

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL



Wednesday 17 May 2023, 6:30pm

University of Adelaide North Terrace Campus, Hughes 322

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AGENDA AND MEETING PAPERS

AGENDA

1. Procedural Matters

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

1.3. Apologies

1.4. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: that the agenda as circulated be adopted.

1.5. Welcome

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Recommendation: That the SRC accept the minutes of the meeting of **3 May 2023** as a true and accurate record (Appendix 1).

Moved: Billy Zimmermann **Seconded:**

3. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Action	Responsible	Status
Planning & Budgeting for Roseworthy Consultation	Georgia	Ongoing(Georgia will distribute 200-250 though executive)
Bank Handover	Georgia, Aiden and Kim	Ongoing
The Education Officer and President will write to Vice Chancellor and DVCA petitioning the Uni to publicly support the Voice to Parliament.	Grace & Georgia	Ongoing
The SRC make a statement of condolences to the students affected by the devastating earthquakes in Turkey and Syria	Yeganeh(Draft) & Georgia(Post)	Ongoing ?
The SRC share a link to an authorised and recognised fundraiser for anyone choosing to want to donate & additional statements to	Yeganeh(Draft) & Georgia(Post)	Ongoing ?

clarify that students have full choice on whether or not they want to donate being up to them can be added, as we don't want anyone to feel pressured.		
Organise vigil for victims of earthquake	Yaganeh	Ongoing ?

4. Correspondence

5. New Members

As per Item 9.1 in the previous minute

After considering various applications for the vacancies on Council, the Executive voted unanimously to approve the following people to fill seats on Council:

General Secretary : Aiden Zeyang Wang

Social Justice Officer: Wella Huang

Roseworthy Officer: Arnav Gupta

6. Motions on Notice

7. Office Bearer Reports

7.1. President

7.2. General Secretary

7.3. Education Officer

7.4. Queer Officer

7.5. Postgraduate Officer (Research)

7.6. Postgraduate Officer (Coursework)

7.7. Social Justice Officer

7.8. Disability Officer

7.9. International Officer

8. General Business

8.1. Anti Semitism – Daniel Garcia

Motion

The SRC:

1. Stands in solidarity with Jewish students and staff on campus and expresses its commitment to keeping our university safe and inclusive to everyone.
2. Condemns the University's decision to ignore the pleas of Jewish students and staff on campus, and demands their inclusion in discussions on decisions that will directly impact them.
3. Demands the immediate implementation of a definition of antisemitism, in consultation with the Jewish students and staff at the University of Adelaide, in order to build a safe environment for the Jewish community.

Action points:

- The SRC will release a public social media statement condemning the University's inaction and lack of engagement with the Jewish community and promoting a safe and welcoming environment for all members of the University's community.
- The SRC will write to the University Council and the National Union of Students, conveying the SRC's position, and calling upon them to adopt a definition of antisemitism that will be effective in protecting Jewish students and staff.

9. Emergent Business

10. Date of Next Meeting

Item 7.1: President's Report – Georgia Thomas

George Duncan Memorial

Thank you to Billy, Raf, James and Hamish for attending the SRC's annual George Duncan Memorial, and thank you to Grace, Ruby, Anjali and Tony for advising of their apologies to this event. I also want to extend thanks to the Pride Club and the AULSS for their collaboration with us. The memorial was well-attended and the speakers provided thoughtful words. It's an opportunity to reflect on the role of students and our university in ensuring Dr Duncan's death was not overlooked. The annual memorial is very uniquely positioned as a university event that connects students, staff and the wider community in a special way. I hope the SRC is able to continue hosting this for years to come.

Union House Reference Group

The Union House Reference Group overseeing the design of the Union House redevelopment is currently examining autonomous spaces at the university. These spaces serve several important purposes, providing a community for social or support purposes, and providing safe spaces for students on campus. Throughout this process focusing on autonomous spaces specifically I will be advocating for improvements and considerations of the women's room, George Duncan Memorial (rainbow) room, mature students lounge, access room, and parenting room. These spaces have historically been well-used by students but have faced either uncertainty around permanent space or deteriorating conditions. This redevelopment is an excellent opportunity for us to ensure these spaces receive a permanent, specialised home on campus for years to come.

