

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL



Monday, 18th Aug 2025, 6:30 PM

University of Adelaide North Terrace Campus, Ligertwood 111

AGENDA AND MEETING PAPERS

AGENDA

1. Procedural Matters

Motion: That _____ takes minutes for the meeting.

Moved: Aiden Wang

Seconded:

Motion: Passed/Failed

1.1. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

The SRC acknowledges that we meet on the traditional country of the Kaurna people. We acknowledge that the land upon which Australia has been built was and always will be an integral part of the spiritual and cultural history of Indigenous people and that this land was never ceded.

1.2. Attendance

Members in Attendance:

Sheet provided for signing-in, and online attendance recorded.

CONDITIONAL - TO BE EDITED BASED ON ATTENDANCE:

- President: Aiden Wang
- Social Justice Officer: Jarod Xia
- International Student Officer: Jennifer Tran
- Mature Age Officer: Nick Li
- Postgraduate (Coursework): Janini Babukrishnan
- Waite Office: Weija Zhu
- Women's Officer: Lin Huang
- Ethno-Cultural Officer – Keith Chou
- Environment Officer- Cheuk Nam Parco Chan
- Postgraduate HDR Officer – Allen Yucheng Xie
- Roseworthy Officer – Jamie Lan Cheng U
- General Councillors:
 - Sudharsanan Venkatraman
 - Prasanth Ramesh
 - Adrian Niculescu

Other non-member students:

- Sam Andonas – a1926892

1.3. Apologies

1.4. Absences:

1.5. Adoption of Agenda

Procedural Motion: that the agenda as circulated be adopted.

Moved: Aiden Zeyang Wang

Seconded:

Motion: Passed/Failed

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Motion: That the SRC accept the minutes of the meeting on 04 August 2025 as a true and accurate record (Appendix 1 – separately attached).

Moved: Aiden Zeyang Wang

Seconded:

Motion Passed

3. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Action	Responsible	Status
N/A		

4. Correspondence

5. New Members

Environment Officer – Cheuk Nam Parco Chan (Parco)

Roseworthy Officer – Lam Cheng U (Jamie)

Postgraduate HDR Officer – Yucheng Xie (Allen)

6. Office Bearer Reports

6.1. **President – Aiden Wang**

6.2. General Secretary

6.3. Education Officer

6.4. **Welfare Officer - Vacant**

N/A

6.5. **Women's Officer – Lin Huang**

6.6. Queer Officer

6.7. **ATSI Officer - Vacant**

N/A

6.8. Disability Officer

6.9. **Environment Officer – Parco Chan**

6.10. Postgraduate Officer – HDR

6.11. Postgraduate Officer – Coursework

6.12. International Student Officer

6.13. Social Justice Officer

6.14. Ethno-Cultural Officer – Keith Chou

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3. Appoint the Ethno-Cultural Officer to work with YouX about the grant approval process on behalf of the SRC.

Moved: Hok Him Chou (Keith)

Seconded:

Motion Passed/Failed

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Moved: Hok Him Chou (Keith)

Seconded:

Motion Passed/Failed

6.15. Rural Officer – Vacant

N/A

6.16. Mature Age Officer – Nick Li

6.17. Roseworthy Campus Officer

6.18. Waite Officer

7. Motions on Notice

8. General Business

9. Executive Report

N/A

10. Emergent Business

N/A

11. Date of the Next Meeting

12. Appendix

Item 6: Office Bearer Reports

There shall be reports at every meeting from the SRC President and all persons who have attended formal meetings on behalf of the organisation. Additional reports submissions are encouraged outside of the compulsory meetings.

Reports are required from the General Secretary, Education Officer, Queer Officer, Postgraduate Officer – HDR, Postgraduate Officer – Coursework, Social Justice Officer, Disability Officer, International Officer **on every odd meeting**.

Reports are required from the Welfare Officer, Women's Officer, Environment Officer, ATSI Officer, Ethno-Cultural Officer, Rural Officer, Mature Age Officer **on every even meeting**.

