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MINUTES OF THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

OF STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY HELD ON 19 FEBRUARY 2015

IN THE SRC BOARDROOM AT 21:00

IN ATTENDANCE Stefan Laing, Rodé Brand, Wimpie Greyvenstein, Angelique Fouché,

> Arnim Ritter, Sasha-Leigh Williams, Tinotendaishe Muzofa, JC Landman, Kyle Anderson, Tarina Nel, Albert Coetzee, Dumo Majombozi, Jacobus De Wet, Daniella Potgieter, Kayla Joubert, Caitlin Troup, Rika Botes,

Sixolile Matoti.

ABSENT WITH REASON Collen Mathieledza

ABSENT WITHOUT REASON Murray McDonald

OTHER ATTENDEES Tristan Jaftha, Brandon Como, Gérard Swart, Christa De Kock (minute

taker)

	AGENDA	ACTION
1	CALL TO ORDER	None
	Mr Laing calls the meeting to order at 21:02.	
2	WELCOMING AND PERSONALIA	None
	Mr Laing mentions Ms Botes and Mr Matoti will be late due to the Molasse ser event. Mr Laing congratulates Mr McDonald on the success of the Varsity Cup event.	
3	APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES	None
	 Meeting of 16 October 2014 "16 October" instead of 18 September Mr Majombozi absent with reason and represented by TSR vice chair, Noxolo Kubheka. Mr Majombozi approves and Mr de Wet seconds. 	
	Meeting of 5 February 2015 6.2 "R120 000 instead of R200 000, as R80 000 were allocated directly to the SRc budget. Correction is approved.	

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	6.6 "SASCO" instead of SASKO 7.2 "UCT" instead of UTC	
	Ms Brand approves and Ms Nel seconds.	
	Mr Landman requests page numbers on the minutes. Mr Greyvenstein informs of a format change to take place.	
4	ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES	
	4.1 Military Academy Funds	Mr Laing to discuss the military funds.
	Mr Laing explains that the entity is partly state owned and thus receives government funds. The events organised by MASC is excluded from this budget. Mr Anderson suggests the SRc sponsor certain MASC events. Mr Muzofa enquires on whether the MASC can be funded by the SRc since Mr Mathieledza represents the committee on the SRc.	
	4.2 Feedback on Halaal solution	Mr Laing to mention the situation of Halaal food on campus.
	Mr Laing mentions the opening of Mariams Kitchen in the Neelsie, addressing the demand of Halaal food. Ms Nel comments that the Muslim society is very grateful, although it is mentioned that the food is expensive. Ms Nel confirms that as the Hubs open on campus, it will also serve as Halaal food suppliers.	
	4.3 SRc Buddy System	Ms Brand to address the
	Ms Brand states the SRc buddy system will be addressed under the Project Portfolio Management of Ms Brand.	status of the SRc buddy system.
	4.4 Overly full lecture rooms	Mr de Wet to speak on the
	Mr de Wet confirms that Prof Schoonwinkel received all information regarding complaints and is investigating the situation. Feedback to be given accordingly.	situation of the overly full lecture rooms.
5	SETTING OF AGENDA	None
	 6.8 Centre for Inclusivity Feedback 6.9 Community Interaction 6.10 SRc Thrift Shop Motivation 7.1 Student Court 7.2 Student Discipline Committee 	

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6 DISCUSSION AND FEEDBACK

6.1 Safety issues and load shedding

Mr Laing mentions Ms Nel, Mr Greyvenstein and himself attended a safety meeting with Mr van der Walt. Whistles to be handed out to students and load shedding protocol at residences to be instituted.

Mr Laing explains that residences are to set and implement their own protocol which includes allocating a safety door that will run on batteries. Ms Nel affirms that residences are to take responsibility and that the option of safety lights is being explored.

Mr de Wet gives positive feedback on the battery packs being implemented successfully at Eendrag Men's Residence. Mr Laing mentions the battery packs is not a sustainable solution.

