

General Secretary Report

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January 2025 (Nov-Dec 24 Included)

Item	Measure	Target	Actual
TUSA Meetings	Attendance	80%	10/12
UTAS Meetings	Attendance	75%	7/9
TUSA Events	Attendance	80%	2/2
UTAS Events	Attendance	100%	3/4
Catch Ups with SC and Staff	Attendance	100%	7/6

This table is inclusive of December and January

Narrative Update:

December 2024 and January 2025 have been pivotal months for me, with significant progress across various initiatives and active involvement in key areas.

In November, I participated in the SENCON conference, where student unions and their staff came together from across the country to discuss challenges and opportunities in the sector. Additionally, orientation planning for new students gained momentum, with numerous initiatives aimed at creating an engaging and welcoming campus experience.

In December, I attended several key meetings, including the GBV Oversight Committee, the Academic Senate, and the Equity Committee. These forums provided opportunities to advocate for student needs, learn about new initiatives, develop my plans in the new role of Gen Sec, and align with the strategic goals for the upcoming year. I also had the chance to attend the NUS National Conference (NATCON) in December, where issues impacting students nationwide were discussed, and strategies were shared to enhance student advocacy and engagement. While it was an intense experience, I look forward to seeing the progress of some of the issues discussed during the conference.

During these months, I've also made a concerted effort to meet with the team individually, I haven't had the pleasure to meet with everyone yet, but this will happen in the near future. It's been a great

opportunity to get to know everyone better, and I'm looking forward to meeting more often with each person to foster even stronger connections.

The work with the Equity Committee has been incredibly rewarding, and I want to express my sincere thanks to Mark for his ongoing guidance in supporting the equity team and their goals. His leadership has been invaluable in navigating the complexities of equity work, and I'm eager to continue collaborating with the team to ensure their success.

December also saw the completion of the Forestry Building tour report, compiling feedback and recommendations for improvement taken from the individuals who attended. This tour highlighted TUSA's ongoing commitment to ensuring campus facilities meet the needs of students and foster an inclusive environment.

The Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Action Plan continued to evolve with substantial collaborative efforts. The foreword, developed in partnership with Mark and Jack, encapsulates TUSA's unwavering commitment to addressing gender-based violence, laying out actionable steps to create safer campus environments.

Overall, the last two months have been a period of productive engagement, strategic planning, and community-building, setting the stage for another impactful year ahead.

Thanks

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