

President Report

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Item	Measure	Target	Actual
TUSA Meetings Any meetings held with TUSA staff, Board members, or other student reps.	Attendance	75%	20
TUSA Committees This is attendance of any TUSA Committees (e.g. Board of Management, Governance Committee)	Attendance	75%	3
UTAS Meetings Any meetings you attend with UTAS staff whether they be one-on-one or team.	Attendance	75%	20
UTAS Committees Any UTAS-hosted committees you attend, such as Academic Senate and the Student Experience Committee.	Attendance	75%	2
TUSA Events/Trainings Any TUSA hosted events or training sessions you attended.	Attendance	100%	3
UTAS Events/Orientation Any UTAS-run or Orientation events you attended.	Participation	75%	3
Miscellaneous Meetings Any other meetings you attended (for example, meetings with individual students or community members)	Attendance	75%	14
Community Events/Rallies Any community events or rallies you attended in your capacity as a TUSA student representative.	Participation	75%	2
Media Communications Any media communications (socials posts, media releases etc.) you participated in.	Participation	100%	5
Conferences Any conferences you attended within your capacity as a State Council representative	Attendance	100%	0

Narrative update:

Howdy guys, gals, and non-binary pals,

It's certainly been a month of 'settling' and trying to establish 'norms' and form the ways in which I (and our team) engage both with students and with the University. I would love to see more direct, personal engagement on the ground, that systemically collates student data. Perhaps a 'rolling vent-tent' of substantive complaints.

There's of course been plenty going on, not least including study for us all too. But it's felt like a more sustainable load than previous months.

Some key things been discussing:

- Student Voice in university governance (Students as Partners; University Council and trying to support a review of the UTAS Act; Academic Senate's subcommittees; Course Advisory Committees...)
- Safety on Campus (Racism in particular, with the release of the Racism at Uni Report, as well as discrimination of all forms including anti-semitism, anti-islamaphobia, gender-based violence, and of course the continual cult work)
- Campus Life (transport between campuses, the new STEM precinct has been a HUGE point with the debate in the Legislative Council last Wednesday, culturally appropriate spaces like prayer rooms, university accommodation pricing)
- Who TUSA are and what services we offer to students (including celebrating things like our newly endorsed RAP, improving Online Support and community, and TUSA governance)
- Working with each of you on projects, initiatives, and interests, as well as student complaints directly! Similarly, ensuring our early stages of "performing" as a team are as smooth as possible, setting in habits from early this year.

Looking forward to more transparency and a more connected Student Community.

To all students (and to staff, and community, and media), I'm happy to share any more details etc, or to chat anytime, please always feel welcome.

To infinity (aka a student co-designed university, where we are safe, seen and supported) and beyond,

Yours,

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Key Actions and Achievements from this previous month:

Meetings Attended and Participated in:

Key TUSA Meetings:

- Chaired TUSA SC March Meeting, 4/3
- Attended the Round 1 TUSA Grants Committee Meeting, 10/3
- Met with M Doon, 10/3
- Met with L Street to discuss Students as Partners
- Met with J van der Lee, Postgraduate Gallery Society and UTAS School of Creative and Performing Arts to discuss an online gallery, 11/3
- Attended TUSA SC TCCI Communicating with Influence Training, 11/3
- Attended TUSA Kick-off-the-week Catchup, 16/3
- Presented at the UTAS Southern New Staff Welcome, outlining TUSA and Students as Partners, 17/3
- Met with J van der Lee, 17/3
- Met with M Doon, SL Ward, R de Villeneuve, K White, for weekly Executive meeting, 17/3
- Attended half of the TUSA SC Campaign Training, as was an apology due to family matters, 18/3
- Met with S Doyle, 19/3
- Met with M Doon and C Harris, 19/3
- Met with O Brancher, 19/3
- Attended TUSA Kick-off-the-week Catchup, 23/3
- Met with M Warrington, H Robinson, SL Ward, to discuss RAP, 23/3
- Attended TUSA Team Meeting, 24/3
- Met with M Doon, SL Ward, R de Villeneuve, K White, for weekly Executive meeting, 24/3
- Attended TUSA SC Campaign Training, 25/3
- Met with M Doon, S Doyle, J van der Lee to discuss Academic Roundtables, 26/3
- Met with Alison Greenwood, to discuss TUSA Board, 26/3
- Attended TUSA Kick-off-the-week Catchup, 23/3
- Attended TUSA Team Retreat, 30/3-1/4

Key TUSA Events:

- Supported the TUSA Student Life Expo, including a TUSA SC and NUS stall, 12/3

Key UTAS Meetings:

- Met with G Dent and A Davison, to discuss University Council, 5/3
- Met with the NTEU Tasmanian Branch, 5/3
- Met with K Harman, to discuss ARQAC, 5/3
- Met with J Brann and SL Ward for regular catchup, 10/3
- Attended UTAS People Strategy Advisory Group, 11/3
- Met with C Chennatt to discuss UTAS Libraries and Cultural Collections, 12/3
- Attended UTAS Anti-racism Taskforce Meeting, with K Azeem, 13/3
- Met with R Black et al, for monthly TUSA x VC catchup, 16/3
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- Met with R Black, A Castray, M Bird, C Chennatt, et al, to discuss UTAS Morris Miller Library revitalization, 20/3
- Attended and presented to UTAS Academic Senate, 20/3
- Met with J Chase, N Milthorpe, and S Doyle, to discuss the Bachelor of Arts, 23/3
- Met with J Brann and SL Ward for regular catchup, 24/3
- Met with N Walsh, to discuss Northern Community Engagement, 25/3
- Attended UTAS Anti-racism Taskforce Working Group, 25/3
- Met with NTEU Tas Branch, 26/3
- Interviewed potential DVC SSO candidate, 26/3
- Met with A Castray et al, to discuss sport, accommodation, and libraries, 26/3
- Met with J Brann, to discuss Students as Partners, 26/3

Key UTAS Events:

- Presented at the UTAS Southern New Staff Welcome, outlining TUSA and Students as Partners, 17/3
- Attended UTAS Learning Abroad Fair, 19/3
- Met with students from UTAS Accommodation, 19/3

Key External Meetings/Events etc:

- Attended NUS National Executive Meeting, 4/3
- Met with NUS Welfare Officer S Kalia, with K Azeem, to discuss alignment with national campaigns, 5/3
- Participated in International Students Welcome at Hobart City Town Hall, 10/3
- Attended 'Nazis in Australia' discussion with Prof T McCormack and M Aarons, to discuss the rise of the far right in contemporary civic and political society.
- Met with F Hughes and A Nagarajan to discuss TUSA and national work, especially regarding Students as Partners, Racism, and University Governance, 12/3
- Met with V Field, the Higher Education advisor to Jo Palmer, 20/3
- Met with M Gaffney MLC, 20/3
- Met with N Farrelly, 20/3
- Met with C Hisscutt MLC, 21/3
- Met with the Offices of M Webb, D Harriss, C O'Connor, B Thomas, and C Hisscutt, 20/3 and 23/3
- Met with V Firth, K White, to discuss collaboration with Hobart City Council, 25/3
- Attended Palestine Calling event, 26/3

Key Goals and Actions for the next month:

My key focus will remain on keeping up Students as Partners' momentum.

I also want to continue to promote State Council, through our socials and students' awareness of who we are and what we do, as well as with external organisations and groups.