Period Products

It has now been confirmed that free period products will be available permanently at the University of Adelaide. Vending machines from Share the Dignity will be installed across our campuses to dispense free products to students. In the meantime, we've established a partnership with TABOO period products to provide free products. I'm happy to confirm this will no longer be just on the North Terrace campus, but across all major University of Adelaide student precincts - North Terrace, AHMS, Helen Mayo, Nexus, Roseworthy and Waite. I'm looking forward to continuing to work with the university's wellbeing team to promote the roll out of these products. Period poverty is insidious and rife amongst students in particular, I'm over the moon we have finally been able to secure this win for students.

International Student Healthcare Misinformation

Disturbingly, a University of Adelaide Law School professor has published gross misinformation about abortion and international students in Australia publicly on social media. Whilst this post was made on the professor's personal social media account, the public post referring to students has an overlap with her role at the university that I don't think we should ignore. Dr Joanna Howe published a video post on the 9th of May across several social media platforms with the line "DID YOU KNOW THIS? In Australia international students are being forced into abortion". Dr Howe goes on to discuss how appropriate pregnancy care is not appropriately covered by private insurance for international students and that this was flagged by a submission from the International Students Sexual Health

Network to a Senate enquiry about universal reproductive healthcare. This submission states that the costs and accessibility of reproductive healthcare “including pregnancy care and termination services” is unaffordable and inequitable for international students. Indeed the primary concern of the paragraph Dr Howe refers to becomes the cost of termination services, rather than the opposite. The intent of the submission is grossly misrepresented by the attention-grabbing captioning of the post. I am concerned at the thought of this deterring international students from attending Australian universities, and causing students to hesitate in seeking reproductive healthcare in fear they will be “forced” into a procedure.

This fear-mongering headline serves no positive purpose, especially when there is a genuine constructive discussion to be had about the comprehensiveness of health cover offered to international students. It is disgusting to try and place fear in international students who can already feel anxious about accessing healthcare due to costs, language barriers, and stigma.

International students should not be treated as a political football to further a point. Choosing to seek reproductive care is critical and it is completely inappropriate for someone with a position of power over students in tertiary education to willingly misrepresent information that can put students at risk. I want to reaffirm our belief that international students should be able to access safe and affordable healthcare without fear or judgment. Abortion is healthcare, and students should not fear entering into conversations with a healthcare provider about what services are available to them. Support is available through the university without repercussions via counselling services - 08 8313 5663 or online.

Here for Good Report

In the absence of an Environment Officer, I followed up with the university about the late release of the Here for Good report that outlines the university’s new sustainability strategy. I acknowledge the university’s target of divesting from “direct ownership and any commingled funds that include public equities and corporate bonds of companies whose primary business is the ownership and exploitation of fossil fuel reserves by the end of 2024”. This is a step towards the demands of students and staff in complete divestment from fossil fuels in the university’s portfolio, however it is not a firm enough commitment. This has been set as a ‘target’ rather than a hard line commitment, and there is no guidance within the released strategy about what occurs if this target is not met. It is also worth noting that for the divestment goal outlined, “primary business” refers to a 10% revenue threshold. I strongly believe our university can have a higher threshold than this for the operations of the companies they invest money in.

I can see that students were consulted via workshops and online forms for the development of this strategy, but I hold the view that there absolutely should have been a student representative on the steering committee for this strategy - I do not know whether this was perhaps previously extended as an opportunity that wasn’t taken up, but I firmly believe either the environment officer, a representative from the sustainability association, or another engaged student should have had a role in steering this strategy directly from the primary committee. I will work with our new Environment Officer to follow up on the progression of the new Sustainability Strategy Committee created within the Here for Good Report.

In the SRC’s recent submission about the university amalgamation proposal, we advised that we do not believe investment in fossil fuels has a place in a university for the future. This

strategy absolutely could have and should have been stronger in it's ambition, timeline, and enforcement.

Students for Yes Group

There has been an incredibly positive response to our newly established Students for Yes group. At the moment, we have had over 100 students engage with us across platforms. Thank you to Grace for her work in confirming the National First Nations Officer Patrick Taylor will be visiting our campus at the end of this month. Students for Yes will be hosting an introductory event with Patrick and Uncle Rod O'Brien from Wirrtu Yarlpu about how to have conversations around the voice. This event will be on Tuesday, 30th May at 5:30pm in Barr Smith South 1063. I'd encourage SRC members to attend.

