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PREFACE

The Auckland University Students' Association (AUSA) is constitutionally required to produce an annual report for its members. This is the second report that has been produced in the last 15 years. This report is required to deal with the activities of the association for the previous year.

This is only one reporting mechanism the Executive Committee is required to do. The Executive members were also required to do annual plans, first and second semester reports, annual reports and transition documents. If all of these things are completed the Executive is entitled to receive a \$250 bonus for each semester. This is a token payment for the service and hard work that they do for the Association. As a student organization we are rich in volunteers, doing larger things with the small amount of money that we do have. Other student associations in New Zealand have different models where their executives are paid weekly. However our model at Auckland has fostered a good culture and a strong sense of duty and empowerment.

The President receives honorarium for 40 hours per week. The Administrative Vice-President, Education Vice-President, Treasurer, and Maori Students' Officer receive an honorarium for 20 hours per week. Portfolio positions do not receive honoraria.

In summary, this document should be common practice that happens as standard practice for the Executive. Leaving behind a clear record of the events that happened will allow current and future members and fuller picture of what has happened. Having better informed members produces better decisions. Leaving behind a legacy should be something that each person aspires to.

Always yours,

Daniel Haines
2013 PRESIDENT
27 March 2013

AUSA EXECUTIVE 2012



Back Row: Daniel William (Grafton Representative), Victor Yim (Sports Officer), Max Lin (National Affairs Officer), Ryan Abbott BA/BSc (Student Forum Chair), Nataniela Amota-Ali (co-Pacific Island Students' Officer), Nurain Jana (International Students Officer)

Front Row: Darien Peace (Office Manager), Daniel Haines (Administration Vice President), Arena Williams (President) Bowen Liu (Treasurer), Antonia Verstappen BHSc(Hons) (Tamaki Representative)

Absent: Cate Bell (Media Officer), Kit Haines (Clubs and Societies Officer), Hemanth Nair (Cultural Affairs Officer), Martin Graham (International Affairs Officer), Kelsey Carter (Welfare Officer), Angela Smith (Womens Rights Officer), Jia Lou (Womens Rights Officer), Thomas Dykes (Craccum Editor), Sam Bookman (Education Vice President), Hikurangi Jackson (co-Maori Student Officer), Pania Newton (co-Maori Student Officer), Jana Epati (co-Pacific Island Students' Officer), Levi Joule (Queer Rights Officer)

OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENT - ARENA WILLIAMS

2012 was a difficult year for students' association around the country. With the implementation of the National Government's Voluntary Student Membership Act, many associations survived by dramatically cutting their budget for services to students and signing on to funding deals with their respective institutions, for better or for worse.

AUSA was no exception. It was a tough year. We entered into a new funding arrangement with the University's student facing service division, Campus Life. This involved the ceding of around 20% of the total student union space on the City Campus, in exchange for a lump sum payment for urgent debt servicing and restructuring costs, and a guaranteed funding stream for 20 years. With the benefit of hindsight, I truly believe this was the best solution for the financial problems facing AUSA but I feel deeply disappointed with the ultimate result.

One of my goals on starting my term was to improve the relationship between AUSA and the University. I still believe that the University of Auckland strives to offer its students a positive experience outside of classes and for the most part, achieves a healthy campus culture. However, in taking an open approach to working together, with students alongside administrators, AUSA has suffered losses of property students worked to build up over a century and has been forced out of the provision of student services that have grown up organically out of a lively student body.

I admire the members of my Executive who continue to serve the student body in 2013. They are dedicated to fighting for the very best student experience possible at the University of Auckland. The 2012 Executive were as committed to the cause as all before them, but the passion with which they debated the important issues was unmatched. I thank each and every one of them for their hard work, especially those who constantly tested my ideas and made us a stronger team.

Kia maia,

Arena Williams
President

ADMINISTRATIVE VICE PRESIDENT - DANIEL HAINES

I'm incredibly proud of the executive this year. Things have been difficult beyond all of our expectations, the workload and the issues that have come up this year were things that none of us could have anticipated. It is easy for student politicians who are only elected for a one year term to ignore the issues. As the life-cycle between one executive to the next is so short leaving unfinished work for the next executive is commonplace. This year's executive identified the issues and set about trying to remedy the weaker parts of the organisation to make AUSA stronger.

In a voluntary student membership environment (VSM) having a large asset base to support AUSA is invaluable. UBS and the Property Trust are well performing assets that regularly return a dividend to AUSA. Without these the service agreement we signed with the University would not be adequate to cover our expenses.

The liquidation of Bacchid, the AUSA catering empire is one of the most significant things that happened in 2012. Navigating the politics on all fronts was an extremely difficult process. The AUSA staff, students, activist groups, the Bacchid board, the executive and finally the university was all major stakeholders, getting a solution which pleased everyone was impossible. I believe we got the best result out of a bad situation. The stakes were high, and we could have lost half the student union building (all the area under the commercial lease) if we had got it wrong. AUSA was threatened with insolvency, Bacchid was insolvent, there was no services agreement with the University, and finally that we had breached the commercial lease and would lose half the student union building, all of these factors created a high pressure environment.

AUSA has continued to operate as a service provider despite substantially reduced income. Without attempting to place blame, there have been continuous deficits set by previous executives which resulted in a situation where AUSA was forecast to surpass its overdraft limit. This resulted in the Property Trust having to make an extra ordinary dividend of \$150,000 to pay down the debt. AUSA in future needs to be more financially responsible. Taking on more debt without a plan would be incredibly reckless.

I can only wish that we left the Association in a better position that we did when we started. Although much has been deconstructed this year, next year will be a unique opportunity to rebuild the Association.

EDUCATION VICE PRESIDENT - SAM BOOKMAN

2012 was an incredibly challenging year for AUSA. Serious questions about the strategic direction and fiscal future of the association often distracted from questions of substance and education issues. Much of the Education Vice-President role was tangled in these ongoing discussions and negotiations alluded to in the President, AVP and Treasurer reports. However, some important developments were made in the EVP portfolio.

Committees of Senate

Senate

- Student representation was key in Senate's decision to discontinue its policy of allowing masters' supervisors to act as examiners. Thanks are due to Antonia Verstappen on this issue.
- Student representatives were particularly vocal on many issues in 2012, a trend that will hopefully remain true in the future.

Student/Vice-Chancellor Consultative Committee

- This committee – which had been in a state of stasis for several years – was combined with the Student Affairs Committee to form the Student Consultative Committee. It is hoped that this will allow for meaningful discussion of student issues.

Education/Teaching and Learning Quality Committee

- I participated in a number of policy-forming working groups. This allowed for considerable student input into the University's new group work policy and various discipline statutes.

Equity

- The Equity Office continues to be a beacon of hope for UoA students. Progress was made on this committee in relation to LGBTI and refugee students.

International students

- Presentations were made early in the year regarding shortfalls in the University's care of international students. Positive changes were made on the University's part, including a new "drop-in" apartment system for postgraduate families. There is still plenty of work to do on this issue.

Sector issues

- The EVP office supported action against the 2012 budget, which contained more bad news for students. AUSA had a visible media presence in all major news outlets.
- AUSA lodged a formal complaint with the Human Rights Commission in relation to the government's cutting of funding for recent migrants.

Welfare Trust

- A platform was laid for future fundraising that will support students into the future. A slate of excellent trustees, as well as a trust deed, have been prepared and will hopefully flourish in 2013.

Alternative Calendar

- A platform was similarly laid for the return of the "Alternative Calendar" in 2013. This will be a comprehensive review of all General Education courses across the University.

AUSA Advocacy

- This goes from strength to strength. AUSA is blessed with extraordinary staff ad systems in this department.
- A new class representative policy was drafted by the EVP and AUSA Advocacy and approved by TLQC.

MATES

- Is an excellent programme that was left homeless by the University. AUSA is now proud to be its host institution.

TREASURER - BOWEN LIU

It was a pleasure to be the Treasurer of the Auckland University Students' Association in 2012, and it was very rewarding to have worked with such an excellent group of people.

I particularly enjoyed working with the clubs on campus and also performing the financial reviews for each club. We hosted a few club treasurer training seminars that were quite well received by the clubs.

We initiated and completed the migration of our accounting systems to Xero. We believed that the new system would improve our financial reporting significantly, and improve the communication between our finance team and the executive.

It was very pleasing to have completed our 2010 and 2011 financial statement audits, with the finance team putting in a lot of work. We have set up new procedures so that our financial audits are completed more promptly in the future.

Throughout the year, the executive performed a review of the association and its subsidiary businesses. With the aim to strengthen the association, we engaged external consultants to give an independent opinion of our operations and structure. There were some large structural changes to the association this year, and we hope that in the long run it would put the association in a stronger position to do what it does best: serve the student community.

PORTFOLIOS

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES OFFICERS - KIT HAINES

At the start of 2012 I set out several key goals to achieve. As I came into the job I soon found out that there were many issues around grants applications and changes within AUSA. Most of my year was spent liaising between clubs, the AUSA clubs managers and the grants panel. There were many concerns around changes to the grants process and the way in which this would affect clubs. 2012 was a developmental year of change and I feel that subsequent clarification of this change to clubs was not adequate.

Key Aims

- To successfully run a Club Presidents Lunch.
- To change and update the Clubs Notice Boards.
- To hold four Clubs Presidents Forums throughout the year.
- To create a culture of interconnectivity between clubs.
- To have a key input in the running of the ball. (Clubs Awards)
- To increase clubs media profile on Campus.
- To provide input as to the workings of the grants panel.
- To provide any other service to help clubs where possible.

Clubs Presidents Lunch - This was an absolute success and we had a large number of clubs show up. This was a great chance for club presidents and executives to network with one another. This set the tone for the rest of the year

Clubs Notice Board - This was a successful project and it is a shame that the noticeboards have now been worn down by weather and discolouring. It is my belief that clubs need several forms of advertising and will continue to look into these avenues in 2013

Clubs Presidents Forums - Throughout the year we held 4 CPF's. Each had a different tone and discussed different key issues. Despite one hiccup around the changing of time, I believe these ran successfully, my only hesitation being that no formal change came out from several of these meetings but they still served a key purpose as they help clarify information and inform clubs as to grants applications and other key issues

Interconnectivity - This was a theme I was keen on in 2011 as I was elected to this position. I was keen to see clubs on Campus interacting more with one another during O Week and throughout the year. O Week in 2012 was a successful manifestation of this as we saw clubs coming together to work on initiatives such as The O Week Scavenger Hunt. Relationships between sporting and cultural clubs I felt really flourished. It is cool to see a continuation of this at some level in 2013 with relationships forming between clubs such as Stage 2 and Classoc.

