



## **2015-16 PRC Meeting #6**

### **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2015 5.30pm. Closed at 8.13pm**

#### **PARSA Boardroom**

#### Minutes:

1. **Welcome & Acknowledgement of Indigenous Australians**
  - Apologies: Isobel Smith, Elaine Zhang, Hannah Wood, Gemma Killen, Olivia Purba, Jerry Xiong, Mohammad Karim, Pablo Mota, Wenqing Duan, Shahid Islam, Sarah Ellis, Ran Wang
2. **Confirmation of Minutes**
  - To do items completed: Emails confirmed sent. Budget increase form to be briefed by treasurer in this meeting
3. **President's Report**
  - University Update
  - External update
  - Other
4. **Treasurer's Report**
  - Tabling of Expenses
  - Treasurer's Update
    - i. New spending requests
  - Budget update
5. **Tabling of Executive Reports (As provided in written form)**
  - Vice President
  - General Secretary
  - Education Officer
  - International Officer
  - Social Officer
  - Equity Officer
    - i. Including changes to PUC allocation
  - Communications Officer
  - Environmental Officer
  - Indigenous Australian Officer
  - Women's Officer
6. **PARSA Electoral Reform – Presentation and Discussion**
  - Presentation made in conjunction with circulated report
  - Election subcommittee to make presentation
7. **Other Business**
  - Budget requests
    - i. Education Officer requested \$1,500 be re-allocated from his portfolio to the Crawford HDR Conference. Approved.



- **Decisions taken:**
  - i. College Reps to receive PARSA's ESQC Submission concerning TurnItIn. President to action
  - ii. An hour on Monday evenings will be dedicated to 'PARSA Policy Positions' and circulated widely. President to action
  - iii. Need for subcommittees in larger portfolios for 2016 to be discussed at retreat. Gen Sec to action on agenda of retreat
  - iv. Investigate PARSA contributing more at CAPA concerning International Students. CAPA selection sub-committee to action
  - v. CAPA selection sub-committee to meet Friday 12.30-2pm 30<sup>th</sup> October to select delegation. Nominations to close using the original form on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October. Sub-Committee amended to include all interested members of the PRC (but those who have nominated will be excluded from voting). President to action
  - vi. Minutes format to be discussed at retreat. Gen Sec to action on agenda of retreat
  - vii. Vote on circulated electoral reform report to be conducted at next PRC meeting (3pm Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November). Gen Sec to action on agenda of PRC Meeting 7.
  - viii. All members to read budgeting principles prior to retreat. All PRC members to action
  - ix. Budgeting system for 2016 to be decided at retreat and to be reviewed in March. Gen Sec to action on agenda of retreat
  - x. Survey delayed due to entering the exclusion period for ANU surveys. Comms to action survey for release in O Week 2016
  - xi. Change in emergency grant procedure to improve access and fairness approve with Women's steering committee to discuss the appropriateness for women specifically. Women's Officer to action through the steering committee to present to PRC at meeting 2 2016.
  - xii. Ideas to be provided for the safety app. All PRC to email Women's Officer with any ideas ASAP
  - xiii. PARSA Lawyer to be engaged to ascertain the validity of proxies for PARSA meetings/appointment/elections. President to action
  - xiv. Vote for future casual vacancies to be notified before, and completed at, the next PRC meeting. President to action
  - xv. Complaint received by CPMS payment rates for PhD students. President to investigate and action accordingly

## President's Report:

- **University Update**
  - i. **Meetings**
    1. **VC Ian Young – Discussed student experience and budget for 2016 of ANU**
    2. **SSAF – negotiations opened**
    3. **DVC SE Richard Baker – Discussed safety on campus and notification of critical incidents**
    4. **Prof Ian Walker – Toad Hall head of hall. Discussed bringing the Toad experience across campus**
    5. **ANU Council – Discussed funding for union court**
    6. **Student Experience Committee, Education Standards and Quality Committee – No issues**
  
- **External Update**
  1. **Conducted interview with local newspaper re: international student exploitation**
  2. **CAPA Nominations to be extended**
  
- **Office Manager**
  1. **Interviews conducted and no quality candidates. 10 more candidates have submitted applications with interviews to be scheduled later this week**
  
- **Junior lawyer**
  1. **Chris O and myself conducted interviews. Rae appointed**