Casual Vacancies

Welcome to the new SRC members joining us at this meeting. As mentioned verbally on Wednesday 3rd May, I received Sebastian Thompson's resignation from the position of Environment Officer around 3 hours prior to our Council meeting. Following this, I also received a resignation from Billy from his position of Queer Officer. The Executive of the SRC has moved a circular resolution approving the advertising of casual vacancies for the positions of Environment Officer and Queer Officer for a period of one week.

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Per usual, please get in touch with any questions or ideas. My best contact is via email - srcpresident@adelaide.edu.au.

In Unity,

Georgia Thomas

Item 7.2: General Secretary's Report – Aiden Zeyang Wang

I am deeply grateful for the trust and confidence given to me by the executive unanimously appointing me as the General Secretary of the SRC at the University of Adelaide. It is an honour to serve in this capacity and I am eager to dedicate myself to amplifying the voices of our student body amongst all of you.

In the spirit of representation and advocacy, I stand shoulder-to-shoulder with the members of our council, echoing the collective effort to foster a democratic and transparent environment to advance student interest. It is through this commitment that we ensure every student feels heard, validated, and respected despite they are domestic or International.

As I acquaint myself with the multifaceted responsibilities of this role, I anticipate your patience, guidance, and support. In these initial phases, my focus is to streamline a few key processes to ensure smooth operations within our council:

1. As the public officer, I pledge to work closely with the President and the executive team to maintain meticulous records of our financial transactions, ensuring accountability and transparency.
2. To foster a stronger connection between our council and the student body, I will endeavour to keep the profiles of each office bearer up-to-date on our website. This will allow students to identify their representatives more easily.
3. I will promptly update the list of current council members along with their necessary details, adhering to the stipulations of our constitution.
4. As a crucial part of my role, I will diligently take minutes during meetings and ensure the efficient and timely dissemination of agendas.
5. In terms of event planning, I am open to receiving and considering any plans from office bearers moving forward.

I would like to extend my gratitude and appreciation to President Georgia, who has been temporarily fulfilling some of the General Secretary's responsibilities before my appointment. Her unwavering commitment to upholding good governance within the council is highly commendable.

As we approach the publication of our bi-annual report, I would like to remind all council members who hold a seat in a UofA committee to please submit their meeting reports, along with their office position reports. This will allow us to collate a summary of key issues raised across various committees over the past six months, which will then be presented to the SRC.

Together, I am confident that we can create a more inclusive and empowering environment for our student body. I am enthusiastic about working alongside each of you, dedicating myself to maintaining internal good governance and delivering quality representation externally throughout my tenure and beyond.

Thank you, and I look forward to our collaborative journey ahead!

Best Regards,

Aiden Zeyang Wang
General Secretary of the SRC
The University of Adelaide

Item 7.3: Education Officer's Report – Grace Franco

Education Officer Report

17/5/23

Grace Franco

Voice to Parliament - Previous Action: correspondence

- The President and I wrote to Vice Chancellor and DVCA petitioning the Uni to publicly support the Voice to Parliament.
- We have had notification that the correspondence was received, but since have not heard back about a formal University stance. This is very disappointing.
- The University of Adelaide Law School, University of South Australia, Queensland University of Technology, University of New South Wales and Curtin University have openly supported a Voice to Parliament.

UoA Students for Yes!

- Join the Facebook group: [here](#)
- We will be hosting events, promoting volunteering opportunities and organising through that group

Event #1: Having Conversations about the Voice

- Hosted by UoA Students for Yes
 - o Location: Barr Smith South 1063
 - o Date: Tuesday, 30th May
 - o Time: 5:30pm
- Guest speakers
 - o Patrick Taylor, NUS First Nations Officer, Wiradjuri Man
 - o Uncle Rod O'Brien, University of Adelaide Cultural Advisor, Kaurna Elder
- I encourage all members of the SRC to attend and promote this educational event.

HECS indexation

- HECS debts will rise 7.1% on June 1st
 - o this will impact every student and graduate who has a HECS debt
- NUS is asking for HECS indexation to be frozen
- To sign the NUS Petition: [Freeze Student Loan Indexation](#)

Federal budget

- I attended Canberra for the Federal Budget and was disappointed by the overall lack of support for students and young people.
- An increase of \$40 a fortnight to Youth Allowance and Jobseeker is not enough; it is still below the poverty line.
- I am pleased by the extra support for disabled students and expansion of Bulk Billing. This is particularly relevant after the gap fee was brought to UniCare on our campus.

