

Minutes

Item 1 - Apologies

Joel Baker (Secretary)

Item 3 - Previous Action Items

3.1 Someone to look at getting weights for the marquee (low priority)

Eliza: Nope, it not happening

Ebe: need it for bush week

3.2 Lodge changes with Access Canberra

Eliza: cannot, have no emails

3.3 Follow-up SSAF payment with FSS

Ebe: It's happening, hasn't been processed in tuesday round of payments, will follow up again tomorrow.

3.4 Advertise Treasurer Role

Eliza: going up tonight.

Ebe: I'm talking to a person

Eliza: he'll have to go through the process

3.5 Compile a list of which roles have access to analytics

Eliza: i will do it

3.6 Create IAC/ISO Standings page on website

Ebe: not available yet

Eliza: let's do it after BNO

Ebe: where on the website

Eliza: just an isolated page

3.7 Draft a statement of values for consideration by Council

Ebe: no one assigned

Eliza: Jason to do it

3.8 Council to read Tatsu's draft financial policies

Eliza: a bit redundant without SSAF or a treasurer

Item 4 - Reports

4.1 News Report (Appendix A)

Ebe: There has been talk of lower news output

Jason: there are reasons for that

ELiza: we are picking up now, one big story, a few minor ones.

4.2 Digital Report (Appendix B)

Ebe: adam met with broneal for audio recording of video, ready for publication next week. Discussion of some equipment procurement. No updates on email. Struggling with engagement from my team. Georgia is not great in this respect, tristan is limited in availability but reliable.

Are the breaking photographers necessary?

Engagement at meetings?

Ebe: we all have other commitments. I have been trying to get them to let me know when they can't come. It's frustrating that people aren't meeting the commitment

Jason: The reality is they're volunteers. Key is making them feel engaged so they want to do work. That means them coming to meetings and the social catch ups. Perhaps given that time was set before digital attendance we might be able to change.

Eliza: after we've done the treasurer, we're going to get more reporters and then reshuffle the meeting time. Scope to change to another time, day maybe. The other option is to do alternating meetings for digital.

Jason: coming to a meeting once a fortnight is not enough to create that work ethic.

Eliza: being in the office is super useful, Isabel being around means graphics can be done. Important to create work for them, means moving work from the news team.

- Doing stock photos
- Isabel making a map
- Making graphics

4.3 Financial Report (Appendix C) - Tabled until the position is filled

4.4 No need to report that, until we have something to report.

Item 5 - Items Requiring Immediate Decision

5.1 Motion to delete the Observer Live page from fb.

Motion passes unanimously.

Item 6 - Items Requiring Discussion

6.1 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

6.2 Ongoing email issues.

Eliza: its not working, we've been forced to use uni emails. Its shit. People have now started relying on that, sending stuff to that email. Ash is working on it, Adam has been pressed to do this. He should just go into the CSSA to get someone to fix it.

Ebe: i've been pressuring Adam to get someone to do this.

Eliza: make sure he gets someone somehow. On Gsuite, it is very expensive.

Ebe: \$5 per month

Eliza: Adam has proposed no individual email

Jason: not feasible for source protection

Ebe: Action i will message adam this plan

6.3 The value in attempting to record SRCs without improved equipment.

Ebe: we have problems with equipment to do this. Adam has offered to go.

Personally, my outlook is we shouldn't put the time and effort until we have the equipment.

Jason: Adam mentioned using a private Youtube channel.

Ebe: Still the battery life and processor issue. Happy to try for one more SRC, but it's not a valuable use of our team's time to be having to address this problem

Jason: Realistically the value of it is quite reduced it because the liveblogs have been quite successful, but we did commit to doing it.

Ebe: I feel like this makes us look unreliable.

Eliza: that is a potential perception. It is valuable to have it recorded, for accountability. Proof for liveblog. It is valuable for us.

Ebe: I agree, its valuable, just not feasible at the moment

Action: Ebe to get the piece off Michael

Item 7 - Other Business

Jason: Governance problems. Overall there are problems with our constitution and governance. We have too many organs in this and it's not practical. It's way too complicated. In the long-run that should be simplified - digital and editorial fully integrated.

Eliza: I agree, it's not a priority. Do a working group during the winter break. If we did this it wouldn't be able to come into effect until next years

Ebe: I don't see this as necessary.v

Jason: It's causing problems. There's buck passing. There's double up - I have policy responsibilities as an Editor. The office was meant to be Secretary's, it's now an editor's. Our meetings are super complicated. We can do this without changing the Constitution.

Eliza: role descriptions are policy, the constitution is brief. This can be done without constitutional change. What we are taking as convention is cooked.

Ebe: it's not a constitutional issue, its to do with role allocation

Jason: i don't care about the constitution

Eliza: let's have a working group to work this out.

Actionable: Jason to organise a working group during break.

Oskah: can someone outside the executive do some of this

Eliza: it's a lot of work should be an elected officer

Ebe: it can be delegated

Item 8 - Recall Actionables

Actionable: Jason to organise a working group during break.

Ebe: Action i will message adam this plan