Item 6.1: President's Report – Aiden Wang

Merger Update

I attended the latest student representation merger meeting with USASA and YouX. It was constructive, and both student associations have now agreed on a AUSA Constitution. Regarding next steps, I will be advocating for SRC and get the board to consider how the merged association affects the SRC's role and structure. There is strong agreement on the need for independent student representation and advocacy, which positions an SRC-style body as valuable within the new Adelaide University student association. I will continue to represent Council's interests and provide further updates as discussions progress.

AHRC Racism@Uni Survey – Information Session

The Australian Human Rights Commission (AHRC) is deploying the **Racism@Uni Survey** to students and staff across universities nationwide this week, providing an opportunity to share experiences and perspectives on racism in higher education.

An **online information session** will be held to outline the survey's purpose and how it can be promoted:

- **Date:** Thursday, 21 August 2025
- **Time:** 12:30–1:00pm
- **Registration:** [Click here to register](#)

For questions, please contact: universityracismstudy@humanrights.gov.au.

NUS Invitations & Briefings

NUS Diversity Conference – EOI

The NUS National Welfare Officer has invited SRC participation. If any related officers are interested in attending on Council's behalf, please let me know so we can coordinate.

Diversity Conference 2025

Lucy Fawcett <wellfare@nus.asn.au>
To: Aidan O'Rourke <gensec@nus.asn.au>; Ashlyn Horton <president@nus.asn.au>
Cc: Ellie Wenning <womens@nus.asn.au>; Olivia Stronach <disabilities@nus.asn.au>; Tula'asina Tapenaga Reupena II <ethno@nus.asn.au>; Sarah Rizwan <international@nus.asn.au>; Brandon Lee <queer@nus.asn.au>; Jessica Wallace- First Nations Officer <firstnation@nus.asn.au>

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Hi Everyone,

You are invited to the 2025 NUS Diversity Conference.

This year the National Union of Students is hosting 1 big conference featuring our Women's, Disability, Ethnocultural, International, First Nations and Queer OBs. With this conference we hope to bring everyone together to connect, share experiences, and build campaigns on issues impacting diverse and marginalised communities.

The conference is developed in collaboration with the NUS Queer, Women's, Ethnocultural, Disabilities, International, and First Nations portfolios, ensuring a broad range of perspectives, priorities, and lived experiences are represented. It is an opportunity to gain skills, strengthen networks, and help shape the national student movement's equity agenda.

NUS Diversity Conference 2025
Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm daily (full program to be released soon)
Date: Monday, 29th September to Thursday, 2nd October 2025
Location: Flinders University, South Australia
Theme: TBA
Ticket Prices: \$80 – all students welcome!
Students from Tasmania and Western Australia will have access to discounted tickets.
Students from small and regional campuses will have access to discounted tickets.


Please contact Lucy Fawcett (<wellfare@nus.asn.au>) for discount details and the relevant discount code.
Book here: <https://www.tybooking.com/DE-SNA>

If your organisation would like to purchase tickets via invoice, please email Aidan O'Rourke (<gensec@nus.asn.au>) with the name, email, and phone number of the attendees, and we will arrange one for you.

GRANTS
Students that would like to attend but are not able to cover the cost of attendance may apply for a grant from the NUS. Grants may cover the full or partial cost of your attendance and will be allocated based on a priority system and demand.
You can apply for a grant here: <https://forms.gle/oxmR84wQnCCEuBRJ5>

WORKSHOPS
Students who would like to host a workshop can lodge an expression of interest here: <https://forms.gle/FB4Acv78azag63Kf9>
Attendees will receive an email prior to the conference with further details and an opportunity to submit dietary and accessibility requirements.

LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE SOON!

 Lucy Fawcett (she/her)
National Welfare Officer
Mobile: 0424 439 849
Email: wellfare@nus.asn.au
Instagram: @nuswelfare

NUS acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land on which we work, live and learn, the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nations. We pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging, and acknowledge this land was stolen and sovereignty was never ceded.

Reply Reply all Forward

Notices from NUS President to the SRC

Upcoming Events

NUS National President <president@nus.asn.au>
To: Aidan O'Rourke <gensec@nus.asn.au>

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Dear Presidents,

I hope you are well. There's a lot happening in the higher education space at the moment, so I wanted to give you a bit of information about some upcoming events.