Protests

NUS End Student Poverty Protest

- Was on the 9th of May in Canberra
- I attended and spoke about the importance of the government supporting students while they are at university
- Janet Rice, Mehreen Faruqi and other Federal MPs attended and spoke
- It was great to have such a large turnout of students from across the country.

No One Left Behind – Raise The Rate, Albo!!

- I will be speaking at this protest, on Youth Allowance, Student Poverty and Raising the Rate
- The protest is by the Anti-Poverty Network SA, AUWU and NUS
 - o Location : Parliament House, SA
 - o Date : Sunday, 21st May
 - o Time : 1pm
- I encourage all members of the SRC and University of Adelaide to attend

Protest Labor's budget for the rich!

- I will be speaking about the long-term effects of HECS indexation, Youth Allowance/ Jobseeker and Raising the Rate.
- The Protest is by the SA Education Activism Network, No Adelaide University Cuts and NUS
 - o Location : Mitchell Building, University of Adelaide
 - o Date : Wednesday, 17th May
 - o Time : 12pm
- I encourage all members of the SRC and University of Adelaide to attend

Contact with students

- I collaborated with the SRC President to create a WNF date reminder post for the SRC page

End of semester / exam period

- Exams are a stressful time for students and it is vital to ensure students feel supported
- I believe education around how to tackle this time is important, particularly for first year students
- Important dates
 - o SWOT Week: 12 – 19 June
 - o Exams: 19 June – 2 July
 - o Mid-year break: 3 – 23 July
 - o Semester 2 commences: 24 July
- Important links
 - o [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
 - o [Modified Arrangements for Coursework Assessment \(MACA\) Policy](#)
 - o Alternative Exam Arrangements ([Disability Support](#))
 - o Assessment Applications

- [Application for Replacement Examination Form](#)
 - [Application for Assessment Extension Form](#)
- I aim to work with Student Care to support students through the end of semester and exam period

Item 7.4: Queer Officer's Report – Billy Zimmermann

George Duncan Memorial

I was pleased to play a role in organising the annual George Duncan Memorial. We had some great speakers and a diverse turn out. Huge shout out to Kansas for MC'ing and all of our guests for coming.

Also big thanks to Kim for organising the wreath, Georgia for speaking on behalf of the SRC and the AULSS Social Justice team (led very ably by Hamish) for organising a great discussion afterwards on diversity in the legal profession.

We had some great traction with the various posts of our guests getting a large number of engagement.

The event was followed by some food at Unibar where many great conversations were held.

Union House Redevelopment

The Pride club has put in a submission regarding the suitability of the Rainbow Room. It is an expansive report incorporating a survey with club members and insightful commentary.

As the redevelopment of Union House happens, it is critical that there is a suitable space for a Rainbow Room for the Pride club.

Georgia sits on the Union House redevelopment committee and is advocating for just this. In addition to a space for Pride; Mature Students, Women, and DIDA should be prioritised for a space in the University.

IDAHOBIT

I was invited to speak at the Universities IDAHOBIT celebrations but will be unable to go, I have invited Georgia to be my proxy.

General Secretary Duties

In the absence of a Gen Sec for the past few meetings, I have filled this role in creating minutes, editing amended standing orders, and assisting in creating papers. All of this while maintaining communication with Kim so these can be uploaded to the website.

I am very pleased that the SRC has now filled the vacant Gen Sec position. I know Zeyang will be able to do an excellent job. Just as a reminder that due to an absent Gen Sec at the start of the year, several things need to be done by the new Gen Sec.

- Facilitating the change of bank signatories
- Changing over the register Public Officer

Resignation

This meeting will be my last. I am very pleased to have served in this role for almost 6 months and in my time at Adelaide on the SRC in several other roles. This has been a long time coming, and I am excited to hand over with my successor.

I wish everyone on the SRC well into the future, I am only ever a message away.

In unity,
Billy Zimmermann

Item 7.5: Postgraduate Officer (Research) Report –

VACANT

Item 7.6: Postgraduate Officer (Coursework) Report – Daniel Garcia Zapata

Dear fellow SRC members,

An international postgraduate student has reached me because his visa was about to be canceled due to misinformation from Ask Adelaide and his faculty. He wanted to change his Master's and explored his options, the answer from both the Faculty and Ask Adelaide was 'just drop your current courses before the census date'. They ignored that if he did so, his CoE (Confirmation of Enrolment) would be canceled, and therefore his visa.

