DEAKIN UNIVERSITY STUDENT ASSOCIATION INC

STUDENT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

11th Meeting

31 October 2023

11:00AM

Burwood Corporate Centre (Lvl 2) and Via Zoom



DUSA Student Council

Tuesday 31 October 2023
Commencing at 11:00am
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Procedural Matters

1.0 Welcome

1.1 The Chair, Georgie Brimer welcomed all in attendance and declared the meeting formally open at 11:00AM and advised we would go straight to the Vice Chancellor's address to Student Council.

Deakin Vice Chancellor

Deakin Vice Chancellor, Professor Iain Martin joined the meeting to address Student Council.

Professor Martin introduced himself and gave an overview of his role at Deakin and noted that Deakin has grown to the extent that it is now larger than a small town.

Education and employability are the focus at Deakin together with research and innovation. COVID was a real challenge for everyone, but particularly for universities which have large numbers of people coming together in one space. The University did not get back to any sort of normal until the middle of last year. It's only been 18 months since we returned to campus, and everyone is still navigating how to be on campus again. The numbers of international students dropped by almost half which was a huge hit to the University numbers. This is slowly starting to recover but will be quite a while before we see numbers like we had pre-covid.

The Vice Chancellor asked if there were any questions.

The Chair started off with some of the questions she had asked at FBAC last week.

DUSA provides some vital services, and the use of our welfare services is through the roof, with many students experiencing food insecurity and needing to use our free food pantry. We are also seeing more demand for new clubs and more events for students, and we will struggle to meet this demand with no increase in DUSAs funding. What is your view on DUSAs importance on the overall Deakin student satisfaction rating and your view on our funding going forward.

The Vice Chancellor advised it was a huge financial impact on the University from COVID and we still have a long way to go before we get back to the numbers we were seeing pre-COVID. In 2025 we should get back to close to neutral, and in 2026 we should get back to a small surplus. Deakin would have had more than \$200 million more to spend in 2022 if COVID hadn't happened, so all of our spending is being very carefully looked at. We do recognize that DUSA is very important to student life at Deakin and students experience on campus, and also important to Deakin overall. We made a decision not to cut DUSAs SSAF budget during COVID and we will continue to work with DUSA the best way we can.

The General Manager clarified that DUSA did get an 8% cut in funding this year.

The Vice Chancellor advised that funding to DUSA was still above the 2019 funding levels. Everyone recognizes there are real cost of living and housing pressures at present which are beyond Deakin and beyond DUSAs control. We always look at this and do what we can, however we can only do what we can. There are very real pressures out there and we are aware of this.



The Student Engagement Manager asked how the University sees DUSAs contribution to the fabric and overall experience of the students currently here.

The Vice Chancellor advised there is a very diverse student body here at Deakin. 55% of students are students who are returning to university for their first degree at a later age or are coming back for post-grad study. This cohort of students have very different needs of support than first year student who are around 20-21 years of age. How do we engage with such a broad and diverse range of students, when the mature age students are on campus purely to study and generally don't engage in other activities.

The Burwood Campus Coordinator provided an overview of SSAF funding figures over the last few years and asked whether this will return to pre-COVID figures.

The Vice Chancellor re-iterated that SSAF funding is based on domestic student numbers and there has been a huge fall in domestic student enrolments since COVID. This is partly due to the economic climate, but we've also seen a fall in undergraduates commencing University in Australia. COVID had a big impact on year 9,10, and 11 students and this has impacted on the flow-on to university.

The University deliberately put in an additional \$500,000 during COVID for governance. Planning for the future is now looking at where we were in 2019 and where we are in 2023 over the entire University and almost forgetting about the COVID years because these were so unusual, and during COVID the University charged all students the online SSAF fee rate only.

The Burwood Campus Coordinator advised that we are seeing a lot of students raising concerns about the lack of IT staff in the library, which was available pre-COVID but has not returned. There is an approx. 2 days wait time to get IT assistance to be able to access various things in the library such as printing and other services.

The Vice Chancellor advised there were huge challenges recruiting IT staff last year as there just wasn't enough IT staff available to engage. So, we brought in some students who could assist with the more routine enquiries in the library. We saw double digit vacancies in IT last year because everyone was scrambling to hire IT staff as they just weren't available.

The Chair noted that students are not qualified or sufficiently trained to provide high level IT support and can only give basic IT support.

