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YouX
Board Meeting Agenda
April 2023

For the meeting on 26th of April 2023

In the Board Room at 5:30pm

1. Acknowledgment of Traditional Owners and Apologies

LA

We would like to Acknowledge that the land we meet on today is the traditional lands of the Kaurna people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their Country. We also acknowledge the Kaurna people as the traditional custodians of the Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kaurna people today.

2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

LA

That all directors and officers in attendance declare that they have read and considered all papers within this agenda that require decision making and have no known conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest with respect to those matters.

3. Unstarred Agenda Items

LA

Recommendation:

That all unstarred items are approved.



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4. Minutes of Previous Meeting **LA**

Recommendation:

That the Board accepts the minutes of the meeting on the 22nd of March 2023 as a true and accurate record.

5. YouX President's Report* **LA**

6. SRC President's Report **GT**

7. Clubs Committee Chair Report* **JA**

8. Student Media Report* **GF**

9. Unibar Tender Inquiry* **LA**

10. Breakfast Club*

Recommendation:

The Board authorises the Executive to form a subcommittee for the purpose of workshopping the expansion and improvement of breakfast club.

11. Any Other Business*

12. In-Camera Items* **LA**

13. Close:

Next Meeting: 24/05/2023

Close of Submissions: COB 17/05/2023

Persons Responsible for Agenda Items:

Luke Allen (LA)

Gary Sutherland (GS)

Georgia Thomas (GT)

John Arputharaj (JA)

Grace Franco (GF)

Previous Meeting Minutes:

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YouX
Board Meeting Minutes
March 2023

For the meeting on 22nd of March 2023

In the Board Room at 5:30pm

Present:	
Luke Allen (YouX President)	Georgia Thomas (SRC President)
Felix Eldridge (Vice President)	Gary Sutherland
Jacob Allen (Executive)	
Merlin Wang (Executive)	Apologies:
Grace Franco (Executive) (Zoom)	
Oscar Zi Shao Ong	Absentee:
John Arputharaj	
Emily Deng (Zoom)	Minutes Secretary:
Nix Herriot (Zoom)	Billy Zimmermann
Liam Johns	
Ruby Stewart	
Michael Physick	
Louise Jackson (On Dit editor)	

Meeting opened at 5:30pm.



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3. Unstarred Agenda Items LA

Felix wanted to star number 9 concerning the Unibar Tender.

Georgia requested that her President's report (Item 7) be starred. Luke informed her that non-board directors cannot star items. Grace offered to star item 7 for Georgia.

Grace starred item 10 concerning the Breakfast Club.

Recommendation:

That all unstarred items are approved.

Moved: Felix Eldridge

CARRIED

Seconded: John Arputharaj

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting LA

Recommendation:

That the Board accepts the minutes of the meeting on the 22nd of February 2023 as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED as a result of item 3.

Merlin joined the meeting at 5:34pm.

5. YouX President's Report*

LA

The chair was passed to Felix at 5:34pm.

Luke delivered his report noting recurring meetings with Gary. He additionally discussed O'Week and thanked all the directors who volunteered.

Discussing membership numbers, Luke highlighted that numbers of recruitment were lower than expected. Gary highlighted that budget-wise they would have liked if numbers were closer to 60,000 but rather sit at 58,000.

Luke spoke about the success of the YouX movie night despite the Ed Sheeran Concert that night.

Touching on the Better medical gap fee, Luke highlighted that it is a legislative issue. He invited anyone to take up this issue on lobbying for change.

Ruby questioned whether all issues he has discussed with Gary are in the report. Luke said that all important issues were included. Gary added that most issues raised are procedural. Gary used his own leave as an example.

Ruby also raised that she and Grace were not approached about volunteering on the YouX Stall. She said that the stall looked like a bit of a boy's club. Luke said that was not his intention and would reach out to her in the future and that there would be further opportunities for volunteering in the future.

Grace asked if, regarding the Better Medical issue, he had reached out to lobby, Luke replied that he had not. Georgia followed up the question to ask why not. Luke he said that he is open to working with SRC to lobby the Government.

The chair was passed to Luke at 5:39pm.

6. EO Report Summary

GS

Gary noted that from January and through O-Week, YouX had not experienced any injuries.

On budgets, Gary highlighted that as of January expenditure was within \$348 of budgeted amount.

Gary highlighted that MSL has been employed to develop an app for YouX.

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He notes that YouX have almost hit their 2023 projected income from sponsorships.

