STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE – MEETING SNAPSHOT

Here’s a brief overview of the key decisions made and matters discussed by the Student Representative Committee (SRC) on 5 April 2018.

Overview

The full minutes of this meeting will also be on the website once they are ratified at the next meeting of the SRC (this will be held on 30 April 2018). The minutes are the formal record of the decisions made by the SRC, but the outline below gives you an overview of the important issues dealt with at the latest meeting.

Decisions made by the SRC

The SRC made the following decisions:

- **Name Change of Macquarie’s Buildings**: The SRC resolved to strongly recommend that Macquarie notes the confusion, negativity and hostility that the building name change has generated. Further, Macquarie should note that the SRC condemns the lack of student consultation in this change and the existing culture of poor communication and collaboration. Lastly, the SRC resolved to recommend that there is some review of how systemic issues and changes are implemented at Macquarie.

- **ATM Installation**: The SRC unanimously resolved to strongly recommend that Macquarie notes the significant cost of time and frustration that the lack of ATM facilities has generated in the broad Macquarie community. Likewise, the SRC resolved to recommend the immediate and urgent negotiation with financial institutions towards the installation of an ATM.

- **Charge Bars in Campus Common**: The SRC unanimously resolved to support the purchase of up to 5 Charging Stations to be placed in the Campus Common Area at a cost of up to $5000.

- **MAZE Conference Room Booking Fees**: SRC members were pleased to hear that Campus Engagement has negotiated the use of a conference room on each weekday for the use of student groups, with hiring fees to be paid by Campus Engagement.

- **Funding Application**: The SRC approved a funding application from UNIT for $1,500.

Other Matters

SRC also noted:

- a presentation from the Editor-in-Chief of Grapeshot, Angus Dalton, on a proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the SRC and Grapeshot, and a presentation from Lachlan McGrath, the past Treasurer of SRC, on similar negotiations in 2017;

- the February 2018 Expenditure Report from the Treasurer;

- the first meeting of the Re:Conception Steering Committee will be held on 10 April 2017;

- updates from the Sub-Committees, particularly noting that social media training is to be organised for members of the Marketing and Communication Sub-Committee;

- a paper will be submitted to an upcoming meeting on proposed changes to student elections;

- an issues log will be created for major concerns submitted to the SRC via its email;

- student group bank accounts are currently being transferred from U@MQ to the University’s finance system.

Members were concerned by student posts on social media indicating delays in paying HDR stipends and scholarships. The Manager of Campus Engagement agreed to follow up with both the HDR Office and Human Resources, and recommended advising students to contact Campus Wellbeing for support and help.