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Tumuaki Tuarua/ Acting Tumuaki

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PART ONE: EXECUTIVE OFFICER POSITION DESCRIPTION DUTIES

1.1 Ensure Te Roopū operates in accordance with this constitution;

We have currently been operating consistent with the constitution in preparation for our Hui Motuhake (SGM) and the procedural due diligence required pertaining to the Bi-Election aspect of our Hui Motuhake.

1.2 Act as Māngai for Te Roopū at local, regional and national levels;

Like the rest of the Te Rito executive I was involved in the running of the process of the first year pōhiri with them coming back and being introduced and acquainted with the Te Rōpū Māori building and everything that we offer for all of māori students. I've been acting as a māngai for Te Rōpū Māori in my capacity as a tutor and helping with little projects that allow me to talk to people about Te Rōpū Māori and all of the things that we do. I am in the process of organising being a part of the board for discussion and conducting cultural due diligence for the University's new proposed identity.

1.3 Represent Te Roopū as a delegate at Te Mana Akonga Hui;

I have met with the Tumuaki a few times along with meeting at our first official hui as kaiārahi (guiders). We as an exec put our hand up to host as it was our time in the rotation to host a hui down here. The Tumuaki of Te Mana Ākonga and I have met a couple of times to discuss barriers that hinder Māori students in advocate positions to advocate for students with the right policy documents and requisite knowledge to be empowered to advocate confidently and competently for student voices here at university. Our main



focus in this regard has been finding policy and legislation that can aid us in advocating for students

1.4 Set policies with the Tumuaki Tuarua regarding matters of business, activities and all operations of Te Roopū consistent with section 8 of the constitution;

Right now I am acting Tumuaki and making best efforts to front the role of both the tumuaki and the tumuaki tuarua (Vice President.) There have been no new policies set so far,

1.5 Carry out any duty that from time to time, may be defined by Te Rito and/or all operations of Te Roopū;

I have organised for Te Rito to get their First aid workplace safety qualification for safety reasons and it is a fundamental requirement for when we run our events

I have worked to formulate a strong relationship with Te Huka Mātauraka (The Māori Centre) I have met and still meet with Michelle Taiaroa, Tumuaki of Te Huka Mātauraka and are working to solidify the terms of our MOU and plan to meet as an exec with Te Huka Mātauraka to further solidify the relationship.

I have also met with Karin Fraser and everyone from the Office of Māori Development (OMD) I was originally set to meet with Tuari Pōtiki, Director of OMD, and undergo a review of our MOU but he fell ill and we are yet to do this.

I have also met with Debbie Downs (Chief Executive Officer of OUSA) to discuss potential initiatives around providing forms of assistance to the affected whānau in the areas of the north Island that have been flooded. We also discussed initiatives on how we can co-run events or co-distribute and contribute to the food from the food banks.

I have met with Quintin Jane (President of OUSA) and opted to solidify the MOU between us and the relationship in General. I could not make the first meeting but I attended the second meeting which served as a platform to report the things that Te Rōpū Māori has done to date and to reconvene with Hone Paul and the Tuakiritaka project. Quintin and myself examined our MOU and made a couple of changes to it to allow more flexibility



and advocacy opportunities. We are due to sign the altered MOU by the end of the week we have met multiple times with previous tumuaki of Te Rōpū Māori to get insight on what the role entails and the constraints that we have in our decision making capacity.

I have met with Elisepa Taukolo (President of UOPISA) and had a discussion about different plans going forward this year for both Tē Rōpū Māori and UOPISA. We have organised a meet and greet to take place and are in the process of coming up with a way to co-host an event in re-orientation week. The discussion is ongoing

Elisepa and myself are in the process with Imogen of organising to meet and have productive discussion about cultural awareness and what it looks like in our space and in practice.

We are in the process of organising a date, a time and a place for our SGM (Special General Meeting) to run our bi-election

1.6 Be an ex-officio member of the OUSA executive, and is responsible for Te Roopū Māori adherence to the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with OUSA;

Quintin and I have sat down and rehashed the terms of the MOU and will sign it by the end of the 17th of March

1.7 Each semester, submit at least (2) report to OUSA in accordance with the OUSA Constitution;

This is the first of two reports to be submitted through to OUSA for this semester.

1.7 Sit on any University committees appointed alongside OUSA;

We are currently going through the list of committees available to be filled by members across different spaces. This ties into the broader discussion of ensuring dual advocacy across the board for students. We encountered a barrier with capacity in being able to achieve this from our end due to not having a full executive and having a busy executive.

1.8 Sit on the OUSA Blue and Gold's Committee;



I enquired with Donna Jones (Secretary of OUSA) about being appointed onto the blue and Gold's committee and we are still awaiting the formation of the committee this year and will be appointed to it as soon as we know about when it is reformed for the year.