Clubs Ball - I was involved heavily in the Ball Committee and running of the ball. I was also involved in the decision making around Clubs Awards

To increase clubs media profile - This was something we had planned to do but something that I feel didn't really get going.

We had the idea for a clubs noticeboard in Craccum as well as using other forms of media such as Facebook. I have lots planned for this goal in 2013, looking into using Craccum and Youtube more effectively.

Provide input to the Grants Panel - Many of the clubs were dissatisfied with the changes to the Clubs Grants Panel. Unfortunately, due to not being on the panel, it was very hard to have a direct effect on decisions made.

To provide other services relevant to clubs.....;)

Conclusion: While there were many aspects to 2012 that were positive and fruitful, most of our executives' time was taken up dealing with Campus Life and transitional changes within AUSA. I achieved several key goals but as far as I am concerned my job is unfinished and I hope that in 2013 to continue with the task ahead.....#brighterfuture. Keep it sexy.

Love Kit

CULTURAL AFFAIRS OFFICER - HEMANTH NAIR

Hemanth Nair did not complete a report

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS OFFICERS - ADEEL MALIK

Over the course of 2012 AUSA's precarious financial position led to large chunks of the organization being lost and the role it plays/played within student life to be forever diminished.

The silver lining was that there was still a student union.

If the student union is to be relevant within the university it needs to take on its primary role which is welfare and advocacy. The problems students face can be understood by other students in a way other members of society can't. Hence staying away from issues that have little to no impact on students i.e. asset sales.

The other thing is to always work together and not think of others (campus life) as 'evil'. It is important to realise where other people's motivations lie and to do that you have to think of them as rational actors.

Lastly AUSA needs to organise more things like politics week 2012. The turnout to events was very high and during that week it felt like we were a student organization and not just some wannabe kids sitting in our cubicals. The mistake I feel that is often made during themed weeks is that they are too serious with too many workshops teaching people useful skills that they don't want. If you're organising a week it needs to be fun for the "average" university student.

Kia maia.

GRAFTON REPRESENTATIVE - DANIEL WILLIAM

Introduction: The continuation of the position of Grafton Rep shows the willingness of AUSA to support Grafton students, even though it has always seemed like Grafton students have never really been willing to support AUSA. It also shows that AUSA is striving to rely less on AUMSA, the Grafton FMHS faculty association, as a proxy for contact with Grafton students and get down to the roots of the campus; to work with the other students' associations present at Grafton to help provide better support for all the associations and more students.

Reciprocal support from Grafton students may have only increased slightly but since this is really the first year we've had a constitutionally-mandated Grafton Students' Executive, which is comprised of representatives from the main Grafton student groups but I feel that with time AUSA can establish a strong base of support at Grafton.

Thanks to the support of the faculty, this was also the first year AUSA has had a proper office on-campus (NB: the previous office was a glorified storage closet) meaning we could provide coverage for AUSA Advocacy. This was also the first year that Grafton has had a budget to work with.

Annual Goals

- Increase AUSA sign-ups during Freshers' Week/O-Week
- Appraise Grafton students of:
 - AUSA services on Grafton campus
 - AUSA services and events off-campus
- Consistent and effective communications with other Grafton student associations
- Lay groundwork for a solution to travel woes between Grafton and City campus
- Tend to seeds sown by previous Grafton Reps

On the AUSA Executive I intend to be deeply engaged with Executive activities, events and the crucial agenda despite the handicap of being based at another campus. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Active involvement during AUSA meetings
- Attendance of AUSA events
- Building strong ties with other AUSA executive members, Grafton leaders, Grafton students and Grafton staff members.

Semester One

AUSA sign-ups: Sign-ups at Grafton exceeded recruitment from previous years. This also only counted students who joined at Grafton and didn't include Grafton students who signed up at City campus. This hopefully correlates to a greater interest in AUSA affairs.

Liaising with members of the Grafton Students' Executive: Before Semester One began I made provisions to individually meet with presidents of the student associations on Grafton campus to start developing that strong relationship as previously stated in my goals. During these one-on-one meetings we also talked about the state of each association, plans for the year and ways that AUSA could assist.

I also worked with the Optometry department to find a representative for Optometry students to sit on the Grafton Student Executive, which I hope will lead to an establishment of an Optometry students' association.

Grafton Students' Executive: The GSE met several times during the semester and discussed ideas to carry out during the semester. One of the problems at Grafton that we identified was that there isn't really a 'Grafton student life'. Students from different programmes rarely have opportunity to socialise. The idea was that a temporary Grafton student bar could be established to run every few weeks to promote inter-programme socialising, an intra-Faculty sports competition and events in the Grafton Quad to bring students together.

Obviously the rationale behind this is that, since Grafton students are far superior to all other UoA students, any offspring as a result of such 'socialising' would be the building blocks of a race of super-humans to lead the way to a new world order. Or something along those lines.

Semester Two

Re-O-Week BBQ: After suggestions from the GSE, AUSA took point on a BBQ for Grafton students celebrating/commiserating the return to Uni. This was also the first event that all the Grafton student associations worked on. I figured that if we couldn't run a BBQ then running an intra-faculty sports competition was probably asking too much. The results of the BBQ were more than satisfying, with roughly \$250 raised from the BBQ being donated to Ronald McDonald House Charity.

Grafton Inter-Campus Transport Survey: After a lot of thought and consultation the survey was released, via CECIL, to Grafton students. With over 600 responses the information is still being processed and a report is to be released by the end of 2012.

Grafton Events Calendar: During another GSE meeting we identified something we called the 'dilution of the student association' caused by lack of communications between groups holding events resulting in doubling-up of events and often poor turnout to one event which is often demoralising and financially disastrous. This led to the establishment of the Grafton Events Calendar, a large noticeboard in student commons where all students can see what is happening over the following few months.

Deferred Goals

Intra-faculty sports competition: Unfortunately by the time I gathered people to organise the sports competition it was too late in the year to hold the event without treading on the toes of other events and crucial assessments. I sincerely apologise for my failure to carry out this goal.

Conclusion: Without a shadow of doubt the successful integration of AUSA into the Grafton student heart and psyche depends on our continued involvement with the student associations already on campus. Without their help we will have a very hard time promoting AUSA services and events on campus, even services such as Advocacy and Welfare, and may face an uphill battle if student associations feel threatened by the AUSA pres-

ence. However, if we manage to develop an intimate relationship with their constituents I feel that bigger and better things will come from the campus on the hill.

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS OFFICERS - MARTIN GRAHAM

Martin Graham did not complete a report

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' OFFICER - NURAIN AYESHA JANAH

Introduction/Overview

Main goals for the year in this portfolio were as follows:

- Find out major welfare concerns, issues and/or problems that exist for International Students studying at AU and look into how and what can be done by University and AUSA to address them
- Improve accuracy and accessibility (i.e. understanding and availability) to information given to international students before they arrive in Auckland, and work towards filling any gaps in these
- Foster and encourage an ethos of cultural understanding and acceptance of diversity among University staff
- Ensure availability of support services in a manner relevant to International Students' needs / concerns and increase awareness of these services
- Establish a strong, relevant voice for tertiary International Students not only at Auckland University, but also throughout New Zealand (umbrella policy for all other policies)
- Promote integration of International Students into the University community and prevent isolation / segregation
- Reduce detriment to acclimatisation of International Students to living in Auckland caused by lack of access of 'insider/local knowledge'
- Support bridging the communication divides between AUSA and International Office plus related bodies, and work together to achieve goals
- Look into potential government and/or University policies to lobby that can benefit International Student welfare
- Work with other members of Policy Administration Sub-Committee to review relevant AUSA policies to report back to exec and potentially establish new ones that exec may adopt / need

Semester One

International Students' Committee: An inaugural International Students' Committee meeting, with invitations to any students interested in International Student issues was held; included volunteers from the AUSA Volunteer Network, iSpace mates, and international student-centric clubs on campus. Meeting had a reasonable turn-out with 10 students, and proposed idea for the Committee to transition eventually into an "International Students' Association" had buy in from all attendees.

The idea behind the International Students' Association is to provide an advocacy platform where international students are able to come together and voice their concerns and issues in

an independent platform, especially given apprehension of international students to approach support services immediately. The structure of this would be more similar to Nga Taura Maori (NTM) or Pacific Island Students Association (PISA) rather than a club structure.

Office Hours: Office hours were held weekly at iSpace, Level 4, Kate Edgar Building with kind invitation to do so from the iSpace staff. Hours were advertised in the ISO column in Craccum, however had low turnout.

The space was challenging for this due to students frequenting the space and lack of privacy.

Clubs & ISO Portfolio: Gotten in touch with the vast variety of international student-rich clubs on campus, with a special focus on the 'National Student Association' (e.g. Union of Malaysian Students Association). This was done with a view to find out more about how members from the various clubs would be able to mingle with the other clubs, so that they get to experience the multiculturalism that is New Zealand on campus; as well as to find out whether the executives of these clubs were aware of the various support services available to international students. Conversations were had with club executives and members on why international students are sometimes reluctant to approach support services and what we could do to minimise this apprehension.

Submission to SRVC on international students, with the help of EVP, MO and WO: A paper was submitted to the SRVC outlining challenges for international students under four broad categories; living costs, accommodation, pastoral care and medical insurance. This was well received and further feedback from international students was requested in order for the International Office to take steps to address these challenges.

Working with Faculty Associations: Got in contact with the Faculty Associations to chat about how they could provide for international student welfare as well as what kind of role they could have in establishing an International Students' Association.

iSpace and the Mates programme: Involved with volunteering as an iSpace mate throughout the semester; found that the programme asks volunteers to be more involved with setting up events rather than interacting with new international students. Chatted to staff about both the iSpace mates and Buddy programmes for new international students that do not seem to help much in integrating students into the University/New Zealand community and how this might be made more effective.

International Office: Had a meeting with the International Vice Chancellor, International Student Advisor Rebecca Walkinton, with EVP and MO.

Policy Administrative Committee: Taking up role of Committee chair, working with AVP to check what policies need to be written / reviewed.

Semester Two

Office Hours: Had more visitors to office hours this semester

than last; using AUSA space was more effective due to lack of privacy at iSpace. Students visiting office hours needed to be pointed out to the right support services or just have a chat about getting more involved with other activities on campus (e.g. clubs, AUSA, etc.)

Clubs & ISO Portfolio: Continuation of conversation with clubs from last semester, in addition to ensuring club executives had knowledge of available support and advocacy services (International Office and AUSA) for international students in case one of their members approached them for information

Working with Faculty Associations: Got contacted back from the Medical Students Association (AUMSA), and chatted about establishing a role in the association for an International Students Representative so that issues such as being based away from support services (from City Campus) could be combatted for the large amount of international students in this faculty.

