



THE ANU OBSERVER

Meeting of The ANU Observer Board

Date: 01/02/21

Opening of Meeting: 17:31

Item 1 - Attendance and Apologies

Present: Konstantinos Katsanis (Chair) - via video conference
Angus Brooks (director) - via video conference
Brandon How (director) - via video conference
Helena Burke (director) - via video conference

Absent: Jacqueline Du (director) - without apologies
Keeley Dickinson (director) - with apologies

Item 2 - Acknowledgement of Country

Delivered by Konstantine.

Item 3 - Previous Action Items

Item 4 - Reports

Not required.

Chair Report: Konstantinos Katsanis

Secretary Report: Konstantinos Katsanis

News Content Executive Report: Helena Burke

Finance Executive Report: Jacqueline Du

Community Executive Report: Angus Brooks

Web Executive Report: Angus Brooks

Item 5 - Items for Decision

5.1 The amendments to the 'Payment Policy' to be approved by majority vote of the board.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/19gqkcekK84ByYE65WYOpYRPp4cctUuq8_S4PCQL2RMI/edit?usp=sharing

Moved by Konstantine.

Abstentions: Angus.

Passes.

Item 6 - Items for Discussion

6.1 External Reporter

B: Interesting story about the multi storey car park by Kai Clark. He is proposing to write a story for us as this is something that would suit the Observer more than other student media.

The editorial Board has proposed the following options:

a) Offer Kai two options:

i. He joins Observer as a reporter but has to agree not to write for Woroni again (at least not outside of anonymous op-eds like other Observer reporters have done)

ii. He can have a contributing reporting credit where we list him as a 'freelancer' *E.g. Freelance reporter/writer Kai Clark contributed to reporting at the end of the article or By [Observer Reporter] and Kai Clark (freelance) at the begging of the article*

b) Only offer him the first option He joins Observer as a reporter but has to agree not to write for Woroni again (at least not outside of anonymous op-eds like other Observer reporters have done)

A: Give him sole credit, but then make it clear that there have been edits.

H: Looks good to me. Happy to change the option.

A: Disagree with him being solely liable to any legal issues. We need to prepare for the consequences, especially if we are going through the edits. I don't see why not, we stand by their work, and should support them.

K: I reckon we simply tell him to act as a freelancer/external, following our guidelines, and writing a story, not an opinion piece, with the edits of an Editor.

The Board proposes that Kai Clark will be working on the article on his own, unless he agrees to collaborate with another officer of Observer. The only exception to that would be the intervention of an Editor of Observer. Observer will be liable for the outcomes of the article. The story is not aimed to be an opinion piece and will be a news story. It will follow Observer's guidelines and it will be edited according to the 'Editorial Policy' and 'Written Content Approval Policy'. He is also expected to follow Observer's 'Code of Conduct' and provide all of his COIs before publishing the article.

Item 7 - Other Business

Item 8 - Recall Actionables

Closing of Meeting: 18:04