

SRC Ordinary Meeting

17 February 2021 | Google Meets |

1. Welcoming and Opening:

1.1 The President welcomes everyone to the third SRC Ordinary Meeting of the year 2021 and request that we move on to the next agenda point.

2. Attendance:

2.1 Present:

President

Deputy President Secretary General Deputy Secretary

Treasurer

Facilities Safety and Security

Marketing, Media & Communications

Study Finance

Postgraduate & International Student Affairs

Day Students & External Campus Affairs

Societies

Transformation and Student Success

Academic Representatives Ex-officio 1 Academic Representatives Ex-officio 2

Residence Representatives Ex-officio 1

Residence Representatives Ex-officio 2

Sport Representative Ex-officio RAG Representative Ex-officio Stuku Representative Ex-officio Lerato Ndlovu

Ram<mark>ee</mark>z<mark>a Abdoo</mark>l Sattar

Jaco van Jaarsveld

Thandi Mabala

Jozias Mahube-Reinecke

Njabulo Sibeko

Chanel Brown

Melvin van Rooyen

Thando Dhlamini

Nothando Ngubeni

Hannah le Roux

Thuto Mashila

Uwaiza Abdool Sattar

Stéfan Steenekamp

Chané Williamson

Wehan Viljoen

Tarik Lalla

Tshego Kgoele

Thando Mtimkulu



- 2.2 Absent with apology:
 - 2.2.1 None
- 2.3 Absent without apology:
 - 2.3.1 None
- 3. Acknowledgement of Other matters arising:
 - 3.1 None
- 4. Acceptance of previous minutes and adoption of agenda:
 - 4.1 Acceptance of previous Minutes Previous Minutes has been accepted.
 - 4.2 Adoption of agenda No Adoption of the Agenda.
- 5. Feedback from the Executive Committee:
 - 5.1 Nomination List and Voting of Statutory Structures Secretary
 - 5.1.1 The voting for the statutory structure will take place during the camp on Friday 19 February 2021. We will vote via voting tickets for each structure that will be counted, announced and recorded.
- 6. Portfolio-specific agenda points:
 - 6.1 <u>Deputy President Disciplinary Committee</u>
 - 6.1.1 The SRC has a disciplinary committee. Three members are sitting on this committee an executive member and a non-executive member is required. If a member does something or fails to do something it will be taken up by this committee.
 - 6.1.2 Floor is Open
 - 6.1.3 President: Get the exact document stipulating the format. Voting will take place next week rather than this week.
 - 6.1.4 Secretary: Suggestion that we can have the voting process during the camp. President: Hesitant because it might not be enough time, but if the deputy-president is fine with it we can proceed.



6.1.5 Ex-Officio Stuku: If we vote on Friday how will this be conducted? DP: It is in the code of conduct and the procedure as well and this will be shared today and it will be either be conducted by raising a hand or via a paper method. DP: The committee should have been elected in the first SRC Meeting.

6.2 Secretary – Transportation

- 6.2.1 Document was sent out last week and we will vote on it during this meeting. It is with regards to the transportation of student belongings.
- 6.2.2 Societies: How did the company get in contact with us? And should we not open it up for other companies? Are there cheaper alternatives? President: They approached us and other companies have not yet approached us.
- 6.2.3 Ex-Officio Sport: Have no further reference point with their services and cannot refer to it because I cannot contras it to other services.
- 6.2.4 Ex-Officio: Still need to adopt our SRC Advertising Procedure.
- 6.2.5 Discuss the next agenda point 6.3 and then come back to this matter.
- 6.2.6 President: Are they willing to come with a deal that needy students might receive free transportation?
- 6.2.7 Ex-Officio Sport: Suggestion of procedure, can we not only after the criteria have been set come back to them with what we are deciding on this matter?
- 6.2.8 FSS: Not a need to decide on this now. If this is not the case a negotiation will be advisable.
- 6.2.9 Societies: If we do things to benefit students. If it is a student business it will assist those students even though they are not regarded as needy students. We should just exclude backyard companies so to speak but we can benefit these students again in this regard. If a student wants to advertise their business it should also be noted in the criteria.
- 6.2.10 President: do we leave the matter or ask for a negotiation?
- 6.2.11 Treasurer: We do need to establish criteria that will benefit students. If students have a business it should be considered to help these students. We must take all the burdens of all students and help students benefit. We should leave the matter for now until criteria are established but also I the meantime negotiate deals.
- 6.2.12 SF. We should negotiate it now and handle it as soon as possible as the student is returning soon. When negotiating we should have additional benefits.