AUSA & International Office / iSpace: Ensuring that there is presence of AUSA activities in the iSpace newsletters as well as flyers around campus go on the noticeboards at iSpace.

Policy Administrative Committee: Policy meetings held on agenda items arising from Executive Meeting discussions – policies were completed with Quality Assurance Reviews and presented to Executive for passing.

Concluding Remarks

As my annual goals were very broad, what I set out to achieve in this portfolio was to begin work on each of these areas by the end of my term, so that the next ISO would have some ground-work to continue the portfolio on. I have enjoyed serving as the ISO, and have endeavoured to meet international students from all sorts of backgrounds – from long term students to exchange and that belong to the incredible number of National Student Association clubs on campus.

Recommendations

- It is important to continue the various relationships established in this term; including relationships with international student-rich clubs, Faculty Associations, iSpace/International Office
- The submission to SRVC was well-received, which is a prompt for the next ISO to look more into these areas and work to find out what the University can do to improve these areas for international students
- Holding open office hours are extremely important for the ISO portfolio as this gives accessibility for all of those students that the portfolio represents to get their voice heard, or tell their concerns to a peer and know more about AUSA Executive
- Continue to hold International Students' Committee meeting – publicising this to international student-rich clubs and through other platforms (e.g. iSpace newsletter) as I believe these meetings help foster the togetherness of international students on campus

MEDIA OFFICERS - CATE BELL

Introduction/Overview

The Media Officer is responsible for overseeing and assisting with AUSA's publications and media. Additionally, they chair both the Craccum Administration Board (CAB) and the Media Complaints Tribunal (MCT). CAB are tasked with overseeing the administration needs of Craccum as they are independent of the AUSA Executive and the board keeps an eye on staff/editors involved in its production. MCT is a tribunal tasked with hearing complaints about Craccum content and deciding the appropriate outcome for upheld complaints. Both CAB and MCT have particular AUSA exec and staff positions automatically on them, the editor/s of Craccum and student representatives elected by student forum.

Historically, the Media Officer hasn't been utilized in assisting the officers particularly the President with press releases and other media. However this was not the case in 2012. President Williams prioritized consistency among our press releases and dealing with the media and offered a new inclusive collaborative approach between President (spokesperson for AUSA) and the Media Officer which resulted in an increase in media coverage and also a consistency for AUSA in the public eye.

Annual Goals:

- To raise national awareness and attention to matters which affect AUckland University students through media avenues.
- Close gap of awareness between what AUSA does and what majority of students are aware AUSA does.
- Run a successful O-Week Magazine that is both educating and entertaining.
- Assist clubs with the promotion and media advice of their clubs.
- Create, implement and generate a strong following for AUS-ATV.
- Ensure that all policies relating to media, publications and branding are up to date.
- Ensure adequate media attention is directed to any AUSA event or stunt.
- Ensure that AUSA Executive utilise the four pages allocated for the Exec each week in Craccum are filled and entertaining.
- Build the AUSA visual image and brand on campus.
- Increase participation on AUSA media outlets online by students.
- Increase AUSA awareness on the satellite campuses.

2012

2012 was an interesting year to be the AUSA Media Officer. I've outlined some of the major things I was involved with and faced throughout this year below.

MCT/CAB: It was a busy year for both the tribunal and the board. The Media Complaints Tribunal met four times and the Craccum Administration Board met three times throughout the year.

Craccum SGM: In 2012, 20 or so students called for a Special General Meeting, in line with AUSA's constitution. The students gathered a petition and gave it to AUSA calling for a motion of

no confidence in the editor of Craccum, Thomas Dykes on the grounds that the magazine was overtly political and non representative of the student body.

In the chance that Dykes would be rolled, CAB made preliminary grounds for a meeting following the SGM to appoint an interim editor. The SGM was held on Thursday 26th April and Dykes kept his job. The motion failed as 83 voted for his removal compared to the 144 who voted against. Students last exercised their right to remove the Craccum editor 1989 and this year, it attracted quite considerable media attention.

AUSATV: In a new initiative this year, AUSA set up its' own youtube channel called AUSATV. The most popular video created in 2012 was the video which interviewed both sides of the Craccum SGM saga and offered a neutral platform for interested students to hear both sides. The following on AUSATV and the view rates of the individual video increased significantly after this video came out. AUSA Executive granted the media team money to buy a hard drive to store all raw and extra footage that the computers couldn't store and cameras were borrowed from friends of the executive to allow us to film. Other videos made included a short O-Week video, birthdays video , a recording of the Marriage Equality Debate and a Kimbra advertisement video.

AUSA Social Network Outlets: The following and student interaction on these outlets such as our Facebook and Twitter increased greatly over the year. They also increased significantly everytime AUSA sent out a press release about one of the many contentious issues it faced throughout the year. It's another way to reach students and needs to be updated regularly with interesting material. The hardest part of this was the rogue pages that popped up in other areas of AUSA that weren't inline with the media policy or consistent with our Facebook page. As a result, I suggest that next year the media officer cleans up these pages or simply intergrates them completely with the AUSA one under different tabs.

AUSA Club Advertising: This year, I produced a 'Happening's on Campus' clubs event page in Craccum every week after negotiating this with Dykes. It allowed clubs to email in short blurbs of their upcoming events ready to be published the week of their event. It was great to work with clubs and they seemed really happy with this initiative. Additionally, I offered them my help however I could by running photoshop/design workshops with their executive member in charge of publications and offering media contacts such as cheap printing companies and sticker/membership card manufacturers.

Concluding Remarks

2012 was a tough year for AUSA, its' staff and executive with three SGMs called, a public heated student forum censure of Arena's trip to Israel, an attempted rolling of a Craccum editor, a new agreement with the University and the crumbling of Bacchid. It was an honor to serve alongside most of the executive this year. President Williams showed incredible leadership despite an attempted assassination from within her own political party. (I'm only half kidding..) The majority of the executive got along really well and this showed in their incredible ability to work together to produce results. The Media Officer role can be as rel-

evant or irrelevant as the media officer and the President make it. I would urge Presidents to take on assistance with media preparation and press releases in conjunction with the media officer instead of attempting to control everything alone. Splitting the work makes it easier, allows for further development of each individual and ultimately ensures higher quality press and media work from AUSA, benefiting the association greatly. Also make friends with the press, I updated my list of key press contacts for 2012 and made friends with sympathetic journalists to AUSA who I would give the press releases a few hours earlier then they were sent out meaning they would feel valued and important as their job was being made easier and we would get some value out of it.

President Williams, I can't wait to see what you do in the future. Thank you for everything you taught me and for fostering me over the last two odd years. I admire you. See you for the 51st New Zealand Parliament election Saturday 6th December 2014.

And to President Haines, Congratulations! Students had every confidence in your undoubtable abilities. No-one would have been a better choice for President, you are going to do great things and I cannot wait to work with you next year.

Best of luck for next year Velida- I'm sure you'll do great things for AUSA Media.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS OFFICER - MAX LIN

Overview: The role of the National Affairs Officer can be consolidated into two functions, firstly to stimulate interest and accessibility of politics to students, and secondly to advocate for students on relevant issues. Despite the vacancy of the position in the first semester of 2012, I feel this Portfolio has had a great year. The greatest highlight of the year was Politics Week held in the first week of October, with preparation extending as far back as August (and July for some speakers). Overall, Politics Week has had more publicity and a wider spectrum of involvement, and I personally look forward to future executives building on the reputation of the week. Student advocacy occurred on a university and committee level, submitting recommendations on the Teaching Excellence Awards and reviewing the changes to the English Requirements for university entrance. In the future it would be helpful to give incoming executives organisational and committee training, as I found that I had to learn from scratch how to organise an event or how to effectively be a student advocate which were both not without any challenges. I want to thank the 2012 AUSA executive who gave me pointers and assistance, and was a pleasure to work with.

Work: The bulk of the work has been completed in Semester Two. It should be noted that Politics Week was a series of over twenty events. Many of these events attracted university or NGO endorsements and media attention (Ranging from TV3, Amnesty, GayNZ, Red Cross NZ etc.). This included the Marriage Equality Debate which was the only public debate between Colin Craig and Louisa Wall MP which packed out the largest lecture theatre in the Library Basement with an over-flow room, and the Mini Back Benches with Wallace Chapman in Shadows Bar with Jacinda Ardern, Tracey Martin, Simon O'Connor and Denise

Roche. Another key event was the Pussy Riot protest where students signed petitions and letters against the imprisonment of Pussy Riot to the Russian Ambassador.

The success of these events was due to the extensive feedback and surveying of a cross-section of students, and using a range of media in order to stimulate interest in the average student at university. The week also would not have been successful if not for the great work of numerous clubs on campus.

Furthermore, relationships have been built between clubs within the university and a plethora of NGOs outside of the university, which should be continued into the future. As the National Affairs Officer I did not want to discriminate along party lines when it came to organising events, instead I wanted issues to be raised and discussed. The face-to-face meeting between clubs and the online facebook group has largely contributed to this success, however the onus will always be on the National Affairs Officer to follow up and leverage the unique and valuable contributions of these groups. This has given AUSA brand recognition.

Finally, while not strictly within the role of the National Affairs Officer, it may be useful to assign various committee or advocacy work to the Portfolio, which sufficient training. Sitting on the Occupational Health and Safety Committee (and filling in in others) this year has been a great way to contribute to changes in the university.

Recommendations

I recommend that:

- Committee work only be assigned to the National Affairs Officer if this is within his area of expertise, and with some coaching;
- There is always going to be a tension between advocating for students and the have a diverse student body. The National Affairs officer should seek to make Politics accessible to all students and engaging the average student;
- The National Affairs Officer should not alienate students and must make politics accessible and interesting for students, even those who disagree with their views; although this is difficult with things such as the endorsement of protests;
- Branding and media is important, the National Affairs Officer should continue with politics week; this should include a Back Benches, and as many stalls as possible, and debates on contemporary issues;
- Consulting speakers and booking venues should sometimes take place over 3 months in advance;
- Relationships have been built between National NGOs and clubs, many of which I believe now have either brand recognition or operate on good faith terms between AUSA, these should be built upon; many of which look forward to working with AUSA in the future;
- Guidance should be given to the incoming National Affairs Officer, or the outgoing exec should be available for help;
- In the future, instead of squeezing twenty events in a week, it may be better to spread some throughout the year; and help should be sought from other executive members as well. This was difficult this year given the vast majority of my term was in only in one semester due to the bi-election.

