



Stellenbosch

UNIVERSITY
IYUNIVESITHI
UNIVERSITEIT

SRC

Students' Representative Council
Ibhunga elimele abaFundi
Studenteraad



SRC TERM I REPORT

TSRC CHAIRPERSON



Students' Representative Council

Third Floor, Neelsie Student Centre

Private Bag XI, Matieland, 7602

Tel: +27 21 808 2757 | Email: sr@sun.ac.za

Table of Contents

Foreword	3
Constructional responsibilities	4
Portfolio overview	5
Constitutional Responsibilites/Task team.....	7
Term I overview.....	10
Plans for Next Term.....	28

Vanessa Annan – TSRC Chairperson – tsrchair@sun.ac.za

Foreword



My name is Vanessa Dede Annan and I am the chairperson of the Tygerberg Student representative council (TSRC). The Tygerberg student representative council is the highest representative and policy making student structure at the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences

Vision:

We as the TSRC of 2022/2023, strive to be an intentional and proactive student body that approaches issues with a collaborative and solution-based mindset to holistically foster an empowering and transformative student experience.

Mission:

- Prioritise Visibility and accessibility, Inclusion, Sustainability, Innovation, accountability and transformation.
- Formulate and critically engage on policies that govern the Tygerberg Student Union.
- Foster transparency by utilizing effective communication channels.
- Employ a practical and multifaceted approach to enhance holistic student wellness.

Constitutional Responsibilities

According to the student constitution by constitutional responsibilities are the following:

As a general member of the Students' Representative Council, there is a minimum standard of expectation to comply with and contribute towards the Students' Representative Council fulfilling its core functions as per the Student Constitution. These include; acting in the best interest of students and actively promoting students' rights under CHAPTER 2, representing students at The University Council, The Senate, The Institutional Forum, other committees, structures, and functionaries of the University, National and international student structures, evaluating the University policy and giving input in the formulation thereof, formulating and maintaining policy to ensure that the SRC performs its functions and duties effectively, facilitating projects and initiatives to the benefit of students, and informing students continuously, and obtaining feedback, about its activities.

Further to this, I am expected to comply with the provisions of the Student Constitution and the policies and regulations of the SRC, attend meetings, submit a complete report regarding my representative responsibilities and other activities to the Secretary after every academic term, not later than one (1) week after the start of the following term, present the position of the SRC at other bodies and consult the SRC on any important decisions to be taken by said bodies, and comply with the Code of Conduct adopted by the SRC.

As a member of the Executive Committee, I am expected to aid the Executive committee to fulfil its duties and powers which include setting the agenda for SRC meetings, managing the day-to-day matters of the SRC, excluding any power or duty granted to the SRC by the Student Constitution, fulfilling any duty that the SRC delegates to it, fulfilling any other function that the Student Constitution assigns to it, compiling and amending thereafter, the SRC budget, making important decisions in urgent cases where it is not practically feasible to convene the SRC, deciding on the portfolio allocation of the SRC, excluding the compulsory portfolios, and appointing the Election Commissioners in terms of s18(6) of the Student Constitution.

As the Chairperson of the Tygerberg Student Representative Council, I am required to represent the interests of all students of the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, in my capacity, at the SRC and the University management, and advise the SRC to actively promote the rights of students of the Faculty of

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

Medicine and Health Sciences contained in CHAPTER 2, and strive to protect and further the interests of all student

Portfolio Overview

The Tygerberg Student Representative Council Chairperson serves as the highest institutionalized representative of the Tygerberg Student body. The TSRC Chairperson, as the CEO of the Tygerberg Student Representative Council, chairs the executive committee of the TSRC. The TSRC chairperson also forms part of the Stellenbosch Student Representative Council as an ex-officio member.

In my capacity as TSRC Chairperson, I serve on the FMHS Faculty Board, Strategic Committee on Recruitment, Selection and Admission (SCORSA), and the Advisory committee for Tygerberg Student affairs (ACTSA) and I am also the TSRC representative on Institutional forum. I also represent the needs of the Tygerberg students at Dean's Management Team (DMT) and Rectorate meetings.

As part of my year plan, my portfolio objectives include to:

- Amplify the voice of Tygerberg Students across the institution by working closely with the SRC, Dean's Management Team (DMT), and Rectorate.
- Empower all members of the TSRC to infiltrate spaces within the university's management and to increase their circle of influence in order to advocate for Tygerberg Students to the best of their capability.
- Improve the visibility of the TSRC on campus by working with other student leadership bodies as well as non-positional leaders.
- Promote transparent and accountable governance.
- Improve the relationship between the SRC and the TSR.
- Be a proponent of social justice on campus as well as within my circle of influence in society at

large

According to the SRC Strategic Planning document, it is expected of the Tygerberg Student Representative Council to:

