AYCC National Summit 2015

Please see [Partnership Proposal](#) from AYCC.

Motion 10.1: to enter a partnership with the AYCC to provide spaces on UTS Campus for the National Summit 2015.

Mover: Sarah

Secunder: Jess

CARRIED

11. Textbook Equity Scheme

The Treasurer, and member of Markets Campus Committee, Brigida, spoke about similar Textbook Equity schemes in Law and Business Societies, with a system requiring students to provide proof of their disadvantage eg. Centrelink statement, Health Care Card, etc. Existing schemes involve keeping a catalog of information about the students. To prevent the stealing of books, students could be blacklisted from interacting with the UTSSA. The scheme would be advertised in a 3 week period at the beginning of semesters.

There was discussion about whether there could be expanded criteria of proving disadvantage eg. counsellor's letters.

There was a suggestion for a working group to be created in the Welfare Collective. There was also a suggestion that the Secondhand Bookshop staff be consulted in the process of developing this scheme.

12. President Summit

Preamble: See attached email.

"Hi campus presidents,

Hope you are all settling in well.

I would like to introduce myself as the 2015 NUS President.

I am sending you all a save the date for NUS President's Summit.

The conference will be running for 3 days from the 28th - 30th in January in Sydney with the exact location and agenda to be confirmed.

Presidents Summit is a chance for new campus presidents to meet each other, receive media training and participate in workshops about student activism and NUS in 2015. We will be hosting workshops, lectures, panels and discussions over the conference.

It is also a great opportunity to meet all the NUS office bearers and engage in the campaigns they will be running in 2015.

It is also a fantastic opportunity to meet other campus presidents from across the country and see how campus organisations are run.

Registration for President's Summit the year will be \$350 per attendee which covers hire of the venue, transport for the speakers and other incidentals".

Motion: Based on the precedent of the last years executive expenses, I would like to pass the allocation of sending for registration in full, totaling \$350 dollars.

Mover: Dean Mattar

Secunder: Jess Xu

Carried en bloc in procedural motion 2

13. Other Business

There was a discussion of providing free parking tickets as an initiative.

Motion 13.1: to conduct an additional vote on agenda items 4.1 and 4.1.1

Mover: Fabian

Secunder: Tracy

12 FOR, 8 AGAINST, 2 ABSTAINED

CARRIED

Motion 13.2: to accept the agenda item 4.1 (Returning Officer's Report on Reps Elect), as outlined in agenda item 4.1.1 (Internal Legal Advice) on the interpretation of Constitution.

Mover: Fabian

Secunder: Luke

10 FOR, 12 AGAINST

NOT CARRIED

Motion 13.3: That the SRC creates a Standing Orders working group to determine the procedure of UTSSA meetings, to be facilitated by Andy and Aaron.

Mover: Andy

Secunder: Aaron

CARRIED

Motion 13.4: to conduct a new 'Representatives Election' to appoint the following positions:

- Education Vice President
- Assistant Secretary
- Welfare Officer
- DSPs
- Budget Committee

In conjunction with this, the President is to seek in-house and independent legal advice to make sure this is not unconstitutional.

Mover: Andy

Secunder: Aaron

14 FOR, Dean and 7 other people ABSTAINED

CARRIED

8.59pm Dylan entered

9.01pm Lawrence left the meeting & proxied his vote to Dean

Motion 13.5: that we elect Sammy Howes as Acting Education Vice President, and Luke Chapman as Acting Assistant Secretary, and provide them with access to stipends as outlined in the By-Laws subject to constitutional advice.

Mover: Fabian

Seconder: Tracy

11 FOR, 11 AGAINST

Motion PENDING

The President will seek advice on tied votes.

Motion 13.6: that we give to Tracy Tang access to the official Overseas Students Collective email operated by the UTSSA and that we accord her respect as an elected representative.

Mover: Fabian

Seconder: Andy

CARRIED

Motion 13.7: that individuals in SRC Meetings refrain from personal attacks.

Mover: Luke

Seconder: Fabian

CARRIED

Meeting closed at 9.10pm