Concluding Remarks

2012 has largely been successful, at least in terms of re-establishing the networks and reach of the position and brand awareness amongst students. I have had an amazing time and again I want to thank the 2012 AUSA executive and officers for what they have taught me this year.

SPORTS OFFICER - VICTOR YIM

Introduction/Overview: This role entailed a lot of advocacy for sports clubs and raising awareness. Sporting events should be left to the university to organise based on efficiency. In order to stay in the loop on the university and national level, one had to be rather active in finding out information from the officers and networking with the relevant people. I tried to advocate for a cross-campus (City and Tamaki campuses) gym membership, but due to the lack of replies and the incompatibility of prices across the separate gyms it was not carried forward.

Work done in 2012: To be honest, not much specifically sporting was done or really needed to be done (I could have been more active). The university brought in more inter-faculty sporting competitions for different sports. I did organise a talk by Ken Craig from Kompass Health Associates on sporting injuries. This was well received by the people who went to it.

Concluding Remarks: This job is not very full on, so make yourself available to help other portfolios and staff members – there needs to be an improved relationship between the staff and the executives.

Recommendations

- Organise events that are fun and related to sports e.g. pub quiz after tertiary challenge.
- Advise on the university about their sporting competitions; be the voice of clubs to the university.
- Organise screening of important sporting games in the quad.

STUDENT FORUM CHAIR - RYAN ABBOTT

Overview: The Student Forum Chair (SFC) is responsible for the conducting of weekly meetings in the AUSA Quad of the Student Union Building. At these meetings general association business is discussed, motions put forward and voted upon, and student clubs are affiliated. In my understanding the Student Forum Chair should provide a safe, productive space where student opinions can be heard and no intimidation allowed. SFC should not favour one side of any issue, leave personal political leanings outside of meetings, and let the votes speak for themselves.

The SFC relies on their secretaries to help keep minutes and help with various activities relating to organising and carrying out the Student Forum (SF). Harry (Samuel) Iceland (Ireland) was the secretary and “deputy” for the first few meetings. However after several weeks he lost interest, and therefore fails. Cate Bell took over as temporary secretary and did a fantastic job of keeping minutes. In second semester there was no secretary for Student Forum chair for various reasons. Antonia Verstappen, Dan William and Sam Bookman all helped keep minutes for var-

ious meetings.

The executive voted for providing funds to Bacchid Benevolence Ltd, which I voted against due to my legal and ethical understanding of the situation at that time. Actions taken (and not taken) by previous executive members put AUSA in a precarious position, politically, legally and financially. The actions surrounding Bacchid, the Student Union Building and our relationship with the University made “operating as normal” difficult this year. Usually the SFC might bring up important issues directly from executive meetings, this year I was uncertain what could or could not be disclosed in public and at SF.

Semester 1: Student forums were held most weeks during normal semester time with only one forum not reaching quorum. Advertisements for the Student Forum were posted in Craccum and popular AUSA related facebook groups, pages and people. iTunes gift cards were given out along with other random items like stationary. There were several token competitions to get people involved. The AUSA budget lines were amalgamated, with finances stretched, resulting in Student Forum having a budget less than half that of previous years, and then cut towards the end of semester 2. Therefore coca cola was purchased for \$0.43-0.85/per can in bulk and distributed henceforth at SF (AUSA reimbursed most purchases). The majority of clubs affiliated in semester 1. There were few motions and general business discussed at Student Forum in semester 1. The affiliation of a pro life club resulted in a good debate and large attendance. I made a verbal apology to the Women’s Rights Officers for not ejecting several pro life members for behaving in a perceived threatening manor during this debate.

Semester 2: Student Forums were held every week, with several forums affiliating clubs, the remainder were opened for business and then closed without motions put forward, or did not reach quorum. The most popular SF of Semester 2 was regarding the AUSA Presidents controversial visit to the occupied territories of Palestine (Israel), guided by Israeli officials. This was a heated and interesting debate leading to important motions regarding to visits to countries which are seen as controversial. This is available online in video. Surprisingly there was no business at SF relating to the financial situation and negotiations with the University.

However I attended several talks with students regarding these issues and also informed several clubs of the situation. This took up a significant portion of my time.

Critique: There were to be SFs at Tamaki and Grafton Campuses, however these never came to fruition. This would have involved coordination between the faculty associations and the two Campus representatives.

There was to be a projector set up so that people could see the speakers better and potentially more people would be interested in SFs and S/A GMs. There was no consensus on logistics, the placement of the projector and its intended purpose.

There was to be much more “free sh!t”. I had two companies lined up which did not result in them providing what they said they could. I emailed and rang several companies throughout

semester 1. Later in semester two I spoke to several companies which could provide products for next year. I should have dedicated more time to obtaining free giveaways.

The Craccum deadline is the deadline, I missed it several times.

I tended to judge the affiliation of clubs as non contentious. Some critiqued my lack of highlighting potential contentious issues. I hold strong views on many contentious issues which would lead to potential conflict of interest; therefore it was best for me to let the members’ voice opposition to my judgments of neutrality.

Recommendations for 2013:

- The SFC should avoid enrolling in classes held on the day of the SF.
- The SFC must have a reliable secretary.
- The SFC must have a budget line before March 2013. This is necessary for all planning and procurement.
- The SFC must have a lockable office for their sole use or at minimum a lockable storage space for stock within their shared office.
- The SFC must learn the standing orders and the history of motions in exec and SF. Ask the president and other senior members for interpretation of motions and standing orders if in doubt. Don’t be afraid to use standing orders to retain order.
- The SFC should proliferate advertising for the SF on Social Media, AUSA notice boards and in Craccum.
- Co-promote with bFM. Integrate some sort of gig guide, free tickets etc into SF. Get some air time on bFm. Use up and coming bands and performers to liven up the quad.
- Ring and email as many companies you can for free stuff students will enjoy/need. Start early and never stop.
- The SFC should be seen as the medium between the AUSA exec and Students. Exec should therefore respect the position and provide the SFC with what they need to get students involved.
- There should be SFs at Tamaki and Grafton Campus. The faculty associations and the satellite campuses have budgets and incentive to put on awesome SFs. It will just take organisation.
- The SFC should again be a two person role. The SF and related activities are too important and time consuming for one person.
- SFC should prepare agendas of future meetings when possible and post them in Craccum, Social Media and notice boards.
- Previous SFCs have driven the themes and topics of SFs. I

made a conscious decision not to drive the topics of SF to that degree, and allow for the growing student movement to step up for themselves. I'm not sure which is best, therefore speak to previous SFs.

- SF should be recorded by the Media Officer or a staff member. SF is a public forum, and therefore it should be recorded for those who missed any meeting and to draw interest. People scared of being filmed have few legitimate reasons for being so.

QUEER RIGHTS OFFICER - LEVI JOULE

The position of Queer Rights Officer is a new one and it has been a privilege to have been elected in the May by election to this role. Given the role has not been well defined, it has been my job to establish the position and I am thankful that I will have one more year in 2013 to continue to do so.

LBGTI Equity advisory group: The University of Auckland is in the process of working through a LBGTI equity policy as well as establishing staff and students rainbow group. I have been an active member of this group and we are making very good progress on creating a more safe and inclusive environment on campus that is supportive of diversity as well as working on strategies to deal with discrimination and raising awareness of the rainbow community with both staff and students.

Marriage Equality campaign: In September this year, Louisa Wall's Marriage (Definition of Marriage) Amendment private members bill was drawn and came up for debate. As AUSA's queer rights officer, I campaigned around campus informing students of the issue and the need to complete a submission

In addition to raising awareness of the issue on campus, I made a written submission on behalf of AUSA in support of the bill. I will follow this up in 2013, appearing at the select committee and making a oral submission on the bill.

While also getting the chance to be part of a campaign to change NZ's Marriage laws which are currently discriminatory it has also allowed me to raise awareness in general of discrimination LBGT students still face and why there is a significant need for a Queer Rights Officer on the AUSA executive.

Queer Space: A significant focus needs to be given to the creation of a queer space on campus for LBGTI and questioning students to have a safe space and the chance to form a community. In July 2012, a motion was passed by the AUSA executive to support the creation of a queer space, all that is now needed is the space to be finalised and to begin to fill the space. Queer space will be a major focus for the Queer Rights Officer in 2013 as it is absolutely vital to the creation of a community of campus.

Increasing Visibility: Raising visibility of the LBGT community as been something I have been focused on, in October, in conjunction with the Faculty of Arts First year experience program, we ran a Queer Quad event which was designed to raise visibility of the community. We are hoping to carry events like this on throughout 2013. I have also been committed to ensuring that

a profile of AUSA and the Queer Rights Officer has been established in LBGT media such as gaynz and Express magazine, in order to make it known to the wider community that AUSA is committed to ensuring the needs to our queer students are being met.

More effective sexual health promotion: In 2012, I started to lay the ground work for a sexual health awareness campaign/group. 2013 will be on promotion of sexual health issues, with a focus on queer sexual health and issues such as HIV/AIDS which is still shockingly high for young gay and bisexual males. While sexual health promotion will have a focus on queer students, it will not be exclusive to queer students only.

Counselling services with a focus on queer issues: Since coming into the role, I have been in discussions with First Year Experience in the Arts Faculty, as well as Student Health over how to better cater for students who are in the coming out process. Discussions are ongoing, but it has been agreed that there needs to be more resources and attention paid to this area.

From May – December 2012, the position of Queer Rights Officer has been well established and ground work for 2013 has been laid in continuing to make the long overdue gains that have needed to have been made for queer students on campus. I look forward to continuing on with the role in the year ahead.

TAMAKI REPRESENTATIVE- ANTONIA VERSTAPPEN

Introduction/Overview: 2012 has been a rollercoaster of a year for the 2012 executive, with much of the year taken up by internal distractions; this has left much of the executive with a limited scope in which to undertake their roles. Despite this, the Tamaki Students Association has had a largely successful year. Early challenges with elected executive members (elected October 2011) lapsing in first semester was a challenge, and meant that much of the work of the association was left to second semester. This meant that the large events the TSA has built a reputation for since 2010 were difficult to plan ahead for, and left the 2012 executive putting on a range of smaller, more frequent events instead. A highlight of 2012 was the Tamaki VIP Pre-Ball before the AUSA Ball, which was well attended by over 100 Tamaki students, as well as the range of Tamaki students who came out to take advantage of free TSA BBQs throughout the year. The 2012 TSA executive members who stayed on through to December 2012 were an absolute pleasure to work with, and I thank all of them for their hard work.