- 6.2.13 FSS: If we can communicate with them what is on the table if you are willing to talk to us about how you will be able to benefit students.
- 6.2.14 President: Two members will continue to negotiate and during this, we will still work on the criteria. The Ex-Officio Residences will negotiate this. R1: this need to be sorted out before the end of the month.
- 6.3 <u>Media Marketing and Communication Advertising on SRC Social Media</u> Platforms.
- 6.3.1 The UP policy on social media has been sent. There is no legislation governing this matter. We fall under the university and the SRC will not be held liable but the university will be held liable. The Social media Policy state that 5.1.1 Social media post must be university related. 1) Full advertising 2) No Advertising 3) Advertising with a partnership.
- 6.3.2 Open for the Floor
- 6.3.3 DP: Is the FSS agenda point concerning what is being discussed? I however agree with the third options. We limit it to SRC portfolios so that they will work along with the SRC.
- 6.3.4 FSS: The textbook and the social media policy are not related.
- 6.3.5 President: If we only advertise with option 3, what criteria will there be the 'benefit the students' how do we determine our partnership?
- 6.3.6 MMC: We do not have a criterion yet. The reason that it must be on a case to case basis. We should use the guidelines in this regards that we can and cannot allow. It should benefit the students through the SRC.
- 6.3.7 Ex-Officio Stuku: With regards to Donation and Sponsorship there are certain things that we cannot except. We should be careful to use the word partnership and should benefit the students.
- 6.3.8 FSS: Certain brands cannot be advertised. The criteria can allow for what brands can participate. The R 10 of the Varsity Vibe for example will go to the SRC Funds. Our partnership with brands must constitute to help students. Partnerships need to benefit the students. If the partnership does not assist students directly it will not meet the criteria to be in partnership with the SRC.
- 6.3.9 Ex-Officio Sport: There is a necessity for a criteria to avoid the situation we could find ourselves in. This is a suggestion to the MMC task team to ensure we avoid situations where we could partner with the wrong brands. A criterion allows for consistency abroad.



- 6.3.10 SF: More beneficial to work on a case to case basis. A partnership might not be the right reference. We then vote accordingly to ensure its fall under the policy.
- 6.3.11 MMC: The driving school gave free driving lessons to students and the SRC in previous years. Last year it was only given to the SRC. Yet, it was still marketed on the platforms. The criteria guideline will be in such a matter that it does not discriminate.
- 6.3.12 Ex-Officio Stuku: Previously we do not know what the justifications were, therefore. The current SRC should be to put the students first. If they had let say a three-year agreement then it will be binding. But if not we can change it. The criteria will just give us aback to stand on to say you did not require XYZ. The criteria should also be made public that this is known. If we feel the need to change this in the constitution then let's do it. We can use the criteria as a bargaining tool to advance our agenda for students.
- 6.3.13 Ex-Officio Sport: The criteria is for protection to the SRC as well as the office of the MMC. This will also allow for a fair process in the future.
- 6.3.14 President: The MMC task team should in the meanwhile work on criteria.
- 6.3.15 MMC: Draft will be complete in two weeks.
- 6.3.16 Societies: The option should be given to the Office of the MMC. It is not just the drafting of a document but it also leads to amending the CSG. President: For now the MMC must first sit and write the document because it might be possible that it might amend the CSG.

6.3.17 Voting

- Full advertising on SRC Social Media Platform
- No advertising on SRC Platforms
- Advertising on platforms that are in partnership with the SRC MV

Majority vote for advertising on platforms in partnership with the SRC.

- 6.4 Facilities Safety and Security Textbook Drive
- 6.4.1 It is difficult for students to cell textbook because students are not on campus. People looking for books will also not know where to go. Can we not create a # UP Textbooks Initiative. This # will be used by everybody on Twitter for those selling books but also those that want to buy textbooks. On Instagram and Facebook can tag the SRC in their story and the MMC might then reshare those stories.



- 6.4.2 Open for the floor
- 6.4.3 DP: It is also something that the faculty houses can also continue with the # to reach even more students.
- 6.4.4 SF: The law house had a textbook drive in their POA and was regarded as a health risk.
- 6.4.5 Ex Officio Sport: There is a scope for this, SF has a point. However, it can be mitigated in this regards we should get advice first before we make an informed decision.
- 6.4.6 PISA: Are student even still buying textbooks?
- 6.4.7 Ex-Officio Academics 2: It is only a platform that student to get in touch with one another after that it is their responsibility to get to each other. The responsibility is still on the students and the SRC will not be held liable. President: DP confirm if we could be held liable.
- 6.4.8 DP: If we put a disclaimer and mention the SRC is only assisting. When it comes to the selling and delivering of the contract the onus fall under the students. The student must follow the health regulations of the country. The SRC will not be held liable for any breach of contract or negligence of not adhering to the health regulations.
- 6.4.9 President: FSS should draft it on paper take it to legal and see how it could be implemented. Then we take it from there. But we can opt for the # option. After this, we can move forward with it
- 6.4.10 FSS: SF raised an important point. I do not think we will be responsible in any way but we should include covid-19 regulations in the poster. Student needs to make sure that the people they contract with are legit.
- 6.5 <u>Transformation and Student Success Accredited Communes and Private</u>
 Accommodation not accredited
- 6.5.1 If we take the stance that accommodation would be re-accredited and for that application to re-open. This process takes time. We also run the risk that if we refer students to that accommodation with the hope that it will be accredited and then it is not then we sit with a new problem.
- 6.5.2 President: Ask the residences offices to ask Tuksres to reopen the process but then also to make accommodations aware that there is such an application process that they are aware of such accreditation.
- 6.5.3 TSS: Can the MMC Advertise this on social media platforms.



- 6.5.4 MMC: Any advertising should wait until a criterion is set.
- 6.5.5 President: TuksRes should take leadership on this and should they open these applications they should also advertise this and let accommodations know of such decisions.
- 7. Other matters arising:
 - 7.1 None
- 8. Time and date of next meeting:
 - 8.1 Wednesday
- 9. Closing:
 - 9.1 President closes the meeting.
- I, Lerato Ndlovu and Jaco van Jaarsveld, hereby declare that these minutes serve as a true reflection of what transpired during this particular SRC meeting.

Lerato Ndlovu SRC President

Jaco van Jaarsveld SRC Secretary