1.9 Will maintain a good working relationship with Te Huka Mātauraka and the University, and will be responsible for the adherence to the MoU with the Te Huka Mātauraka and the Office of Māori Development;

As mentioned above in 1.6 Te Rōpū Māori and Te Huka Mātauraka have rehashed the terms of the MOU. Te Rōpū Māori and Te Huka Mātauraka worked together on a couple of events. We worked together for the first year pōhiri and acquainting the first year students with Te Huka Mātauraka and Te Rōpū Māori. We also co-ran an event during O-Week that brought students to join in the festivities and celebration of Kai Māori. We have also had a good working relationship with OMD with seeking help from them with our processes and planning to do kapa haka at the scholarships dinner as Te Rōpū Māori in an event alongside OMD. Tuari Pōtiki has been busy and ill as of late, so we have not had time to review and renew our MOU.

1.10 Chair all Hui a Te Rito, and ensure that Tikanga Māori is upheld during these Hui;

I chair all Hui a Te Rito. I ensure to the best of my ability that everyone's voice is heard and that there is a space for everyone to voice their concerns and ideas for whatever we have going on at the time, whilst staying on course with what we need to address.

1.11 Support the Tuarua with Te Haerenga organisation and Komiti formation;

N/A for this quarter. We are yet to appoint a proper Tumuaiki

Where practical will work no less than 15 hours per week, with a minimum of 5 hours designated to 'Office Hours'

I have designated my office hours for Fridays and do work concurrently with where I am studying as well as having Hui a Te Rito

1.12 Be a mandatory signatory for the Te Roopū bank account



We are working on appointing a tumuaki so that we can have a mandatory signatory and we have just appointed our treasurer. This is an ongoing process.

1.13 Attendance at Te Huinga Taurira is compulsory unless there are extenuating circumstances that are approved through a vote in a Te Rito Hui.

I Intend on attending Te Huinga Taurira. I am part of the organising committee.

PART TWO: GENERAL DUTIES OF ALL EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

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

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

I have been talking to Debbie about organising co-run events and doing work surrounding the food banks. Te Rōpū Māori had their own tent at tent city so I was with them.

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

N/A as Te Rōpū Māori run our own events during the year.

2.1.3 Collecting for the capping charity; and

N/A



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

N/A at this time

2.2 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.

During the year we will take reasonable steps in light of the prioritisation, we will take all reasonable steps to make ourselves available for these things. We have alumni from previous rōpū conducting training for us in a rōpū Māori context.

2.3 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.

N/A with my position

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

These are made known within Te Rōpū Māori's sphere, but distinct from OUSA

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

I have volunteered time to assisting with strengthening the Karanga in Kāi Tahu at Wānanga as a kaikōrero which takes the better end of days

I have assisted with Te Huka Mātauraka with helping out with the recruiting process of tutors for the tutoring service that they offer

PART THREE: ATTENDANCE AND INVOLVEMENT IN OUSA AND UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

OUSA Ex-officio Member: As indicated above

Blue and Gold's when it starts up



More committees to be confirmed

PART FOUR: PROGRESS ON GOALS

Te Rōpū Māori constitutional objectives

To abide by all principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi

In light of the passing of the Education and Training Act 2020 under s 9 (1) c the focus now is more on Te Tiriti o Waitangi as opposed to the principles in the tertiary space

To support and encourage education and wellbeing for Māori students enrolled at the University of Otago and to provide a safe environment for Māori students to prosper

One of our big missions this year is to hold and operate a space that students can treat as a second home regardless of what part of their Journey they are on as a student and as a Māori

We have begun consultation with Te Huka Mātauraka on making some adjustments to the whare such as installing a heat pump/ air con in the main common room of Te Rōpū Māori to aid students in staying warm and cool in Dunedin's notorious climate.

We have also asked Te Huka Mātauraka to get a shed storage shed so we can free up one of the rooms to become another study space for students as opposed to a storage room

We always try to keep our cupboards full with kai and our foot traffic with students has been healthy.

We have started discussions and been giving input on the tuakiritaka project and are advocating for the discussion to be had and actions to be made internally with the support structures around te ao Māori and te reo Māori that would reflect the status of the proposed identity change and would match the status in which te reo Māori is held in the new proposed logo.

To liaise with the broader Māori Community at local, regional and national level.



We have been engaging at the local level with providing assistance with their wānanga karanga (a workshop environment that focuses on karanga, a traditional calling ritual during pōhiri that is kāi Tahu specific for those women in this area that are from Kāi Tahu)

We are engaging this week in funding a regional event called Te Kura Reo ki Te Wai Pounamu (a 3 day total immersion hui that has people coming from The south Island to be immersed in Te Reo Māori and learn under some of the best teachers in the country of te reo Māori. We are funding registration for our students that would like to take part in that kaupapa (event)

At a national level, we have been asked to run a kaupapa called Hui Kaiārahi (a kaupapa that all of the presidents and vice presidents of the different Māori student organisations from around the country all meet up and report to each other on what the current state of affairs are in their own region and university.) We are in the process of organising that and facilitating that kaupapa.