Semester One: Semester one was a tumultuous time, with a very large chunk of AUSA (and thesis!) time taken up with various internal struggles. This combined with a largely lapsed executive meant that unfortunately semester one was not as productive as first planned. Planning work in first semester to organize the election of a new executive was rewarded however, with a good group of hardworking members elected. Much of this semester was taken up with planning work for a fresh start in semester two, and with fire-fighting within the association.

Sitting on many University Committees in 2012 meant that this

semester was also dedicated to putting work in to these. Senate was particularly good this semester, with the AUSA student representative team working hard with Professorial members of Senate to work on issues such as Master's thesis examination changes. Our work here was well regarded by fellow Senators. I also took over from Evan Blumgart on Human Participant Ethics Committee at the start of first semester which has a considerable workload, and so much time this semester was put into training and learning the ropes of this very important (and rewarding!) service committee.

Semester Two: With a new executive elected, this semester was much more productive and saw the TSA putting on a large range of events and becoming involved more heavily in advocacy and representation on campus with new changes flagged by the Vice-Chancellor and Council about the future of the campus, and the move to a potential Newmarket site – a lot of media was involved with these new changes, as well as talking and meeting with both Tamaki staff and students. Second semester was defined by this announcement, and prompted some lengthy discussion and hard work on where the TSA should look to go over the next 5-7 years, and whether planned and organised constitutional changes are going to be necessary due to this impending move. Large scale changes were not advised from this work from the executive. Instead, entrenching the TSAs place within the current University organizational structures working towards the move was the recommended course of action.

The bulk of the TSAs events occurred in second semester, which were largely successful. As well as the aforementioned pre-ball, a popular occurrence was free BBQs put on in the 730 quad, which proved to be a popular and cheap way of providing both a service to students and having the opportunity to get out and about talking to students about current issues, with some good feedback received.

Finally, second semester was also filled with extra AUSA executive duties, such as playing a large role in organising the 2012 AUSA ball. Through the Wonder Glass took up a lot of planning time, however was a huge success due to the hard work from the events and clubs managers Bianca and Chanelle. A large student-initiated SGM at the end of the year also took up much time discussing changes to AUSA as an organisation with students, and attending consultation meetings.

For a more complete overview, please refer to my 2012 semester one and two portfolio reports.

Recommendations: From the experience of spending three active years on the AUSA executive, re-starting the Tamaki Students' Association, and sitting on a range of eight separate university committees, I recommend the following:

1. The Tamaki Campus is going to go through significant change in the next 5-7 years. To ensure credibility throughout this process, students will benefit more from stability than from change. While initially the plan was a large overhaul of the Tamaki Students' Association, this will ultimately be an obsolete process. I recommend that the Association remains as is, with the admittedly unworkable constitution in place. At most, only minor changes should be made, with the core

structures (composition, means of election, goals, etc) left intact.

2. The position of the Tamaki Representative on the AUSA executive is a very large one. Not only is the representative required to play an active role on the executive and be involved in AUSA executive activities, it also requires running a separate students' association with its own staff member, executive, office space, and responsibilities. Also being the one student representative from a campus often means sitting on several university committees, further adding to the workload. This large, multifaceted role if done correctly is incredibly time consuming, arguably more so than many other portfolio positions, and eats up a large portion of study and work time to the detriment of the education of the student involved. I therefore recommend that the Tamaki Representative position, like the Women's Rights Officer position, be granted an exemption from the prohibition on co-portfolio officers, and be able to run as a co. This would allow, as it did Chanelle Lim and I in 2011, the ability to split the workload of what should otherwise be two stand-alone significant positions.

3. It is recommended that the financial procedures be clarified for future Tamaki Representatives. Until 2012, TSA expenditure was not required to be voted on by the AUSA executive, however this was suggested by the 2012 AUSA executive officers who were unable to clarify the financial procedures. In clarifying these procedures, it would greatly assist the running of the association if the TSA executive alone, with the approval of the TSA President. This would be in line with the current financial procedures of equivalent bodies such as ETTSA, and in line with previous measures.

4. Significant and momentous change was in the hands of the 2012 AUSA executive, which arguably were the biggest changes in the associations 120 year history. From the start, the executive was more concerned with keeping the information about these large-scale changes secret than it was consulting with its membership base. While all organizations need their secrets, it would do future AUSA executives well to carefully consider the extent to which it keeps information from its members. I recommend that, rather than what proved to be the current approach, executives actively engage with and consult members to the extent of holding referenda or Special General Meetings where this is deemed appropriate, rather than shying away from this kind of consultation and accountability. The actions of the 2012 student body demonstrated that students are capable of participating in mature debate on issues of importance to their association, and are keen to do so when provided the opportunity. The executive would do well to recognise and act upon this.

5. This year, the executive spent a disproportionate amount of time discussing the actions of students that it disagreed with the actions of, and disciplining such students where an alternate solution may have mediated the situation more appropriately. In future, I recommend that, rather than acting as judge and jury, the executive seeks to work more productively with students who are actively interested in the executives

actions, and seek to mediate with rather than punish those who executive members do not “like” or agree with. This may also go some way to alleviating the issue of student engagement with the association, which has significantly dwindled in recent years.

6. I recommend that quarterly reporting structures, not enforced this year, need to be put back in place. The often sporadic reporting that occurred this year left members of the executive unaccountable to those who elected them, and may have resulted in some portfolio members under-performing or not performing at all in their elected roles. At the very least, it masked some of the underlying issues of certain portfolios not pulling their weight and not undertaking their designated tasks. More thorough reporting in future would at the very least help to identify this, and make the executive more accountable to students.

7. The 2012 executive was not a united one. When cracks and rifts appeared these were not sufficiently managed by the executive officers. Incidents of bullying and harassment were left to be handled by staff members, or simply ignored altogether. This was not only highly disappointing, but thoroughly inadequate and extremely dangerous. It resulted in horrific and repeated episodes of harassment which no person, let alone executive member, should ever be subject to. These escalating issues within the executive left us deeply divided at a point where a united executive would have greatly assisted in dealing with the contentious items at hand. In future, it is recommended that a policy or policies be put in place concerning dealing with issues among AUSA executive members, as the newly enacted bullying and harassment policy has proved inadequate for dealing with these events within the executive.

8. Finally, I recommend that in future, issues like the ones that have come up this year are handled sufficiently so that there is less confusion and disruption for the portfolio members. 2012 has been an incredibly disruptive and destructive year, with very significant amounts of time being put in by portfolio members, at the detriment to other aspects of their jobs on the executive (to the extent that some portfolio members did not meet any of the requirements of their position). In future, and while portfolio members have appreciated receiving large portions of available information, if large issues such as these are to crop up, tighter management would reduce time wastage.

Concluding Remarks: AUSA has been an integral part of the university landscape, and I have been immensely privileged to serve under a number of administrations in the fulfilling that legacy. I have relished the opportunity to work alongside many who have shared that vision, the chance to serve students, and friends made. This has been an organisation by students, for students, and I am immensely proud to have contributed to that. Thank you to the wonderful friends and colleagues who have worked alongside me in this goal; I am enormously grateful for your mentoring, support, and friendship.

WELFARE OFFICERS - KELSEY CARTER

AUSA Financial Hardship Grants

	Semester One	Semester Two	2012 Totals
Accepted	14	10	24
Declined	6	6	12
Pending	2	4	6
Total Recieved	22	20	42

Total amount awarded by us is:

Semester One	\$2,150.00
Semester Two	\$1,705.00
Total Amount	\$3,855.00

This is a large decrease in number of grants & expenditure from last year:

- A total of 53 grants in 2011, totalling \$6100
- A total of 62 grants in 2010, totalling \$6080
- A total of 38 grants in 2009, totalling \$3,675
- A total of 18 grants in 2008, totalling \$1,640
- A total of 14 grants in 2007, totalling \$1,105.

In 2012, 11 less hardship applications were received when compared to 2011. Fewer applications and a larger number left pending further details have meant that only \$1, 705 was given out in Semester 2 2012, which is \$795 under budget. Spending in Semester 1 2012 was also under budget by \$350. In 2011 \$2,405.00 was spent on hardship grants in the first semester, and 27 applications had been made with 20 accepted, five declined and two pending. In semester 2 2011, 26 applications had been made with 24 accepted, one declined and one pending. This shows that the overall number of grants has decreased markedly. 2010 and 2011 were the busiest years to date with expenditure going over the yearly budget of 5,000 by around \$1000 on average. This year \$2,245 less has been spent compared to the last two years. This change in trend is possibly for the best as fundraising opportunities each year have decreased by \$4,500.00 due to not getting as much lost property to sell anymore.

This year there has been a marked decrease in the quality of the applications with many applicants applying without attaching necessary documentation such as bank statements. When contacted and asked to provide this a number of students never provide them and their applications are left pending. Another issue has been that we have been able to contact students, as the contact details on the form aren't correct. Many students have been applying for costs that are outside our purview of accommodation, food, travel to university, and medical or their bank account doesn't show that they are under demonstrable financial hardship. This along with some applicants being found to not be students at University of Auckland has lead to an in-

crease in the amount of applications left pending.

While trends were seen in other years regarding what costs applicants were applying for there have been no stand out trends for 2012. Situations for noting are an increase in students with families struggling to pay for childcare and other costs. This shows that the effect of cutting the TIA is on-going. Students are struggling with course related costs especially at post graduate level for field trips and Chilean Scholarship students are still struggling due to issues with their scholarship and the NZD.

The committee structure that is used to assess hardship grants is flawed. The Welfare Committee requires 3 people for quorum and this quorum has been increasingly hard to reach this year, despite increasing the membership of the committee. The committee is chaired by the welfare officer and is sat on by all four officers, the advocacy manager plus four other executive portfolio holders elected at an executive meeting. Due to struggles to meet quorum this number was increased to 5, but quorum is still hard to reach. I find this very concerning for the future of the Hardship Grants as often applications received are extremely time sensitive, and the 48 hour timeframe outlined by AUSA is not being met due to difficulties getting quorum. Something needs to be done to remedy this, and officers made more accountable for not responding to requests for meetings.

AUSA Foodbank

Semester One	100
Semester Two	103
Total Food Parcels	203

This is compared with previous years:

- 2011 total = 164
- 2010 total = 158
- 2009 total = 98
- 2008 total = 90

The Foodbank is the most used welfare service. Use of the foodbank has increased significantly from 2011, as in semester one 2011 only 63 food parcels were given out, and in semester one 92. This is an increase of 37 parcels in semester 1, and 6 in semester 2. A pattern has emerged which shows that semester 2 is traditionally busier as more food parcels are picked up.

