Members of the FNAS Student-Staff Consultative Committee (SSCC) 2011

Ms Danielle Whyte (Chair, Teaching and Learning Committee Representative)
Ms Bronte Hodgson (Executive Office, Teaching and Learning Committee Representative)
Ms Kailah Thorn (Treasurer, Woolnough Society Representative)
Mr Nathan Kamman (SNAGS Representative)
Ms Rosalyn Bruce (Zoology Club Representative)
Dr Chunbo Ma (School of Agriculture and Resource Economics)
A/Prof Patrick Finnegan (School of Plant Biology)
Dr Mary Gee (School of Earth and Environment)
Dr Brian Chambers (School of Animal Biology)
Ms Alison Hall (Faculty Administrative Officer (Undergraduate))
Ms Marjan Heibloem (Project Manager)
Dr Brenton Knott (Associate Dean Teaching and Learning, School of Animal Biology)

Student-Staff Consultative Committee Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on 12\textsuperscript{th} April at 1pm in the CLIMA board room.

Minutes

1. Attendance.

Ms Danielle Whyte, Ms Bronte Hodgson, Ms Kailah Thorn, Dr Chunbo Ma, A/Prof Patrick Finnegan, Dr Brian Chambers, Ms Alison Hall, Ms Marjan Heibloem, Dr Brenton Knott.

2. Apologies.

Dr Mary Gee, Mr Nathan Kamman.

3. Declarations of potential conflicts or perceived conflicts of interest.

No declarations.

4. Minutes.

Approval of Minutes held 12.03.2011.

5. Treasurer’s Report.

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6. **Summary of T & L Meeting.**

Meeting held on Friday 8\textsuperscript{th} April.

- Equality for Honours Students across Schools.
  - Honours students do not qualify for extra space under the University.
  - Faculty can provide extra space if they so desire.
  - Suggest a hot desk where students can meet and mingle.
  - Dani to write to Faculty Management Committee on behalf of SSCC indicating our support for a hot desk.

7. **Items/business in progress for noting since previous meeting.**

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**PART I**

ITEMS FOR COMMUNICATION TO BE DEALT WITH EN BLOC.

**PART II**

ITEMS FOR DECISION TO BE DEALT WITH EN BLOC.

**PART III**

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISION

1. **SSCC in 2012**

What does the New Courses and University restructuring mean for the SSCC?

- SNAGS has been approached to merge with the Science Union, they declined, citing the need for an Agriculture identity at the University.
- In 2012, SNAGS will take a position similar to Zoology and Woolnough, with the SSCC providing an umbrella faculty body.
- If Science faculties combine, still suggest we keep clubs separate.
- Natural and Environmental Students are under-represented.
  - Suggest implent their own club.
  - Lack of an environmental hub which reduces community feel.
  - No common rooms available for environmental students.
2. **Zoology Club Room**

An update on the zoology club room.

- Dani and Rosie to approach the Guild President and seek Guild support on the issue.
- Animal Science has moved out of the North Wing with teaching staff now housed in Zoology. This has caused the shortage of office space.
- Limited space in the Zoology building for the students during breaks or before lectures.

3. **Alumni Program**

For 2011, the SSCC will focus on undergraduate students and their concerns, perhaps in later years and emphasis on Alumni can be introduced.

4. **Printing at University**

Concerns have been raised about the environmental cost of our printing systems.

- FNAS printing is more expensive than the Library which is more expensive than UniPrint.
- It is no cheaper to print double-sided than single-sided.
- The actual division of the costs in printing are unclear, toner is expensive.
- Course Readers are a cheaper alternative but they require the lecturers to prepare lectures months in advance which isn’t always practical.
- Adelaide University:
  - Provides all first year science students with an iPad.
  - May be more cost effective throughout a degree.
  - Maintenance concerns are an issue.
  - In Engineering all second years are given laptops (avoid spending money on students who will drop out or change courses after first year).
- Dani to take printing issues to Teaching and Learning.
  - Propose a regular SSCC report at the Teaching and Learning meetings.

**FUTURE MEETING DATES FOR 2011**

The next meeting for 2011: 17th May at 1pm in the Paterson Room.