



# THE ANU OBSERVER

## **Meeting of The ANU Observer Council**

Date 25/09/2019

Expected Open of Meeting: 6:35pm

### **Item 1 - Attendance and Apologies**

Apologies from Julian

No apologies from Ash

### **Item 2 - Acknowledgement of Country**

Delivered by Eliza

### **Item 3 - Previous Action Items**

#### **Item 4 - Reports**

##### 4.1 News Report

-Not submitted by Anthony

-Adelle: Nothing to report.

##### 4.2 Digital Report

-Documented the climate strike last Friday. We had two photographers (Tristan and Bhuwan), one videographer (Charlie). I did a bit of everything. Charlie compiled a video summarising the day, but did not get much reach as it was completed a bit late and due to some miscommunication I did not manage to upload before the catch up on facebook, although it went up on Youtube. We just included the link in the catch up.

-Broneal is livestreaming the OGM this Friday, but I have not gotten anyone for Monday's SRC. I may need to ask one of the reporters/editors to do it in case I cannot make it, but I will try.

-We completed our SSAF bid for next year and we have bid for a nice variety ranging from livestream gear to the essentials, such as cleaning kits and filters.

-I am aiming to purchase the laptop today or tomorrow. I just need to do a quick comparison between products.

-I am delegating the documentary task to Charlie.

-I met with Stavros and he informed me that he may not continue with Observer next year. We have gotten Angus to the team as someone who potentially can replace him, although we will need to train him. That task has been delegated to Stavros. Furthermore, we should focus on

getting one or two more web people on board. Lastly, Stavros may not be able to continue to be my deputy, although Tristan has expressed an interest.

Moved by Adelle. Everyone in favour, passes unanimously.

#### 4.3 Financial Report

- Been in touch with John. He knows to expect documentation for the audit soon.
- Will submit all documentation to Eliza tomorrow.
- SSAF bid is in! Huge thanks to all who partook. Currently waiting on questions.
- People who have NetBank, please get your client numbers and passwords sorted so that we can efficiently reload the account.

#### **Konstantine to find his deets.**

Moved by Adelle. Passes.

### **Item 5 - Items for Decision**

#### 5.1 - News Editor

Eliza: We have a vacancy but now Bec has put her hand up.

*From Bec:*

*Rebecca Zhong*

*I've been a part of Observer as a reporter since February/March of this year.*

*I am in my third year of uni, and being involved in this organisation has been the most rewarding (and fun!) experience I've had at ANU so far.*

*The reason I am putting my hand up for the editor role is mainly because I really enjoy being part of the Observer team. I've learnt a lot about ANU, writing/communicating, and some aspects of decision-making on what to report (and why).*

*I'm keen to keep learning, have a role in shaping Observer and the way it contributes to the student community, and to work with the Observer team – new and old—to this end.*

*Some challenges and new responsibilities for me would be time commitment, and probably being more proactive in keeping an eye out for potential news. I would be prepared to adjust and learn in these respects as well.*

Adelle: She is the most qualified and she has been making stories.

Motion to appoint Rebecca Zhong to the position of News Editor.

Moved by Adelle. Seconded by Konstantine. Passes unanimously.

5.2 - Motion to appoint Amna Ali (videographer), Bhuwan Bansal (photographer), Yilei Yang (Graphics) and Charlie Thaxter (videographer) as officers of Observer.

Moved by Konstantine.

K: Bhuwan has done a fair bit of photography this semester. Anna has also attended 2 or 3 events, mostly livestreams, and has been committed. Charlie did election coverage with me and attended the strike and made a video. Yile attends meetings and has made us some templates.

Seconded by Adelle.

Passes unanimously.

5.3 Motion to appoint reporters Annemiek Dols, Samuel Wright, and Helena Burke as officers of Observer.

Moved by Adelle. Seconded by Konstantine.

Passes unanimously.

## **Item 6 - Items for Discussion**

### 6.1 - General Meeting

Eliza: We need to have a general meeting and have elections. We also need to pass regulatory changes in order to suit the new constitution and pass new regulations.

Three weeks notice, but at least a week for the agenda. Wed week 12 would be good.

Week 12 means we get notice in the net 6 days and no rush.

**Eliza and Ash to call general meeting before 1 October.**

### 6.2 - Other SSAF Bids

Eliza: We discussed this earlier, but please put points in the document shared in slack in relation to the other bids. Prioritise the non student bids as we can potentially contact the other student orgs. They may join us to help with the bid.

### 6.3 - Removal of Daniel Mackay as a member of the ANU Observer.

Daniel Mackay delivered a letter for the ANU Observer secretary. Eliza opens the letter on behalf of the secretary. Eliza read aloud the letter.

Eliza: He is now no longer a member of the ANU Observer.

### 6.4 - Deputy of Digital

Konstantine: Stavros can't really keep going in the role. I've put a call out to the team encouraging them to step up. Tristan has expressed interest.

## **Item 7 - Other Business**

## **Item 8 - Recall Actionables**

**Konstantine to find his NetBank deets.**

**Eliza and Ash to call general meeting before 1 October.**

Expected Close of Meeting:

6:53pm