- Ensure that the SRC's proposed decisions are informed on the Tygerberg campus context.
- Ensure that there is coordination between portfolio holders on the TSR and SRC.
- Delegate matters to the Tygerberg campus leadership structures where applicable.
- Ensure that Tygerberg campus issues reach the SRC.
- Ensure that SRC decisions and actions are implemented and developed on the Tygerberg campus.
- Be responsible for the SRC's visibility on the Tygerberg campus

Based on previous reports, it is evident that the TSRC Chairperson is pivotal in coordinating coherence between the issues of the SRC and TSRC. It is through the TSRC Chairperson that the SRC receives issues of Tygerberg students, is informed of the Tygerberg context in decision-making, decisions of the SRC are translated down to the leadership network on Tygerberg, these decisions are implemented efficiently, and that feedback is relayed back to the SRC. According to previous reports, agreement and understanding between the SRC and the TSRC Chairperson has always been delicate and needs to be cultivated and nurtured as far as possible for the betterment of the student body.

Committees/Task Teams

I serve on the following Committees and or Task Teams:

Strategic Committee on Recruitment, Selection and Admission (SCORSA)

- The establishment of this strategic recruitment, selection, and admission committee for the FMHS was proposed to provide overall direction for selection and admission to the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences. This includes developing undergraduate and postgraduate minimum admission requirements and guidelines for selection. That takes into account the approved Admissions Policy of the University, enrolment planning as well as diversity targets, amongst others. It is guided by a number of principles which could include enrolment planning in terms of DHET and partner employers, requirements of the Admissions Policy of Stellenbosch University, Faculty strategic direction in terms of driving both diversity and transformation, increasing access i.e. reviewing the extended degree programmes, as well as the numbers of students required in terms of the HPCSA and other statutory bodies and Human Resources for Health (HRH) strategies
- Matters of this committee are confidential. Some mentionable issues discussed when this committee met are updates to the 2023-intake selection guidelines, progress with the implementation of the Situational Judgement Test (SJT) for 2022 intake, piloting the SJTs with category B2 and B3 applicants, Undergraduate selection audit, and Undergraduate selection and registration statistics: BI Selections Statistics.

Advisory committee for Tygerberg Student affairs (ACTSA)

- This committee was established to advise and inform the function and operation of the Tygerberg Student Affairs. It serves to gather and align student input and ensure throughput of this input to decision-making of Tygerberg Student Affairs.
- The team met to discuss Matters raised by faculty programme representatives (Nursing & Midwifery, SLHT, Dietetics, MBChB, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy), Centre for Student Leadership, Experiential Education and Citizenship's Leadership Development online training and offerings, issues raised by the TSR, TPSC, TAAC, TSC, and TSP, The impact of COVID in the residences, Centre for Student Counselling & Development (Developments and trends during lockdown, Food security, Mental Health Policy development and Substance Abuse Policy development, Campus/Res Life and Culture Review, transformation charter, murals and launch, and Gender-based violence.

Welcoming Committee (FMHS and SU)

- This committee was established to plan and organize the welcoming program.
- All meetings served to develop the welcoming program and coordinate coherence between the

SU welcoming program, FMHS Welcoming program and the residences welcoming programs.

FMHS Faculty Board

The faculty board deals with urgent matters pertaining to the Faculty of Medicine and health sciences, they receive and make comments on the reports received from the committee for undergraduate teaching, the committee for postgraduate teaching, the committee for postgraduate research amongst others. They also make and receive recommendations on various policies.

Institutional Forum

The Institutional Forum (IF) is one of the University's three main statutory bodies - the other two being the Council and the Senate. The IF of SU was initiated in August 1999 in accordance with the requirements of the Higher Education Act (Act 101 of 1997)

The functions and powers of the IF are laid down in section 31 of the Higher Education Act (Act 101 of 1997) as follows:

"(a) the IF must advise the Council on issues affecting the University, including—

- (i) the implementation of the Act and the national policy on higher education;
- (ii) race and gender equity policies;
- (iii) the selection of candidates for senior management positions;
- (iv) codes of conduct, mediation and dispute resolution procedures; and
- (v) the fostering of an institutional culture which promotes tolerance and respect for fundamental human rights and creates an appropriate environment for teaching, research and learning; and

(b) the IF must perform such other functions as determined by the Council."

Honorary Degrees Nomination Committee

- I was nominated to this committee by the SRC. This committee is responsible for advertising and generating nominations for Honorary Doctorates that will be presented to Senate and Council for deliberation.
- Meetings have not yet taken place

Task Teams

SRC Admin A Registration Task Teams

This task team had the following responsibilities

Funding Operations

This project is responsible for assisting students with tuition funding during the registration period. The following projects will fall within this workstream:

- Access4All (Registration- First instalment & case by case)
- Student Debt assistance (Student debt working group (B&L and #Action4Inclusion))

Admin A & Office administration

This project will entail running the SRC's administration from Admin A and the office. It will thereby require at least the following:

- i. Liaising and facilitating the Right2Learn & Sizofunda Ngenani campaign
- ii. Liaising with and where needed assist with Client Services and faculty administrators
- iii. Ensuring the office remains conducive during registration
- iv. Ensuring the SRC office is accessible and capable of assisting students during registration
- v. Refreshments and food for volunteers

Placements and Backpackers

This project will deal with the placement of newcomers and senior students furthermore liaising with Lizzie about the backpackers.

