



EXECUTIVE HALF YEAR REPORT

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NAME	Adele Redmond
POSITION	Campaigns Officer
REPORT PERIOD	1 January – 1 June 2012
TOTAL WEEKS WORKED	22 weeks, 11 reporting periods.
HOURS WORKED	151 hrs
BONUS APPLICATION	No application.

Reporting on Priority Goals:

- 1) Priority Goal 6: To promote discussion and action as appropriate, on issues concerning students as citizens.
- 2) Liaison with Education Action Group (EAG)

1. Priority Goal 6

Campaigns Officer: To promote discussion and action as appropriate, on issues concerning students as citizens.

I have been working on a number of projects to promote discussion and action on issues which students, and other bodies, have brought to my attention. I have created a facebook page for campaigns on-campus (although it is admittedly lacking in traffic, which I intend to improve). Although efforts to hold a debate among various MPs did not come to fruition, I have been working towards an academic's forum on the Humanities and Social Sciences (currently planned for August) and student forums for submissions on VUWSA policy with Education Officer Sam Vincent which aims to promote discussion. I have been working on concerns raised by students surrounding Halls of Residence and public transport, creating a survey of student accommodation in Halls of Residence to be released next trimester and working alongside Greens@Vic and within VUWSA to raise a campaign for student bus fares.

2. Liaison with Education Action Group (EAG)

At the beginning of the year, I attempted to make contact with the Education Action Group to find that it was no longer operational. On recommendation given in the handover notes from Josh van Veen, the previous Campaigns Officer, and Joel Cosgrove (formerly of the EAG), I made contact with We Are The University to see where VUWSA and WATU might work together to the benefit of students. It was determined that both parties would continue with their individual agendas so as not to compromise the other, working together where appropriate. Given this, I have not liaised with EAG.

General Tasks and Initiatives

1. **Sexual Health resources/literature**

Collection/co-ordination of condoms and sexual health literature to give away at VUWSA stalls during orientation week, organised with Women's Officer Sara Bishop.

2. **Orientation and Clubs Week**

General legwork signing up members and distributing welcome packs.

3. **Flu Shots**

Flu shot administration at Stafford and Joan Stevens Halls and data entry.

4. **Campus Safety Audit**

Daytime Kelburn Campus Safety Audit.

5. **Budget Day March Preparation**

Leaflet drops and getting quotes for postcards for the campaign.

Representation

1. **NZUSA Conference**

Attendance on all days, participation in workshops concerning campaign building, social media strategy and discussion with officers in similar roles in other member associations.

2. **TWFG Meetings**

Attendance to yearly planning meeting preceding and at the NZUSA conference. Discussion and planning for Thursdays in Black, Blow the Whistle, Campus Safety audit and a review of female students' experiences in Halls of Residence/Student Accommodation.

3. **Greens@Vic**

Irregular meetings and correspondence with Harriet Farquhar and Wilbur Townsend of Greens@Vic to plan the proposed debate and submissions to the fare review forum.

Strengths

1. Targeting issues highlighted by students/student groups

Weaknesses

1. Lack of follow-through, general slow pace on projects.

Overall Rating

I have struggled with the demands of this role over the past six months, and I would like to apologise to students and to the VUWSA executive for the lack of progress made on the Campaigns portfolio. Despite this, I believe that I have made valuable contributions to VUWSA's operation, and am working to meet student concerns around accommodation and public transport. I thank everyone for their continued support.

Bonus Application (if applicable)

I will not be applying for any bonus.