He noted that in December/January, 23 grants were processed totalling \$5300.

Luke asked about updates regarding the App. Gary replied that the app had been put on the back burner due to O-Week and other things, occupying the time of YouX staff. He said that Victoria will be working on it soon.

Luke asked if the app will be expensive. Gary stated his preference to use a student developer or buy something off the shelf but said that MSL are a reputable company who provide websites for more than 100 Universities.

Felix inquired about the profit figures from his report. Gary said that in the early part of the year there were not a lot of costs before O'Week. He said the appearance of a large surplus is due to the University giving quarterly cheques to YouX rather than monthly. Grace asked a further question regarding where YouX will be at the end of the year. Gary replied that YouX is expecting a \$90,000 loss by the end of the year.

Grace asked a further question about the General's floor space now it is closed. Gary said that it will be returned back to the university as part of the lease agreement. He said that the University is paying for a review of all commercial operations on level 4 of the hub. They are undergoing a review that was supposed to be completed by September 2022 but is yet to start.

Grace clarified whether YouX will be able to provide a submission. Gary replied that once the review has started, they will reach out to YouX to work with them.

Merlin asked if the University were to lease the space, would YouX or the University receive the money. Gary replied that the space is university owned so they would take any money generated.

Felix wanted clarification on whether he had heard Gary right that YouX will receive a \$90,000 loss in 2023. Gary said that is correct and is what was budgeted last year in August by the board. Gary said that vending is going really well but that memberships are slightly down, resulting in the budget being where he expected.

Grace asked what the 23 grants were to. Gary replied that they all went to clubs.

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Georgia asked about the 90k loss. She inquired that where the windfall from sponsorship money is going. Gary replied that as YouX is in a high cash position, we are able to run a loss.

Liam asked if the \$90,000 loss was in par with other years. Gary replied that this is standard and even lower than some years using 2022 as example of a \$150,000 loss.

7. SRC President's Report

GT

Luke went to Grace as she starred the item 7.

Grace asked a question of what the SRC was doing about representation at Roseworthy and Waite. Georgia replied that there are currently applications for Roseworthy Officer and that the SRC has gone out to Roseworthy to hear issues from students.

She also highlighted that Lani Bushnell on the SRC is able to provide a Roseworthy perspective. She highlighted that at the last meeting the SRC approved a reach out to Roseworthy including a bar tab to consult students. Georgia said if successful she will do another at Waite.

Luke asked whether the SRC is able to raise issues with the University and what the process is for raising issues questioning efficiency and how to improve the system. Georgia replied that the Uni is a bit of a maze but that she is able to navigate it. Luke questioned what will happen after she is gone. Georgia replied that she would like if there was someone in Uni management who is able to fill in a role to assist the SRC. Michael replied that he meets regularly with the SRC.

Merlin highlighted the lack of SRC presence at Roseworthy and whether the SRC has considered putting up posters promoting services. Georgia suggested that these campuses are not engaged enough and that she would like to work with Merlin as a Waite student to increase awareness.

Georgia made a statement that the SRC and Student Media were not advertised adequately well enough at O'Week. She highlighted that the book distributed to new members lacked both the SRC and Student media. She says she is hopeful that this won't happen in the future and that she will reach to Kieran. She said that the SRC's success is pinned to their reach with students. Luke inquired to the legitimacy of this claim. Georgia replied that she can provide evidence to Luke, elaborating that

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neither the booklet for new members or in the material for Roseworthy O'Night, the SRC was not mentioned.

Ruby asked what the reception was like at the Roseworthy O'Night was to YouX and the SRC. Georgia replied that YouX and SRC are not well known and often perceived as corporate bodies. She said that especially at Roseworthy where there are a lot of external sponsors, it is not obvious that YouX is a student run organisation.

Merlin added that YouX's presence at Roseworthy is very low. He said that he has had a discussion with the manager of the shop who told him that students are not interested in engaging with YouX or buying membership. He says that YouX and the SRC should commit to having more events at Waite and Roseworthy.

Gary added that per capita, Roseworthy students get more than North Terrace students.

Georgia said that we should still expand services as it a key object of the constitution.

Liam said that from talking with Roseworthy students, many of them see YouX membership as a scam due to poor services provided to students.

Michael added that it has not happened in 15 years but having a meeting of the Board or SRC is a great way of engaging the campus. He notes that it increases knowledge of the campus with directors as well as benefits for students on the campus.