Student Councillor, Jorja Sharp advised she is an outgoing Student Council member based at Warrnambool campus and asked what Deakins future plans were for supporting the Warrnambool campus.

The Vice Chancellor advised they have a commitment to the Warrnambool campus as it is an important part of the University. It is the only higher education space in the area, with the next being at Mt Gambier and we do see this campus as part of the overall mix of the University. We are looking at ways of bringing more programs to Warrnambool, such as medical and others. It is challenging operating a regional campus; however, they do serve a vital role and we have absolutely given a commitment to Warrnambool campus and we will continue to do this as part of the overall Deakin operations and strategy going forward.

Incoming Burwood Campus Coordinator, Paul Majumdar asked whether the library at Burwood will return to 24/7 access as students are wanting this. Waurn Ponds library currently closes at 9pm and Burwood at 12. What are your thoughts on extending the operating hours of the libraries.



The Vice Chancellor advised that they have to look at usage and cost and try to balance this.

At higher demand times we do look at extending the hours, but we also have to look at our investment in all areas of the University. We need to ensure that we can provide the staffing levels required if we did extend the hours, and this is very challenging.

Student Councillor, Prabhmann Singh raised the 2019/2020 SSAF cut of 8% and asked that as there has been a rise in the number of international students being serviced by DUSA but international students don't pay SSAF, how are DUSA expected to service international students without receiving some funding for this.

The Vice Chancellor advised that SSAF is linked to domestic students which is Government legislated, and he provided some background information on how SSAF came about. He further advised that they would always discuss this with DUSA and look at ways of providing support, but the University is at a point where we have been running at a significant deficit for the last 3 years. We have made a deliberate decision not to cut DUSAs SSAF. However, other areas of the University are also vying for SSAF funding, and we would love to support many different areas of the University, however we have to navigate where we are at the present moment.

The Assistant General Secretary asked how he sees DUSA being involved in the new Deakin India campus going forward.

The Vice Chancellor advised that the Deakin India campus is quite small and is based in a technological development area, so we are concentrating on those type of subjects. We don't yet know what kind of support those students are going to want, and the first students don't start until around July next year and it will take a couple of years before we can determine what support we need to provide to them. There will also be an option available to students if they want to come to Australia and do a semester here, however we don't think many students will take this up as a lot of them will be working as well. It will be very post-grad focussed and their needs are very different.

The Burwood Events & Activities Representative raised the issue of accessible and safe spaces on campus. She advised that the Women's room is meant to be accessible at all times, however students often find the door is locked and the room inaccessible. Is there any reason why Security keep locking this room.

The Vice Chancellor advised he will have to take this question on notice and get back with a response.

The Burwood Events & Activities Representative advised that during the campaigning period for the recent elections, one group of students were bringing in donation cans and asking students for donations, and wondered if they are allowed to do this on campus.

The Vice Chancellor advised that the campus is public space and as long as people are not breaking University rules or breaking the law, we can't do anything about this. If there are concerns around safety or threatening behaviour, they need to let the University know and they can then manage this. It is a public space, and we want to encourage debate and will continue to work with DUSA to do what we can.

The Chair noted that there is potential concern around the current Israel/Palestine issue and students possibly feeling threatened. This issue has been banned on some universities and she would like to look at how they were able to do this.



The Vice Chancellor advised that this becomes very tricky banning certain groups, however we do need to ensure to the best of our ability that our Jewish students can come on campus and not be subjected to ani-semitic comments and vice versa. We want a community where all of our students can come on campus and feel safe and secure.

The Chair thanked the Vice Chancellor for attending the meeting and answering their questions.

Presentation on 2023 Elections – Omega Consulting Group

Josh Gilligan from Omega Consulting Group joined the meeting to present their findings / recommendations from the 2023 Elections.

Josh advised he would give a brief presentation on the elections report he had provided and showed a presentation on screen. Some of the items from this year's election report were:

- Elevated level of activity on the first two days of polling which was noticed by the University.
- 30 informal votes cast as students were getting confused on what they could or could not vote
 on.
- A couple of alternations are proposed for the existing regulations.
- 1200 voters in 2022 and just over 1700 in the 2023 election.
- Recommendations provided in the report around:
 - Strengthening publicity regulations
 - Waurn ponds polling booth location.

Josh advised there was material in circulation during polling week that was nothing to do with DUSA or the elections and DUSA has a responsibility to protect their brand. Especially when the material is irrelevant and unrelated to the elections. Josh further outlined some various scenarios that occurred/can occur and his recommendations around this.

