



MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE SUPRA OFFICES AT 6:00PM ON THE 23RD AUGUST, 2011.

Chair: Angelus Morningstar
Minutes: Thomas Munro
Present: Alice BRANDLI, Heidi CLAUS, Ayu DEWI, Marie GERMA, Katherine HARPER, Kylee HARTMAN-WARREN, Maria INDELICATO, Lian JENVEY, Hye KIM, Angelus MORNINGSTAR, Thomas MUNRO, Pip MURATORE, Alex THOMAS, Bradley WELLS, Rosemary WHITECROSS.

Lian JENVEY left at 6:04, giving her proxy to Heidi CLAUS.

Bradley WELLS left at 6:32, giving his proxy to Katherine HARPER.

Heidi CLAUS left at 7:24, giving her proxy to Rosemary WHITECROSS.

Marie INDELICATO left at 8:18

Meeting Opened: 6:02

1. Acknowledgement of Country and Welcome

2. Housekeeping

2.1. Resignations

Andrew CLAYPHAN

2.2. Apologies

Cyrus ACHAEMENIAN, Ben FERRIS,

2.3. Proxies

Katherine HARPER carries a proxy for Ben FERRIS

2.4. Notifications

The Senate ratified the Constitution as amended by the AGM.

Procedural: That we procedurally address item 6.2 first

Moved from the chair: *Result: CARRIED*

3. Elections

3.1. Call for nominations

Kanagharekha DEVDAS NAIDU

Timothy SCRIVEN

Put to council to approve the late application of Timothy Scriven.

Procedural: That Council allow Tim SCRIVEN's nomination to be voted on.

Mover: Rosemary WHITECROSS

Counterposed Motion: That Council allow Kanagharekha DEVDAS NAIDU's nomination to be voted on, but not Timothy SCRIVEN as James FLYNN has also registered his interest to be on council but may not have had time to submit his application. As such the remaining position may be contested.

Mover: Bradley WELLS

Result: 7 For, 8 Against. Motion FAILED,

Counterposed Motion CARRIED.

There is currently no option to vote for "no candidate" in our Electoral Regulations, although this has been common practice and will be allowed for this vote.

Pip MURATORE was elected Returning Officer.

Result: Kanagharekha DEVDAS NAIDU has been elected to Council.

3.2. Call for Returning Officer

3.3. Presentation by Nominees

3.4. Election by Ballot [In Camera]

3.5. Business Arising From Reports

4. Minutes of Meetings

4.1. Minutes of the meeting of Council 25th of July 11

4.2. Minutes of the meeting of Management Committee, 25th of July 11

4.3. Minutes of the meeting of Management Committee, 5^h of August 11

4.4. Minutes of the meeting of Budget Committee, 1st August 11

4.5. Minutes of the meeting of Budget Committee, 15th August 11

4.6. Business Arising From Minutes

[Motion 01/110823]: That Council accepts the tabled minutes, with noted amendments.

Moved from the Chair:

Result: CARRIED

Seconder: Kylee HARTMAN-WARREN

5. Reports of Meetings

5.1. Report of Planning Day

5.2. Report of the meeting of Publications Committee, 9th August 11

5.3. Report of the meeting of Policy Committee, 15th August 11

5.4. Business Arising From Reports

That Council accepts the tabled reports.

Moved from the Chair:

Results: CARRIED

Seconder; Maria INDELICATO

6. Officer Reports

- 6.1. President Report
- 6.2. Vice-President (Policy)
- 6.3. Vice-President (Community)
- 6.4. Secretary
- 6.5. Treasurer
- 6.6. Director of Student Publications
- 6.7. Women's Officer
- 6.8. International Student Officer
- 6.9. Queer Officer
- 6.10. Disability Officer
- 6.11. Indigenous Officer
- 6.12. Business Arising From Reports

[Motion 03/110823]: That Council accept the tabled reports of Offices.

Moved from the Chair: Result: Carried

Seconded: Kylee HARTMAN-WARREN

7. Governance*

7.1. Strategic Plan

Planning Day met on the 3rd August to discuss the strategic direction of SUPRA into the future.

BUDGET

Concerns that our position wasn't to maintain the status quo, but was rather to cut down on expenditure.

Amendments:

That we put a fullstop after "summary" in the second paragraph under Budget, and cut the rest of the sentence.

That we change the initial Recommendation to include the second Recommendation, to direct Budget Committee to investigate methods of cutting expenditure.

CAPA AFFILIATION FEE

Feedback from recommendation: Angelus MORNINGSTAR contacted John NOWAKOWSKI (CAPA President) to discuss the possibility of SUPRA not paying our affiliation fee in future, or reducing our payment. There was concern that their overheads are now lower that they don't have offices and have less staff. It was noted that we pay more than other universities and are covering a lot of their expenditure.

Amendment:

That the President correspond with CAPA regarding negotiating remissions of our fee for 2012.

FUNDRAISING

Discussion of whether Council should amend the Policy Financial Regulations tonight, to reflect the Strategic Plan recommendation. It was decided to do this through Policy Committee.