TSRC Task Teams

Apart from the SRC Admin A registration task team there are various tasks teams as set out by the TSRC that I am Involved In directly or will be Involved In the oversight to these are

1. TSRC Registration task team
2. TSRC office administration

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

3. Study spaces on Tygerberg
4. SCAC - FEDICS, dining hall
5. TSRC office spaces

Term I Overview

The first term was characterized by handover, team construction as well as vision and mission setting for my council. I had various handover meetings with my predecessor Vhudi Ravhutsi on a range of topics ranging from Institutional committees to RegisterAll, student debt, and the TSRC office proposal. He also walked me through critical structures in the Institution and how to navigate them. My handover helped with giving me perspective and direction for the term that lay ahead. Once my executive and I were able to decide on which portfolios we believed we needed for the term ahead we were able to do portfolio allocation amongst the elected members and begin our search for portfolio managers. Once the team was complete we finalized our vision and mission setting and were able to begin our year planning process.

The first term was filled with a lot of meetings, training and settling in to the role while planning for the year ahead. Below I will mention some of the meetings and engagements I either had or participated in as a result of my role as TSRC chairperson.

I will be reporting on what happened during my 1st term in office in the following manner

- a) Details of the meeting or project
- b) Key players
- c) Date of event/meeting/task
- d) What went well
- e) What went wrong/challenges faced
- f) Overall feedback
- g) Feasibility
- h) Budget where applicable

I. TSRC student governance meet & greet 23 Aug

- a) There was a TSRC student governance meet and greet which took place in the TSRC boardroom on the 23rd of August. The purpose of this session was for the Musa Mpanza the Tygerberg student governance coordinator and Anele Mdepa the manager of student governance to meet the team and discuss expectations for the term as well as provide a brief introduction to the world of student governance.
- b) Musa Mpanza(musam@sun.ac.za),Anele Mdepa(anelemdepa@sun.ac.za)
- c) 23rd of August 2022
- d) The session was a valuable meet and greet that most members could attend and provided us with an opportunity to have informal discussions about the term

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

- e) Initially the date planned was too short notice however there was nothing that went wrong with this
- f) This was a nice Informal meet and greet and Introduction to student governance
- g) I believe that this should be continued and Initiated again In the upcoming term as It assists with easing the team Into their role
- h) N/A

2. Meeting with SRC chair 24 Aug

- a) had a meeting with the SRC chairperson to discuss collaborating for the term and the SRC Intrinsically considering Tygerberg In their planning so as to eliminate working In silo's
- b) Masilo Silokazi(masilo@sun.ac.za)
- c) 24th of August 2022
- d) Although I believe the meeting was not as effective as I hoped It was a good Introductory meeting and helped with forming a relationship between us to a certain degree
- e) N/A
- f) It was a great Informal starter conversation regarding how Tygerberg fits In to the overall SRC picture and the Institution at large as well as a discussion on how we could work together going forward
- g) This Is up to the next chair but I do believe having a discussion with the SRC chairperson can be of value
- h) N/A

3. SRC social 25 Aug

- a) The SRC chairperson organized a social for SRC members which was held In the SRC office In the Neelsie. The purpose of this session was to discuss portfolios as well as have an Informal discussion on the vision and mission of the team and why people ran for SRC
- b) Masilo Silokazi(masilo@sun.ac.za)
- c) 25 August 2022
- d) This was the first time I had met a majority of the members of the team and It was an opportunity to Interact with everyone.
- e) Due to the timing of this social a large portion of the team could only join In later or were unable to attend and as such It didn't fully serve Its purpose
- f) Overall perhaps the social should have been postponed to another time, there could have also been more structure and a better facilitation of the session e.g. Ice breakers and games to allow for more Interaction.
- g) N/A, the SRC Is fully responsible for organising such events
- h) N/A,the SRC covered the cost of transport

4. Meeting with TSRC vice chair 26 Aug

- a) Caitlin and I had a meeting on the 26th leading up to SRC executive elections to discuss the positioning of the TSRC In the SRC space as well as discuss other matters related to our team
- b) Caitlin Sithole (tsrvice@sun.ac.za)
- c) 26th of August 2022
- d) It was a productive meeting which helped put everything In perspective for the term ahead
- e) N/A
- f) Overall this was a productive and necessary meeting
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

5. SRC exec voting 29 Aug

- a) As an ex-officio on the SRC I have voting rights and such I took part In the SRC executive voting process
- b) Masilo Silokazi(masilo@sun.ac.za)
- c) 29 August 2022
- d) N/A
- e) There was no structure In this election process. Members were given the opportunity to speak with no time limits and there were unlimited questions which was unnecessary. This resulted In a long caucus with little fruit. I also had to join online due to this taking place during an assessment week which was filled with clinical hours, the venue that was selected wasn't well suited for a hybrid session.
- f) Overall I think major lessons can be learnt from this so as to prevent a caucus like this from happening again In the future.
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