NTEU Rally against the AFR Higher Education Summit (NSW event)
Tuesday 19th August, 8:30AM
Fullerton Hotel, Martin PI
The AFR will be holding their higher education summit next Tuesday in Sydney. The summit is sponsored by Nous Consulting. Unsurprisingly, the summit has not invited any staff or student groups to the summit. In response, the NTEU will be holding a rally outside the summit, which I will be speaking at as NUS president. It would be amazing to get a strong student contingent to the rally.

National Student Referendum on Palestine
Students for Palestine has called a national student referendum, which has been endorsed by the NUS. Across our university campuses, there will be mass meetings organised to vote on the following two motions:
1. Students censure the Australian government for its complicity in the genocide in Gaza. We demand an end to all weapons sales to Israel by Australia and Australian companies, and call for sanctions on Israel.
2. Students call on all Australian universities to end their complicity with Israel's genocide by ceasing all partnerships with weapons companies.
These meetings will be conducted formally and with speaking rights and the right to formal debate. Meetings will occur between the 20th and 28th of August. I've attached a document to this email with the known times and locations of meetings on the different campuses (subject to additions)
The National Student Referendum on Palestine is an opportunity for students to take a stand and demand an end to our government's complicity and our universities' complicity in the genocide. This is our opportunity to give a lead to those students.
I encourage all unions to support and get involved with this initiative. Please feel free to contact myself or Education Officer James McVicar (<education@nus.asn.au>) if you have any questions.

AHRC Racism@Uni Survey info session
The survey is being deployed by universities to students and staff across the country this week. An online information session is being held at 12:30 next Thursday the 21st. You can register for this session here: <https://events.humanities.com/racism-uni-stakeholder-operational-briefing-online>

Please let me know if you have any questions, or if I can be of any assistance to you.

In solidarity,
Ashlyn

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La Trobe SSAF Report to SRC

La Trobe Student Union released **Our Money, Our Way**, surveying >800 students on SSAF priorities. Please refer to the below for more information and let me know if you would like to read the full report.

FW: Our Money, Our Way: The Student Perspective on Allocation of the Student Services and Amenities Fee

La Trobe Student Union is pleased to share the Our Money, Our Way report, published today.

This report captures the voices and priorities of over 800 La Trobe students for their Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF). The report offers clear, evidence-based insights into where students believe SSAF investment will have the greatest impact.

Key findings include:

- **Awareness gap:** Only 13.4% of students understand how SSAF is spent; over half report never being consulted.
- **Basic needs first:** Food security is the number one priority, with calls for greater housing, financial, and wellbeing support.
- **Community matters:** Students want more events, festivals, and club programs to strengthen campus connection.
- **Mental health focus:** Health and wellbeing services remain a top-tier priority for nearly 6 in 10 students.
- **International student inclusion:** Over half of respondents are international students, highlighting the need for tailored services.

The report also compares these student priorities with the University's published 2024–25 SSAF allocations, identifying areas of strong alignment as well as clear gaps.

As the largest representative student or staff body at La Trobe, the student union is committed to working collaboratively with La Trobe University to ensure SSAF continues to deliver the services students value most.

[READ THE REPORT BY CLICKING THIS LINK OR THE IMAGE BELOW](#)



NUS 2026 Affiliation

The NUS National Secretary contacted the SRC regarding affiliation fee calculations for next year. I will discuss details with YouX and raise this with the Adelaide University Students' Association transitional governance, then report back to Council.

Governance and Compliance

On the 31 July 2025, the SRC received correspondence from Consumer and Business Services (CBS) for a request for information. The Council promptly responded and provided the requested documentation to the regulator.

The council has discussed this matter in-camera as it contains confidential information.

As President, I consider regulatory engagement a normal part of maintaining accountability, and I affirm the SRC's ongoing commitment to good governance, transparency, and compliance.

Welcome New Members

Following the close of the first round of casual vacancies, I am pleased to welcome the following newly appointed members to the Council:

- **Environment Officer** – Cheuk Nam Parco Chan (Parco)
- **Roseworthy Officer** – Lam Cheng U (Jamie)
- **Postgraduate HDR Officer** – Yucheng Xie (Allen)

We look forward to their contributions and commitment to student advocacy in their respective portfolios.