The Student Council has the ultimate power to determine where a polling booth is located, and this must be stipulated in the Notice of Election. Waurn Ponds became problematic this year due to the number of students, Deakin staff and DUSA staff being in close proximity in this very closed-in location.

Josh raised the suggestion that DUELI and Deakin College be included in the elections.

Approx. 50 students were turned away this year when they tried to vote, as they were associate members (DUELI/Deakin College). This creates a very awkward interaction at the polling booths creating a certain class of students who are not eligible to vote.

The Executive Officer noted that a DUELI or Deakin College student are not necessarily guaranteed to lead to an award at the University as many of them just go home after completing their courses.

Josh advised that DUSA would need to obtain legal advice around this, however technically they are a student and should be able to take part.

Josh further advised that he was asked whether the DUSA election regulations could be amended to allow any student to nominate for a NUS delegate, rather than limiting this to student members only. So, this is something Student Council need to consider amending their regulations to allow any student to nominate. Further questions ensued.

The Chair advised she was generally in favour of the DUELI/Deakin College recommendations and enfranchising these students.

The Chair thanked Josh Gilligan for attending the meeting and presenting their findings.



Procedural Matters cont.

1.0 Welcome

1.1 The Chair, Georgie Brimer resumed the meeting at 12:28PM.

As we gather for this meeting physically dispersed and virtually constructed, let us take a moment to reflect on the meaning of place and in doing so recognise the various traditional lands on which we do our business today.

We acknowledge the Elders past, present and emerging of all the lands we work and live on, and their Ancestral Spirits, with gratitude and respect.

Present

Georgie Brimer President and Chair

Jerry Cui Vice President - Education
Simar Bedi Vice President - Welfare
Jonathan De La Pena General Secretary

Spencer Perry Assistant General Secretary
Prabhmann Singh Student Council Member
Jorja Sharp Student Council Member

Present for Debate

None

By Invitation

Sue Rolland General Manager
Gavin Hodgkinson Advocacy Manager
Fionna Cooper Finance Manager
Robyn Barnden Operations Manager

Lee EmbertonStudent Engagement ManagerPaul TingBurwood Campus CoordinatorSharon JeikishoreIncoming Student CouncillorBayden McKellIncoming Student Councillor

Paul Majumdar Incoming Burwood Campus Coordinator

Kate Mccorquodale Incoming Student Councillor Noah Smith Incoming Student Councillor Vivian Liu Incoming Student Councillor

Observers

None

Minute Taker

Annette Allen Executive Officer

1.2 Apologies

Ally Petherick Student Council Member

1.3 Absent

Mairead Foley Student Council Member

The Chair congratulated everyone on their questions to the Vice Chancellor.

2.0 Question Time

2.1 The Chair advised no questions had been received prior to the meeting.



- 2.2 The Chair asked if anyone had any questions. No questions were received.
- 2.3 The Chair asked if there were any conflicts of interest to declare. None were received.

3.0 Starring

- 3.1 The following items were starred for further discussion (including automatic starring as per agenda):
 - 3.2 To consider a recommendation from the Chair that all remaining unstarred reports be received without further discussion.
 - 3.3 To consider a recommendation from the Chair that all remaining unstarred items on the agenda be received and that all recommendations therein be approved without further discussion.
 - 4.1 Accept the minutes of the previous Student Council meeting held on 28 September 2023.
 - 4.2 Actions arising from the Minutes
 - 5.0 Motions moved by circular resolution
 - 6.0 Leave of Absence requests
 - 8.0 Strategic Matters of Importance to Members
 - 9.0 Regulations and Constitution
 - 9.1 Proposed changes to General Regulations
 - 10.0 Policy, Procedures and Systems
 - 10.1 Monthly compliance reporting
 - 11.0 Reports and Operational Matters
 - 11.1 Human Resources
 - 11.2 Finance Report and Profit & Loss
 - 12.0 Minutes of DUSA's Committees Received
 - 12.4 Minutes of Geelong Campus Committee meetings
 - 12.5 Minutes of Executive Committee meetings
 - 13.0 Reports Received
 - 13.15 Campus Coordinators Updates
 - 14.0 General / Other Business
 - 14.1 Staff Survey results
 - 14.2 NUS Affiliation
 - 15.0 Next Meeting
 - 16.0 Meeting Closed

Items Requiring Resolution

3.2 To consider a recommendation from the Chair that all remaining unstarred reports be received without further discussion.

