

SRC COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: 11 September 2023 TIME: 18H30 VENUE: RA ROOM

2023.38.01 Welcome & Attendance

-Present

-President: Ms Avuxeni Tyala

-Vice President: Ms Putuma Balintulo

-Secretary-General: Mr Lazarus Kgageng

-Treasurer-General: Mr Varshan Pillay

-Academic: Ms Tshepo Malebana (Arrived late)

-Activism and Transformation: Mr Ibabale Sobekwa

Environmental: Mr James Njoloza

-International Affairs: Ms Tsidzo Hove

-Oppidan: Mr Adrian February

-Postgraduate Affairs: Ms Milisa Mamase (Arrived late)

-Projects Manager: Mr Thabiso Ngubane (Arrived late)

-Residence: Mr Simphiwe Mnyande

-Sports and Societies: Mr Buhle Luthuli

-Student Benefits and Sponsorship: Mr Indiphile Ralo

-Student Development and Support Officer: Mr Eric Ofei (Arrived late)

-Mr Puleng Phihlela- Hall Senior Student of Nelson Mandela Hall

-Rinae Galani

-Hlengiwe Majola

-Nontle Sigenu

-Tumiso Maseng

-Abongile Bambiso

-Esethu Seholoba

-Asanda Kubeka

Absent

-Community Engagement: Mr Lihle Manene

-Media: Ms Nqobile Makamu

2023.38.02 Leave of Absences

-Community Engagement: Mr Lihle Manene

-Media: Ms Nqobile Makamu

2023.38.03 Confirmation of Minutes

-The previous minutes were confirmed with amendments. Mr Environmental confirmed the minutes, and Ms International Affairs seconded the confirmation.

2023.38.04 Declaration of Conflict

-There was no conflict declared.

2023.38.05 Special Items

2023.38.5.1 Donation Drive

-Ms President presented and elucidated the aims of the Drive to the Oppidan Committee. The present Oppidan Committee said they would revert to the Council after they have met and discussed with the rest of the Committee.

-There was a suggestion to draw up a Google document in order for students to fill in the items they needed.

2023.38.5.2 Zakes Bantwini

-It was stated that the SRC Hall Reps would revert to the SRC by Wednesday regarding halls having their food packed and eaten at Drostdy Lawns.

-Mr Kubeka informed the Council that the Societies liked the idea, but some said they would not have food to supply on the 25th and were already having events on the 24th of September. The societies requested time to revert to their committees.

-Everyone performing should know by Thursday.

-The ambulances will be emailed by tomorrow.

-It was noted that the bouncers needed to be paid by the SRC, and a minimum of 8 bouncers was needed.

-Mr Sports and Societies (hereinafter Mr Sports) would send out communication to the student body to invite them to be marshalls for the event. If a few students come up, the SRC will approach its sub-structures.

-Mr Sports was put to be part of the security delegates.

-On the day, the students would get in using student cards.

-Mr Residence was put in the catering delegates, and he would meet with the Director of Residence Operations and the Food Services staff and propose to them to have a mass braai.

-Mr Student Benefits and Sponsorships (hereinafter Mr SBS) would visit the sponsor to get a response from them.

-Mr Treasurer-General informed the Council that Steers is trying to procure braai stands, so their presence depends on them getting the braai stands.

-There was a suggestion to tell the sponsors what they must bring exactly so that they don't all bring the same thing.

-Mr Treasurer-General and Mr Phihlela were put on the sound delegation. Mr Phihlela apprised the Council that the Liquor Board was willing to hire out sound to the SRC.

-Ms Postgraduate Affairs (hereinafter Ms PGA) informed the Council that Mr Elijah needed the specifications of the sound the SRC needs so that he could provide a quote.

-A statement would be released informing the student body that Zakes Bantwini is coming and the other event partners are coming.

-The Council noted that all posters must go through Zakes's manager.

-Ms PGA would approach Mr Lonwabo Sandi to have his choir perform at the event.

-The senior common room was booked as a holding room. The alternative venue for the event would be Great Hall.

-Mr Phihlela, Mr SBS, and Mr Treasurer-General were put in the Sponsorship delegation.

-Mr Oppidan was tasked with connecting the SRC with the Oppidan Entertainment representative by tomorrow.

-2023.38.5.3 Societies Appeal

-Mr Seholoba appealed before the Council to have his society activated.

-The Council voted to have the society remain inactive, and Mr Sports and Societies will communicate the outcome of the appeal to Mr Seholoba.