I would like to thank Janani for assisting me with interviews and the second round of causal vacancy is on its way for council approval soon.

I note that we did not receive any applications for the position of ATSI officer.

Student Merger Updates

I met with Adelaide University regarding the merger updates. To streamline communication, the university kindly provided a PowerPoint presentation summarizing the key developments, which I am sharing with Council for reference.

Please note that certain sections of the material have been marked **confidential** by the university. These items will not be circulated in this report and will instead be addressed separately under "Other Business (In Camera)."



Student Transition Update

- Transition study plan distribution has commenced
- Study plans will be sent between July 2025 – November 2025 in a cohort approach
- Students will be sent an email to their **existing email address** and will be required to login using their **existing credentials** to access their transition study plan
- Relevant Program Directors and Professional staff are being informed ahead of time that their program study plans are being distributed
- Students can download their study plan at any time once they receive this email
- If there are any concerns or questions related to your study plan, please contact the Student Transition Team below
- We are here to assist with any edits, corrections or questions

Transition Support team

Available Monday – Friday, 8:30am–6pm (ACST/ACDT)

Phone: +61 8 7420 5101

Student Transition – Co-VC update

- Recently there was a Co-Vice Chancellor update sent to all continuing/transitioning students
- If you haven't had a chance, please check your emails to view this and encourage your colleagues to do the same

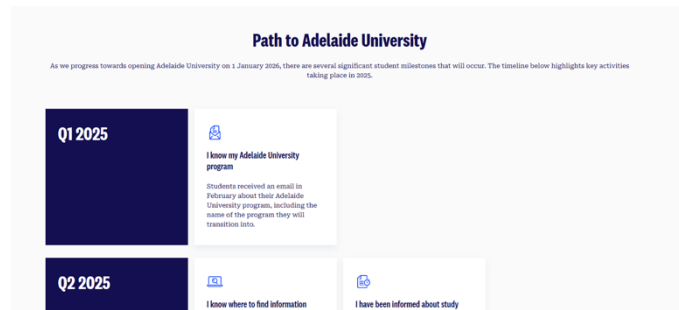


Dear Emma,

With less than five months to go until Adelaide University opens its doors in January 2026, we want to let you know what you can expect throughout the remainder of 2025 as we transition from the University of Adelaide and the University of South Australia to the new Adelaide University.

Student Transition – Path to Adelaide University

- The Current Student website is the one spot to find all the relevant transition updates and FAQs - <https://adelaideuni.edu.au/students/>
- A recent update to this website was the addition of the Path to Adelaide University
- Students can get a sense from this website when information will be coming to them for the remainder of the year



Save Our Lectures Campaign – Student Enquiry

A student (Poppy Pilmore) has requested that the SRC consider supporting the *Save Our Lectures* campaign at the upcoming meeting. The campaign seeks to preserve in-person lectures and clarify the University's position on blended learning. While the University has stated that lectures will remain as part of teaching delivery, the campaigners seem to argue further advocacy is needed. The SRC President has asked for clarification on the scope of the campaign and the status of a previous petition before it can be added as a formal agenda item.

I've also provided the meeting location and time for these students should they wish to present more information to council. I have not yet heard back from these students and unsure if they are coming to the meeting.

Please find the email correspondence below:

Save Our Lectures Campaign

SP SRC President
To: Poppy Matilda Pilmore (Student)

Dear Poppy,
As a follow up to my previous email, The University preliminarily pointed me to the below after my enquiry to your campaign. This has been public since 13 September last year.
Are you able to advise if this was what you were concerned about?
In addition, is there anything that is not covered by this which you would like to raise to council?
Please let me know in advance as agenda will be finalised around 2 days before our meeting on Monday over the weekends.
Kind regards,
Aiden
[Media reports regarding online lectures | Staff News | University of Adelaide](#)