Most people hear about the foodbank through word of mouth and the advocates, and as it is located in reception and requires minimal paper work it is very accessible. This year we have been receiving donations from Campus Christian Movement, and \$128.40 has had to be spent to stock up the shortfall of the donations. However there is now a large amount of food stockpiled, and donations are being done in larger quantities after of stocktake of current stock. This means that the food bank has a larger reserve and only receives what it needs. This year we have had a great variety of food and have had the resources to increase the size of food parcels from 5 items to 8 items.

Fundraising

Exam Dinners	236.00
Donations	435.00
Lost Property Sale	1,608.70
Donation Box	591.60
Total	\$ 2, 871.30

Less money has been raised for the welfare fund this year as only one lost property sale could be held due to the University no longer funding AUSA to do the lost property for the whole university. This led to a decrease in the amount of saleable items so only one sale could be held, hence the reduced revenue this year. We have received a number of donations from members of the public and alumni, which have been of great assistance. The Exam Dinners have been slightly less profitable this year due to an advertising glitch and the reduced amount of students studying at university due to flooding in IC Level 0. Overall \$3,146.70 less was raised for the welfare fund compared to last year. This could be an issue in future if the hardship budget is reduced to anything less than \$2500 per semester.

Other Work in the Portfolio: The Welfare Committee has had seven non-hardship grant related meetings this year. These meetings aren't ad-hoc and are to work on welfare related projects such as sorting the lost property, re-stocking the food bank or discussing policy, events or issues. Unfortunately as the year progressed these meetings became less well attended and often no one sent apologies or attended at all. This is unfortunately a big flaw in the welfare system as hardship grants depend on unpaid volunteers attendance at meetings, some of which have to be held ad-hoc at little notice due to the urgent nature of some applicants financial situations. Usually the Officers being paid staff are better at attending but their availability this year has been poor due to other issues. Hopefully now that these issues are resolved next year they will be more available and able to help this system run more smoothly.

I have attended many meetings. One of the most interesting ones was with a man who is in a similar role at a University in America. Hearing about the zone project over there was interesting and gave me many great ideas for other services we could provide and how to link our services together. I have also been a student representative on the Teaching and Learning Quality Committee, and I was able to have some input into the discipline statute and draft strategic plan. It has been very interesting and beneficial to see the policy from the development stages to actually using it to assist students.

Awareness Day: This years Awareness Day was held in semester 2 on the 25th July. The event was much bigger this year with 20 stalls, and 500 student welfare packs were given out instead of the 300 that were given out in 2011. This year a stage was set up, and stage events held throughout the day including Auckland Transports Beer Goggles, FPA game show & condom races and Zumba put on by the Rec Centre in the quad. The Family Planning Association had nurses on site all day and saw over 100 students, mainly for condom prescriptions, and Auckland Sexual Health gave out over 150 do it yourself STD swabs to

students. Auckland Transports cadence test was popular with students as there was a restaurant voucher up for grabs. This event is an awesome way to get together both internal university provided services and external services so that students know what is available and is an invaluable opportunity for these organisations to further network and it has been great to be able to facilitate this.

Exam Breakfast & Dinners: With help from Campus Christian Movement (CCM) an exam breakfast and dinner were held in Semester 1. Approximately 90 people were served at the breakfast BBQ in the Science Quad, and the dinner was a huge success with the Cap and Gown lounge filling up completely, with no table or seating space left. It's sad that the donations don't reflect this as the amount raised is after cleaning costs for the Cap & Gown. Another exam dinner was held in semester 2 and approximately 110 people were served. This exam dinner wasn't as busy as semester 1, and this is thought to be due to a reduced amount of students studying at university due to IC Level 0 being closed.

Student Contact: An overwhelming 197 students in total have contacted the welfare officer this year for assistance of some sort. This assistance has ranged from guidance about who best to contact in a situation to advocacy cases. Advocacy cases this year have involved WINZ, Studylink, Housing New Zealand, Schools and Faculties at the University. Many students enquire about the text book grants that AUSA gives out each semester in conjunction with UBS. We have had a lot of students enquire about hardship grants and it is really good to have a good working relationship with the University Counselling service who are referring more and more students to us especially for financial assistance. The number of students contacting the welfare officer for assistance regarding compassionate consideration and aegrotat for exams has tripled in semester 2. While some of this was due to the incident relating to a student's death in OGGB, a large number of students are very unsure where to turn to when they have problems with exams and this may suggest the need for this information to be easier to find on the university web site. An increasing amount of International students have sought help for issues with medical and personal insurance and financial issues such as issues with landlords putting rent up and the Chilean Scholarship students who are still struggling with their scholarship payments and the NZD.

Assisting 77 students in semester one was a major increase but assisting 120 students in semester two is an amazing increase. I would attribute this increase to a reduced amount of advocate hours during the exam period, and think some of the office visits during this period were more opportune, as 30 students were helped over the course of 3 weeks mainly with forms and who to see for compassionate consideration. The increased amount of email contact is directly related to the death of the student in OGGB as 20 students sought assistance to get support due to this.

This amount of contact is a major increase from previous years, and this is due to moving the office and becoming easier to find as most of the office contact has been students just walking in. This is a major increase as only 56 students made contact

with the welfare office in 2011, this means contact this year has more than tripled. The reason for this increase is that the welfare office moved to an area where it is easier for students to find, and many students commented that they had heard about the welfare office in Craccum.

	Semester One	Semester Two
Email Contact	35	59
Phone Contact	1	1
Office Contact	40	60
Other Contact	1	0
Total	77	120

Financial Situation: This year the Welfare Budget is \$2,500 per semester.

	Semester One	Semester Two
Semester Budget	2,500.00	2,500
Fundraising	230.00	2,641.30
Hardship Grants	-2,150.00	-1705.00
Food Bank	-128.40	00.00
Total	\$ 451.60	\$3,436.30

WOMEN'S RIGHTS OFFICER - ANGELA SMTIH AND JIA LOU

Angela Smith and Jia Lou did not complete a report

2012 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President

Arena Williams

Administrative Vice-
President

Daniel Haines

Education Vice-President

Sam Bookman

Treasurer

Bowen Liu

Maori Students' Officer

Hikurangi Jackson

Pania Newton Kaitiaki

Clubs & Societies Officer

Kit Haines

Cultural Affairs Officer

Hemanth Nair (until

26.11.12)

**Environmental Affairs
Officer**

Adeel Malik (until 12.11.12)

Epsom Representative

Lilien Scudder

Ex officio, President Epsom

Tai-Tokerau Students'

Association

Grafton Representative

Daniel William

International Affairs Officer

Martin Graham

**International Students
Officer**

Nurain Janah

Media Officer

Cate Bell

National Affairs Officer

Zach Castles (until 13.2.12)

Max Lin (from 21.5.12)

**Pacific Islands Students'
Officer**

Janah Epati

Nataniela Amato-Ali

Queer Rights Officer

Levi Joule (from 21.5.12)

Sports Officer

Victor Yim

Student Forum Chair

Ryan Abbott

Tamaki Representative

Antonia Verstappen

Welfare Officer

Kelsey Carter

Women's Rights Officer

Angela Smith

Jia Luo

2012 AUSA TRUST MEMBERSHIP

UBS TRUST

Arena Williams

Robert Knox (Chair)

Bob Lack

Tom O'Connor

AUSA MEDIA TRUST

Daniel Haines

Bowen Liu

Ella Henry

Chris Hocquard (Chair)

Paul Taylor

JOHN WEEKS TRUST

Dr Peter Shand

Kit Haines

Jia Luo

**AUSA SUMMER SHAKE-
SPEARE**

Sam bookman

Pania Newton

Sam Durbin

Michael Hurst

Donald Trott

Norman Wong

Tom Bishop

AUSA PROPERTY TRUST

John Brown (Chair)

Richard Innes

Daniel Haines

Bowen Liu

AUSA SERVICES TRUST

Arena Williams

Bowen Liu

Helen Mobberley

Alistair Shaw (from 25.06.12)

Bob Lack (from 25.06.12)

Daniel Haines (resigned

13.06.12)

Belinda Kusabs (removed

25.06.12)

Tom O Connor (removed

25.06.12)

Kelvin Holst (removed

25.06.12)

AUSA BACCHID BOARD

Tom O Connor

Belinda Kusabs

Chris Hocquard

Kelvin Holst

Robert Knox (resigned

31.03.12)

Daniel Haines

Catherine Bell

AUSA WELFARE TRUST

Rob Campbell

Juliet Boses

Susan St John

Glen Riddel

Denise Lazelle

Sam Bookman

Nurain Janah

2011 AUSA GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS

President

Arena Williams (1209)
SunKee Hong (135)
No Vote (216)
No Confidence (60)

Administrative Vice President

Daniel Haines (1069)
Gretta Schumacher (732)
No Vote (84)
No Confidence (23)

Education Vice President

Sam Bookman (1250)
Curwen Rolinson (41)
No Vote (366)
No Confidence (83)

Treasurer

Bowen Liu (1357)
No Vote (433)
No Confidence (121)

Clubs & Societies Officer

Kit Haines (595)
No Vote (311)
No Confidence (78)

Cultural Affairs Officer

Hemanth Nair (535)
No Vote (351)
No Confidence (78)

Environmental Affairs Officer

Adeel Malik (358)
No Vote (359)
No Confidence (117)

International Affairs Officer

Martin Graham (582)
No Vote (370)
No Confidence (62)

International Students Officer

Nurain Janah (610)
No Vote (363)
No Confidence (61)

Media Officer

Cate Bell (397)
No Vote (389)
No Confidence (64)

National Affairs Officer

Zach Castles (531)
Levi Joule (322)
No Vote (158)
No Confidence (23)

Sports Officer

Victor Yim (614)
No Vote (356)
No Confidence (64)

Student Forum Chair

Ryan Abbott (554)
No Vote (356)
No Confidence (74)

Tamaki Representative

Antonia Verstappen (576)
No Vote (385)
No Confidence (73)

Welfare Officer

Kelsey Carter (638)
No Vote (344)
No Confidence (52)

Women's' Rights Officer

Angela Smith and Jia Luo (200)
Brittany Raleigh and Bonnie Hartfield
No Vote (632)
No Confidence (4)

Craccum Editor

Thomas Dykes (333)
Sophie Buchanan and Spencer Dowson (268)
No Vote (172)
No Confidence (18)
Kirk Jacinto and Tristan Sullivan-Vaughan

2012 AUSA BY-ELECTION RESULTS

National Affairs Officer

Max Lin (351)
Katie Wilson (238)
James Baker (-248)
Inura Fernando (12)
Shane Malva (264)
Will Velida (69)
No Vote (60)
No Confidence (24)

