

## SRC COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: 24 APRIL 2023

TIME: 18H30

VENUE: RA ROOM

### **2023.21.01 Welcome and Attendance**

#### **Present:**

- President: Ms Avuxeni Tyala
- Vice President: Ms Putuma Balintulo
- Secretary-General: Mr Lazarus Kgageng
- Treasurer-General: Mr Varshan Pillay
- Community Engagement: Mr Lihle Manene
- Media: Ms Nqobile Makamu
- Academic: Ms Tshepo Malebana
- Activism and Transformation: Mr Ibabale Sobekwa
- International Affairs: Ms Tsidzo Hove
- Environmental: Mr James Njoloza
- Oppidan: Mr Adrian February
- Residence: Mr Simphiwe Mnyande
- Postgraduate Affairs: Ms Milisa Mamase
- Projects Manager: Mr Thabiso Ngubane
- Sports and Societies: Mr Buhle Luthuli
- Student Benefits and Sponsorships: Mr Indiphile Ralo
- Student Development and Support Officer: Mr Eric Ofei (Arrived late)

### **2023.21.02 Leave of Absence**

- There was no Leave of Absence.

### **2023.21.03 Confirmation of Minutes**

-Mr Treasurer-General confirmed the minutes of the previous meeting. Ms International Affairs seconded the confirmation.

### **2023.21.04 Declaration of Conflict**

-No conflict was declared.

### **2023.21.05 Matters Arising**

#### **2023.21.5.1 Leadership Week**

-Ms Vice President informed the Council that the letters and themes were completed.

-The letters would go out on Wednesday.

#### **2023.21.5.2 High Court Stance**

-The petitions were sent out and signed by students.

#### **2023.21.5.3 Oppidan Union**

-Mr Oppidan said he spoke to the administrators, who said they would wait for an investigation.

-The bus shelter was a challenging issue as the aesthetic committee only wanted things that were part of the new planning.

-The bus shelter would probably be put up with the building of the Steve Biko Hub.

-Mr Oppidan explained that on rainy days the bus came inside the Steve Biko yard to pick up students as they stood inside Steve Biko.

-Mr Oppidan informed the Council of the proposal with the DSA to have no cars parked in Steve Biko so that the bus could manoeuvre when picking up students inside.

-Mr Oppidan would take up with the Facilities Director the issue of the bus being unable to enter Steve Biko, as it is a one-way entry.

#### **2023.21.5.4 Societies Council**

-M Sports and Societies relayed to the Council that the spreadsheets were finally sent to the University.

-Mr Community Engagement would attend the Societies Council meeting with Mr Sports and Societies on Friday.

-Mr Sports and Societies informed the Council that he called a meeting with the Chairpersons of societies on 2 May.

### **2023.21.06 Feedback**

#### **2023.21.6.1 Student Hub**

-The Council was informed that there was an existing accommodation schedule from last year.

-The next meeting about the Student Hub is scheduled for the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May, 2023.

-The Council needed to ensure that every stakeholder was on board.

-Mr Secretary-General showed the Council the layout of the accommodation schedule.

### **2023.21.07 Climate Launch Pad South Africa Competition**

-The Vice President apprised the Council of this competition series and that people could join individually or as groups.

-The SRC would advertise the competition to the student body.

### **2023.21.08 #AskAProfessional**

-This event is done annually by the Alumni House and the Career Centre.

-Ms Vice President would facilitate the event via Zoom, as Ms President would be unavailable.

-The SRC was requested to advertise the poster, and it would include the SRC logo.

### **2023.21.09 Sexual Offences Policy**

-Ms Vice President asked the Council for suggestions on the document as the document is currently being reviewed.

-The Council has until tomorrow, 17h00, to engage with the document.

### **2023.21.10 Multilingual Magazine SRC Feature**

-Ms Postgraduate Affairs would release the document after the second week of May.

### **2023.21.11 Student Body Meeting**

-The following agenda items were received from the student body:

- Oppidan matters
- SRC and the University's plan on NSFAS appeals
- Lack of maintenance and the SRC's plan for this
- The findings of the Thuma Mina Project

-Ms Jay Pillay would speak on the lack of maintenance.

-Mr Student Benefits and Sponsorships would speak to Mam' Thami at his earliest convenience regarding the NSFAS issue.

-Ms Media would post the agenda items and the poster tomorrow at 8.

### **2023.21.12 International Week plan**

-Ms International Affairs (hereinafter Ms International) took the document as read.

-The Risk Assessment of the events would be done with the International Office.

-The Council would send Ms International their schedules for the days between 1<sup>st</sup> May to 12<sup>th</sup> May by tomorrow 20h00.

-Ms International would send visual aid of the themes to the Council group.

-The Council would vote on the theme in their Whatsapp group using a poll from 22h00 until 23h59 tonight.

-Councillors who fail to engage would receive a deduction.

-Ms International had started creating the posters and would send them to Ms Media to start advertising.

-Ms International would send Ms Media a brief of what she would need per day.

### **2023.11.13 USSA Conference**

-Mr Sports took the document as read and briefed the Council on what the Conference was about.

### **2023.11.14 Housekeeping**

-Mr Secretary-General would hand out payslips to the Council.

-Ms Vice President would look at the office applications, and she has until Thursday to let the Council know.

### **2023.11.15 Other Matters for the Agenda**

#### **Hall Warden's meeting**

-Mr Residence reported to the Council that he and Ms President noticed that half of the maintenance issues were fixed or attended to.

-A proposed solution from the meeting was to have a peaceful march.

#### **Peaceful march**

-The SRC decided to have a peaceful march as the University does the bare minimum in fixing maintenance issues.

-The date of the march would be before SWOT Week.

-The Council agreed to have a shutdown and give the University timelines on when they should have fixed things. If things are not fixed after the June vacation, then the people in the relevant structures would have to be fired.

-The Council would meet this Wednesday at 19h30 to discuss the shutdown.

#### **Freedom Day**

-Mr Activism and Transformation would release a poster that has infographics of Freedom Day

-There was a consensus to use the day to launch Leadership Week since the Week touches on the theme of Nelson Mandela and freedom fighting.

-Mr Activism and Transformation would do a conceptual document of all the upcoming major holidays.

**2023.11.16 Closure and date for the next meeting**

-The Chair adjourned the meeting.

-Next meeting is on 2 May 2023, at 18h30.