



MEETING MINUTES
51st STUDENT ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

2nd Special Council Meeting of the 51st Student Association 12pm -1 pm Wednesday 31st March 2021

PRESENT:

Emily Mulroy (President), Thomas Sherrington (Vice President), Emily Gamze (Townsville Campus Officer), Cherie Lai (International Student Officer), Kimberly Thornley (Staff Representative), Theresa Priddle (Council Secretary)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Meeting opened at 12.05 pm on Wednesday 31st March 2021 by Emily Mulroy (President, Chair)

Acknowledgment of Country

1. Apologies and Proxies

Alison Edwards (General Manager)
Maree Dinan-Thompson (DVC Nominee)
Peter Loa (Postgraduate Student Officer) Proxy given to EM

2. Declaration of Conflicts Of Interest

Nil

General Business

7.1 Appointment of Cairns Campus Officer

Council discussed the nomination as there was only one nomination submitted. Council conducted a Secret Ballot vote. Emailed to Secretary of the council.

Votes for 5

Against nil

Garret Swearingen was appointed Cairns Campus Officer for the 51st Student Council 2021

PL Joined meeting @ 12.15 pm

7.2 Motion re JCUSA staff can become Associate members of JCUSA for the remainder of 2021

EM made a motion to amend the motion 7.2

Motion to Council:

That the JCU Student Association moves that all currently employed JCU Student Association Staff become Associate Members for the remainder of the 2021 Academic Year, free of charge.

Issue:

Currently there are provisions in the JCUSA Constitution surrounding the Associate Membership, however an Associate membership system has not been operating for a number of years. In 5.6.3 of the Constitution it stipulates that the Association Council can set a different prescribed fee for different classes, which in this motion refers to JCUSA staff at \$0. Without JCUSA staff being Associate members, they cannot attend, speak, move or second motions at Association Council meetings.

Background Information:

Please refer to the JCUSA Constitution if you require more information, within the section Part 5 – Membership.

Amended to: That the JCU Student Association moves that all currently employed JCU Student Association Staff can become Associate Members for the remainder of the 2021 Academic Year, free of charge

Moved EM
Second TS
All in favour
Motion passed

7.3 Motion to JCUSA approve amendments to JCUSA regulations

Motion to the James Cook University Student Council

DATE: 02/03/2021

FROM: Thomas Sherrington (Vice President)

Motion to Council:

That the JCU Student Association approve the proposed amendments to the JCUSA Regulations.

Issue:

The stipulated minimum number for new and defaulted clubs and societies present a barrier for such clubs and societies to meet the requirement to affiliate and/or re-affiliate.

Background Information:

It came to my attention last year that the required membership numbers for Townsville and Cairns clubs may be too high for new interest groups which may wish to form a club and also for older clubs which may have been out of the picture for a few years and may want to reaffiliate once again. I believe this amendment is the best chance of achieving higher club numbers and student engagement in these clubs.

Proposed JCUSA Regulations Amendment List:

1. Amend Section 7.2.1 from:

"7.2.1 To be considered for admission as an Affiliated Club or Society of the Association, not less than fifteen (15) students (Cairns-based) or twenty (20) students (Townsville-based), who must be currently enrolled students at JCU and who wish to form a Club or Society must submit an affiliation application, including a draft Constitution, to the Clubs and Societies Committee."

To:

"7.2.1 To be considered for admission as a **Reaffiliated** Club or Society of the Association, not less than fifteen (15) students (Cairns-based) or twenty (20) students (Townsville-based), who must be currently enrolled students at JCU and who wish to continue as a Club or Society must submit a reaffiliation application, including a Constitution, to the Clubs and Societies Committee."

2. Establish Section 7.2.6 to:

"7.2.6 To be considered for admission as a new Affiliated Club or Society of the Association, or one which has not been affiliated for 3 Academic Years with the Association, not less than ten (10) students (Cairns-based) or fifteen (15) students (Townsville-based), who must be currently enrolled students at JCU and who wish to form a Club or Society must submit an affiliation application, including a draft Constitution, to the Clubs and Societies Committee. After one Academic Year of affiliation, clubs which formed under 7.2.6 shall then classified under 7.2.1."

EM spoke that for the motion to succeed it needs to be ratified over 2 consecutive council meetings. This was the second meeting.

Moved TS
Second EG



All in favour
Motion passed

Meeting closed at 12.18 pm

8. Question Time

Members of the Student Association may direct questions in writing to officers of the Student Association through the Secretary. Questions may be put on notice.

Theresa Priddle
Secretary to JCUSA Council

E. Mulvey