Queer Rights Officer

Levi Joule (305)
Todd Karehana (157)
Brogan Powelsand (-7)
Denis McClay (-52)
Ching (Sylvester) Kuo (26)
Hannah Rossiter (-22)
No Vote (202)
No Confidence (50)

2012 AUSA STAFF

General Manager

Tom O'Connor (until November)

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Office Manager

Darien Pearce

Receptionist

Caroline Konarkowska (to March)
Armel Chou-Lee (from June)

CLUBS AND EVENTS DEPARTMENT

Student Central Manager

Li Chen (until March)
Vivian Gan (from April)
Chanelle Lim (from April)

Clubs and Sports Events Manager

Hannah Newton

Events Manager

Bianca Angel (resigned November)

CUSTODIAL DEPARTMENT

Building Manger

Albie Mawdsley

Custodians

Nick Ele
Erina Stanley (Until November)

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Financial Controller

Harry Zhang

Financial Assistant

Sharon Zhang

MEDIA DEPARTMENT

Design & IT Manager

Nick Withers

Advertising Manager

Aaron Haugh

AUSA ADVOCACY DEPARTMENT

Advocacy Manager

Denise Lazelle

Senior Advocate

Grace Stacey-Jacobs and Alice Stacey-Jacobs

Class Representative Coordinator

Frances Carlisle and Gretta Schumacher

Tamaki Administrator

Anita Harris

Epsom Administrator

Margaret Lewis

2012 CRACCUM STAFF

Craccum Editor

Thomas Dykes

Technical Editor

Nick Withers, Franca Wade

Advertising Manager

Aaron Haugh

Supreme Council [sub editing roles]

Jai Bentley Payne, Nathalie Jacques, Alex Port, Jonathan King, Franca Wade

Film Editor

Adam Fresco

Music Editors

Harry E Wilde & Ben Rosamond

News Editor

Umesh

Arts Editor

Finn Teppett

2012 AUSA COMMITTEES

Blues Committee

Vivian Gan (Secretary)
Chanelle Lim (Secretary)
Hugh Markham
Tom O'Connor
Jane Skeen (Chair)
Daniel Haines
Arena Williams
Bill McKay

Craccum Administration Board

Cate Bell (Chair) (ex-officio)
Arena Williams (ex-officio)
Thomas Dykes (ex-officio)
Steven Karl
Stephanie Fourie
Mohamed Hassan
Alex Port
Nat Jaques

Bowen Liu (ex-officio)
Aaron Haugh (ex-officio)
Nick Withers (ex-officio)

Cultural Blues Selection Panel

Bill McKay (Chair)
Elizabeth Aitken-Rose
Maragret Henley
Rose Martin
Arena Williams (ex-officio)
Kit Haines (ex-officio)
Hemanth Nair (ex-officio)
Chanelle Lim (Secretary)
Vivian Gan (Secretary)

Clubs Grants Committee

Arena Williams
Daniel Haines
Lou Rattray
Marie-Jo

Disciplinary Committee

No member was appointed

Finance Committee

Arena Williams
Bowen Liu (Chair)
Daniel Haines
Sam Bookman
Harry Zhang
Tom O'Connor

Sports Blues Selection Panel

Jane Skeen (Chair)
Greg Dayman
Jim Peters
Bruce Rattray
Don Smith
Nicholas Tongue
Hugh Markham
Arena Williams (ex-officio)
Hannah Newman (ex-officio)
Victor Yim (ex-officio)
Chanelle Lim (Secretary)
Vivian Gan (Secretary)

Media Complaints Tribunal

Arena Williams (ex-officio)
Cate Bell (Chair) (ex-officio)
Thomas Dykes (ex-officio)
Nik Fong
Sarah Yates

2012 AUSA AFFILIATED CLUBS

ACADEMIC

Biology Students' Association
 Computer Science at Auckland University
 Latin American Culture, Education and Students
 Egyptological Association
 Korean Engineers
 Linguistics Students' Society
 Management Consulting Club
 Medical Students for Global Awareness
 Student Association for the Medical Sciences
 Trading Club
 UN Youth On Campus

CULTURAL

Club Name
 Auckland University Photosoc
 Auckland Microfinance Initiative
 Art History Society
 Australasian Union of Jewish Students
 Book Club
 Cook Islands Students' Association
 Debating Society
 Engineering Art & Design Society
 Filipino Students' Association
 German Club
 Glee Club
 Gone Ni Viti: Fijian Students' Association
 Hong Kong Engineering Students' Association
 Hong Kong Students' Society
 The Indian Club
 International Social Network
 Korean Students' Association
 Red Cross Student Network
 Samoan Students' Association
 Singapore Students' Association (Auckland)
 S.O.U.L. Club - Students of

Universal Love
 Spanish Club
 Taiwanese and New Zealand Students Association
 Tongan Students Association
 Tzu Chi Collegiate Youth Association
 Union of Malaysian Students in Auckland
 Wine Society

ENVIRONMENTAL

Club Name
 Engineers Without Borders Auckland Students' Chapter
 Generation Zero on Campus
 Sustainability Network
 Oxfam on Campus

FACULTY

Auckland Land Economy Society
 Elam Students Association
 Students in Free Enterprise (SiFE UoA)

PERFORMING ARTS

Club Name
 Acappella Chorus
 Dance Club
 Medical and Health Sciences Student Symphony Orchestra
 Mixtape: Musician & Gig Network
 Prayas Youth Theatre
 School of Music Students' Association
 Stage Two

POLITICAL

Club Name
 Act on Campus
 Alfred Street National
 Greens on Campus
 Korean Political Studies Students Association
 Legalise Love
 Parliament Street Pirates
 Students for Justice in Palestine
 New Zealand Society of Progressive Constitutionalism on Campus

World Vision on Campus
 Youth4RonPaul
 Princes St Labour

RELIGIOUS

Auckland Overseas Christian Fellowship
 Baha'i Club
 Auckland University Christian Club
 Campus Christian Movement
 Change Universities
 Equippers Uni
 Korean Young-Adults Christian Fellowship
 LOUD
 REAL
 Studentlife
 True Jesus Church Auckland Campus Fellowship
 Univeristy of Auckland Muslim Students Association
 Youth Multifaith Group

SOCIAL

Acappella Chorus
 AMERICA
 Auckland Student Cosplay Association
 Univeristy of Auckland Classical Society
 Campus Feminist Collective
 Club de Nerdfighting
 UoA Dessert Club
 Film Society
 I Am Challenge Club
 Japanese Auckland Meeting
 Kiwi Asian Club
 Korean Commerce Students Association
 Maths Club
 Meat Club
 Motorcycle Club
 MTG Club
 Omani Student Association
 Origami Guild
 Operation Smile
 Parliament Street Pirates
 Pharmacy Students' Association
 The PokéVersity of Auckland

ProLife Auckland
 SIFE UoA
 StarCraft Club
 Stress Free University
 The Twinkle Child Foundation @ UoA
 Video Gaming Club
 Yoga Meditation Club
 Youth Against Child Exploitation on Campus

SPORT

Auckland University Ultimate Club
 Auckland University Underwater Club
 Badminton Club
 Boat Club
 Canoe Club
 Cycle Club
 Football Club
 Auckland University Futsal club
 University of Auckland Goju-Ryu Karate Club
 Hockey Club
 Lacrosse Club
 Lawn Bowls Club
 Netball
 Pool Club
 UoA Snowsports Club
 Auckland Rock and Alpine Club
 Squash Club
 Auckland University Tramping Club (Inc.)
 University of Auckland Table Tennis Club
 Tricking Club
 Volleyball Club
 UoA Zumba Fitness Club

2012 UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

University Council

Arena Williams
Alice Wang

Senate

Arena Williams
Daniel Haines
Sam Bookman
Bowen Liu
Pania Newton
Antonia Verstappen

Academic Grievances

Antonia Verstappen

Academic Programmes Committee

Cate Bell

Discipline Committee

Arena Williams
Daniel Haines
Bowen Liu

Education Committee

Sam Bookman

Equity Committee

Sam Bookman

Finance Committee

Arena Williams

Honours Committee

Not appointed.

Human Participant Ethics Committee

Antonia Verstappen

Informational Technology Strategy and Policy Committee

Bowen Liu

International Committee

Cate Bell

Library Committee

Cate Bell

Occupational Health and Safety Committee

Max Lin

Research Committee

Anaise Irvine

Schools Liaison Committee

Antonia Verstappen

Student Affairs Committee

Arena Williams
Cate Bell
Sam Durbin
Lilien Scudder
Daniel William
Antonia Verstappen
Hiku Jackson
Pania Newton

Student Appeals Committee

Not Appointed

Teaching and Learning Quality Committee

Kelsey Carter
Sam Bookman

2012 NGA TAUIRA MAORI EXECUTIVE

Māori Student Officers

Hikurangi Jackson
Pania Newton

Treasurers

Joshua Tahana
Kio Rawiri-McDonald

Secretary

Jalessa Puru

Social

Todd Karehana

Sports

David Bhana
Estelle Sword

Epsom

Atamarie Houppapa

2012 TAMAKI STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE

President

Antonia Verstappen

Vice President

Chanelle Lim

Treasurer

Rewena Mahesh (from 19 July 2012)

Academic Officer

Mary Zhou (from 19 July 2012)

Equity Officer

Makayla Lou (from 19 July 2012)

Services Officer

Dominique Fabillaran (from 19 July 2012)

Social Officer

Alanna Soupen (lapsed)
(from 19 July 2012 to 1 November 2012)

Secretary (Tamaki Administrator)

Anita Harris

2012 EPSOM TAI-TOKERAU STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE

President

Lilien Skudder

Sport Reps

Sharon Sone
John Inu

Welfare Rep

Cody Toagaga

Pasifika Rep

Carlos Tupu

Social Rep

Ryan Pilkington

He Mungai Māori Rep

Lucky Taylor

Secretary (Epsom Administrator)

Margaret Lewis

2012 AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY PACIFIC ISLANDS STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE

President

Tamm Kingi-Falakoa

Vice President

Tiria Tiria

Secretary

Hannah Williams

Treasurer

Shirley Barakuta

Pacific Islands Students Officers

Nataniela Amato-Ali

Jana Epati

Cook Islands Students Officer

Courtney Raita

Tongan Students Officer

Alyssa Tupouniua

Samoan Students Officer

Mary Moeno-Kolio

Maria-Fatima Lui

Fijian Students Officer

Mere Qeisene

Public Relations Officers

Fay Nanai

Sela Ma'asi

SPIES Representative

Havea Pamaka

PILSA Representative

Kalisiana Buliruarua

MAPAS Representative

Saleimoa Sami

Auckland University Students' Association Incorporated
Annual Report
For the year ended 31 December 2011

Auckland University Students' Association Incorporated

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Auckland University Students' Association Incorporated Directory

President

Arena Williams (2012)
Joe McCory (2011)

Vice-President

Daniel Haines (2012)
Sam Durbin (2011)

Treasurer

Bowen Liu (2012)
Tania Lim (2011)

Education Vice-President

Sam Brookman (2012)
Arena Williams (2011)

Registered Office

4 Alfred Street
Auckland

Auditors

Walker Wayland Auckland
P O Box 2175
Auckland

Bankers

Bank of New Zealand
Auckland Branch
Auckland

National Bank of New Zealand
University Branch
Auckland

Solicitors

Jackson Russell
P O Box 3451
Auckland

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Auckland University Students' Association

Report on the Non-consolidated financial statements

We have audited the non-consolidated financial statements of Auckland University Students' Association on pages 4 to 10, which comprise the Non-Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2011, the Non-Consolidated Statement of Financial Performance, and Non-Consolidated Statement of Movements in Accumulated Funds for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information on a non-consolidated basis.

