

General Secretary Report  
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Item	Measure	Target	Actual
TUSA Meetings	Attendance	80%	19/21
TUSA Committees	Attendance	-	1/1
UTAS Meetings	Attendance	80%	7/8
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TUSA Events/Trainings	Attendance	100%	8/8
Media Communications	Participation	-	<i>Assisting more in SC Instagram posts</i>
Conferences	Attendance	-	
UTAS Events	Participation	80%	1/1
Community Events/Rallies	Participation	100%	

**Narrative update:**

Hey everyone!

A key highlight has been the application process for the Youth Climate Action Fund grant. I've had the pleasure of working closely with K White and R Fox to develop a strong proposal aimed at driving climate-conscious initiatives on campus. This opportunity has brought together a shared passion for environmental justice, and we are hopeful that our submission will contribute to impactful change.

In parallel, efforts to increase visibility around gender-based violence (GBV) on campus have continued. This includes ongoing involvement with the GBV Oversight Committee, where we are working diligently to strengthen prevention strategies and support systems. These conversations are challenging but essential, and I remain committed to helping create a safer, more inclusive campus environment.

I've also been supporting the Vent Tents initiative run by Southern Campuses President R Fox. This project is a fantastic platform for amplifying student voices and providing a safe space for open dialogue on campus. I'm genuinely excited about the growth of this initiative and its role in empowering students to speak up and be heard.

As part of my role within the Equity Committee, I've begun coordinating and planning interviews in conjunction with Equity President M Warrington for the new International Student Officer position. These interviews are scheduled to be completed ahead of the upcoming Student Council meeting, and we're looking forward to welcoming fresh perspectives that will help guide equity-focused initiatives moving forward.

One of the most exciting upcoming events is the launch of the Food Hub in the Northwest, set for the 6th of May. This project has been in the works for some time, and I'm thrilled to see it come to life. The Food Hub will be an important resource for students facing food insecurity and marks a significant step in addressing basic needs on campus.

Lastly, I've been actively connecting with student advocates to explore better support mechanisms for students undertaking unpaid placements. As many know,



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these placements are a significant source of financial and emotional strain, and we are working to find practical solutions that offer relief to those most affected.

It's been a busy and fulfilling few months, and I'm incredibly grateful to be part of such impactful work alongside passionate and driven colleagues.