Media reports regarding online lectures - The University of Adelaide

You may be aware of recent reports in the media about a move away from face-to-face lectures. Some commentary has suggested that all face-to-face learning will be replaced by online activities – this is not the case. Adelaide University will employ a range of learning approaches tailored to the needs of different areas. Lectures are just one part of the overall learning experience. For more information, visit www.adelaide.edu.au

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Media reports regarding online lectures

Posted on Sep 10, 2025 by a1234567

You may be aware of recent reports in the media about a move away from face-to-face lectures. Some commentary has suggested that all face-to-face learning will be replaced by online activities – this is not the case. Adelaide University will employ a range of learning approaches tailored to the needs of different areas. Lectures are just one part of the overall learning experience for each course. Adelaide University is responding to the needs of modern learners by balancing the desire for flexibility through online lectures with rich face-to-face learning such as practicals, tutorials, studios, seminars, clinics and workshops that are delivered on campus. Our curriculum approach will be tailored to the needs of each area and will take time to be fully implemented, within the 10-year transformation horizon. The approach continues the various strategies that have been in place at both of our foundation universities to improve flexibility, access and engagement for our students. Like most modern universities, many lectures at the University of Adelaide and UoA already include an option to engage online. A blend of teaching and learning approaches, maintains benefits for students and educators. Flexibility in learning modes is one of the key decision-making factors for students in selecting their university program, helping them balance study with other commitments such as work and caring responsibilities. The interim staff interest has more information about how the Adelaide University [curriculum](#) and [student experience](#) are coming together. If you have questions about any aspect of this, please reach out via future@adelaide.edu.au
Professor Joanne Cys and Professor Katrina Fabian
Curriculum Director and Associate

From: SRC President <srcpresident@adelaide.edu.au>
Sent: Friday, August 15, 2025 2:13 PM
To: Poppy Matilda Pilmore (Student) <poppy.pilmore@student.adelaide.edu.au>
Subject: Re: Save Our Lectures Campaign - src meeting 18th august

Dear Poppy,
Thank you for the email to SRC.
I have noted your email. I'm in the process of considering the best way to address your matter of concern.
The Council has previously done a petition however I'll need to request that data from a past council member who has collected the information and signatures. I don't recall this has been followed up with council subsequently by the initiator.
This is just an email back to you to let you know that I am in the process of considering your matter and will update in due course.
The Council meeting next week is going to be held on Monday 6:30pm at Ligertwood 111.
In the meantime, it would be helpful if you can let me know the following:
1. What do you mean specifically by "saving our lectures"?
2. Are you requesting the council to ask the university for any clarification of its position for the new Uni?
3. Have you had a look at the AU FAQ? Is what you are after not already covered by the new University?
Once I have more details from you, I can also understand who I should contact for more information to resolve your question and brief the council via formal meeting resolution or agenda.
P.S. I note that you used the old email address to contact the Council, if possible can you please direct future enquiries to : srcpresident@adelaide.edu.au
Kind regards,
Aiden
Aiden Zeyang Wang
President
Student Representative Council, You X, The University of Adelaide

From: Poppy Matilda Pilmore (Student) <poppy.pilmore@student.adelaide.edu.au>
Sent: Friday, August 15, 2025 12:56 PM
To: srcpresident@auu.org.au <srcpresident@auu.org.au>
Subject: Fw: Save Our Lectures Campaign - src meeting 18th august

Hi!
The team behind the Save Our Lectures campaign wants to attend the src meeting on the 18th and bring up our campaign, petition and related events as an item for the meeting.
We are also reaching out to understand the details of a campaign the SRC ran to keep in-person lectures, of which I understand 300 signatures were acquired. Is this an ongoing campaign?
Keen to chat more on the support of the SRC for this campaign.
Cheers,
Pops

Reply Forward

That's all from me now, thanks for reading this far and as always, as the SRC President, I'm here to support you and the students anytime. If you have any questions or concerns, please email me at: srcpresident@adelaide.edu.au

Yours sincerely,

Aiden Zeyang Wang
President
Student Representative Council

Item 6.4: Welfare Officer's Report – VACANT

N/A

Item 6.5: Women's Officer – Lin Huang

Publishing a Feature Article to Empower Female Voices

This month, I published an article on the university media platform Ondit, titled "Why Every Woman Should Try Content Creation." The intention behind writing this piece was to use campus based communication channels to encourage more female students to speak up, express themselves, and build personal influence.