8. Clubs Committee Chair Report*

JA

John began his report by saying that clubs have been very active. He said that despite the heat, 90 clubs turned out to O'Week and that the heat did not deter volunteers from coming out.

He said that 5-6 clubs have put in EOI's for the next meeting showing strong interest.

He also highlighted the welcome drinks which attracted 60 people and helped engage clubs.

Georgia questioned regarding the Elder Conservatorium clubs regarding the Elder Con charging club upwards of \$1500 a year to use their space. She said that it would

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be good to look into as YouX has access to a lot of space. Luke asked if Michael had any further info. Michael asked Georgia if the facilities were specialist or general. Georgia said it was a combination, adding it would be a win for clubs if YouX can negotiate something to benefit the Elder Con clubs.

Jacob asked that if clubs paying for O'Week stall is the same thing. John replied that the club booking fee was nominal and just went to recuperating the cost of power and O'Week generally.

9. Unibar Tender Inquiry

LA

Luke raised this motion and noted he added it is one of his aims to reclaim the Unibar. He wants to look into the state of the tender with the Unibar.

Gary said that he saw this and has already sent it to the relevant people.

Considering this, Luke amended his motion to add an urgency.

Recommendation:

That the Board actions Gary to investigate when Unibar is going to tender and report findings to the board for further discussion before the close of submissions for the next meeting.

Moved: Jacob Allen

CARRIED

Seconded: Felix Eldridge

10. SRC Motion Regarding Breakfast Club

Luke said that they are just going to discuss the motion rather than move the motion.

Georgia said that per the constitution she has a right to move the motion and discuss it.

Felix directed Luke's attention to Section 8 of the Standing orders. On seeing this, Luke agreed that Georgia can move the motion.

Georgia introduced her motion stating that for several years there has been discussion on expanding breakfast club. She said that there is the demand and talked about speaking with a student at O'Week that is enrolled in trimesters and is unable to access breakfast club due to it only running for semester students.

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Georgia also highlighted that Breakfast club is supposed to operate at Roseworthy and Waite but there is no information on it on the YouX website. She says that after speaking with students at Roseworthy, none of them have recollection of a breakfast service ever at the campus.

She also highlighted poor advertising on the Website and said she has had discussions with Kieran.

Georgia said that the breakfast club is one of the most critical services YouX offers, claiming that expanding it would hit 4 out of 5 objects of AUU Constitution. She also said that it connects students with other YouX services like Student Care more broadly.

She said that there are some things which YouX could cut to accommodate this opportunity to properly service and engage the student community.

Merlin enquired about what services she would like to cut to accommodate an expansion. She answered that she would love to go into detail but the budget is incamera. She highlighted the ongoing appeal to the Ombudsman regarding an FOI request which she believes is an unnecessary waste of money and not assisting students.

Liam asked Luke whether during SSAF negotiations, there was active lobbying to increase funding for breakfast club. Michael replied that the negotiations are a percentage and that University funding does not fund specific things.

Felix asked Gary if we have any rough estimations on how this will affect the budget. He replied that take the \$70,000 YouX spends on Breakfast club, divide it by 4 and multiply that by 5.

Luke noted that we have the biggest budget ever for breakfast club and that the board care about the service. Luke states that it is important to know where we are at in terms of numbers. He directs Gary look into if we can afford this service on seeing the March figures. He said that right now, we do not have the knowledge to approve.

Gary said that Ann from Student Care is the key contact for this motion. Gary said that he does not think changing the cashflow at the end of March to redirect it to a large budget item is prudent. He suggests the Board establish a subcommittee to look into this. Georgia states that the SRC has already discussed this and brought this motion forward, negating a need for a subcommittee.

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On Luke's advice to look into this, Grace drafts an amendment to the original motion compelling the Executive Officer to look into breakfast club expansion.

Some discussion happened on the timeframe this should happen. Grace suggested it be presented at the next board meeting to protest from Gary.

Grace's wording was amenable to Georgia.

10. Breakfast Club

Recommendation:

The YouX Board actions the EO to Investigate:

1. The expansion of YouX Breakfast Club program from four days a week to five days a week.
2. The expansion of YouX Breakfast Club program to cover trimester timetables.
3. The provision of mobile Breakfast Club programs at the Waite and Roseworthy campuses and report accordingly.

Moved: Grace Franco

CARRIED

Seconded: Liam Johns

11. Any Other Business*

12. In-Camera Items*

LA

There were no in camera items for this meeting.

Meeting was closed at 6:51pm.

