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 27 August 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 27 September 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:

- **SRC Expenditure for Orientation 2019**: The SRC approved spending $9,225.00 to acquire merchandise and catering for Session 1-2019 Orientation, and additional merchandise to be stored for distribution in the Session 2 2019 Orientation.

- **Purchase of Reusable Cups for Ubar**: The SRC allocated $1,110.91 to Ubar for the purpose of purchasing reusable cups. This will help reduce the amount of plastic waste generated by Ubar.

- **SRC Enhancement of Ubar Parties**: The SRC allocated $2,000 to the Ubar to enhance the October and November Ubar Parties. This money will go towards hiring costs for DJs.

- **Invitation for Grapeshot to attend SRC meetings**: The SRC approved in principle to have one Grapeshot reporter sitting in each meeting under a tabled Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), noting that the MoU will need to be checked by the University’s legal office.

- **Editorial Review Board Reform**: The SRC recommended to the University that the Editorial Review Board be reformed to provide clearer standards, functions and mechanisms for accountability as well as to strengthen the independence of this body.

- **Funding Applications**: The SRC approved the following grant applications:
  - Debating Society - $3,000 to subsidise MUDS competitors’ registration for the upcoming World Universities Debating Championship.
  - Queer Collective - $1,600 for the AGMC conference.
  - Women’s Collective Sex Week - $3,000 for the promotion of Sex Week organised by the Women’s Collective.

  and noted the following funding applications approved by the Treasurer prior to this meeting:
  - Tamil Society - $1,000 for basketball tournament.
  - UNIT Macquarie - $1,500 for Macquarie University Trading Challenge.

Other Matters

SRC also noted:

- An issue with swipe card access to the SRC office and the office signage;
- the June 2018 Expenditure Report from the Treasurer;
- a letter of Censure from SRC to Property Services regarding delays in communicating with students on changes to campus parking;
- updates on discussions at the University Council on the marketing strategies for future students and Macquarie University Hospital; and
- updates from the Sub-Committees on the issues of lighting on Wally’s Walk and other campus areas, and shelters for bus stops and other areas.