

Date: 31st July 2024

Location: N53_-1.23 & Microsoft Teams

Chair: Cassidy Winter

Minute Taker: Jenna Corby / Michael Carden

Attendees:

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| • Cassidy Winter | LGBTIQ+ Officer |
| • Minh Anh Huynh | Sustainability Officer |
| • Iqira Saeed | Research Officer |
| • Charlie Tran | Communications Officer |
| • Jushal Saini | International Officer |
| • Kate Kingston | Disability Officer |
| • Kanchana Wijesekera | Carers Officer |
| • Sanika Pujari | Womens Officer |

Observers

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| • Michael Carden | Support and Events Coordinator |
| • Chantelle Hollenbach | Student Associations Officer |
| • Jenna Corby | Advocacy & Engagement Coordinator |
| • Victoria | GBS HDR Student |

Apologies

- Apologies received from Tracy Meehan (proxy assigned to Cassidy Winter) and Drishti.
- Cory Everdell Student Associations Manager & GUPSA Board Secretary

Meeting Commenced at 12.01pm

Acknowledgment of Country

- Cassidy gave acknowledgement of country.

Previous Minutes

- Motion: To approve the previous meeting minutes from 27th June 2024 as being true and correct.
 - Moved: Charlie Tran
 - Seconded: Kanchana Wijesekera
 - Carried
- Matters Arising from Previous Meeting
 - GCAP Chairperson have decided they won't sponsor Queensland Annual Chemistry Symposium (QACS)
 - Discussion around providing a student prize vs sponsorship of event
 - General consensus was towards supporting student prize but more information required.
 - Action: MC to find out more information about prizes and report back for Board to make informed decision.

Agenda Item 1: NAATI Training Courses

- JS spoke to reasoning for proposing funding for NAATI Certified Translator Courses – high number of students with English as second language and working with clients and patients from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.
- Opportunity for students to upskill and create more opportunities for work while studying and in the field of work they are pursuing as a career (particularly for students studying in health, law and human services fields).
- CH has contacted another training provider, awaiting quote.
- CT queried difficulty of test / meeting requirements for certification – if this is very hard to achieve and there aren't long-term outcomes is it of value to support students to do? JS stated that even without test and certification there would still be value for students.
- MC suggested a formal proposal with costs be developed and circulated to Board for consideration at a future meeting.
- KK questioned whether this initiative diverts from primary purpose of GUPSA (supporting students with and during their studies at university).
- Action: JS, CH and MC to investigate NAATI and related options and present findings and formal proposal to Board.

Agenda Item 2: T1 Reporting / Statistics

- JC shared infographic overview of Advocacy and Welfare statistics for Trimester 1. Period products – have given out approximately 24,000 pads and tampons, free legal advice also not pictured (was accessed 16 times in T1).
- Action: JC to circulate with minutes and liaise with Sophie O'Brien re publishing on socials and website/s.

Agenda Item 3: On the House Products

- JC shared proposal from On the House who will be piloting a free-period product initiative in Brisbane in 2025. The business and products are funded by selling advertising spots on the period product packaging. Two advertisers currently confirmed are Princess Polly and

HiSmile. On the House are seeking locations to pilot – requirements are a space to store products, and a space for free products to be accessed. 1000 products will be provided per trial site during the pilot. Southbank (central location) and Nathan (student numbers) campuses are currently the preferred locations for pilot.

- CW highlighted importance of ensuring commitment to gender inclusive language and values as well as clarification about advertisers and role organisations hosting products will have input into / capacity to veto advertisers that don't align with values.
- Action: JC to follow-up with On the House and provide further detail for Board to make final decision.

Agenda Item 4: Student Pantry Funding and Casual Hours

- JC shared proposal to utilise SSAF funding currently allocated to the student pantry to employ casual staff (student employment opportunity) to assist with pantry and period product stock management to improve consistency and reach. Allocation of additional HEPPP funding to cover costs of stocking pantries across all campuses.
 - Moved: Minh Anh Huynh
 - Seconded: Kanchana Wijesekera
 - Carried

Agenda Item 5: Merch Feedback and discussion

- Sophie O'Brien (Marketing and Comms Coordinator) purchasing merch mid-August and has suggested based on feedback to move away from t-shirts.
- CT reported feedback from several students about merch given out during O Weeks – when GUPSA and SRC are set-up together there is a clear discrepancy between UG and PG which creates some dissatisfaction. Suggested having similar merch for UG and PG.
- KK stated not keen on providing t-shirts any longer due to fast-fashion / waste considerations. IS agreed in chat.
- Action: MC to follow-up with Sophie and provide options to Board for a decision.

Agenda Item 6: Funding request from QCAD Galleries and Equity

- \$400 requested to pay for Drag Queen to attend QCAD Galleries Pride Week Exhibition in September 4pm-8pm.
 - Moved: Kate Kingston
 - Seconded: Kanchana Wijesekera
 - Carried

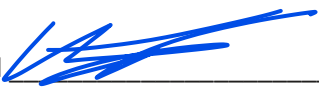
General Business

- Student Comms – advocacy, wellbeing, welfare stats to be published online.

Next Meeting

- TBC via poll

Meeting closed at 1.02pm

Signed  _____ Date: