

TASMANIA UNIVERSITY UNION
Cradle Coast Campus
MINUTES

For the Meeting of the Student Representative Council CCC to be held at 2:00 pm on
Monday 3rd of April, 2017, in **D148**

SECTION 1 – INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

1.1 WELCOME

1.2 PRESENT: Cathy Walker, Justin Brown, Kylie Baumbach, Davina Smith

1.3 APOLOGIES: Caleb Nichols-Mansell

1.4 ABSENT: Puspa Sherlock

SECTION 2 – MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

2.1 MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion Title: Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion: To accept the March meeting minutes into the record.

Moved: Cathy Walker

Seconded: Justin Brown

For: 4 Against: Abstain:

Motion Passed:

2.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Item 4.5 from the March meeting regarding obtaining a credit card to be held by TUU Officer, Kerrie Garnsey, for the purchase of goods and services for TUU/SRC events. It was decided that given the difficulties encountered in the past to obtain such a card that this motion would be tabled until a later date.

SECTION 3 – CORRESPONDENCE

3.1 INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE: Nil

3.2 OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE: Nil

SECTION 4 – GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1 President's Report

Nil to report

4.2 Secretary's Report

Davina reported that the Harmony Day lunch was highly successful, the students welcomed the lunch of fried rice and had fun regaling each other with their fortunes from the fortune cookies.

4.3 Education Officer's Report

Justin reported several issues arising from the Education Council's first meeting held last month.

- The issues involving Distance Students and SRC elections, do changes need to be made to the Electoral Enrolment system that is currently in place?

-The necessity of increasing the amount of study space to match the increase in student numbers.

-Changing the name of the Education council to better reflect their role in student affairs.

-The duration of UTAS's mid-semester breaks. Currently UTAS has the shortest mid-semester breaks in comparison to other tertiary institutions (7 days vs. 8-16 days). An editorial has been forwarded to Togatus for publication.

-Concerns were raised regarding State Council press releases not being forwarded to SRC members prior to publication. This would enable representatives to field queries from students regarding issues in the public forum.

-There was discussion on the possibility that the Education Council may be dissolved by the end of the year.

4.4 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Officer's Report

See attachment Appendix A

4.5 Welfare Officer's Report

ANZAC day 25 April 2017- Arrangements have been made and our organisation added to the list of official wreaths to be laid at the Devonport ANZAC day service. The wreath will be laid on behalf of the Tasmanian University Union Cradle Coast Campus during the main service commencing at 11am.

Million Paws Walk for the RSPCA – Sunday 21 May 2017 located at Ulverstone Sound Shell, Ulverstone. Times are from 10:00 – 14:00hrs. There are two walks available 2km or 5km.

The RSPCA run an induction for people wishing to volunteer with the organization this includes a one off for walking dogs in the Million Paws Walk. There are a number of volunteer opportunities available including, animal care, reception duties, cuddle club, animal ambulance driver, pooch pals, foster care and gardening and maintenance. The North West region only has one RSPCA centre located just out of Devonport on Tarleton Road, Spreyton. Inductions are conducted at 10am on Tuesdays.

Phone number for anyone interested is 64272566

There have been no applications for Safety Net funding in the past month.

Motion Title: ANZAC Day wreath purchase
Motion: To purchase a wreath for ANZAC Day to the value of \$50.00.

Moved: Kylie Baumback

Seconded: Davina Smith

For: 4 Against: Abstain:
Motion Passed: Yes

4.6 Postgraduate Officer's Nomination

Motion Title: Nomination for the position of Postgraduate Officer
Motion: To nominate Puspa Sherlock for the position of Postgraduate Officer for the Cradle Coast Campus. Nomination to be put forward to Joey Crawford, Postgraduate President.

Moved: Cathy Walker

Seconded: Davina Smith

For: 4 Against: Abstain:
Motion Passed: Yes

4.7 2017 Budget – Funding

Cathy informed the CCC council of the upcoming meeting of the State Council and Stephanie Taylor regarding the 2017 budget for the State and regional councils.

4.8 Death in Custody event, 10th April

This event has been cancelled due to lack of funding and the unavailability of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Officer for the event, due to other commitments.

4.9 Easter Egg Competition, 10th April

Kerrie Garnsey has the “Guess the number of Easter Eggs” competition in hand and the jar of eggs will be on display in the café/ welcome lounge area for student to enter the competition. One entry per student, SRC members and the family members will be ineligible to enter the competition.

4.10 Earth Day, 22nd April

The free lunch of soups and French bread has been arranged through the café. Bags containing vegetables, stock cubes and soup mix will be assembled by SRC members to give away to students as part of the Earth Day event.

4.11 Distance Student Issues

Cathy will take up issues faced by Distance Students with the State Council at their next scheduled meeting. Issues include the lack of representation for Distance Student, the difficulty of TUU/SRC being able to directly communicate with the body of Distance Students, and in some cases the fact that Distance students are unaware of the TUU and SRC and the services that are on offer from these two groups.

4.12 Review of Events to date

Discussion took place regarding the SRC campus events so far. It was agreed that the events had run smoothly and that there had been positive feedback from the student body.

4.13 Volunteer Expo – UTASLife

4.14 End of Semester 1 Event

Cathy asked for suggestions for an end of Semester 1 event. One of the suggestions discussed was a mystery bus tour including a meal.

Meeting Closed: 13:52

Next Meeting: 1/5/17

APPENDIX A

On Wednesday 15th of March the Cradle Coast Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Officer along with Oxfam on Campus hosted a healthy Subway lunch to celebrate the efforts and achievements made in Closing the Gap for National Close the Gap Day 2017.

Closing the Gap is a government strategy that aims to reduce disadvantage among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with respect to life expectancy, child mortality, access to early childhood education, educational achievement, and employment outcomes. It is a formal commitment made by all Australian governments to achieve Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health equality within 25 years (by 2030). The effects of colonisation, assimilation and invasion are still very much present and this strategy aims to address those issues and ultimately increase the standard of living for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People's across our nation.

Key targets to measure the effectiveness of the strategy include:

- close the gap in life expectancy within a generation
- halve the gap in mortality rates for Indigenous children under five within a decade
- ensure all Indigenous four years-olds in remote communities have access to early childhood education within five years
- halve the gap for Indigenous students in reading, writing and numeracy within a decade
- halve the gap for Indigenous students in year 12 attainment or equivalent attainment rates by 2020
- halve the gap in employment outcomes between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians within a decade.

Each year the Prime Minister releases a report to Parliament which details the progress towards the above targets. A copy of this year's report can be found at:

<http://closingthegap.pmc.gov.au>.

Working in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people is a critical success factor. Indigenous Australians need to be consulted, empowered, resourced and supported to address the health issues facing their communities. Success stories from Indigenous communities indicate that properly resourced services in control of the community bring positive change.

Students were able to educate themselves by asking questions and looking at resources in a safe environment free of discrimination and judgement as well as eat a healthy, free lunch which always attracts crowds; even on the smallest of campuses! The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Officer along with Oxfam on Campus President, Taya Blizzard, seen this event as a success and look forward to hosting another healthy lunch this time next year!

Caleb Nichols-Mansell

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Officer

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23rd of March, 2017