With the possible merger between The University of Adelaide and the University of South Australia, this kind of situation could happen more often as navigating through the different departments will become way more complex. Therefore I submitted my concern on the SRC Merger Submission, this is what I wrote:

International students are very vulnerable to misleading information about dropping a class, changing their courses, pausing their studies, etc. due to the visa conditions they must fulfill.

This makes it very complicated and risky to jump from Ask Adelaide to Faculty, to Admissions, or to International Students Support, which could provide different information and lead the students to make decisions that might affect their studies, impede their application for a Graduate Visa or even to the cancellation of their visa.

With the current merger between The University of Adelaide and The University of South Australia, navigating through the different offices and faculties whenever an international student needs to change his study plan will be significantly more difficult.

Therefore, a single contact point with all the relevant information and guidance for international students is necessary. This contact point must be informed about all the implications on the student's visa and on their course.

I keep working to abolish the mandatory courses for postgraduate international students based on the prejudice that we must improve ‘communication skills’. I’m very grateful for the SRC support in my motion about this issue and I’m currently working with the SRC President. I expect to deliver more information about this in our next meeting.

On other business, the Adelaide University Jewish Students Society (AUJSS) President and Vice-President reached me to express their concern about the “Statement Regarding Freedom of Speech” in which the University shared that they will not be adopting the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) Working Definition of Antisemitism. This definition is the most widely accepted definition of antisemitism. It has been adopted by 38 countries, including Australia. Globally it has been adopted by 314 universities and a total of 865 entities.

If we can’t define antisemitism, we can’t call it when it happens. I think this is an urgent issue and therefore I submit a motion on general business.

Daniel Garcia Zapata

Item 7.7: Social Justice Officer's Report – Wella Huang

Wella has indicated she will be giving a verbal report

Item 7.8: Disability Officer's Report – Yuka Maruyama

Disability Officer's Report - 17th May

1. Alternative Exam Arrangements (AEA) Poster

I would like to say thank you for supporting my motion to share this poster on SRC's Facebook page even I was not there in the meeting when I made this motion. This post was shared by some people included in Disability, Illness and Divergence Association UoA group.

2. The support form for students with disability and medical condition

I am on discussion with the disability team about that. There was Easter Holiday too, I am sorry for processing that late. I am planning to bring that as feedback to disability team around the end of this semester.

3. The new students with disability and medical condition who intakes in July 2023

For the new students who intakes in July 2023, I am planning to make a poster and share on Facebook to mention how to take support from disability team. I joined university in July 2021, and there is less information than Feb, which made me confused and annoyed. Using this such a awful experience, I would like to improve this support system especially for students intakes in July. I am thinking about the good plans, and I will bring that up next time.

Yuka Maruyama
SRC Disability Officer

Item 7.8: International Officer's Report – Yegenah Soltanpour

There isn't long left until the upcoming working hour caps and find it crucial to ensure students are well informed of their rights to prevent exploitation. The university is the best point of contact to release relevant and updated information, and hope to engage with the university career services to curate an infographic/ document for students to access, as well as numbers of organisations they could contact in the case of exploitation.

International students desperate for housing and affordable rental properties have reported unliveable and disgraceful living conditions they put up with. Stories shared include a share house with 4 rooms, housing 13 people including a pantry, garage and shed turned into 'rooms' and blankets being used to split rooms into two – this home costs 210 per week. Student accommodation services need to be affordable, and universities need to support this change for the livelihood of it's students. I will be in contact with the student accommodation association's president later this week to discuss pathways we can take, input and collaboration is welcome.

Education agents deceive international students and reportedly receive upwards to a 40% commission to do so, by enrolling them into any course the institution requires them to – this is usually done by private providers, and We assume our university may not have been part of this group. Recently there has been an upsurge of complaints about a series of master's courses.

A course has recently been uncovered with an overall enrolment of 13 students, 12 of which are international students who 93% of which come from not only the same country but were directed by the same agent. This course is sold to students with the promise of a role in (skills area redacted), and even highlights how each student would then be able to apply for a certain related (skills assessment) for their graduate visa's.

This skills assessment however is not possible, because this course offered by the university is shockingly, unaccredited.

This course is unaccredited by the body that is responsible for providing these accreditations, due to the course not consisting of at least 50% of said content – a deeper dive into this course, revealed that although this is masters level course, It is simply made up of bachelor level subjects, cherry picked from various other courses. This revelation is disturbing, as it looks like course only created to fill pockets. It doesn't offer any real future and may even be using a heightened commission system to get enrolments. I will soon be in conversation with the dean and report on these findings to clarify points, as they are currently based on information gathered from students, and although largely confirmed– may not paint a whole picture. If any relevant officer would like to be included, please let me know beforehand. The goal is to achieve accreditation for this course.

