

## **SRC COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

**DATE: MONDAY 25 JULY 2022**

**TIME: 18H00**

**VENUE: RA ROOM**

### **AGENDA**

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- 2022. 20.12 Other Matters Arising
- 2022. 20.13 Date and Time of Next Meeting, TBC

### **Minutes**

#### **2022.20.01 Attendance**

##### **Present:**

- President: Mr Bothale Modisaotsile
- Vice-President: Ms. Tinashe Hlako
- Secretary-General: Ms. Nobesuthu Mnkandla
- International Affairs: Ms. Rumbidzai Gondongwe
- Academic: Ms. Sisenalo Onica Makwedini
- Activism and Transformation: Mr. Ibabale Sobekwa (late)
- Community Engagement: Ms. Panashe Maneya
- Environmental: Mr. Anda Mtshintsho
- Oppidan: Ms. Omphulusa Nengwekhulu

- Sports & Societies: Mr. Asanda Kubheka (late with apology)
- Student Benefits & Sponsorship: Mr. Pfano Mulaudzi
- Residence: Mr Mlungisi Dindili

#### Apologies:

- Postgraduate Affairs: Ms. Vuyelwa Moyo (on leave)
- Media: Ms. Lerato Pae
- Projects Manager: Mr. Bongani Pellemu (on leave)

#### **2022.20.02 Confirmation of Minutes**

- The minutes were confirmed by Mr. Environmental. This was seconded by Mr. Student Benefits and Sponsorships.

#### **2022.20.03. Declaration of Conflict**

- No conflict was declared.

#### **2022. 20.04 Matters Arising**

##### Leadership Week

- Madam Vice-President confirmed that Madam Secretary-General had sent the invitation out to the various universities. She noted that they had met with the Alumni House and had sent a concept document. Madam Vice-President would follow up for their response. Madam Secretary-General noted that she would remind SAUL to distribute the invitations on their group.
- Mr. President noted that a concept document for the event on the 9 th of August was being edited and he would provide feedback during the week.
- There was general consensus that University of Namibia, DSA and SRC would be invited.

##### SRC Elections

- Madam Vice-President enquired about the videos the Council failed to take before the student body meeting. She noted that there was still time to post the videos and encourage participation as nominations were still open.
- Mr. Environmental raised concerns about asking the media team to edit at such short notice. He suggested that councillors could send short descriptions of their portfolio to be uploaded on stories.

- There was general consensus that the videos from the beginning of the year would be used. New councillors would decide whether they want to take videos which are uniform to that of the rest of the Council or not.

- Madam Secretary-General would inform Madam Media and receive direction from her.

#### Toy drive

- Madam Community Engagement explained that there were three schools in the same area. The event would begin in the week of the 1<sup>st</sup> of August.

- Madam Community Engagement would send a list of what she required to Madam Treasurer-General for a quotation.

- Mr. Environmental noted that the Council would be busy the week of the 1<sup>st</sup> of August. Madam Community Engagement would consider shifting the date.

#### Shadow a Leader

- Madam Community Engagement acknowledged that she had received councillors dates and would provide confirmation in due time.

- It was noted that councillors may change their dates. However, if it's outside the three days given by the school, then someone would replace the councillor for the day.

- Madam Community Engagement noted that the Council would receive certificates after the sessions were completed.

#### GBV A Series of Events

- Madam Community Engagement noted that the HIV office was not on board with the event. She requested councillors to encourage signups and the venue will depend on the number of students who sign up.

- Madam Community Engagement would request Madam Media to create an infographic for “Tell me a story”;. Submissions would open that week.

#### Campus life

-Mr. Student Benefits and Sponsorships reported on the answers to the Council's questions.

- Mr. Student Benefits and Sponsorships explained that students would be able to filter universities, there would also be a process of approval and verification for those on the platform. Students would register using their student number and would be able to see ratings and reviews. Extra steps would be required for accommodation. Furthermore, they have a CIPC certificate and would ensure students' information is safe.