SC01/31102023:

The Student Council agrees that all remaining unstarred reports be received without further discussion

Moved: Georgie Brimer Seconded: Spencer Perry
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1

Carried



3.3 To consider a recommendation from the Chair that all remaining unstarred items on the agenda be received and that all recommendations therein be approved without further discussion.

SC02/31102023:

The Student Council agrees that all remaining unstarred items on the agenda be received and that all recommendations therein be approved without further discussion

Moved: Georgie Brimer Seconded: Spencer Perry

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1

Carried

4.1 Minutes of the Student Council Meeting

The Chair advised that if there were no questions regarding the minutes of the previous meeting, she would move a motion to accept these.

SC03/31102023:

That the Student Council approves the minutes of the previous meeting held on 28 September 2023 as a true and accurate record of proceedings

Moved: Georgie Brimer Seconded: Jerry Cui

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1

Carried

4.2 Actions Arising from Minutes

The Chair advised there were no action items on the list, and she would move on to the next item.

5.0 Endorse all Motions Approved by Circular Resolution

The Chair advised there had been no motions moved by circular resolution since the last meeting and she would move to the next item.

6.0 Leave of Absence

The Chair advised no requests for leave of absence had been received and she would move on to the next item.

7.0 Board Grant Applications

The Chair advised no board grant applications had been received and she would move on to the next item.

8.0 Strategic Matters of Importance to Members

The Chair advised no items had been received and asked if anyone had anything to raise under strategic matters.

The Chair advised she has been working on collecting feedback from students on the universities extension policy and special consideration and has put all feedback received into a document and will submit this to the University. She spoke to the Dean of Students, Lisa Hanna who advised the University is also conducting a review of Deakin's extension processes and obtaining feedback from all areas of the University, from academics and others. Our document being submitted will be included in their report. She would like the next council to continue having meetings about this with Lisa and other relevant University people.

The Chair advised she and Mairead Foley have been the primary council members working on this issue and she will have a preliminary meeting including one or two of the incoming Council so that there is no gap in communication. Going forward the incoming Council can attend these meetings.



The Chair advised she gave a speech at the Deakin FBAC meeting last week on behalf of DUSA. This Committee makes the budgetary decisions for the University. Student Engagement and our Welfare Services were the two main items she spoke about to them. She and the General Manager had both stressed the fact that we need to be sufficiently funded to provide our services, however the response from the Committee was not encouraging and this will continue to be an issue and a discussion point with the University going forward.

SSAF is only paid by domestic students however international students make up a huge cohort of students and we also provide our services to international students even though we are not funded to do this as international students don't pay SSAF. This will continue to be a big focus going forward. It is highly unlikely that we will receive an increase in SSAF funding from Deakin so we need to continue to try to determine whether we can tap into some of the fees paid by international students.

We are now seeing some progress on the eSports room which has been going on for several years.

T3 O'Fest was held with some clubs on campus yesterday and she believes this went very well.

The Clubs Celebration Evening was fantastic, and Paul will elaborate further on this in his update later in the agenda.

9.0 Regulations and Constitution

The Chair advised there were two items under regulations and constitution and referred to the Executive Officer to speak to these.

The Executive Officer advised she had included some clauses in the general regulations around observers attending Student Council meetings as this needed to be spelled out in the regulations. We have an observer protocol which we provide when students seek to observe a meeting and she has also tweaked the protocol to tighten this up further.

The Chair provided further information on the need for confidentiality from observers attending meetings.

The Finance Manager queried whether Campus Coordinators attending Council meetings need to confirm that they will adhere to the observer protocol.

The Executive Officer advised that at present they do not because they are invited to attend by Council.

The Assistant General Secretary suggested moving the invited representatives up to the invited section in the agenda rather than having them as observers.

The Executive Officer confirmed she would do this.

SC04/31102023:

That the Student Council approves the amendments to the General Regulations as submitted.

Moved: Georgie Brimer Seconded: Jerry Cui

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1

Carried



10.0 Policy, Procedure & Systems

10.1 Monthly Compliance Reporting – October

The Chair advised the status of financial and insurance compliance reporting due in October had been provided in the agenda and asked the Finance Manager if she wanted to speak further to this.

The Finance Manager advised the annual review and 2024 budget were provided to the FBAC meeting. Following the closure of the bookshops last year, we are no longer required to provide a three-year forecast to the committee.