Mr Coetzee to schedule an AKSS meeting with the Vice Prims of residences. Mr Anderson recommends that residences utilise residents supported by proper management thereof.

Mr Laing explains the use of the whistle – students are to blow the whistle when danger arises. Larger threats to be taken to the AKSS. The whistles to be distributed to ladies' residences firstly. Mr Greyvenstein explains that the whistle system is based on researched performed and thus of serious matter. Mr Laing invites further suggestions to be taken to the AKSS meeting.

6.2 Treasurer Committee

Ms Fouché discusses the aim of the treasurer committee. All treasurers on campus to partake in the committee, creating a platform to share relevant information and advice.

Ms Fouché to send out an email regarding the task team of the SRc bursary fund.

6.3 Portfolio Management

Mr Laing to elaborate on the issue of safety and load shedding on campus.

Ms Fouché to discuss the objective of the treasurer committee.

Ms Brand to speak on portfolio management.

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Ms Brand emphasises support between SRc members as a process of delegation and support to portfolios. Ms Brand encourages SRc members to be informed of events on campus and support fellow SRc portfolios' events.

Ms Brand mentions the following important dates. On 5 March the next SRc meeting will take place, reports on term one is due including the buddy system. Ms Brand to send out information on the buddy system and evaluation form on 23 February. Ms Williams' critical engagement event to take place on 5 March on the topic of Maties Ethical Leadership and Accountability. Mzoli's Student Day Tour to take place on 7 March; Mr Muzofa requires assistance.

Mr Landman enquires on template format of the reports and evaluation form. Ms Brand to draft sustainable template for report based on evaluation form that will be send out on 23 February.

Mr Muzofa enquires on the absence of some reports on the website. Mr Greyvenstein explains that the website is currently not working and it is a regular problem experienced by other statutory bodies. Mr Anderson mentions that the outsourcing of the IT department was discussed at the Institutional Forum and suggests that the SRc supports the decision. Mr Laing to appoint a task team including a representative of the Society Council, Mr Matoti, Mr Greyvenstein, Mr Anderson, Mr Jaftha and the marketing managers of the TSR and ABR. Mr Greyvenstein proposes the matter to be taken up with management. Mr Anderson suggests Ms Nel raise the point at Prim Committee meeting in an attempt to possibly involve students with adequate IT skills.

6.4 USASO Meeting

Mr Landman mentions Mr Klopper's comment that more students should be invited to the meeting as it would be of relevance. Mr Landman explains that the USASO task team, Wellness of Student Leaders, seeks suggestions as to better supporting student leaders. SRc members and other student leaders required to send suggestions to Mr Landman before 27 February. The option of study bursaries replacing honoraria is mentioned.

Mr Landman to give feedback on the USASO meeting.

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Mr Greyvenstein informs of a document compiled by the communication office regarding campus structure and communication channels. Ms Potgieter suggests this document to be attached to the MAD² report.

6.5 Alleged rape incident and the communication thereof

Mr Greyvenstein discusses the involvement of the media thus far and mentions an article in *Die Beeld* misplacing emphasis on certain solutions. Mr Greyvenstein mentions that the upcoming interview on radio station will paraphrase the statement as sent out. Ms Brand clarifies the focus of the press release on awareness along with curfews and visiting hours.

Mr Laing advises for future reference that interviews should be managed per email rather than per phone call.

Mr Laing mentions that only few SRc members attended the strategic meeting on this matter and suggests members' actions should follow through. Mr Ritter suggests quicker feedback within the team will enable members to stay notified. Mr Anderson comments on the unfortunate timing of the event. Mr Greyvenstein responds explaining the time urgency of the meeting. Ms Williams expresses disagreement on Mr Laing's comment.

Ms Nel states that at the Prim Committee meeting the Prim's involved could respond to the incident and was unanimous on creating a culture of responsibility and respect on campus. Mr Greyvenstein suggests a task team should join the Prim Committee on the efforts. Ms Nel mentions that the Prim Committee examines residence rules annually and that visiting hours will be attended to. Ms Nel additionally mentions that rules on visiting hours for both men's and ladies' residences already exists.