The article focused on two key themes:

The power of content creation as a tool for empowerment: In today's digital society, content creation is far more than just documenting daily life. It has become a strategic way for university students to shape personal brands and build social capital.

The unique value of content creation for women: For female students, content creation offers more than a space to share hobbies or skills, it's also a path to greater self-confidence, early career visibility, and public voice. In a world where women's perspectives are often underrepresented, owning a platform to speak on one's own terms is essential.

The article received positive responses from students, some of whom expressed interest in trying out platforms like Xiaohongshu or Bilibili. This reflects a real demand for female-driven content and visibility on campus.

Advocating for Basic Needs and Campus Equity

In addition to my media work, I also took action on a practical issue affecting student wellbeing. Several students reported that sanitary products in female restrooms, particularly in teaching buildings and the library, had run out and were not being restocked in a timely manner.

Given that this affects basic dignity and day-to-day comfort, I reached out to the Wellbeing Office to report the problem. I've provided a summary of the locations involved and the frequency of shortages, and am currently in conversation with the relevant staff. They have acknowledged the issue and are considering a more systematic restocking and inspection mechanism.

I will continue to follow up until a more reliable and sustainable solution is in place.

Future Plans and Recommendations

1. Expanding the impact of the “women in content creation” initiative:

I plan to collaborate with student clubs and YOUNG to republish the article or its extended ideas across social media platforms, amplifying its reach. I'm also considering organizing a small-scale Content Creation Workshop for Women, inviting local creators to share practical tips and personal stories.

2. Institutionalizing the supply of sanitary products:

Alongside tracking the current case, I suggest establishing a Gender Inclusive Campus Monitoring Initiative to collect feedback on hygiene, safety, and accessibility issues experienced by female students. This feedback can then be compiled into regular reports or proposals to push for meaningful, lasting improvements.

Item 6.7: ATSI Officer – VACANT

N/A

Item 6.9: Environmental Officer – Parco Chan

Proposal for Sustainability Initiatives as Environmental Officer

As the newly appointed Environmental Officer of the University of Adelaide Student Representative Council, my goal is to promote sustainability and enhance the student experience. My proposed initiatives include:

1. **Reduce Waste and Increase Recycling:** Implement effective waste management systems in the Student Hub, including recycling bins and composting.
2. **Eco-Friendly Study Environment:** Create a comfortable and sustainable study space by incorporating green spaces, energy-efficient lighting, and sustainable furniture.
3. **Environmental Awareness and Education:** Organize workshops, campaigns, and events to educate students about environmental issues and promote sustainable practices.

These initiatives aim to reduce the university's environmental impact, improve student well-being, and foster a culture of sustainability.

Item 6.14: Ethno-Cultural Officer – Keith Chou

Dear Council Members,

1. Event Update – Multicultural Ball (Early October) (Appendix 1)

Over the past weeks, I have been actively communicating and assisting with the organization of an upcoming *Multicultural Ball* in early October. This event is being coordinated collaboratively with leaders from various cultural clubs on campus.

The aim of the Multicultural Ball is to:

- Celebrate and promote multiculturalism within the university community.
- Provide students with opportunities to meet new friends from diverse backgrounds.
- Strengthen cultural understanding and inclusivity.
- Create positive student experiences through cultural exchange, networking, and celebration.

I believe this is an excellent opportunity for the SRC to support a large-scale initiative that will bring significant benefits to our student community. Due to its popularity and potential positive impact, I recommend that the SRC endorse and support this event.

Funding Support

At this stage, the organizing team is finalizing the event budget. I will provide detailed budget documentation at the upcoming SRC meeting. To ensure the success of this initiative, I am proposing that the SRC allocate funding support for the Multicultural Ball.

