

Summary: Campaigns, Georgia Mischefski-Gray

The biggest news is that we will be disposable cup free by the end of the year. I am so excited. The university has agreed to roll out disposable cups, three cafes at a time. The first being Te Matiti, Staff club and St. David's on the 15th of July. The next 6 will follow later to be all phased out by the end of the year.

We are also establishing a mug library, which will be ready for 15th of July and should be a permanent fixture in the university. There will be giveaways happening when it comes out and prizes so get amongst.

Enviro-week is also happening on 15th to 21st of July. We have organised a range of activities, volunteering, composting, movie night, lecture talks and much more. This has taken a bit of work, but is also due to the fabulous help of different environment groups.

I have also began regularly meeting with the sustainability department in the university to bring a student viewpoint, offer my help where possible and bring an extra sense of accountability. This has been very beneficial as we now have a working relationship with them which is positive. We are able to make suggestions and hear first-hand what the university is/isn't doing for sustainability.

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PART ONE: EXECUTIVE OFFICER POSITION DESCRIPTION DUTIES

14.1 Be responsible for ensuring the execution of the publications, campaigns and initiatives OUSA undertakes.

Campaigns I have been working on are Enviro-week. Which is shaping up nicely. I have also been working with the sustainability department of Otago University to remove disposable cups from cafes. This will be happening three cafes at a time. The Well-being campaign launched with the university and has had great feedback. Lastly, I am in the beginning phases of Te Reo Maori language week. I have helped with School strike for climate and our own LBE campaign.

14.2 Where reasonably required, assist the Colleges Portfolio Executive Officer with their duties.

I have not yet needed to assist the colleges officer where possible but we talk regularly and I will be available to help when needed.

14.3 Be a member of appropriate internal committees of the Association, including, but not limited to:

14.3.1 Welfare Committee;

I have attended all the meetings I was able to attend.

14.3.2 Colleges Committee;

I have not yet attended a meeting but will do so next semester.

14.3.3 Education Committee.

I have attended all the education committee meetings.

14.4 Support all Executive Officers in the running of campaigns and initiatives, ensuring they are executed in line with the Association's Strategic Plan and objectives, and that the student body are informed of these events.

I have talked to most of the executive members regarding campaigns they are planning. I have helped where possible for campaigns being run. I have expressed support and will help as things come up.

14.5 Liaise weekly with the Chairs of all OUSA committees to ascertain the campaigns and initiatives directives from those committees, and act on those directives where possible.

I have been liaising weekly with the chairs of education, welcom and colleges. I know what is happening with campaigns that are being run. I have helped and act on those directives where possible.

14.6 Maintain a good working relationship with the manager of OUSA Events, proactively seeking opportunities to tie their events in with campaigns and initiatives.

I have a good working relationship with Manager of the OUSA events as well as others in the events team. We are going to look at being more sustainable within events next semester.

14.7 Maintain a good working relationship with the Administrative Vice President, proactively bringing issues relevant to campaigns and initiatives to their attention, and where reasonable, meet with them on a weekly basis.

I have met with Pou every week to discuss relevant campaigns happening and other initiatives.

14.8 Maintain a good working relationship with the Managers of the Student Support Unit, the Recreation Unit, the Communications Unit, the Events Unit and Planet Media Dunedin Limited, and where reasonable liaise with them on a weekly basis.

I have an excellent working relationship with all these departments and have met with most of them around my enviro-campaign or other activities.

14.9 Act as the reference point for Executive and staff for all issues relating to OUSA campaigns and initiatives.

It is very difficult to act as a point of reference for all campaigns and initiatives as we have so many being run. I offer my support where possible and always provide my advice if asked.

14.10 Be responsible for adequate representation of Executive Officers at OUSA campaigns, initiatives and events.

I have attended most of the OUSA campaigns, initiatives and events where possible.

14.11 Where practical, work not less than ten hours per week

I have worked 10 hours a week, usually working over. During the first week of exams I was unable to work at all as I prioritised my study.

PART TWO: GENERAL DUTIES OF ALL EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Where reasonable, all Executive Officers are expected to assist as volunteers for OUSA events and functions, including, but not limited to:

3.1.1 Assisting at the OUSA Tent City marquee and other activities during Summer School, Orientation and Re-Orientation;

Not applicable

3.1.2 At an individual Executive Officer's discretion, be a safety contact during Orientation, Re-Orientation and other OUSA events throughout the year;

3.1.3 Collecting for the capping charity; and

Not applicable

3.1.4 Assisting with elections and referenda where appropriate, including but not limited to advertising the election and collecting votes.

I have helped in the referenda booth, collecting votes and have been helping with the barbeques for the LBE elections.

3.2 Where reasonable, all Executive Officers are to be available for Executive meetings, national conferences, national and local campaigns, Executive training sessions and Executive planning sessions.

I have attended all executive meetings, training and planning sessions, where possible.

3.3 All Executive Officers with control of budget lines, or who have been allocated a budget line, shall maintain detailed budgets and not exceed their budgeted expenditure.

I have not, to the best of my knowledge spent any of my budget.

3.4 All Executive Officers, where possible, shall maintain regular, publicised office hours, and are expected to regularly check and respond to all correspondence received.

My office hour is Wednesday 10am to 11am. I also check my emails at least twice a day and always respond as soon as possible.

3.5 All Executive Officers shall every quarter undertake five hours of voluntary service which contributes to the local community.

Other than OUSA, I am involved in SEA and OSSHC which involves doing work in those areas. I exceed 5 hours of extra work with these groups each quarter.

PART THREE: ATTENDANCE AND INVOLVEMENT IN OUSA AND UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

I sit on the National Women's Council: we have met a couple of times and it is a great group of inspirational women.

I meet and talk to sustainability representatives from DCC, Keep Dunedin Beautiful and DOC on a regular basis, connecting initiatives.

I meet and talk to Jesikah from the sustainability department every two weeks to discuss sustainability initiatives.

PART FIVE: GENERAL

The second half of the semester was just as hectic as the first. I have continued to put my campaigns and focus into environment based initiatives.

My year has evolved to now be lobbying and organising the roll out of disposable coffee cups. Which we will see the first three go on the 15th of July from Staff club, Te Matiti and St. David's.

Unfortunately I was working with Laurence at Clubs and societies on the development of a sustainability programme and he left for the job at events. The new staff member, I have introduced myself and talked to but will pick the programme development up later. I have however, successfully helped facilitate a foraging workshop which starts in July. We wish to build on this to make more workshops and courses.

I have also started planning and organising OUSA going green for the day. Currently we will either be going to Shmaill's beach releasing trees or sewing fruit bags which will be free to students.

Goals

- Successful enviro-week
- Successful mug library and disposable cup roll out
- Continue working alongside TRM for Te Reo Maori week.
- Lobby to have no plastics within the Union and catering company
- Make OUSA a more sustainable business within the daily happenings
- OUSA goes green for the day

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