We received a small refund from our Workcover lodgement. However, Workcover premiums will be higher in 2024 as the Victorian Government has increased these.

The quarterly BAS for September has been calculated and lodged and is due to be paid at the end of Sept and is over \$200,000. Superannuation was paid on 19 October for the end of Sept quarter.

The Vice President – Education queried where the legislation was at regarding paying superannuation on the pay cycle instead of quarterly payments.

The Finance Manager advised that we pay a fee every time we lodge a superannuation contribution which is why we are not doing the pay-cycle payments now. However, this is expected to be legislated and introduced around 1 July 2026 for pay-cycle super payments.

11.0 Reports and Operational Matters

The Chair asked the General Manager to provide an update on HR.

11.1 Human Resources

The General Manager advised there is a lot of recruiting happening at present. We are currently recruiting for an Advocate position in Geelong and a database Administrator/IT position also in Geelong. Plus, we are recruiting for a Front of House role at Burwood, which we received over 500 applicants for. We are also about to start recruiting for a maternity leave position in the clubs space. There are no HR issues at present.

11.2 Finance Report & Profit and Loss

The Chair referred to the Finance Manager to speak to this item.

The Finance Manager advised the last completed was for September, which showed a deficit. The expenses for the University Games Multi Nationals were included in September. We received a Franking credit refund in September as DUSA is a NFP we are eligible for this. The World markets are falling at present, so we saw a slight loss on our investment account. We had quite a big surplus for the 9 months to September, so we are ahead of budget. Membership sales are slightly down, but we have had a good year in sponsorships.

Salaries are under-budget, mainly due to some positions in Advocacy that were not filled, also a redundancy in finance that occurred in July. Club grants are up from previous years. Since 2018 we have invested a significant sum with Perpetual Investment, and we received \$74,000 income this year from the investment. The value of the investment goes up and down during the year, with paper gains and losses.

Overall, we are expecting a surplus by the end of the year, where we had budgeted for a loss. The Budget for 2024 was submitted and approved at the last meeting and this will be put forward again for the November meeting for ratification. Any questions relating to this please send them to her.

The General Secretary asked whether a 2.5% increase in the budget for honorariums will need to be inserted into the regulations and approved.



The Finance Manager advised a 2% increase was included the budget, and there will need to be an amendment to the regulations around this and it is not really a conflict of interest. In previous years the clause in the regulations has been linked to the January CPI.

12.0 Minutes of DUSA Committees

The Chair advised the Minutes of DUSA's Committees received this month were from the Executive Committee and the Geelong Campus Committee, and Campus Coordinators Committee Meeting, and if there were no questions regarding these, she would move a motion to accept them.

SC05/31102023:

That the Student Council receives the Minutes of the Executive Committee, the Campus Coordinators Committee Meeting and the Geelong Campus Committee as submitted, and resolutions therein be endorsed as decisions of DUSA

Moved: Georgie Brimer Seconded: Prabhmann Singh

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1

Carried

13.0 DUSA Reports

The Chair referred to the reports received and asked if there were any questions regarding these, or if anyone would like to speak further to their reports.

The Chair advised she would now move a motion to accept all reports submitted.

SC06/31102023:

That the Student Council receives all reports as submitted

Moved: Georgie Brimer Seconded: Spencer Perry

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1

Carried

13.15 Campus Coordinator Reports

The Chair referred to the Campus Coordinators to provide their verbal reports.

Paul Ting, Burwood Campus Coordinator

Paul advised the last Burwood Campus Committee meeting is later today.

The final Chill out trolley was run on 28th October, and he commended the Burwood team on the great work done on this.

The Campus Committee budget has spent funds on cupcakes stalls, Clubs Celebration Evening and other items and there are some funds remaining.

The Clubs Celebration Evening was very successful with over 120 plus student attending.

The Burwood Events & Activities Representative reiterated that the Clubs Evening had been very successful, with lots of collaboration and networking going on between the clubs and it was a great experience for them. As the clubs all work voluntarily, she wanted to give a big thankyou to them for their hard work.

Paul further advised that the Community Bank grant had helped with funding the event, as did the Geelong Campus Committee. Most of the funds budgeted were spent as they wanted to make it a great event, and 11:00am tomorrow is the de-brief for the Clubs Celebration Evening.



Sunny Singh, Geelong Campus Coordinator

The Geelong Campus Coordinator was not present at the meeting. No update provided. The Chair advised Geelong was also involved in organizing the Clubs Evening and their had clubs also attended.