6. DSAF SRC meet & greet 31 Aug

- a) The DSAF organized an online meet and greet with members of the SRC to welcome the team and provide them with well wishes for the term that lay ahead
- b) Members of DSAF and the SRC
- c) 31 August 2022
- d) It was a well structured session which was fully online and therefore SRC meet & greet 31 Aug accommodating for all
- e) N/A
- f) Overall this session was a quick Introduction to the DSAF team which was beneficial for members of the SRC as well as DSAF.
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

7. SRC meeting 31 Aug

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

- a) There was a general SRC meeting which took place on the 31st of August. The agenda for this meeting can be found on the relevant SRC platforms
- b) Phiwokuhle Qabaka(qabakap@sun.ac.za)the secretary of the SRC and Masilo Silokazi (masilo@sun.ac.za) the SRC chairperson
- c) 31 August 2022
- d) N/A
- e) N/A
- f) It was a general SRC meeting
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

8. Senior student leadership development & Training 2-3 Sept

- a) Student governance held training for all those in senior student leadership
- b) Student governance (CSLEEC)
- c) 2-3 September 2022
- d) This training can be improved by making it more workshop style and interactive
- e) N/A
- f) Overall it was a good training session
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

9. Meeting with TAAC chair 5 September

- a) had a meeting with the TAAC chairperson in order to discuss our approach for the upcoming term as well as the opportunity we received to have monthly meetings with the DVC. We also discussed major issues linked to academics in FMHS
- b) Kay VanWolleghe(kayv@sun.ac.za)
- c) 5 September 2022
- d) It was a productive conversation on the way forward as well as a good conversation to highlight critical areas to deal with in the upcoming term
- e) N/A
- f) Overall this was a vital conversation
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

10. TSRC exec and general council meeting 5 September

- a) We held an exec as well as general council meeting to discuss various agenda points. The agenda for these meetings can be found on various TSRC platforms
- b) As the chairperson it was my duty to chair these meetings. Saretha Beukes the TSRC secretary was responsible for the agendas and minutes (sarethabeukes@sun.ac.za)

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

- c) 5 September 2022
- d) The meetings were productive and concise
- e) N/A
- f) Overall the meeting went smoothly
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

11. TSRC and SRC chair Interview 6 September

- a) Masilo and I were contacted by the communications coordinator of student affairs Lynne Moses to be interviewed about our student leadership experience and our student experience in the Stellenbosch University space.
- b) Lynne Moses(lynnr@sun.ac.za) and Masilo Silokazi(masilo@sun.ac.za)
- c) 6 September 2022
- d) Masilo and I were interviewed together which was nice as it gave us both the opportunity to hear each other's lived experiences. Lynne was also very friendly and enthusiastic and created a great space for conversation.
- e) N/A
- f) Overall this interview went well although I have no idea whether an article was actually written
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

12. SRC strategic planning 9 September

- a) The SRC had their first day of strategic planning for the term to discuss vision and mission as well as a strategy for the term.
- b) Masilo Silokazi(masilo@sun.ac.za)
- c) 9 September
- d) N/A
- e) The strategic planning took place on the same day as TSRC inauguration therefore making it difficult for me to participate fully as I had to get ready and leave early to go to inauguration with the outgoing executive to ensure that everything was set up.
- f) I cannot comment on the programme for day 1 however I believe it was productive
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

13. TSRC Inauguration 9 September

- a) The TSRC of 2022/2023 was inaugurated on this day. The purpose of inauguration is to celebrate the work of the outgoing team as well as provide the new team with the opportunity to swear their oath into office. On this day along with helping to ensure that everything was set up as a member of the outgoing executive I also gave my first address as TSRC chair.

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

- b) The outgoing TSRC executive
- c) 9 September 2022
- d) The night went relatively smoothly and was enjoyable for all
- e) N/A
- f) Overall Inauguration went well, my only recommendation for the next team is to practice saying their oath in unison and also investing in a videographer to capture the night as well as potentially printing the oath
- g) This is an annual project
- h) N/A

14. SRC strategic planning 10 September

- a) The SRC came to Tygerberg for day 2 of the strategic planning weekend. I was responsible for booking a venue on Tygerberg as well as collecting the order. The purpose of this event was to establish a vision and mission as well as discuss the role of members of SRC for the term ahead
- b) Masilo Silokazi(masilo@sun.ac.za)
- c) 10 September 2022
- d) There were opportunities for team interaction during the break
- e) Clear expectations regarding the venue were not communicated to me, I chose a hub but didn't organise a projector and as such had to run around in order to find one for the session.
- f) Overall the day went well
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