Motion

That the SRC:

4. Support for the *Multicultural Ball* (early October), with the final budget to be presented on the meeting.

Moved: Hok Him Chou (Keith) Second: Motion Passed/Failed

5. Approve the grants for prizes and sponsorship in the Multicultural Ball

Moved: Hok Him Chou (Keith) Second: Motion Passed/Failed

6. Appoint the Ethno-Cultural Officer to work with YouX about the grant approval process on behalf of the SRC.

Moved: Hok Him Chou (Keith) Second: Motion Passed/Failed

2. Development of Cultural Clubs in 2026 Merger

In my recent conversations with several cultural club leaders, a recurring concern has been raised regarding the future development of cultural clubs after the upcoming UniSA and University of Adelaide merger.

Specifically, there is uncertainty around what will happen if both universities currently have cultural clubs of the same type (e.g. two clubs representing the same cultural background). Club leaders are concerned about recognition, continuity, and future support for these groups.

Given the importance of cultural clubs in fostering belonging, identity, and multicultural engagement on campus, I believe it is critical that the SRC formally acknowledges this issue and seeks clarification from YouX on how cultural clubs will be supported during and after the merger.

Motion

That the SRC:

4. Recognises the concerns raised by cultural club leaders regarding the future of cultural clubs in light of the 2026 UniSA–University of Adelaide merger.

Moved: Hok Him Chou (Keith) Second: Motion Passed/Failed

5. Endorses the importance of this issue to ensure cultural clubs remain supported and inclusive in the merged institution.

Moved: Hok Him Chou (Keith) Second: Motion Passed/Failed

6. Appoints the Ento-Cultural Officer to draft a letter, to be sent through the SRC President, formally enquiring with YouX about the development and continuity of cultural clubs post-merger.

Moved: Hok Him Chou (Keith) Second: Motion Passed/Failed

Yours sincerely,

Hok Him (Keith) Chou

Ethno-Cultural Officer, Student Representative Council

Item 6.15: Rural Officer – VACANT

N/A

Item 6.16: Mature Aged Officer – Nick Li

Over the past month, I have spoken with mature age students in the Mature Students Lounge, at MSA events, and online. These conversations have highlighted a number of recurring issues and opportunities.

Limited Flexibility in Learning:

Students have shared that work and family commitments often clash with daytime classes. I have gathered feedback on courses where lecture recordings are inconsistent and will follow up with relevant faculties to advocate for universal lecture recordings and explore evening class options.

Mature Students Lounge Facilities:

While the lounge is valued, some students find the furniture uncomfortable for long study periods and not family-friendly. I have started collecting more detailed feedback and will work with the SRC and MSA to propose targeted improvements.

Isolation and Belonging:

Many students still feel disconnected from campus life. I have been in regular contact with the MSA and assisted in promoting their activities through SRC channels. I will continue to support them in running short, accessible events for those with limited free time.

Career and Wellbeing Support:

Some mature students want career workshops that focus on career change and re-entering the workforce, as well as wellbeing programs suited to balancing study with other responsibilities. I am in early discussions with Careers and Student Wellbeing to explore tailored sessions.

Housing Conditions and Legal Support:

Mature age students often place greater importance on their living environment, yet some have limited affordable housing options and end up in properties that are uncomfortable or have defects. I have received concerns about high rents, unclear utility charges, and unfair landlord or agent practices. I will work with SRC's Welfare and Legal Service to explore:

- Advocating for more affordable and suitable accommodation options for mature students.
- Providing clearer legal guidance and resources on rental rights, bond issues, and dispute resolution.

Cultural and Local Orientation:

While many mature students have strong life and work experience, those new to Adelaide or Australia often need more guidance to navigate local systems and achieve their goals quickly. I am developing a plan to host an orientation session specifically for mature age students, where we will:

- Collect questions in advance and organise them into a practical guide.
- Provide targeted information on local services, transport, culture, and community resources.
- Offer a networking meal after the session so students can connect, share experiences, and help each other.

Direct Communication

To improve real-time feedback, I am setting up an online community group for mature students to share ideas, concerns, and updates without relying solely on surveys.

Item 7: Motions on Notice

N/A

Item 8. General Business

8.1 Merger update – AU

Motion: That this meeting resolves to proceed in camera for the purpose of discussing Confidential Merger Updates from Adelaide University and other Merger affairs of the SRC. This item will be discussed together with 8.2.

