

## AUTSA AGM Agenda

To be held online via Zoom, on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June from 11.30am.

### Items

1. Covid-19 Response and SRC Reports Summary
2. Amend Constitution to reference Rainbow and Wellbeing Officers
3. Implement 2 Vice Presidents for 2021 Elections
4. Appointment of Accommodation Officer(s)
5. Proposal to increase SRC Term to 2yrs

#### 1. Covid-19 Response and SRC Reports Summary

The Student Representative Council shall present to the AGM a summary of the SRC reports, to facilitate discussion of AUTSAs response to Covid-19.

The SRC will be asking the AGM to consider further options, such as an independent review of AUTSAs response to Covid-19, to ensure the organisation can take learnings from the challenges faced to further improve delivery of services to our student body.

#### 2. Rainbow & Wellbeing

The Student Representative Council shall ask the AGM to consider amendment to the AUTSA Constitution to include the Rainbow Officer and Wellbeing Officer in the list of Officer Holders whilst retaining the capacity for AUTSA to add 2 Nominated Portfolio Officers.

This would have the effect of allowing this body, or future AGM, to add new roles to the SRC, without recourse to disestablishing the above roles.

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(c) Up to 9 Office Holders, consisting of:

- (i) a Maori Affairs Officer;
- (ii) a Pasifika Affairs Officer;
- (iii) a Diversity Officer;
- (iv) a Postgraduate Officer
- (v) a Disability Affairs Officer; and
- (vi) A Mature Students' Officer
- (vii) An International Officer
- (viii) up to two other Nominated Portfolio Officers (if any);

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(c) Up to 11 Office Holders, consisting of:

- (i) a Maori Affairs Officer;
- (ii) a Pasifika Affairs Officer;
- (iii) a Diversity Officer;
- (iv) a Postgraduate Officer
- (v) a Disability Affairs Officer; and
- (vi) A Mature Students' Officer
- (vii) An International Officer
- (viii) A Wellbeing Officer
- (ix) A Rainbow Officer
- (x) up to two other Nominated Portfolio Officers (if any)



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### **3. Two Vice Presidents**

AGM 2019 established that AUTSA would implement a 2 Vice Presidents structure for election in 2020, for roles starting in 2021, this AGM is asked to consider the following proposals for implementation in the upcoming SRC Elections.

Proposal 1:

#### Titles and Portfolio

##### **Vice President Academic**

-working with the Faculty Reps, sitting on L&TC, ops connection with, Advocacy, SEM and Class Reps program, etc

##### **Vice President Community**

-working with Officer Portfolios (Maori, Int, Pasifika etc), ops connection with Events, Rec, Clubs

#### Voting Process:

Candidates stand for a specific portfolio. Votes are cast for these candidates in that role, the most votes for each portfolio are successful.

#### Chain of Command

Both VPs report to the President and sit on the Governance Board.

In the event of a vacancy in the role of President, the SRC shall vote to appoint one of the VPs to the role of President.

The SRC shall then elect one of their number to the vacant VP role.

Proposal 2:

#### Titles and Portfolio

Both officers share the title **Vice President**, workload divided between the successful candidates.

#### Voting Process

All candidates are standing for the role of Vice President, with two candidates to be elected. Voter vote for two candidates, the top two candidates are appointed.

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Proposal 3:

### Titles and Portfolio

#### **Vice President**

-full duties and portfolio as per current structure

#### **Deputy Vice President**

-covers a share of the duties and portfolio, at the direction of the Vice President

### Voting Process:

Candidates stand for a specific portfolio. Votes are cast for these candidates in that role, the most votes for each portfolio are successful.

### Chain of Command

The Deputy Vice President reports to the VP. The DVP, is included along with the VP as a member of the Governance Board.

In the event of a vacancy of President, the Vice President becomes Acting-President, the DVC becomes Acting VP, the SRC shall one of their members to become Acting Deputy Vice President.

#### **4. Appointment of Accommodation Officer(s)**

In response to the concerns within student accommodation at ASV and WSA, highlighted by the events during lockdown, the SRC moves that there is need for an Accommodation Officer / Officers, to join the Student Representative Council.

AUTSA also notes, with AUT moving to bring the delivery of student accommodation in-house, there is great opportunity for collaboration and for the Student Representatives to hold AUT to account for the delivery of this service.

#### **5. Proposed Extension of SRC Term to 2years**

The SRC notes from experience this year, and that of previous executives that as a consequence of 1 year terms of the SRC members, the actions and plans can become short-term, to the detriment of the students they represent.

Currently only the AUTSA President is elected for a term of 2 years, this leads to an annual flux, additionally coinciding with O-Week, where the SRC believe we should be in a stronger position to best welcome and transition our new students into university life.

The SRC proposes that future Student Representatives be elected for a term of 2 years. The SRC would like to note, this is being asked for future SRCs not for the current incumbent officers, changes would come into effect for the Term of Officer starting January 2021.