15. DSAF open day 14 Sept

- a) The DSAF had an open day on Tygerberg where there were various stands for Tygerberg students to interact with. Although I wasn't as involved as I should have been due to assessments I was able to spend a short time there interacting with students and staff
- b) DSAF
- c) 14 September
- d) It was a very lively open day with loads of opportunity for students to interact with DSAF
- e) N/A
- f) This open day was quite successful
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

16. Inter campus shuttle proposal discussion 14 Sept

- a) There was a discussion on the intercampus shuttle proposal submitted by the outgoing TSRC

- b) Anandi de Witt(22006737@sun.ac.za), Anele Mdepa(anelemdepa@sun.ac.za), Agqama Faku (23684585@sun.ac.za) and colleagues from the transport office
- c) 14 September 2022
- d) The proposal was well received by all those In the meeting
- e) N/A
- f) Overall the proposal was solid and It was well received
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

17. SRC meeting 14 Sept

- a) There was an SRC general meeting which I attended to provide feedback during
- b)) Phiwokuhle Qabaka (qabakap@sun.ac.za) worked on the agenda and minutes and Masilo Silokazi (masilo@sun.ac.za) chaired the meeting
- c) 14 September 2022
- d) N/A
- e) N/A
- f) Overall the meeting went okay
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

18. Training of student leadership 16 Sept

- a) Student governance held a student leadership training on the 16th of September
- b) Student governance
- c) 16 September 2022
- d) This day was a short day of training and It was concise
- e) N/A
- f) Overall training Is vital for student leaders and this was therefore necessary.
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

19. SRC emergency meeting 18 September

- a) There was an emergency SRC meeting on the 18th to discuss and vote on Institutional committees
- b) Masilo Silokazi(masilo@sun.ac.za)
- c) 18 September 2022
- d) N/A
- e) The timing of this meeting was not the best N/A
- f) N/A
- g) N/A

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

20. TSRC Portfolio manager, scribes and secretary Interviews 20 Sept - 21, 23, 26

- a) The TSRC executive had to Interview various applicants for our vacancies.
- b) Members of the TSRC executive: Caitlin Sithole, Saretha Beukes, Zanele Nxamagele, Mban Sibande
- c) 20, 21, 23, 26 September
- d) The Interview process went smoothly
- e) There were some candidates that didn't show up for Interviews without notice therefore setting us back on schedule and frankly wasting our time. Although we didn't advertise vacancies as early as we had hoped due to waiting for the transfer of the shared TSRC chair Inbox we eventually were able to get back on track.
- f) Overall this process went smoothly
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

21. SRC meeting 21 Sept

- a) There was an SRC meeting held
- b) Phiwokuhle Qabaka(qabakap@sun.ac.za)and Masilo Silokazi(masilo@sun.ac.za)
- c) 21 September 2022
- d) N/A
- e) N/A
- f) This Is a continuous obligation
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

22. FMHS visual redress session 23 Sept

- a) The Visual redress task team had a session on the 23rd In the JN de Villiers. Caitlin and I were asked to speak about student Involvement In the visual redress process
- b) Florence de Vries(florenced@sun.ac.za)Invited us to be Involved
- c) 23 September 2022
- d) The engagement was well attended
- e) N/A
- f) Overall there was some fruitful engagement regarding the rock Infront of the clinical building
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

23. SRC emergency meeting 23 Sept

- a) There was another SRC meeting In light of the Incident that took place In Stellenbosch
- b) The SRC

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

- c) 23 September 2022
- d) N/A
- e) There was not enough time between this emergency meeting and the statement released by the DVC.
- f) N/A
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

24. TSRC camp meeting with outgoing chairs 26 Sept

- a) There was a meeting by the outgoing TSRC chairpersons and financial manager and the new TSRC chairpersons and financial manager In order to finalise the details of camp such as the program as well as the final things that needed to be done.
- b) Queren Kamuanya, Vhudi Ravhutsi, Zanele Nxamagale, Caitlin Sithole and myself
- c) 26 September 2022
- d) The meeting was productive and quick
- e) N/A
- f) Overall this meeting assisted with finalising the logistics for camp
- g) I believe such a meeting will be necessary In the future for handover camp for the 2023/2024 camp
- h) h) N/A

25. SRC meeting 28 Sept

- a) There was an SRC meeting which took place on this day
- b) Masilo Silokazi (SRC chair), Phiwokuhle Qabaka (SRC SG) and the SRC
- c) 28 September 2022
- d) N/A
- e) N/A
- f) Overall the meeting was okay
- g) Compulsory attendance required
- h) N/A

26. SRC Inauguration 29 Sept

- a) The newly elected SRC was Inaugurated at the Stellenbosch museum. This event served as both a farewell for the outgoing SRC as well as a welcoming and Olathe taking ceremony for the 2022/2023 SRC
- b) Student governance and other relevant stakeholders
- c) 29 September 2022
- d) The proceedings went relatively smoothly

- e) There was a practice arranged to take place before the Inauguration however many SRC members were late and as such this practice didn't happen.
- f) In future the oath should be printed so as to facilitate a smoother oath swearing process
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

27. TSRC handover camp 30 Sept - 2 Oct

- a) The 2022/2023 TSRC accompanied by the outgoing TSRC chair and vice-chair had a handover camp to learn more about the student governance structure, what governs our functioning as well as plan for the term ahead
- b) Vhudi Ravhutsi, Queren Kamuanya, Caitlin Sithole, Zanele Nxamagale and myself. Queren and Zanele worked on booking the camp and the financial aspect of things. We all worked on the programme collectively.
- c) 30 September - 2 October 2022
- d) The camp was fruitful and was filled with Important Information
- e) N/A
- f) Overall the camp was productive although potentially overly filled with sessions
- g) Handover camps are critical and should be continued
- h) N/A. Budgetary component did not come from my budget.