10. Close:

Next Meeting:

26/04/2023

Close of Submissions:

COB 19/04/2023

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SRC President's Report:

SRC Events

Following the departure of Tiahna from YouX Events, I met with Cara who has overtaken this role to discuss events hosted through the SRC for the remainder of the year.

Events upcoming that are of note are the annual George Duncan Memorial and our Roseworthy Consultation.

Casual vacancy updates

Agastya Mudgal has provided me with his resignation as SRC General Secretary. As a result, the SRC Executive passed a circular resolution to open a casual vacancy for this position to allow us to advertise all current vacancies at once.

All currently available casual vacancies have now been advertised on the SRC Facebook page. The SRC Executive will be conducting interviews for all positions shortly, meaning we should have new members joining at our first meeting after mid-semester break.

The current vacancies are as follows:

- General Secretary
- Postgraduate (HDR) Officer
- Social Justice Officer
- ATSI Officer
- Roseworthy Officer

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University merger forum

I was in attendance at the university's merger forum on Thursday April 6th. This was well attended by students and thoughtful questions and concerns were raised. The SRC will likely examine the possibility of another forum being hosted following University Council decisions at the end of June.

The SRC is providing a formal submission regarding the merger with our recommendations for student representation and what our primary concerns are regarding the proposed amalgamation. This will be shared publicly.

Passed motions

The following motion has passed the SRC in the affirmative since my last report:

The SRC:

- Believes that is important for international students to have the same study plan as local students for several reasons
- Call upon the university to make all courses that are required courses for all international students, and not for local students (unless exempted by the faculty) to be optional, with no exception, immediately.
- Call upon the university to evaluate if the English proficiency level required to enter a program is high enough to take the program, and therefore, any 'communication course' for international students only would be necessary.
- Call upon the university to apologize for discriminating against non-Australian students, not based on their skills but on the passport they hold.

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Action Points:

- The SRC will endorse and publicly share on its social media accounts the petition to end mandatory courses for international students only and apologize to all the students affected by this micro-discrimination.

- The SRC will write The National Union of Students (NUS) and The Council of International Students Australia (CISA) to extend this petition to all universities in Australia

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

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Student Media Chair's Report:

Student Media Chair Report

First meeting

- Held 30/04/2023
- Grace, Sienna, Lousie, Kathers and Seb (On Dit), Luke (President), Simone (Head of Engagement) and Kate (Student Engagement Coordinator) were present

Issues arising

- The Rule Concerning Student Media still referenced "AUU"
 - YouX Staff noted this and the new Rule has since been uploaded to the YouX website
- Discussion around delivery and distribution of On Dit magazines
 - On Dit is responsible
- Advertising for On Dit
 - There will be discussions between On Dit and the YouX marketing team around promotion, advertising and name recognition
- Student Radio/Broadcaster Program: are they required to comply with the Rule Concerning Student Media?
 - See discussion and recommendation below
- Rule Concerning Student Media "the SM Rule" reform
 - Student Media Chair to look into reforming/updating the SM Rule and bringing it in line with the Rule Concerning Committees

For Board discussion

Student Radio/Broadcaster Program

Background

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Last year, there were no nominations for Student Radio Directors (SRDs) in 2023. It is a requirement in the Student Services and Amenities Fund (SSAF) that there are Student Radio Directors* (*see attached Briefing for more information).

The YouX Engagement Team subsequently proposed a program (modelled on the Student Experience Directors (SED)), to meet the SSAF requirements and encourage students to apply for a structured Student Radio program.

In this proposal, it was noted that:

“The program will sit outside the Rule Concerning Student Media and participants will be held accountable to the YouX code of conduct, as per the SED program.

Note: this proposed program is suggested for 2023 only so no changes to the Rule Concerning Student Media are required at this time.”

In communications with Simone, she mentioned that they, “have not planned for the Broadcaster Program to be part of the Student Media Committee meetings” or “communicated the meetings/policy as part of the process to applicants”.

If following this proposal, it would mean that the appointed SRDs in 2023 would not sit on the Student Media Committee.

This brings into question whether the SRDs must sit on the Student Media Committee, whether they continue to hold a vote on the Student Media Committee and whether they continue to be considered for the purposes of quorum.

As far as I am aware, it was discussed at the Board meetings that the Student Radio Directors would be held to the Rule Concerning Student Media, sit on the Student Media Committee and still hold a vote. This was due to the fact the SM Rule is a Rule, and is thus binding. To change or alter the Rule would require the steps outlined in S20.3 of the Constitution to be followed, including “a Rule confirmed by the Board must be forwarded to the Council for its Concurrence.”

