SRC COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

DATE: TUESDAY 03 MAY 2022

TIME: 18H00

VENUE: RA ROOM

AGENDA

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Minutes of meeting

2022.15. 01   Attendance

Present:

-President: Mr. Botlhale Modisaotsile

- Vice President: Ms. Tinashe Hlako

-Secretary General: Ms. Nobesuthu Mnkandla

-Treasurer General: Ms. Palesa Makoli

-International Affairs: Ms. Rumbidzai Gondongwe

-Postgraduates Affairs: Ms. Vuyelwa Moyo

-Academic: Ms. Sisenalo Onica Makwedini

-Community Engagement: Ms. Panashe Maneya

-Environmental: Mr. Anda Mtshintsho

-Media: Ms. Lerato Pae (late with apologies)

-Oppidan: Ms. Omphulusa Nengwekhulu

-Projects Manager: Mr. Bongani Pellemu

-Sports & Societies: Mr. Asanda Kubheka

-Student Benefits & Sponsorship: Mr. Pfano Mulaudzi

- Residence: Mr. Mlungisi Dindili

- Student Development and Support: Mr. Eric (Late with apology)

Apologies

-Activism and Transformation: Ms. Lebo Ramohapi

2022. 15. 02   Matters Arising:

<u>GBV cases</u>

- A statement would be released reassuring and encouraging the student body to report to the SRC if their cases were not handled with care and highlight that the SRC does not condone derogatory behaviour.

- The statement would be released early next week.

<u>Wifi update</u>

- The library had sent a communication with regards to a system update occurring from the 3rd to the 4th of May. The wifi around campus would work properly after the update.

- The Council noted that there were students whose submissions were affected and enquired on how they might go about being excused for this. All issues and queries would be directed to the Academic Councillor.

2022.15. 03 Housekeeping

- Council members were requested to send their reflections and prepare for SWOT week and the handover to the executive.

2022.15. 04 Feedback

<u>Disability Meeting</u>

- It was suggested that the Council should paint the library steps with non-slip to raise awareness during disability week as done previously. The 12th of May from 12:00 to 14:00 was suggested.

<u>IPC</u>

- No questions were raised.

<u>Meeting with DVC</u>

- It was suggested that SRC concerns could be directed elsewhere and the contacts would be distributed on the Council's WhatsApp group.

2022.15. 05 Monthly theme

- The Council would have a theme every month and council members would need to plan their events around the theme. The theme for May would be 'Unity'; council members would need to help each other and strengthen their internal relationships.

2022.15. 06 Tall trees exhibition

- The book had been given to the SRC in 2021 and the SRC had commented on it. However, the writers had rejected these comments, stating that the council had ruined the book. The writers resubmitted the book in 2022 for the council to adopt and then have a book launch.

- The Council voted on whether to reject the book or allow the writers to present their vision to the council and then the council could decide on whether to adopt the book or not.

- The vote ended in a tie and Mr. President used his deciding vote to reject the book.

2022. 15. 07 Exam season Webinar

- The date had changed from the 21st of April to the 17th of May.

- The webinar would be run by the Psychology department however, council members who wished to speak would let the Projects Manager know and all enquiries would be directed to the Projects Manager.

2022. 15.08 10km Fun Run

- The event would be held on the 14th of May. The route was not confirmed however, it would start and end at the Union Building. Attendance would be compulsory for council members.

- The Council enquired about whether there would be water and safety stations provided throughout the route. These concerns would be raised with the committee.

2022. 15.09 Dining Hall Television

- The Council accepted that the guidelines for applying to could be used as the criteria for the student body to advertise on the screens around campus.

2022. 15.10 Postgraduate Forum

- It was set to happen on the 19th of May via Zoom.

2022. 15.11 maintenance in residences

- Council members highlighted that there were maintenance issues in residences which had not been fixed since February and that these needed to be fixed immediately to ensure students are comfortable during exams.

- The Council noted that maintenance was being done gradually in blocks and that the maintenance department was short-staffed. However, The Residence Councillor would find out which residence was next in line to be fixed.

2022. 15.12 alcohol policy

- Council members that there was inconsistency with the policy regarding alcohol, with some residences and societies being penalized while others are not and requested that the council should have a clear stance on the matter.

- The Council noted that these were separate issues; the Council could and have dealt with issues pertaining to societies. However, residences were not within the Council's jurisdiction and should be raised with the Director of Student Affairs.

- There was general consensus that the council did not need to take a stance on the matter as it was beyond their duties. The SDB and SDC would align all policies with the Student Disciplinary Code and refer these to the SCC.

2022. 15.13 International week

- Council members were requested to send any additions for the international week by the 16th of May.

2022. 15.14 Intervarsity

- The meeting with the other institutions had been postponed to the 12th of May.

- The proposal for the events on Friday and Saturday was due on the 6th of May.

- A Google document containing the planned activities would be created and Council members would have until the 6th of May to contribute to the document.

2022. 15.15 Other matters arising

CE week

- CE week would run from the 9th to the 14th of May.

- The Council suggested that the SRC could have a food stall to fundraise at the event.

DP removals

- Council members had received queries about the DP removals of students who missed tutorials due to the compulsory RUCE tours. These students could contact the Academic Councillor for assistance.

Exec Feedback

- The Council Executive Members reported that they had had a meeting with the university top 6 and it was decided that the last two days of SWOT week would be used for exams.

- There would be a meeting with Mrs Boi and the Chief Financial Officer to discuss the SRC budget cut.

- Madam Treasurer General requested that council members should send their quotations two weeks before their events to Madam Treasurer General and CC Mrs Kivitts.

2022. 15.16 Student Development and Support Benchmarking

Benchmarking

- The benchmarking would not be portfolio specific and 6 council members would be chosen to attend based on their engagement. These council members would be informed three weeks before the benchmark.

- The council members would leave on the 12th of July. The benchmarking would begin on the 13th to the 15th of July between 10 am and 5 pm.

- A Google document would be created where each council member would add the questions they would like to ask regarding their portfolios by the 20th of June.

Lead

- Lead would not take place on the 6th of May and was postponed to the 16th of July.

Leadership week

- The Council noted that there would be a meeting with the Alumni House on the 6th of May to consolidate the leadership week plan and that council members should go through the document and add their amendments.

2022. 15.17 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting would be on Monday, the 9th of May, at 18:00 in the RA Room.