



SRC Board Meeting Minutes



Date: 22nd September 2023

Location: Microsoft Teams

Chair: Emily Parker

Attendees

SRC Board

- Emily Parker Board Chair & President, QCA
- Bianca Simpson President, Nathan
- Benjamin Crosby President, QCGU
- Haylee Day President, Mt Gravatt
- Alysia Busk Indigenous Officer
- Mariska Simpson Committee Member, Nathan
- Celestine Sewornu Committee Member, Logan
- Tennille Kelly Committee Member, Digital
- Julie Williamson Committee Member, Digital

Observers

- Cory Everdell SRC Board Secretary
- Holly Hawkins Acting Advocacy & Engagement Coordinator

Meeting Commenced 12.03pm

Acknowledgement of Country

- A. Busk gave acknowledgement to country.

Attendance/Apologies/Proxies

- C. Everdell received apologies from Louis Duffin who assigned his proxy to Haylee Day.

Previous Minutes

- Motion: To approve the previous meeting minutes from 4th September 2023 as being true and correct
 - o Moved: B. Simpson
 - o Seconded: A. Busk
 - o Carried

Agenda Item 1: Welcome to new SRC Members

- E. Parker welcomed new SRC members who were appointed in the Trimester 2 casual vacancy process:
 - o Benjamin Crosby President, QCGU
 - o Mariska Simpson Committee Member, Nathan
 - o Celestine Sewornu Committee Member, Logan
 - o Tennille Kelly Committee Member, Digital
 - o Julie Williamson Committee Member, Digital

Agenda Item 2: Student Voice Australasia Steering Group

- E. Parker spoke about an opportunity available for SRC members to accompany the Shaun Ewen (Deputy Vice Chancellor Education) on the Student Voice Australasia Steering Group. Encouraged any SRC members who were available to make the remaining meetings for 2023 to submit an expression of interest by Wednesday 27th September.

Agenda Item 3: SRC YTD Spend

- C. Everdell went through the remaining funds for the SRC Board and Campus budgets. It was noted that QCGU has limited funds remaining, but that they also operate on a semester timetable so there will be no spend past late October. Campus Committee meetings will take place in early to mid-October to allocate any surplus funds to spend before the end of the year.

Agenda Item 4: SRC Poverty on Placement Survey Update

- H. Hawkins gave an update on the SRC Poverty on Placement Survey
- Survey has been open for 3 days and there have been 726 completed responses already across the University. It was noted the good relationship that Dorinda Harvey-Bravo has built with schools has been the key to this high number.
- Largest number of responses have come from the Nursing school with 434 responses, followed by Social Work & Midwifery
- 83% respondents are full-time students, 93% are domestic, 89% are female & 47% are mature aged at commencement of their degree
- 590 respondents have done their placement full-time (5 days per week)
- 80% saw increased expenses and a reduction in their income. Students noted a significant impact on stress/mental health/physical wellbeing whilst undertaking placements. 97% supported a paid placement
- Survey closes 15th October. Final results will be shared with the SRC board.

Agenda Item 5: 2024 Merchandise

- C. Everdell presented 2024 SRC merchandise options to the board. A discussion was held around the benefits to Digital Campus students. It was noted that Digital Campus students can request merch packs be sent to their house and that the Digital Campus Committee has funds to purchase additional items.
- The board resolved to vote on their preferences via CampusGroups.

Agenda Item 6: SRC Elections & Referendum

- Nominations were received for the following positions for the 2023/2024 SRC term of office. Voting for the Indigenous Officer and Nathan positions will start Monday 25th September and finish on Friday 29th September.
 - o Indigenous Officer – 2 x Nominations
 - o Nathan – 2 x President, 4 x Committee Member

- Mt Gravatt – 1 x President, 2 x Committee Member
- Logan – 1 x Committee Member
- QCA – 1 x President & 1 x Committee Member
- QCGU – 1 x President
- Digital – 1 x President
- Referendum for the proposed SRC Constitution will also open on 25th September and close 29th September. Students will have the opportunity to attend an information session on Friday 22nd September from 1pm.

Other Business

- Nil

Next Meeting

- Friday 6th October 3.30pm – 4.30pm – Nathan Campus

Meeting Closed 12.43pm

Meeting Chair:  _____ Date: 16/11/23