The General Secretary noted that he had been very happy with the Geelong Committee during the year, and most of the Geelong representatives will be coming to the workshop on 10th November as well.

Kayla Stuchbree, Cloud Campus Coordinator

The Cloud Campus Coordinator was not present at the meeting. No update provided.

Gurrattan Gaahlay, Warrnambool Campus Coordinator

The Warrnambool Campus Coordinator was not present at the meeting. No update provided.

Items for Discussion / Decision

14.0 General / Other Business

The Chair advised there were two items received under general business and referred to the General Manager to speak to the first item.

14.1 Staff Survey Results

The General Manager requested the meeting go In Camera for this item.

SC07/31102023:

That the Student Council meeting moves In Camera at 1:19pm

Moved: Georgie Brimer Seconded: Jonathan De La Pena

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1

Carried

SC08/31102023:

That the Student Council meeting moves Out of Camera at 1:27pm

Moved: Georgie Brimer Seconded: Jonathan De La Pena

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1

Carried

SC09/31102023:

That the Student Council approves staff bonuses to be paid to a maximum of \$34,000 in December as recommended by the General Manager

Moved: Georgie Brimer Seconded: Spencer Perry

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1

Carried

14.2 NUS Affiliation

The General Secretary spoke to this item advising he had received the invoice from NUS and is recommending that we pay the NUS affiliation fee. It is an increase from last year which was \$27,000, so a \$5,000 increase.



We do need to have a united voice with NUS on the Accord next year. There will be another report coming out on the Accord soon and we are already pushing for many of these outcomes at the student union level.

The Chair noted that the NUS is a good opportunity for us to have another avenue to push for funding and a minimum amount of SSAF to come to student associations/unions.

SC10/31102023:

That the Student Council approves the sum of \$32,000 excl. GST to be paid to NUS for DUSAs

affiliation in 2024

Moved: Georgie Brimer Seconded: Jonathan De La Pena

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1

Carried

The Chair noted that we have been here for a while, but she did have a couple of other things she wanted to speak to before closing the meeting.

All of the work that everyone at DUSA has done during the year has been a privilege for her to oversee. This year there was more of a focus on enfranchising the other campuses, Geelong and Warrnambool. She is a big fan of bringing Campus Coordinators back to Student Council to provide updates and continuing the cross-campus meetings going forward would also be really good.

The Campus Coordinators having access to the DUSA social media to get the message out to other students about what we are doing has been really successful.

Advocating for students – The Education and Welfare Committees meetings that occur from time to time and collect feedback which then helps inform strategies when we are going into Deakin meetings is beneficial.

The work around extensions and special consideration has also been valuable.

Attendance at the Midsumma March, work on the Women's Room and the international students support group were all worked on by Burwood representatives who did a great job.

It is also great to see the Geelong committee back using the office now. The Committee in Geelong have been amazing this year, and the makeover of the Queer room and running the Chill out trolleys simultaneously on both campuses was a great achievement.

The Clubs Celebration Night had been amazing, and she also wants recognition to go to the organizers of the Warrnambool ball which was great, and she would love to see this continue going forward.

She really wanted to thank the outgoing Student Council members and also welcome the incoming Student Council. Please let me know if you need any help and thank you to all of the staff as well, as you've been great to work with. DUSA would grind to a halt without the staff.

Ally has been amazing at all the events and has actively promoted DUSA. She was invaluable to the running of O'Day and also ran Mocktail workshops.

Mairead was incredibly hardworking and predominantly worked in advocating for students with disabilities and has presented to council how we can better support this. She also ran the wheelchair sports events which were great.

Jorja, unfortunately we don't get to see her in person much, but she has been great in Warrnambool not just this year, but over many years.



Spencer has been one of the most reliable on Student Council and across so many things across all campuses. She has attended many meetings and has run many things, and everyone will miss you enormously.

Jono your work and support provided this year was great and I will miss working with you.

Incoming Council – your best years at DUSA are ahead of you.

The General Secretary advised that everyone should be very proud of the work they've done this year, and the Campus Committees are getting better every year, so well done. Thank you to the DUSA staff, particularly Annette, Sue and Robyn and everyone else. A big thank you to Georgie as you've been a great President.

Items for Noting

15.0 Next Meeting

The Chair advised that the next meeting of the Student Council will be the first meeting for the incoming Council and will be held in November.

17.0 Close of Business

There being no further business to discuss, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 1:46PM.