Item 8.1 Anti-Semitism

On the 11th of April, the University of Adelaide published what they have called a “Statement Regarding Freedom of Speech”. It was in this statement that the University of Adelaide shared that they will not be adopting the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) Working Definition of Antisemitism. This definition is the most widely accepted definition of antisemitism. It has been adopted by 38 countries including Australia. Globally it has been adopted by 314 universities, and a total of 865 entities.

Given the University of Adelaide’s history of antisemitism on its campus, the Jewish community in South Australia as well as Jewish students at the University of Adelaide are disappointed this is the stance the University has decided to take. Furthermore, the University of Adelaide has attempted to defend antisemitic rhetoric and discourse and normalise it as so-called “free speech”.

The Jewish Community Council of South Australia and Jewish students at the University expressed willingness to work with the University constructively on the issue of antisemitism. However, the University of Adelaide leadership and administration did not once consult with Jewish students and staff about a definition of antisemitism or how the adoption or non-adoption of one would impact them. In fact, the University invited a submission opposing the adoption of a definition of antisemitism from non-Jewish external stakeholders. There remains no clear policy at the University of Adelaide that deals with antisemitism, leaving Jewish members of the University’s community bewildered as to how to respond to it within the confinements of the University.

Currently, University of Adelaide policies around racism and discrimination are subpar and do not address that hate toward various minority groups presents itself differently with their own stereotypes and racist tropes. Having clear definitions and examples of types of hate will help people identify and call it out when it occurs. The University of Adelaide should also consider adopting definitions and specific policies around issues such as hate directed towards First Nations people, Islamophobia, and anti-Asian racism, for example. Free speech and academic freedom is not the same as hate speech, and these dichotomies must be able to be distinguished. Any university policy would serve as a tool and guide, and would not infringe on academic freedom. Section 18D of the Racial Discrimination provides an exception to racial vilification law for the expression of “any genuine academic, artistic or scientific purpose” said or done “reasonably and in good faith”. The University is already careful to protect academic freedom, and even with the adoption of a definition of antisemitism will be able to continue to do so.

The SRC:

4. Stands in solidarity with Jewish students and staff on campus and expresses its commitment to keeping our university safe and inclusive to everyone.
5. Condemns the University’s decision to ignore the pleas of Jewish students and staff on campus, and demands their inclusion in discussions on decisions that will directly impact them.
6. Demands the immediate implementation of a definition of antisemitism, in consultation with the Jewish students and staff at the University of Adelaide, in order to build a safe environment for the Jewish community.

Action points:

- The SRC will release a public social media statement condemning the University's inaction and lack of engagement with the Jewish community and promoting a safe and welcoming environment for all members of the University’s community.

- The SRC will write to the University Council and the National Union of Students, conveying the SRC's position, and calling upon them to adopt a definition of antisemitism that will be effective in protecting Jewish students and staff.

Item 9. Date of Next Meeting

The date and time of the next meeting will be on Wednesday 31st of May 2023 6:30pm at University of Adelaide North Terrace Campus, Hughes 322

Appendix 1: Minutes of the Previous Meeting (3 May 2023)

Meeting in Hughes 322 Wednesday 3 May 2023

1. Procedural Matters

Georgia Thomas opened the meeting at 6:41

1.1. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

Georgia acknowledged the owners of the land we were on as that of the Kaurna people.

1.2. Attendance

Leila Clendon, James Wood, Tom Zhai, Merlin Wang, Daniel Garcia, Veronica Yang, Tony Tu, Hamish McNamara, Grace Franco, Billy Zimmermann, Georgia Thomas, Rafael Aquino

1.3. Apologies

Sana Vohra

1.4. Absences

Simrangeet

Motion to adopt the Agenda

Moved: Merlin Wang

Seconded: Tom Zhai

Motion carried

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Recommendation: That the SRC accept the minutes of the meeting of 29 March 2023 as a true and accurate record (Appendix 1)

Moved: Merlin Wang

Seconded: Rafael Aquino

Motion carried

3. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

4. Correspondence

5. New Members

6. Motions on Notice

7. Office Bearer Reports

7.1. President

Georgia handed the chair to Billy Zimmermann at 6:42

Georgia presented her report and put her motions to the floor.