28. TSRC chairs meeting with head of Tyg student affairs 3 Oct

- a) Caitlin Sithole and I had a meeting with Khaironisa Foflonker to discuss student affairs In context of Tygerberg. The purpose of this meeting was to obtain a greater understanding of how the different silos operate as well as troubleshooting by brainstorming on how to deal with various Issues.
- b) Khaironisa Foflonker and Caitlin Sithole
- c) 3 October 2022
- d) The discussions that we had were productive
- e) N/A
- f) Overall this conversation was useful however I wish that this discussion had been planned for earlier In our term to avoid It taking place before our exams
- g) I would highly recommend that the next chairperson Invests In building a relationship with crucial stakeholders like Khaironisa from the very beginning
- h) N/A

29. TSRC exec and council meeting 3 Oct

- a) The last TSRC meeting for the 1st quarter was held on the 3rd of October In light of the exam season. The minutes and agenda for this meeting can be found on the relevant platforms.

- b) I chaired the meeting and Saretha Beukes (SG) Is responsible for the compilation of the agendas and editing the minutes
- c) 3 October 2022
- d) Themeetingwasshortandproductive
- e) N/A
- f) Refer to the relevant agenda and minutes for more details
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

30. TSRC DMT meeting 3 Oct

- a) The TSRC had their first engagement with the FMHS DMT. This meeting served as an Introduction and the laying down of expectations
- b) Myself, Saretha and Pearl the deans secretary
- c) 3 October 2022
- d) The session finally took place
- e) The session was not given the gravity that I had hoped, I believe It was made too Informal and the attitude of certain stakeholders was very dismissive
- f) Overall I am glad that we were able to meet with the DMT although I am not pleased with how the session panned It
- g) It Is critical for the TSRC to engage with the DMT
- h) N/A

31. TSRC exec + Tygerberg Prim committee meeting 4 Oct

- a) The TSRC executive had meeting with members of the Tygerberg prim committee which served as an Introduction to the committee as well as a discussion on various things that had been Introduced by the TSRC particularly the residence liaison Initiative.
- b) TSRC exec and Amirah Gabru(Tygerberg Prim committee chairperson)
- c) 4 October 2022
- d) The session was a vital meet and greet
- e) N/A
- f) Overall I would recommend that the TSRC executive works on establishing a relationship with key stakeholders at the beginning of the term and would therefore advocate for this
- g) Refer to point f
- h) N/A

32. SCORSA urgent meeting 7 Oct

- a) There was an urgent SCORSA meeting that was called for the 7th to discuss some Issues linked to the situational judgement test that FMHS conducted
- b) Members of SCORSA

- c) 7 October 2022
- d) The meeting was to the point
- e) The timing of the meeting made it difficult for me to engage due to the visit of the DVC taking place soon after it
- f) Overall it was a crucial meeting members of SCORSA needed to have and student input on the matter wasn't really required.
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

33. DVC learning & teaching visit to Tyg 7 Oct

- a) Prof Ramjugernath paid his annual visit to Tygerberg to engage with student leaders on a range of issues
- b) Khaironisa Foflonker (student affairs), Prof Deresh Ramjugernath, myself (presenting student issues), colleagues from student governance Anele Mdepa etc, members of the TSRC, TSP, TEC
- c) 7 October 2022
- d) We were able to discuss critical issues
- e) N/A
- f) Overall the visit served as a good opportunity for student leaders to raise critical issues
- g) This has become an annual tradition that will be continued
- h) N/A

34. Fees Increment meeting 7 Oct

- a) There was a meeting organized to discuss fees increment for 2023 and how this will affect students.
- b) Phiwokuhle Qabaka who was the SRC member in contact with people from the fees office
- c) 7 October 2022
- d) The session provided the TSRC and SRC with the opportunity to ask crucial questions on fees
- e) N/A
- f) Overall this session was critical
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

35. ACTSA meeting 13 Oct

- a) ACTSA met to discuss various things which can be found on the ACTSA agenda
- b) The members of ACTSA
- c) 13 October 2022
- d) The meeting was relatively productive
- e) N/A
- f) N/A

- g) As a member of ACTSA I will be required to attend all the meetings that take place during my term
- h) N/A

36. IF meeting 14 Oct

- a) The IF had their last meeting for 2022 In the admin B Chamber building to work through the agenda
- b) Members of IF, particularly Ms Gamiel who is the secretary of this Institutional committee
- c) 14 October 2022
- d) The meeting was productive
- e) N/A
- f) Overall this meeting was productive
- g) IF plays a critical role in the university structure
- h) A vehicle was booked from the vehicle fleet, I am not sure how much it cost.