Ms Williams comments on the mockery of substance abuse at Molasse ser. Mr Greyvenstein emphasises the importance of self-respect. Ms Joubert comments on the pageants held at men's residences not promoting a culture of respecting women. Mr Ritter comments on the cheerleaders at the Varsity Cup.

Mr Greyvenstein to speak on the current status of the incident and the relating communication.

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Mr Landman speaks on sexual abuse not only being between men and women and the lack of solution visiting hours and curfews will provide this. Mr Landman suggests the focus should be on awareness. Mr Laing encourages the campaign to commence under the lead of Ms Brand and Ms Williams.

Ms Nel encourages SRc members to partake and to speak to their guardian residences and emphasises men and women are equally responsible.

Mr Anderson suggests having a soapbox on campus stating the SRc's stance on the issue and discussing matter. Mr Laing confirms Mr Anderson to lead the initiative.

Mr Greyvenstein informs of the daily communication with newspapers and the opportunity for the SRc having the media's attention. Mr Greyvenstein suggests to SRc members to refer to him when having to deal with the media.

Ms Troup encourages the soapbox to build on the success of the duct tape campaign. Mr Muzofa suggests a more practical approach involving a case study of swopping residents between men's and ladies' residences.

Ms Brand clarifies the radical impact necessary and informs of task team meeting at Monday at 7am. Ms Fouché suggests talks being held at residences.

6.6 Prim Committee Feedback

Ms Nel mentions the house of old Prims on Joubert Street 5 offering their help and advice to current Prims.

Ms Nel discusses the feedback on the welcoming as being overall positive and having identified certain issues to be looked into. The Prims of Helderberg and Olympus are to head a task team enhancing communication between the university and the student leaders.

Ms Nel to head a task team on the investigation into residence rules, specifically regarding the following rules: 6.1, 6.2, 5.4.4 and 5.3.5. Additional rules inspected are the use of clubs within residences and the use of alcohol in non-alcohol zones. Ms Nel mentions that the rules will not necessarily be changed, but the implementation of it will be

Ms Nel to discuss the Prim Committee feedback.

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investigated. Mr Anderson advises Ms Nel to consult the SU alcohol policy.

Ms Nel invites SRs members to the next Prim Committee meeting at Metanoia residence on Tuesday 24 February at 8pm and to the social with the Prims thereafter. Mr Greyvenstein suggests at least 5 SRc members should attend the meeting to get insight from Prim Committee.

Mr Ritter to speak on the Society Council feedback.

6.7 SC Feedback

Mr Ritter discusses meeting with Ms Hanekom regarding the Discrimination and Equality policy managed through the society's council.

Mr Ritter mentions SU to host Ted Talk on 10 September with potential help from *Die Matie, MFM* and *FVZS* amongst others.

Ms Williams to provide feedback on the centre for inclusivity.

6.8 Centre for Inclusivity Feedback

Ms Williams discusses meeting with Prof van Huyssteen on the status of the centre for inclusivity. Ms Williams mentions consent was given to Ms du Toit to lead the new inclusivity plan, but mentions loopholes such as the lack of resources. The task team will meet to discuss the loopholes.

Ms Williams to arrange with Prof van Huyssteen to send accompanying information to the SRc and to be available for questions on the matter. Mr Ritter suggests Prof van Huyssteen to present the matter at Student Parliament.

Ms Joubert to speak on the community interaction initiative.

6.9 Community Interaction

Ms Joubert speaks on the focus of a community interaction on leadership development and engagement with subcommittees. Ms Joubert mentions the different options of project set ups. Item to be discussed further at informal meeting on Thursday 26 February.

Ms Troup to discuss the SRc thrift shop motivation.