GRANTS AND BURSURIES PROCEDURE

Council discussed directing the

Amendment: That Council directs the treasurer to create a database of grants and bursaries to maintain institutional knowledge.

USER PAY OPTIONS

Concern was raised that quite often SUPRA is the only place that many international students can receive free Advice and advocacy. Instead of the recommendation Council should consult with staff in working out a strategy to address this issue.

Recommendation withdrawn by the chair.

[Motion 04/110823]: That Council endorse the recommendations of Planning Day.

Moved from the chair: *Result: CARRIED*

Secunder: Katherine HARPER

7.2. Committees

7.2.1. Formation of Equity Committee

An *ad hoc* Equity Committee was held on Friday 5th of August 11. The participants included the Equity Officers and members of staff. It was held that it would be useful to formalise the Equity Committee.

[Motion 05/110823]: That Council constitute an Equity Committee as a Working Committee, with terms of reference to be established by the first meeting, and to be Chaired in the first instance by the President until the Committee determines an appropriate Chair.

Amendment: That the staff be appointed as members.

Moved from the Chair: *Result: CARRIED*

Secunder: Katherine HARPER

7.2.1. Formation of Casework Triage Committee

One of the recommendations that came out of Planning Day was to create a subcommittee to consult and develop priorities around casework for both the social work and legal work offered by SUPRA. This is to be done in consultation with the members of Staff.

[Motion 06/110823]: That Council constitute a Casework Triage Committee as a Working Committee, with terms of reference to review the priorities of casework and workload in consultation with the staff, and to be Chaired in the first instance by the President until the Committee determines an appropriate Chair.

Moved from the Chair: *Result CARRIED*

Secunder: Katherine HARPER

7.3. Staffing [In Camera]

The Probation Review Committee have met and have unanimously endorsed the recommendation to confirm Pru Wirth's employment.

8. Policy

8.1. Policy Review

Please note the following policies are up for ratification by Council.

Recommendation: That Council ratify the tabled Regulations and Policies.

Attached documentation: Electoral Regulations;

Financial Regulations;

Human Resources Policy (interim);
Duty Statements for President,
Vice-President(s),
Secretary,
Treasurer, and
Director of Student Publications.

[Motion 08/110823] That Council ratify the Human Resources policy in its entirety.

Moved from the Chair: Results: CARRIED

Secunder: Katherine HARPER

[Motion 09/110823] That Council ratify the Electoral Regulations policy in its entirety.

Moved from the Chair: Results: CARRIED

Secunder: Katherine HARPER

[Motion 010/110823] That Council ratify the Financial Regulations policy in its entirety.

Moved from the Chair: Results: CARRIED

Secunder: Katherine HARPER

9. Political and Social Forum *

The One Love Conference is seeking formal endorsement by SUPRA. SUPRA is currently providing a venue for this conference, but is not formally associated with it.

Thomas Munro will speak to this item as Queer Officer, outlining the conference's aims and how they are relevant to queer students.

It was noted that many external campaigns that SUPRA has endorsed are not directly relevant to students. A planning day to discuss support of external campaigns was discussed.

10. Other Business*

10.1.1. Filing Cabinets

The staff has advised us that in order to meet our security requirements for the storage of confidential documents the SAAO's require the purchase of lockable filing cabinets.

Corporate Express currently have a Firstline brand filing cabinet for \$286 + GST and they would require 10 of them. So, including delivery costs, a budget of \$3,500 has been recommended.

10.1.2. Spamming the Email List

Request that executive BCC other councillors when emailing so that council members aren't spammed by people clicking "reply to all."

10.1.3. Protests at Max Brenner

Concern was raised that a member of the public contacted a SUPRA councillor about a protest that was held to which SUPRA's name has been associated. Some of the groups involved with this protest used terminology such as "Zionist pigs" and that people were told that SUPRA had signed a Schedule 1 to allow the protest, although Council was not informed. Suggestion that we have a planning day to discuss the support of external campaigns and what a SUPRA endorsement means

[Motion 014/110823] That Council directs the President to find out who from SUPRA was at this rally and who signed a schedule 1 in our name and to discuss this with them

Moved from the Chair: *Results: CARRIED*

Seconder: Kylee HARTMAN-WARREN

[Motion 015/110823] That SUPRA includes a statement in eGrad that says that while SUPRA endorsed the rally it does not endorse any groups that use sexist or racist language, as it was alleged that this protest did.

Moved from the Chair: *Results: CARRIED*

Seconder: Kylee HARTMAN-WARREN

[Motion 016/110823] That in the interim between now and the activist planning day, the rallies that SUPRA will endorse and attend must be approved through Management Committee.

Moved from the Chair: *Results: CARRIED*

Seconder: Pip MURATORE

10.1.4. Anti-Bullying Training

SUPRA Staff are currently going through anti-bullying training. It was recommended that Councillors should also be included in this training.

[Motion 017/110823] That Council members are encouraged to attend anti-bullying training and that Executive members of SUPRA must attend this training.

Moved from the Chair: *Results: CARRIED*

Seconder: Kylee HARTMAN-WARREN

Meeting Closed: 8:21