- Mr. Student Benefits and Sponsorships noted that they required introduction and collaboration on the platform from the SRC. They were also willing to partner with the Council on an event during Mental Wellness Week.

- There was general consensus that the Council would work with them.
- Mr. Student Benefits and Sponsorships invited the Council to join the meeting on Wednesday, the 27<sup>th</sup> of July 2022.

### **2022.20. 05 Housekeeping**

- Madam Secretary-General noted that the Exec would take over the portfolio's of Councillors going for benchmarking. Madam Secretary-General reported that Mr. Ofei was in the Western Cape and unavailable until benchmarking was over.
- Madam Treasurer-General noted that she had received the purchase order for groceries and would email Pick n Pay tomorrow. She stated that she would create a google document for bomber jackets and follow-up on the name tags tomorrow.
- Madam International requested councillors to communicate when going on leave and arrange the portfolio handover. Madam Secretary-General requested that councillors should email her at least 3 days in advance when going on leave. Madam Oppidan suggested that councillors also let the rest of the Council on the WhatsApp group.
- Mr. Environmental noted that 3 Exec members would be unavailable this week and the responsibility might be a lot for Madam International alone. Madam Academic volunteered to be available online until the rest of Exec is back, then she would continue her leave.
- Mr. Environmental noted that councillors were unaware that Exec members would be unavailable for IDP Review and student body meeting and requested to communicate and notify council on time. Madam Vice-President thanked Mr. Environmental for stepping in at the IDP goals review and council members who assisted him.
- Madam Secretary-General acknowledged that there would be an IDP goals review meeting in August to consolidate the Council's submissions. Mr. Environmental would provide a feedback document to Ms Noma the next day.

### **2022. 20. 06 Feedback**

- Madam Secretary-General noted that she had not received any feedback documents.

### **2022. 20. 07 Student Body Meeting**

- The Council noted the disruptive behaviour, use of derogatory language and the Council being chased out at the student body meeting. The Council further noted that the Student Disciplinary Board (SDB) failed to address these issues and stated that it was not within their constitutional mandate to do so.

- There was general consensus that a statement would be released highlighting the disruption at the student body meeting, the purpose of such a meeting and the matters not dealt with.
- There was further general consensus that a letter would be addressed to the SDB to complain about their behaviour and table an agenda item for student Parliament to hold them accountable.
- Both the statement and the letter would be sent by the 29<sup>th</sup> of July 2022. Mr. President and Madam Secretary-General would help Madam International with the task.

### **2022. 20 .08 Project Green**

- Mr. Environmental noted that this would be a 3 fold event: to clean up plastic bottles, reuse them and these would be used to create a prototype after permission is obtained to create a small garden.
- Funds would be raised by offering a bouncing castle. Mr. Environmental noted that he would request an alternative venue from Mr. Ofei as it might be raining.

### **2022. 20. 09 River Cleanup with River Rescue**

- Mr. Environmental explained that River Rescue was an NPO which cleans rivers and turns the nearby area into recreational services.
- Mr. Environmental requested the Council to suggest a Saturday for the event at 8:00 am.

### **2022. 20.10 GBV Book: Imperatives for Revoking Our Silence**

- Madam Secretary-General explained that an NGO by Rhodes Alumni had reached out to the Council to share a free GBV book and help distribute it. She noted that it would be a great initiative for Women's Month.
- There was general consensus that the book should be looked over by the Counselling Centre and include a warning tag.

### **2022. 20.11 Benchmarking**

- Madam Secretary-General noted that Mr. Ofei had approved the document. She requested the council to include more goals and objectives and she would compile these that night.
- Mr. President wished those going for benchmarking good luck and safe travels.

### **2022. 20.12 Other Matters Arising**

#### **First things first campaign**

- Madam Vice-President enquired about what the Council was doing to help the First things first campaign. The importance of this was acknowledged by the Council.

- There was general consensus that council members would take time to go to the tents and encourage students during DH visits.

**2022. 20.13 Date and Time of Next Meeting, TBC**

The next meeting would be on the 1 st of August at 18:00.

**The meeting adjourned at 19:17.**