6.10 SRc Thrift shop motivation

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	Ms Troup mentions the status of the initiative on campus and asks for suggestions on ensuring a steady inflow of 2 nd hand clothes. Mr Greyvenstein suggests launching a competition between residences involving the house committee members of community interaction.	
7	GENERAL	
	7.1 Student Court	Mr Landman to talk on the
	Mr Landman enquires on the inactive status of the student court. Mr Laing mentions the previous chief justice stepped down and nominations have been opened by the dean of the Law faculty. Mr Anderson to follow up on the matter.	student court
	7.2 Student Discipline Committee	Mr Anderson to discuss the
	Mr Anderson discusses the duty of nominating people for the student discipline committee of which 50% students and 50% staff members. Mr Anderson mentions that Mr Roux heads the committee and appoints committee members. Mr Roux requested more nominees be added by the SRc. Mr Anderson suggests diversity in the nomination list. The current suggestions include Ilke Meissner, De Waal Nigrini, Renita van Zyl and Hugo Marais. Any further suggestions to be send to Mr Anderson.	student discipline committee.
8	QUESTIONS AND VARIA	
	Mr Greyvenstein reminds SRc members of the opportunity to mention SRc events on <i>MFM's Breakfast Show</i> on 25 February. Mr Greyvenstein needs to be informed by 23 February.	
	Mr Greyvenstein requests additional agenda points to be handed in by the Tuesday evenings before the formal meeting accompanied by necessary documentation.	
	Mr de Wet mentions the ABR Day on 19 February went well and was well organised.	

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Mr Majombozi states the TSR Sports Day and First Year's Dance to take place on 20 February and 26 February, respectively.

Mr de Wet mentions the various faculties that will have separate open days and confirms that the student committees will be part of it.

Mr Anderson suggests In Camera meetings to be held after formal SRc meetings. Mr Laing states that In Camera meetings are included in the informal Thursday lunch meetings being held biweekly.

Mr Muzofa enquires on the lack of recycling at Die Neelsie. Mr Landman to discuss the situation with Mr Muzofa.

Mr Muzofa raises the issue of parking. Mr Swart explains the bicycle and pedestrian routes being built at De Waal street. Mr de Wet informs that Mr Loubser is the facilities manager to contact regarding parking.

Mr Muzofa invites the SRc members to attend the Mzoli's Student Tour on 7 March and states marketing will commence on 23 February.

Mr Laing welcomes Mr Matoti to the SRc as the new brand manager and congratulates Mr Matoti and Ms Botes with the Molasse ser.

Ms Botes speaks of the Molasse ser's success and notifies that the winners are Harmonie ladies residence and Hippokrates men's residence.

Mr Ritter suggests at least one member from the Executive Committee should attend the informal Thursday lunch meeting.

Mr Ritter asks Ms Williams to help with the Ted Talk project and invites other SRc members to get involved.

Ms Williams gives positive feedback on the residence HK's of critical thinking and transformation.

Ms Williams mentions the discussion on Maties Ethical Leadership and Accountability to be held on 5 March. Ms

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	Williams to inform SRc members on event and Woordfees discussions.	
	Ms Nel encourages SRc members to engage with residences and PSO's. Ms Nel provides statistics of the applications to PSO's that increased from previous years to 2015.	
	Ms Fouché enquires on the day and time of the Thursday lunch informal meetings. Ms Brand to find a possible day and time to fit members' schedules. Mr Greyvenstein affirms support for biweekly informal meetings.	
	Mr Laing discussed the Open Day taking place on 27 February and asks Mr Matoti to lead the SRc stall. SRc members to promote portfolios during the event are to speak to Mr Matoti.	
	Mr Laing mentions the National Youth Development program forum to which Mr Laing and Mr Landman are invited to. Mr Laing refers to a similar meeting held on 21 February at UCT and urges Mr Anderson and other SRc members to attend.	
9	NEXT MEETING	
	The next meeting is to take place on 5 March 2015 at 21:00 in the SRc Boardroom.	
10	ADJOURNMENT	
	Mr Laing adjourns the meeting at 22:50.	
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