Motion:

The SRC will share the NUS petition calling for a freeze to HECS indexation on their Facebook page.

Moved: Georgia Thomas

Seconded: Rafael Aquino

Motion Carried

Motion:

The SRC endorses the creation of an affiliated University of Adelaide Students for Yes action group

Moved: Georgia Thomas

Seconded: Grace Franco

Motion Carried

Billy handed the chair to Georgia Thomas at 7:14

7.2. Welfare Officer

Raf presented his report.

7.3. Women's Officer

Anjali gave an update on her items which were actioned at previous meetings.

7.4. Environment Officer

Georgia informed the Council that Sebastian Thomas has resigned as Environment Officer

7.5. Ethno-Cultural Officer

Sana was an apology so her report was taken as read.

7.6. Rural Officer's Report

Hamish delivered a verbal report over zoom

7.7. Mature Age Officer's Report

Tony delivered his report.

7.8. Waite Officer's Report

Merlin delivered a verbal report

8. Executive Report

Motion:

The SRC Approves:

- Zeyang Wang to fill the General Secretary Casual Vacancy
- Wella Huang to fill the Social Justice Officer Casual Vacancy
- Arnav Gupta to fill the Roseworthy Officer Casual Vacancy

Moved: Georgia Thomas **Seconded:** Daniel Garcia Zapata **Motion Carried**

9. Emergent business

9.1 George Duncan Memorial

Motion:

The SRC approves the use of \$250 for facilitation of the annual George Duncan Memorial

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

9.2 Adelaide Uni SRC endorses the 'Protest Labor's budget for the rich' protest.

James presented his emergent business.

The SRC:

1. Endorses the 'Protest Labor's budget for the rich' protest called by No Adelaide University Cuts
2. Condemns the state and federal Labor governments for their abandoning of students and workers during this current cost of living crisis.
3. Condemns the federal Labor government's tax handouts to the wealthiest Australians, in the form of the stage 3 tax cuts, and demands that these cuts be halted immediately.
4. Demands the following from the federal and state Labor governments:
 - Cancel HECs debt! Make education free again!
 - Raise the rate of Jobseeker!
 - Rent caps now! Build more public housing.
 - Tax the rich and repeal the stage 3 tax cuts!
 - No to nuclear submarines stoking the flames of war!

Action Points:

- The SRC will publicly share the protest event on its social media accounts.
- The SRC expects attendance from all council members reasonably capable of doing so.
- The SRC commits \$200 in funding for printing and other promotional materials.
- The SRC encourages attendance at the organising meeting hosted by No Adelaide University Cuts on Wednesday 10th May at 3PM

It was noted that the date and time set for the organising meeting could not be made by Raf, Georgia and others.

Georgia suggested that the last action point be amended so that the organisers and key SRC members can find an agreeable time to meet.

QUORUM LOST DUE TO INTERNET FAILING

James agreed with this and was ok with amending the final action point to read:

“The SRC encourages attendance at an organising meeting hosted by No Adelaide University Cuts next week “

It was agreed that James would reach out to find an agreeable time with Georgia.

QUORUM REGAINED WITH NEW ZOOM LINK

Amendment moved by Rafael Aquino:

- Change point 2 to remove ‘state and’,
- Remove point 4 and all it’s sub-points from the motion a
- Remove point 3 of the Action Points

Georgia handed the chair to Billy Zimmermann at 7:58 to participate in debate.

Billy handed the chair to Georgia Thomas at 8:02

Raf’s amendment was put to a vote.

Moved: Rafael Aquino

Seconded: Billy Zimmermann

Amendment Carried

James moved the amended motion:

Motion:The SRC:

1. Endorses the ‘Protest Labor’s budget for the rich’ protest called by No Adelaide University Cuts
2. Condemns the federal Labor governments for their abandoning of students and workers during this current cost of living crisis.
3. Condemns the federal Labor government’s tax handouts to the wealthiest Australians, in the form of the stage 3 tax cuts, and demands that these cuts be halted immediately.

Action Points:

- The SRC will publicly share the protest event on its social media accounts.
- The SRC expects attendance from all council members reasonably capable of doing so.
- The SRC encourages attendance at an organising meeting hosted by No Adelaide University Cuts next week

Moved: James Wood

Seconded: Leila Clendon

Motion Carried

Georgia closed the meeting at 8:09.