8.2 SRC Governance Update – CBS

Motion: That this meeting resolves to proceed in camera as a placeholder for the purpose of discussing any comments from members regarding the prior CBS's request for Information.

Moved: Aiden Wang

Seconded:

Motion: Passed/Failed

Item 10. Emergent Business

N/A

Item 11. Date of Next Meeting

1st September 2025, Ligertwood 111 6:30pm.

Item 12: Appendix

Appendix 1 – Multicultural Ball Event Details.

This event is run by AUMSA and supported by Hong Kong Students Associations, Vietnamese Student Association, Filipino Student's association, Singaporean Students Association, Chinese Student Association and others.

Invitation to collaborate has also been sent to Tamil Students Society and Indonesian Student Association.



Adelaide University Malaysian
Students Association



Multicultural Ball Sponsorship Proposal



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Event Summary

DATE: Fri 03/10/2025
TIME: 6pm – 10pm
VENUE: Mrs. Q Restaurant

The AUMSA Multicultural Ball 2025 is a collaborative cultural celebration hosted by the Adelaide University Malaysian Students' Association (AUMSA), in partnership with various cultural student clubs at the University of Adelaide.

This elegant event will be held at the stylish Mrs Q, one of Adelaide's premier dining venues known for its contemporary Asian fusion cuisine and vibrant atmosphere. The Ball aims to unite students from diverse cultural backgrounds for a memorable night of celebration, cultural engagement, and inclusivity.

Set to take place in October, the Multicultural Ball will feature a 3-course dinner, cultural performances, DJ entertainment, photo opportunities, and a showcase of formal and traditional attire — all in a glamorous setting that encourages pride in cultural identity.

With an expected attendance of up to 250 students, this event is one of the biggest student-led formal celebrations of the year, offering a unique platform for sponsors to connect directly with Adelaide's youth and multicultural communities.



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Event Objectives



1. To Celebrate Cultural Diversity

Create an inclusive space where students can proudly share and experience different cultures through performances, cuisine, fashion, and traditions.

2. To Strengthen Community and Inclusivity

Unite students across cultural clubs and backgrounds in a collaborative celebration, building stronger connections within the university community.

3. To Showcase Student Talent and Leadership

Provide a platform for student-led cultural expression and collaboration, while empowering young leaders to organize a large-scale, impactful event.

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Event Theme



The event will begin with a networking mixer with drinks for all attendees before entrees are served.

Shortly follows cultural performances from each association through dinner service and prizes to be won.

We are embracing the multicultural side of University of Adelaide's student community and encourage all attendees to not only dress up in their own cultural wear but also to approach other cultures and give it a go at trying out a different nationalities' outfit.

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Event Budget

COST BREAKDOWN

Venue (incl. catering)	\$15,000
Decorations	\$500
Prizes	\$1,500
Game Expenses	\$400
TOTAL	\$17,450



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CLUB BUDGET TEMPLATE

Particulars	\$ ESTIMATE	COMMENTS
Income		
YouX Grant	3500	
Ticket Sales (\$50 each)	10000	
Sponsorship (SRC) only for Décor/Promo/Perfor	1000	
	0	
	14500	
Infrastructure		
Decoration	500	K-mart / OfficeWorks / Poster Prints
Photobooth	800	Studio Booth, 6 hours hire
Pageant Prizes	\$600	Ball park figure (still sourcing sponsors if possible)
Estimated Prices from Hair Salons/Spas (200 * 3)		
Raffle Prizes (K-Mart items)		
5x Items/Products worth \$50	250	Ball park figure (still sourcing sponsors if possible)
Infrastructure Total	2150	
Activity		
Dance Performance	500	Regina's Crew
- Regina's Dance Crew is willing to perform, for free tickets (10 * \$50)		
		Speaker system Hire
Singing Performance	200	Open to student body, panels will be presidents
- To encourage performances, we are giving cash incentives/free tickets		
DJ	276	Quotation Ready
- Speaker Hire		
- Quotation available from JP Light & Sound		
Activity Total	976	
Catering		
Venue + Catering	\$12,000	Mrs. Q - Quotation Pending
TOTAL INCOME	14500	
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$15,126	
TOTAL POSITION	-626	