2023.38.06 Matters Arising

-2023.38.6.1 Africa Ball

-The Council voted not to continue with Africa Ball due to time constraints, and they came up with an alternative to have a celebration after the Zakes event.

-Ms International Affairs would speak with the Western African society to propose if they could collaborate with their event.

-2023.38.6.2 SRC Funding Fair

-There were 3 confirmed companies so far.

-Mr Secretary-General would draft a standard letter, and then each delegated Councillor would personalise the letter for their company. Mr Secretary-General will put the letter in the SRC WhatsApp group by tonight.

-The Council agreed to wait until Friday to evaluate if they should continue with the event, depending on them receiving at least 10 positive responses.

-The event would take place on the 29th of September.

-Delegations:

- Mr SBS, Ms PGA, and Ms Vice President would get the list of companies from DCA and Mr Sakhe.
- Mr Residence, Mr Treasurer-General, and Mr Secretary-General were in charge of follow-ups.
- -Mr Activism and Transformation, Mr Oppidan, and Mr Environment were put in charge of looking into public sector entities.
- Ms President, Ms International Affairs, Mr Projects Manager, and Ms Academics were going to follow up with the VC and DVC.
- Ms Academic and Ms PGA were put to engage with the Deans and DSSD.
- Ms Academic, Mr Sports, and Mr Projects Manager were tasked with delegating the Departments to each Councillor.
- Mr Community Engagement was tasked with liaising with RUC.
- Mr Sports will draw up the floor plan and also go to RMR.
- Ms Media was tasked with speaking to the people at BOMB production.

-2023.38.6.3 Commercialisation of Research

-Ms PGA informed the Council that the DVC agreed to pay for accommodation and tokens.

-Ms PGA is still waiting for Prof. Tshidi to get back to her.

-Ms President will speak to the DSSD.

-Ms PGA has until Friday to have something concrete.

2023.38.07 Male Res

-Mr Residence informed the Council that the students don't support the change and have drawn a petition.

2023.38.08 Springbok Friday

-Mr Sports came up with the idea that the student body wear the Springbok shirt or green colours for the duration of the World Cup.

-Ms President circulated the document.

-The students will be invited to an imbizo so that they can engage.

2023.38.09 Exam preparation

-Ms Academic would draw up a document of ideas to keep students motivated during the exam season. Ms Vice President will communicate the due date for the document.

-Ms Media would do motivational videos for exams, and Mr SBS would distribute chocolates.

2023.38.10 Hindu/Halaal meals

-Mr Residence would raise the issue of the meals in his meeting with Dr Pillay.

2023.38.11 Writing Retreat

-It was communicated to the Council that they would have a writing retreat whereby they spend the time studying while fulfilling their office hours.

-Ms President will put up a poll for the Council to vote on the dates for the retreat.

2023.38.12 Honorary members report on societies

-The Council was asked to be present and engage in the events they attend.

-The Council was tasked with contacting their society's Chairperson to get reports from them.

-If a Councillor does not get communication from their honorary societies, they have to escalate the matter.

-The Council was told that if they cannot attend their society's event, they must get another Councillor to go on their behalf.

-The Council have to alert Mr Sports by Wednesday 23h59 if their societies have not engaged with them.

2023.38.13 Student Development and Support Officer

-Mr Ofei advised the Council to discuss and think of creative ways to implement Mr Sports's Springbok Friday idea.

-The Council was told to read documents carefully and ensure the correct information is on the document.

-The deductions would be hectic until December.

-Mr Ofei will request three documents after exams: a handover report to successors, the Councillor's year report, and a report which evaluates a Councillor's year in office.

-When Councillors take leave, they need to email Mr Ofei and cc Secretary-General.

-Mr Secretary-General has until the end of the week to have the electricals sorted out.

2023.38.14 Housekeeping

-The Council has to wear their purple golfers on Saturday.

2023.38.16 Other Matters for the Agenda

World clean-up day

-The cleanup will be happening this Saturday.

-The cleanup is a day event, and the student body is invited to partake.

-A statement will be sent out, and Mr Residence will send it to Hall Admins to circulate.

-Mr Treasurer-General stated that he needs quotes by Wednesday if items need to be bought.

-Mr Environment will set a time for the event.

-The Council adopted the event.

Oppidan Committee

-Mr Oppidan was asked to bridge the SRC and the Oppidan Committee.

2023.39.17 Date for Next Meeting

-The Chair adjourned the meeting.

-The date for the next meeting will be confirmed, and the venue will be the RA Room.