



## MINUTES

### PRC Meeting 4 2015/16

Monday 24 AUG 2015

PARSA Boardroom – The Australian National University

#### PRESIDENT WELCOME

Previous minutes confirmed. Seconded.

- PARSA Survey “mostly” complete.
  - Additions from ANU sport
  - Chris’ Reports’ documents for officers.

#### PRESIDENT’S REPORT

- Final stages of recruiting an officer manager.
  - 6 week process.
  - Someone to be brought onto the interview panel from the university who had corporate experience who can help with the interview test,.
- Has called an OGM for the coming Tuesday.
  - Called for administrative reasons, to ensure lead time.
- Constitutional Changes
  - ELECTIONS: Mostly re realigning PARSA year to the calendar year.
  - Being done to overcome loss of institutional knowledge.
  - Aligning will allow extra lead in and training time.
  - FUNDING: Works on a calendar year. SAFF submitted at the beginning of October. This means that people newly elected have not had a say in how the money is spent.
  - Addition of Womens’ Officer.
  - How we can replace people that members want replaced.
  - Changing background to make the organization accountable.
- Chris W opened up to floor for questions and discussion regarding the Constitutional changes.
  - Floor brings up various questions and concerns regarding the shortening of the electoral term to March, instead of running the full length of the term to July.
    - Desires to have the OGM meeting changed.
  - OGM unrepresentative due the “bus them in” problem.
  - Boils down to three main issues:
    1. Does the PRC agree to move PARSA to a calendar year?
    2. Calling the OGM and the notice given
    3. Calling of the election – is PARSA bound by it?

#### INDIGENOUS OFFICER ROLE



Vote on the addition of the new Indigenous officer.

Introduction of new candidate.

VOTE 1: Unanimous in favor of *ex officio* appointment of Indigenous Officer

VOTE 2: Unanimous in favor of appointment of Hannah

Carried.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Spending approval of all PRC, of PARSA.

Bush week \$80,000 (over budget).

Expenses \$104,000 over the past month.

- \$170,000 SEEF money remaining.
- Cash flow for the forward spending period.
- Need forward spending estimates
- \$222,000 currently in account
- \$700,000 in savings.

**Spending agreed to unanimously.**

## APPROVAL REQUESTS

### WOMEN'S OFFICER

Tabled budget for Women's officer.

Question to approve budget as written by Alyssa. In appendices.

**Unanimously carried.**

## TABLING OF EXECUTIVE REPORTS

### SOCIAL

PARSA Ball looking good. Decided on a venue.

50% subsidy for all students.

Ball will likely exceed the budget, re the ball. But done in an effort to sell more tickets.

Monica to assist ticket sales.



Ben encourages people to make sure they understand that to RSVP is a commitment.

UNANIMOUS: Motion to increase Ball budget by \$3,000 to subsidise free tickets, to be issued at the behest of the President & Vice President.

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## INTERNATIONAL

PARSA multi cultural festival, 1<sup>st</sup> October for one week.

Dom asks for help in the cultural subcommittee from the PARSA PRC. ISD people may also be willing to help out with.

Dom asks for help. Get in touch with Dom.

Global Café → outlined \$1500, this was not enough. They ran out of food. Dom reorders for \$200.

Fraud session helped

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## ENVIRONMENT OFFICER

There is an event about the sustainability of water, it's on the PARSA page.

**Meeting adjourned at 19:45 for dinner**

**Meeting resumed at 20:10 to resume discussion of proposed shortening of current PRC term.**

A final discussion surrounding the proposed OGM and election timetable.

1. Chris W calls an OGM to garner student opinion on the changes to the constitution proposed.
  - a. This is done to get their vote on how we're structured
  - b. The other reason is to get their opinion on the best way forward for PARSA.
2. VOTE: On whether or not to go ahead with the OGM.
  - a. 15 votes to scrap the OGM of potential 22 votes.
3. The above vote's implication is that there can be no shortening of the current PARSA term, and that the issue of terms and how we shorten/lengthen them will be the subject of a PARSA committee led by Chris Orchard on how to approach a change to the calendar year.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.**

Minutes by Chris Orchard

24/08/2015