



MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SYDNEY UNIVERSITY  
POSTGRADUATE REPRESENTATIVE ASSOCIATION HELD AT 6 PM ON Thursday  
11<sup>th</sup> JUNE AT THE SUPRA OFFICES

**Chair:** Rashmi Kumar

**Minutes:** Lian Jenvey

**Present:** Rashmi Kumar, Lian Jenvey, Chihong Choi, Rosemary Whitecross, Nick Irving,  
Jason Judge, Cipi Morgan, Surya Setiyaputra, Nick Wilson

Heidi Claus left at 7.20pm as she was ill

**Apologies:** Sam Greenland, Peter Stephens, Kate Barnsley,

### 1. Acknowledgement of Country

### 2. Minutes

That the minutes of the council meeting 21<sup>st</sup> May be accepted.

Moved Heidi Claus CARRIED

### 3. Office Bearer Reports

a) Presidents:

That the President's report is accepted Moved Nick Irving CARRIED

b) Co-Vice-Presidents

c) Secretary

That the Secretary and Treasurers' reports are accepted

Moved Rosemary Whitecross CARRIED

d) Treasurer

no report submitted

### 4. Equity Officer Reports and Updates

a) Queer Officer

No report submitted

b) Women's Officer

c) International Officer

d) Campaigns and Policy

e) Publications

f) Activities convenor

That all reports submitted are accepted Moved Jason Judge CARRIED

## **5. Indian students**

SUPRA condemns the horrific racism experienced by international students that has been highlighted by the inspiring campaign waged by Indian international students against this racism.

SUPRA condemns the federal and state sanctioned racism and discrimination directed towards international students in the form of the appalling treatment by police towards these students, despicable racist visa regulations and the denial of transport concessions for international students.

SUPRA condemns the attempt by the mainstream media to portray the racism faced by Indian students as “inter ethnic violence” rather than focusing on those institutions and people such as the state and federal ALP governments and the NSW and Victorian police as the perpetrators of this racism. SUPRA acknowledges that racism is a salient issue in Australia and that it needs further acknowledgement by the broader public.

SUPRA expresses its solidarity with the inspiring demonstrations by Indian students against racism. We thank them for taking such a determined and courageous stand.

Moved Lian Jenvey CARRIED

## **6. Staffing**

That Claire Pettigrew’s request for reclassification be accepted

Moved Lian Jenvey CARRIED

That council approve up to four days of casual reception relief and appoints Ann Turner to fill this position Moved Nick Irving CARRIED

That council appoints Nick Irving to the probationary review committee Moved Rosemary Whitecross

That Nick Irving is appointed to the selection panel for admin and publications officer position

Moved Cipi Morgan CARRIED

## **7. End of council dinner**

That council approves a \$30 per head budget for an end of council dinner

Moved Nick Irving CARRIED

## **8. New council induction**

Kate Barnsley is responsible for induction.

## **9. Website**

## **10. Other Business**

i. That SUPRA endorses the June 20<sup>th</sup> demo in support Aboriginal rights and against the NT intervention. SUPRA commits to produce 1500 sheets of leaflets produced on the riso  
Moved Lian Jenvey CARRIED

ii. That SUPRA requests that Katherine Reddington submits a formal written request for funding Moved Nick Irving CARRIED

iii. That all requests for support are delegated to the Management committee Moved Rosemary Whitecross CARRIED