The Executives' Responsibility for the Non-consolidated financial statements

The Executive is responsible for the preparation of non-consolidated financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand and that give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate, and for such internal controls as the Executive determines is necessary to enable the preparation of non-consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these non-consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand). Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the non-consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the non-consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the non-consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of non-consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates, as well as evaluating the presentation of the non-consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interests in, the Auckland University Students' Association.

Opinion

In our opinion the non-consolidated financial statements on pages 4 to 10

- Comply with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand;
- Give a true and fair view of the non-consolidated financial position of the Auckland University Students' Association as at 31 December 2011, and of its non-consolidated financial performance for the year then ended.

Emphasis of Matter

- In forming our opinion we have considered the adequacy of the disclosures made in the financial statements regarding the going concern concept. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, the validity of which depends upon future financial support from related parties AUSA Media Trust, AUSA Services Trust, AUSA Property Trust and UBS Trust. If the Association was unable to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, adjustments may have to be made to reflect the situation that the assets may need to be realised other than at the amounts at which they are currently recorded in the Non-Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. In addition, the Association may have to provide for further liabilities that might arise, and to reclassify fixed assets and long-term liabilities as current assets and liabilities.

Restriction of Scope – Non-Consolidated Financial Statements

The scope of our audit has been restricted to the non-consolidated financial statements of the Association. Generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand requires the Association to present consolidated financial statements.

Our audit was completed on 11 October 2012 and our opinion is expressed as at that date.

Walker Wayland Auckland

Chartered Accountants



Auckland University Students' Association Incorporated
Non-Consolidated Statement of Financial Performance
For the year ended 31 December 2011

	2011	2010
TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$2,414,758</u>	<u>\$1,944,208</u>
NET SURPLUS	(\$85,471)	(\$475,023)
After Charging:		
Fee Paid to Auditors for:		
- Auditing Financial Statements	22,500	23,429
- Other Services	3,600	-
Bad Debts	-	700
Depreciation Expense	71,723	65,261
Interest Expense	45,694	34,279
Lease Expense	13,788	20,184
 and After Crediting:		
Distributions from AUSA Services Trust		
Distributions from AUSA Property Trust	240,000	240,000
Distributions from UBS Trust	560,353	80,000
Decrease in Provision for Doubtful Debts	-	442
Interest Received	<u>-</u>	<u>73</u>
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	<u>(85,471)</u>	<u>(475,023)</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Auckland University Students' Association Incorporated
Non-Consolidated Statement of Movements in Accumulated Funds
For the year ended 31 December 2011

	2011	2010
MEMBERS FUNDS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	395,329	870,352
Add Net Surplus for the Year	(85,471)	(475,023)
MEMBERS FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$309,858</u>	<u>\$395,329</u>

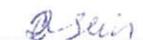
The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Auckland University Students' Association Incorporated
Non-Consolidated Statement of Financial Position
As at 31 December 2011

	Note	2011	2010
MEMBER FUNDS			
Total Member Funds		<u>\$309,858</u>	<u>\$395,329</u>
Represented by:			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Accounts Receivable		166,202	287,949
Related Party Receivable - Auckland University		100,000	100,000
Related Party Receivable - Bacchid	3	18,084	5,163
Other Current Assets and Prepayments		24,921	22,705
Ski Club Loan	5	<u>9,500</u>	<u>11,750</u>
		318,707	427,567
Less CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Bank Accounts	4	119,953	154,135
Accounts Payable		138,046	140,825
Trade Creditor - Bacchid	3	8,624	-
Sundry Creditors and Accruals		186,569	205,189
Student Activities Payable		<u>117,415</u>	<u>124,198</u>
		<u>570,607</u>	<u>624,347</u>
WORKING DEFICIT		(251,900)	(196,780)
Add NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Fixed Assets	6	132,617	196,047
Related Party Receivable - Auckland University	3	429,141	371,062
Related Party Receivable - Bacchid Benevolency	3	415,906	417,637
Provision for Related Party Receivable	3	<u>(415,906)</u>	<u>(392,637)</u>
		561,758	592,109
NET ASSETS		<u>\$309,858</u>	<u>\$395,329</u>

For and on behalf of the Executive;

President 

Treasurer 

Date 9/10/12

Auckland University Students' Association Incorporated

Notes to the Non-Consolidated Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2011

1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

REPORTING ENTITY

Auckland University Students' Association Incorporated is an incorporated society registered under the Incorporated Society Act 1908.

MEASUREMENT BASE

The financial statements of the Auckland University Student's Association Incorporated have been prepared in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The accounting principles recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of earnings and financial position on an historical cost basis have been used, with the exception of certain items for which specific accounting policies have been identified.

Reliance is placed on the fact that the Association is a going concern, the validity of this concept is dependent on continued distributions from the AUSA Media Trust, AUSA Services Trust, AUSA Property Trust and UBS Trust.

NON CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements have been prepared on a non-consolidated basis.

Particular Accounting Policies

Differential Reporting

The Association qualifies for Differential Reporting as it is not publicly accountable and is not large as defined by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants Differential Reporting Framework. The Association has taken advantage of all Differential Reporting exemptions available to it.

SPECIFIC ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following specific accounting policies which materially affect the measurement of financial performance and the financial position have been applied:

(a) Accounts Receivable

Receivables are stated at their estimated realisable value. Bad debts are written off in the year in which they are identified.

(b) Leases

Lease payments under operation leases where the lessor effectively retains substantially all the rewards and benefits of ownership of the leased item are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

Leases of fixed assets where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset are transferred to the company are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised recording an asset and a liability equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual value. Leased assets are amortised over their estimated useful lives. Lease

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For the year ended 31 December 2011

payments under operating leases are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

(c) Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognised to the extent that is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the entity and the revenue can be reliably measured.

Revenue earned from advertising in magazines, student diary and planners is recognized when the editions are issued to the students. Rental Income, sponsorship amounts and grants are recognized when the right to receive the revenue has been established.

(d) Taxation

The Inland Revenue Department has granted the Association exemption from taxation on the condition that certain provisions of the Income Tax Act 2007 are met each year. These provisions require that the Association remains a Charitable Association and that no individual profits from the activities of the Association.

Should the current charitable nature of the operation change, taxation may be payable on profits from trading operations with non-members.

(e) Fixed Assets & Depreciation

Fixed assets are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis for all fixed assets that will write off the cost less residual value over their expected useful lives. The current rates of depreciation are:

Plant and Equipment	2.5 - 48.00% SL
Motor Vehicle	20.00% SL

(f) Goods & Services Tax (GST)

These financial statements have been prepared exclusive of GST, with the exception of receivables and payables, which include GST.

(g) Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies during the year. All policies have been applied on bases consistent with those used in previous years.

2. NATURE OF BUSINESS

The Association is engaged in the business of supplying student services.

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3. RELATED PARTIES

Balances (payable) / receivable at year end:

Bacchid Benevolency Limited - Trade Creditor	(8,624)	-
Bacchid Benevolency Limited - Trade Debtor	18,084	5,163
Advance to Bacchid Benevolency Limited	415,906	417,637
Provision for Related Party Receivable	(415,906)	(392,637)
Current Portion - Auckland University	100,000	100,000
Non-Current Portion - Auckland University	429,141	371,062
	538,601	501,225

During the year normal arms length transactions have been conducted with the following related parties:

Bacchid Benevolency Limited
University of Auckland

The Association is related to Bacchid Benevolency Limited and Campus Radio bFM Limited by being the ultimate beneficiary of the Trusts that control these Companies. The Association is related to the AUSA Property Trust, AUSA Services Trust, AUSA Media Trust and UBS Trust by being the beneficiary of these trusts.

In the year to 31 December 2011 distributions were received from the AUSA Property Trust and UBS Trust (2010: AUSA Property Trust and UBS Trust).

During the 2007 year the Association provided a loan of \$400,000 to Bacchid Benevolency Limited. A further \$200,000 was advanced in 2008. At 31 December 2008 this loan was assessed as doubtful and was provided for in full.

The association is related to the University of Auckland by virtue of common trustees. The balance receivable from the University is unsecured, non interest bearing and repayable at the rate of \$100,000 per annum.

4. BANK OF NEW ZEALAND OVERDRAFT

The AUSA Property Trust has provided a guarantee for \$525,000 to the Bank of New Zealand in respect of the Associations' borrowings.

5. SKI CLUB RECEIVABLE

On 5 June 1998 the Association lent \$85,000 to the University of Auckland Ski Club Incorporated, secured by way of fixed and floating charge over all assets of the Ski Club. The loan is non-interest bearing and repayable on demand.

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6. **FIXED ASSETS**

	2011	2010
Plant & Equipment		
At cost	1,227,624	1,220,156
Less Accumulated Depreciation	1,095,007	1,024,109
Total Fixed Assets	\$132,617	\$196,047

7. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent to balance date the Association reached a resolution with the University of Auckland regarding the Occupancy and Services Agreements that are in place between them. The items agreed on relate to the receipt of rent allocations due to the Association and the payment of utilities to the University. These financial statements reflect the financial effect of the agreement reached.

There are no other events subsequent to balance date.

8. COMMITMENTS

The Association has commitments under operating leases as follows:

Current	(13,503)	(25,767)
Non Current	(24,874)	(38,377)
	(38,377)	(64,144)

9. CONTINGENT LIABILITY

There were no material contingent liabilities at balance date.