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I see it as a more viable option for the SRDs to be held to the SM Rule as this is only a trial program and any changes to the Rule this year may not be relevant next year. The only requirements for SRDs at Student Media Committee meetings is to provide a report.

At the time of the first Student Media Committee meeting, the application/appointment process was still ongoing, and thus no report was submitted. At the next Student Media Committee meeting SRDs will have been appointed and be in their roles.

Recommendation

That the Student Media Chair invites the Student Radio Directors to the next Student Media Committee meeting, noting that they must submit a report but that it is not a requirement (only highly encouraged) that they attend.

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YouX President's Report:

To: YouX Board
Subject: YouX President's Report
Date: 16/04/2023

1. Meetings with the EO and COO

I have met with Gary and Kathryn to discuss various issues throughout the past month.

2. Gary's Resignation as EO

Earlier this month Gary handed me his letter of resignation. In his letter of resignation, Gary has explained that after almost seven years at YouX, it has come time to say goodbye. This he explains is due to a combination of reasons including family, recent health issues and ongoing complications associated with the role as EO of YouX. Gary's last day as a YouX employee will be Thursday August 3rd, 2023, however, His last day in office will be Thursday 11th of May 2023. Gary has informed me that he will be taking his annual leave entitlements for the remainder of his employment. During this period of transition, Kathryn has informed me that she will be able to stand in for Gary and ensure that operations at YouX continue in an uninterrupted manner.

3. Student Engagement Committee

I was fortunate enough to attend the recent student engagement committee meeting along with fellow board directors Merlin Wang and Grace Franco. During this meeting, we were afforded the opportunity to raise and list key areas that we as students believe the University could improve on. Areas identified included things such as online Lecture Quality, The Lack of a Student

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centric Unibar Atmosphere, The effectiveness of current student feedback mechanisms (SELTS), and more. These main themes are currently being shaped into an agenda and their investigation and hopeful resolution will proceed.

4. CRS & CSH Board Meetings

Earlier this week I attended both the CRS and CSH board meetings.

5. Student Care Board Meeting

I was privileged to attend the student care board meeting earlier this month. It is both exciting and inspirational to see and hear about the activity and developments within student care. During the meeting, Ann Madigan, head of Student Care, reported on the general activities of Student Care over the last Quarter. In her report she highlighted several key developments. Over the last quarter, Student Care have conducted Outreaches to Roseworthy and attended the Brunchfast and Village Welcome events held at Waite. Further to this, they have successfully processed and assisted on numerous academic advocacy and student support matters with a noticeable increase in demand for financial and material assistance. A number of grants and scholarships are currently being processed and finalised in order help assist this and other avenues of student need. Ann also reported that Breakfast Club continues to be successful with 200 – 250+ breakfasts being delivered 4 out of days a week. However, Ann also notes that ongoing increases and food pressures are making it more challenging to source reliable food and affordable food supply from Food Bank. Ann also reported that the Student Care Team would strongly argue that identified student food support needs could be better addressed in a more sustainable and comprehensive fashion through 1:1 EWO assessment and appropriate referral for more sustainable material assistance provision (via Foodbank vouchers / hampers / supermarket

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vouchers) and broader safety net of referrals to community services and not from a 5 day a week free breakfast.

6. Meeting with Martin McCarron and DVCA Jennie Shaw

I recently attended a meeting with Georgia Thomas, SRC President, Martin McCarron, Head of Student Engagement, and Professor Jennie Shaw, DVCA. During this meeting, we discussed ongoing developments surrounding the merger. Martin and Jennie informed us that at present everything hinges on the pending decisions of the respective university councils. For the Merger to proceed, both councils must approve. As such, all current merger concepts are high level. The consequence is that a lot of the more specific student concerns such as program structure, course availability, campus location, etc, are currently all undetermined. Despite this, we have been informed that there will be ongoing student engagement, with Martin emphasising his desire to involve students in ongoing engagement and communication.

7. Breakfast Club

Given the recent motions regarding breakfast club, brought to the board by Georgia in the last Board meeting, I have expended considerable effort and time investigating the ability and capacity to expand the Breakfast Club from 4 days a week to 5. In order to investigate the viability of this endeavour, I met with Kathryn and Ann Madigan, Head of Student Care, to investigate and workshop what will be required in terms of Financial, Staff and, Food resourcing. In this meeting Ann made it clear that the Student Care Team is already operating at capacity in terms of Breakfast Club delivery. At present the current 4 day plan involves the additional help of the Education Welfare Officers, who are having to give up student counselling time in order to facilitate breakfast club. Evidently this is not ideal as it reducing the Student Care Team's capacity to perform their intended function. As such Ann has indicated that in order to expand breakfast Club in a feasible and sustainable manner, an additional Staff member would have to be hired at 0.5 time. This person would require the additional assistance

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of casual staff to help facilitate the delivery of the breakfasts. The employment of the additional staff and food is estimated to result in a cost increase of approximately \$30 000.

Given the fact that there has been no surplus in the budget for this quarter, I have spent time analysing the current budget with both Kathryn and the Executive. This analysis has revealed that there are no areas of sufficient significance where funding can cut and reallocated to breakfast club. This is due to the fact that any reallocations of funding would ultimately have an adverse and limiting effect on other student services provided by YouX.

With this in mind, I reached out to Martin McCarron, head of Student Care, to see if there is any potential for obtaining additional funding from the University. This discussion led to a further meeting with Colleen Lewig, Director of Student Life. It is important to note that Colleen sits on the Student Care board and as such has a deeper familiarity with Student Care and Breakfast Club.

Discussions with Colleen revealed similar sentiments where in there is acknowledgment of the rise in cost of living and hence food insecurity. However, the course of discussion made it apparent that at present expanding Breakfast Club by an additional day may not be the most efficient and effective method of addressing food insecurity. This sentiment very much echoes those expressed by Ann Madigan and the broader Student Care Team.

This information has since presented to and consequently discussed by the board's executive. As such, we are aware of the advantages of Breakfast Club as it simultaneously addresses food insecurity whilst also providing a common location wherein students can meet and interact thus bolstering a greater sense of community. As such, we will continue to peruse avenues of expansion and transformation so as to bolster and heighten the current Breakfast Club Experience.

In a final note, I would like to extend a personal note of gratitude to the Board Directors how have aided and assisted in the investigation and analysis of the

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potential expansion. I am sure that we will continue to evolve and develop plans around heightening the Breakfast Club Experience in the near future.

8. SRC Activity

The SRC have held their Second meeting of the year that saw a variety of motions being passed. The predominant focus of the motions pertained to the education systems associated with international students.

9. Clubs Committee

I recently attended the second clubs committee meeting. The meeting saw the approval of several Club's expressions of interest, several club provisional registrations and full registrations. Further to this a significant amount of minor grants were approved. Finally, we were pleased to be able to work with the AUES in facilitating a major grant which went towards assisting the AUES in hosting their industry night. I am told that this was a well-attended event and possibly one of the best yet. All in all, it is pleasing to see clubs so much activity in the club's space and I look forward to what the rest of the year holds in store.

10. Education for a Digital World

I was privileged to attend the final co-design workshop. This workshop focused on summarising the design journey of the previous workshops and crafting it into a "pitch" tailored for a panel of four senior university staff members, one of which was Professor Jennie Shaw. The pitch aimed at summarising our design journey and indicating how the University can best position themselves for future education. The overarching discoveries and findings from the workshop indicated that it is vital that the University utilise digital technologies to improve the current standard of teaching, increase program and degree flexibility, and make education more accessible to a broader age group of students. The workshop remains a high-level

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exercise, however, it is exciting to see the University taking a proactive stance on future education. I look forward to seeing the strategy materialise and develop. It will be exciting to see the impacts on future education at the university.

11. Student Town Hall Forum

I had the recent fortune of being invited to co-host the Student Town Hall Forum together with The Vice Chancellor, Peter Hoj, DVCA, Jennie Shaw and SRC President Georgia Thomas. The Forum focused on addressing the pending merger. Professor Jennie Shaw provided a brief presentation as to the current status of the merger talks, after which Georgia and I facilitated a Q&A with the Vice Chancellor. During the Q&A, students were afforded an opportunity to ask the Vice Chancellor any questions or concerns they may have regarding the merger. Students were able to attend the forum in person or via zoom and address their questions in a similar manner. All in all, it was a well-attended event and the Vice Chancellor displayed admirable honesty in his answers to students.

12. Conclusion

In conclusion, it has been an enjoyable and busy month. I look forward to continuing my efforts to heighten the YouX experience on campus through avenues such as the improvement and expansion of Breakfast Club.

Yours Sincerely,

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