



AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL FOR THE SYDNEY UNIVERSITY POSTGRADUATE REPRESENTATIVE ASSOCIATION HELD AT 5:00PM ON 1ST JULY, 2010 AT THE SUPRA OFFICES

Chair:	John Nowakowski
Minutes:	Angelus Morningstar
Present:	Richard Bailey, Sophia Barnes (departed 6:45pm), Heidi Claus, Andrew Elder (arrived 5:34pm), Nick Irving, Lian Jenvey, David Latimer, Hanrui Li, Angelus Morningstar, John Nowakowski, David Robertson, Simone White, Rosemary Whitecross
Meeting Opened:	5:10pm

1. Acknowledgement of Country and Welcome

Acknowledgement of Country conducted by the Chair.

2. Apologies, Absentees, Leave and Proxies

2.1. Apologies

Apologies: Chihong Choi, Andrew Elder (Late), Rashmi Kumar, Pip Muratore, Bradley Wells, Lynne Xie

2.2. Absentees

Absent: Ahmed Surobbhi Nusrat, Katherine Petersen, Simone White

2.3. Leave of Absence

John Nowakowski applies for a leave of absence from 5-19th July, 2010.

Rashmi Kumar will be absent until 19th July, 2010.

Pip Muratore applies for a leave of absence until 1st September, 2010.

Nick Irving applies for leave from 5-9th July, 2010.

Angelus Morningstar applies for leave from 5-9th July, 2010.

[Motion 01/100710] That SUPRA Council accept the tabled applications of leave.

Proposed: Rosemary Whitecross **Result:** carried

3. Review and Approval of Minutes

- 3.1. SUPRA Council, 9th June 2010
- 3.2. SUPRA Representative Election, 9th June 2010
- 3.3. Management Committee, 16th June 2010
- 3.4. Management Committee, 23rd June 2010
- 3.5. Management Committee, 30th June 2010

Copies of the minutes were circulated electronically.

Amendments:

Re SUPRA Council, 9 June 2010 minutes: Requested rephrasing of the term 'queried' to 'asked'.

Re SUPRA Representative Election minutes: That Nick Irving as acting President should read for the periods of 5 July 2010 – 19 July 2010.

Re Management Committee, 30 June 2010: 4th page, to re-parse line to 'consider the cost of changing other line items'.

[Motion 02/100720]

That SUPRA Council accept the minutes with amendments.

Proposed: Sophia Barnes

Result: Carried

4. Introduction of Officers for 2010

Rashmi Kumar had tendered a submission for the review and approval of three new Office Bearer positions, being:

Education Officer (Coursework)

Education Officer (Research)

Welfare Officer

It was determined that substantial discussion on these issues could not happen as **Rashmi Kumar** could not speak directly to them in her absence, and because budgetary discussions were needed beforehand.

Procedural

That SUPRA Council defer item 4 until the next Council meeting.

Proposed: John Nowakowski

Result: Carried

5. Nominations for Office Bearer positions

5.1. Director of Student Publications

Discussions regarding Director of Student Publications were held during IN CAMERA during discussions of Item

Nominations received from:

Sophia Barnes

Kylee Hartman-Warren

There was a request for additional nominations from the Floor, and it was observed that though Kylee Hartman-Warren could not attend the meeting to speak to her nomination, that she had submitted a written motivational statement and CV.

Procedural

That SUPRA Council withhold discussion of Director of Student Publications until after the issues regarding publications have been discussed.

Proposed: Rosemary Whitecross

Result: Carried (+10/-2)



[Motion 03/100710] That Sophia Barnes continue her appointment as acting Director of Student Publications and to defer election to next Council meeting.

Proposed: Richard Bailey *Result:* Carried

5.2. Disabilities, Health and Wellness Officer

Rosemary Whitecross self-nominated from the floor, noting that she had been acting in a *de facto* role prior, has been on University consultative committees representing SUPRA. She noted a slight disability, though unregistered, and stated that she was involved in initial stages of rewriting disabilities action plan.

It was observed that Council could appoint Rosemary to the role as it was not currently a constituted equity position.

[Motion 04/100710] That SUPRA Council appoint Rosemary Whitecross to the role of acting Disabilities, Health, and Wellness Officer.

Proposed: John Nowakowski *Result:* Carried

Procedural

That SUPRA Council defer the elections outlined in item 5 to next Council meeting.

Proposed: John Nowakowski *Result:* Carried

6. Nomination of Councillors to Standing Committees of Council

David Robertson to join Management and Policy Committees

Pip Muratore to join the Publications Committee

Lynne Xie to join the Activities Committee

Elizabeth Scally to join the Activities Committees

Katherine Petersen to join the Management, Activities, and Policy Committees

Sophia Barnes to join the Publications Committee

Ahmed Surobhi Nusrat to join the Management Committee

Following request for further nominations, **Simone White** self-nominated to Management Committee, and **David Latimer** self-nominated to Activities Committee.

[Motion 05/100710] That SUPRA Council accept these nominations on block.

Proposed: John Nowakowski *Result:* Carried

Procedural

That SUPRA move to discussion of the Budget Committee immediately.

Proposed: Richard Bailey *Result:* Carried

7. Publications, Publications Officer, and the Budget

[IN CAMERA]

These discussions were held In Camera.

[EX CAMERA]

8. Conflict of Interest Policy Development

SUPRA Councillor Office Procedures

Harassment Prevention Policy

Dispute Resolution

Conflict of Interest Policy

There was brief discussion examining policy of access and any further needs for development.

That the issue of Policy Development be deferred to next Council meeting.

Result: Carried

Procedural

Proposed: John Nowakowski

9. Planning Day

John Nowakowski noted that this day was to show the staff the organisation and its purposes. After some discussion, it was held that John would organise a date based on feedback provided through a Google account to make available to set up for as many people as possible.

10. Inductions

Heidi commented on these issues a part of IN CAMERA discussions of item 7, and tabled a number of documents.

11. Other Business

Council observed the submission of a stipend policy requested by the previous Council. It was recommended to be passed to the Budget Committee.

12. Advice on next Council

Next Meeting: 20th July, 2010

All meeting documents, including officer reports, to be submitted to the Secretary by 5pm on 16 July 2010.

Meeting Closed:

8:21pm