37. TSRC chairs meeting with Tygerberg Registrar 17 Oct

- a) Caitlin and I had meeting with the Farah Fredricks to discuss the structure of the Tygerberg registrars office. The main topics we discussed were academic exclusion as well as the readiness of the office for the 2023 registration period
- b) Farah Fredericks, Caitlin Sithole
- c) 17 October 2022
- d) The meeting shed a lot of light on the process of academic exclusion as well as how this office is structured so as to better help us understand the role of crucial stakeholders
- e) N/A
- f) Overall this meeting was very insightful and valuable
- g) I would highly recommend that the next chairs make it their mission to engage with Farah Fredericks to prepare for the registration period
- h) N/A

38. TSRC exec meeting 24 Oct

- a) The TSRC executive had a meeting to discuss various things. Kindly refer to the agenda and meeting for that meeting
- b) I chaired the meeting and Saretha Beukes was responsible for compiling the agenda as well as the minutes for the meeting
- c) 24 October 2022
- d) The meeting was critical
- e) N/A
- f) N/A
- g) It is critical to call for executive meetings when required

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

h) N/A

39. TSRC chair meeting with alumni office 25 Oct

- a) I had a meeting with Felix from the alumni office to discuss potential partnerships between the TSRC and the alumni office and critical projects that they can sponsor as well as ways they can Invest In building an alumni culture
- b) Felix Spies(felixspies@sun.ac.za)
- c) 25 October 2022
- d) The discussion was fruitful
- e) N/A
- f) Overall more engagement and brainstorming Is required from the TSRC side and I will Invest In having more conversations with relevant stakeholders In the upcoming year
- g) If well thought through partnership with the alumni office can be of great value
- h) N/A

40. Meeting with FVZSI 25 Oct

- a) was contacted by Heidi October to have a discussion on potential collaborations between the TSRC and the FVZSI (Frederick van Zyl Slabbert Institute) In the upcoming year. I Invited Kgothatso Crutse the leadership develop portfolio manager to the discussion
- b) Heidi October,Spurgeon Wilson,Ms Nxadi,Kgothatso Crutse and myself
- c) 25 October 2022
- d) The organizing of the meeting was smooth and the conversations were fruitful
- e) N/A
- f) Overall this meeting was one that was quite enjoyable and meaningful for brainstorming on what Is required by student leaders and the student population. It was also a valuable opportunity to provide feedback on the various courses offered
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

41. Meeting with TPSC chair Oct 25 Oct

- a) had an Introductory meeting with the newly elected TPSC chairperson to welcome him onto the TSRC as well as offer advice on the way forward In terms of finalizing his team and preparing for the time ahead
- b) Myself and Kabelo Maloka
- c) 25 October 2022
- d) The meeting was a good Introductory session
- e) N/A
- f) Overall It was valuable to engage with Kabelo and assist him In terms of providing practical steps for the way forward

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

- g) N/A
- h) N/A

42. Faculty Board meeting 27 Oct

- a) The FMHS faculty board met to discuss points on the agenda set for that meeting
- b) Members of the FMHS faculty board, and Mr Coetzer In particular (jco@sun.ac.za)
- c) 27 October 2022
- d) N/A
- e) Due to It being off campus I had some network Issues however I was mainly able to stay up to date with what was happening
- f) N/A
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

43. Strategic team on welcoming 4 November

- a) The strategic committee on welcoming met to discuss various aspects of the welcoming program for the 2023 welcoming period
- b) Dr Choice Maketha and other members of the strategic team on welcoming
- c) 4 October 2022
- d) N/A
- e) There wasn't enough time allocated for the meeting and as such things felt rushed
- f) Overall I am not sure how valuable this forum is however it is good to be able to get a birds eye view on welcoming
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

44. FMHS visual redress task team meeting 16 Nov

- a) The FMHS visual redress task team had a workshop on the Xhosa phrases for the stone
- b) Florence de Vries and other member the task team
- c) 16 November 2022
- d) N/A
- e) There was a lot of back and forth due to some errors In the phrases selected
- f) N/A
- g) It Is critical to redress the stone and as such I am sure many more of these sessions will take place In the future and lessons have been learnt from this workshop which will help with Improving the future workshops.
- h) N/A

45. SCORSA meeting 18 Nov

- a) SCORSA had another meeting to discuss selections and recruitment for FMHS and the Issues encountered during this years cycle
- b) Members of SCORSA
- c) 18 November 2022
- d) The discussion placed emphasis on what needs to be done to Improve the process of selection for the future which Is critical for faculty to take note of
- e) N/A
- f) Overall being part of the meeting felt unnecessary In terms of Input however It was valuable to have access to the Information shared In this session
- g) The TSRC chair Is a member of SCORSA and as such I will be attending the rest of the sessions scheduled for my term
- h) N/A

