GUPSA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday 18th May 2023

Location: N53 0.60 & Microsoft Teams

Chair: Daniel de Vries

Minute Taker: Michael Carden

Attendees:

- Charlie Tran	Communications Officer
- Geoff Ebbs	Sustainability Officer
- Bogdan Mamaev	Research Officer
- Jess Gundolf	Women's Officer
- Daniel de Vries	Coursework Officer
- Kate Kingston	Disability Officer
- Marian Sassoli	International Officer

Observers

- Michael Carden

Apologies

- Saira Khan	Carers Officer
- Chantelle Hollenbach	Student Associations Officer
- Jess Gundolf	Women's Officer
- Catherine Sanders	Online Officer
- Cassidy Winter	LGBTIQ+ Officer
- Cory Everdell	Secretary

Meeting Commenced at 1.14pm

Acknowledgment of Country

- D. de Vries made acknowledgement of country.

AGENDA ITEM 1: Previous Minutes

- Motion: To approve the previous meeting minutes from 27th April 2023 as being true and correct
  - Moved: C. Tran
  - Seconded: G. Ebbs
  - Carried

AGENDA ITEM 2: Event Funding Application – Industry Leaders Program

- Deanne Camplejohn has submitted a funding application for $300 to provide catering for HDRs attending the Nathan session of the Industry Leaders Program. Michael Carden explained the details of the application, advising that GCAP and the Guild are funding catering for the Gold Coast session. As with the 2022 Industry Leasers Program GUPSA will be acknowledged and the GUPSA banner will be displayed at the session.
- Motion: To approve the funding application for $300 to provide catering for HDRs attending the Nathan session of the Industry Leaders Program. GUPSA must be acknowledged with use of GUPSA logo and display of banner at the Nathan session.
  - Moved: C. Tran
  - Seconded: K. Kingston
  - Carried

AGENDA ITEM 3: GUPSA Budget Review

- G. Ebbs said that he had written to Cory that morning about Repair Café funding for which there is no line item yet in the budget. He asked about spending so far on Fruitbox and future direction. He also asked about emergency accommodation. Those figures were not available for the meeting and Cory was not available to discuss them.
- As emergency accommodation, fruit box expansion, and student support, may require additional funds discussion began on reducing some other items to cover possible additional costs.
- Motion: Reviewing the balance between the major expense items and response to student needs the following changes to the GUPSA Budget be made:
  1. Reduce Board Conference fees by $5000 to $2,000
  2. Reduce off campus cinema events to 1 event 2nd trimester.
  3. No off-campus events involving <20 of students
  4. Reduce printing credit by $2,000
     - Moved: G. Ebbs
     - Seconded: C. Tran
     - Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Bogdan and Geoff will attend the next Board of Graduate Research meeting in July and will be meeting with HDR reps before then
- Marian said some students had complained about lack of free coffees and asked if there could be discount not free coffees. Michael pointed out there may be logistical problems for vendors who may not be willing to provide discount as opposed to charging the full cost to GUPSA as was done last year. Subsidised coffees to be on June meeting agenda.
- Further discussion about budget and funding – how much was spent on coffees last year; how much was spent on Grammarly. Geoff raised immigration seminars and ACA Hacka.

Next Meeting

- To be organised by Michael in Microsoft Teams channel for one of the following dates 21, 22, 23, or 30 June.

Meeting closed at 2pm