46. FMHS discussion on Kampempe report 21 Nov

- a) The Dean organized a session specific for FMHS to discuss the Kampepe report and how It applies to our context
- b) Prof Elmi Muller (Dean of FMHS)who facilitated the session
- c) 21 November 2022
- d) It was critical for this discussion to happen
- e) The session quickly became very staff focused
- f) The session was valuable and exposed the plight of people of colour at FMHS and revealed that staff and students alike have been suffering
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

47. TSRC exec meetings 21-23 Nov

- a) The TSRC executive met to discuss various points that can be seen on the agendas for these meetings. The main objective during these meetings was to focus on budgeting for the year ahead
- b) Members of the 2022/2023 TSRC executive
- c) 21 - 23 November 2022
- d) The budgeting process went relatively smoothly as the executive was In agreement about most things
- e) N/A
- f) Overall due to the differences In exam timetables this process was greatly delayed however It went smoothly when It finally happened
- g) It Is crucial that the TSRC executive Invests time In the budgeting process
- h) N/A

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

48. Strategic meeting on welcoming 22 Nov

- a) The strategic committee on welcoming met to discuss various aspects of the welcoming program for the 2023 welcoming period
- b) Dr Choice Maketha and other members of the strategic team on welcoming
- c) 22 November 2022
- d) There were finally some Tygerberg specific issues raised
- e) There wasn't enough emphasis placed on the Tygerberg and Military campus
- f) Overall I am not sure how valuable this forum is however it is good to be able to get a birds eye view on welcoming
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

49. TSRC – TAAC executive discussion 24 November

- a) The TSRC executive and TAAC executive met to discuss an Issue that a member of the student population raised to me which was linked to a member of the TAAC
- b) TSRC and TAAC executive
- c) 24 November 2022
- d) The meeting was productive
- e) N/A
- f) N/A
- g) N/A
- h) N/A

50. Student leadership training 28 – 29 Nov

- a) Student governance organized training for student leaders across all structures which took place on Microsoft Teams to cover a range of topics.
- b) I assisted In facilitating the first day of the training
- c) Student governance colleagues
- d) 28-29 November
- e) The days were short yet Impactful and the sessions were valuable
- f) N/A
- g) Overall these training sessions were valuable and It was great that the training took place over 2 days without taking
- h) N/A

The month of December was characterized by further strategic planning for the term ahead as well as going back and forth with Phiwokuhle Qabaka the Secretary General of the SRC and Queen Majikijela the treasurer of the SRC trying to figure out what the plan was for the student debt working group as well as the plan for Access4All . In January the TSRC had 2 general meetings and we spent time planning for the

saam vorentoe · masiye phambili · forward together

registration and welcoming period. Significant meetings that I have had during this period of time has been the FMHS registration check-ins which is a fortnightly meeting with our deputy registrar Farah Fredericks and all relevant stakeholders and was an opportunity to raise issues facing Tygerberg students such as food insecurity due to delays in the payment of NSFAS allowances, student debt, SUNLearn access etc. The registration period has been tough due to being on the clinical platform and having compulsory academic responsibilities while serving on the SRC Admin A champions task team while trying to chair a council. I am sure there is more that I can report on however the above is the most significant things I believe are necessary to include in this report.

Summary

The 1st term has been filled with a lot of challenges mainly linked to balancing academics with this new role of leading an SRC. This quarter was filled with leading the groundwork for the term ahead and as such it was a taxing term. During this quarter I placed a lot of focus on positioning myself well for the benefit and advancement of the TSU. I also invested in having critical conversations about issues that affect members of the TSU. I am still learning to navigate this new role and the responsibility that comes with it while trying to thrive in my academics and personal life. As can be seen there were a lot of meetings in the 1st quarter and I need to adjust to having an average of 3 meetings a week which all require preparation. I also need to adjust to last minute requests and the expectation that I will always be prepared to engage on critical matters.

I am grateful for my executive and the support that they have provided for me during this term, it is amazing having people that I can depend on to get the job done.

Plans for Next Term

I plan on fulfilling my constitutional obligations and will be continuing and doing the following:

- SRC general council meetings
- TSRC executive and general council meetings
- DMT meetings
- Working on policy with the TSRC policy unit
- TSRC office proposal
- Ex-officio development program
- Projects of Importance
 - Student assistant librarian project
 - Shuttle proposal
 - Osler hub (SCAC)
 - Food services (SCAC)
- Institutional committees/task teams
 - Institutional forum
 - Advisory committee for Tygerberg student Affairs (ACTSA)
 - FMHS faculty board
 - Umoja leadership summit
 - SRC Admin A champions task team
 - LSAL
 - FMHS Visual redress
- Alumni office collaborations

Yours in Transparent Student Leadership and Governance, Vanessa Dede Annan