**Rhodes University**

**Students’ Representative Council**

**Minutes of the Council Meeting Held on Friday 27 January 2017 at**

**18h15 in the**

**RA ROOM**

**2017.M01.1** **PRESENT**

President, Vice President, Secretary General, Treasurer,

Community Engagement, International, Student Benefits, Media

Oppidan, Environmental and Projects Manager.

**2017.M01.2** **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

No leave of Absence

**2017.M01.3** **OTHERS MATTERS OF THE AGENDA**

There were no other matters on the Agenda

**2017.M01.4** **PRESIDENT WELCOME**

The President welcomed council members and congratulated

Council members that did well in their exams.

**2017.M01.5**  **OFFICE ALLOCAIONS WITH RULES (**SG)

The Secretary General explained that office allocations are

done temporary for now since there will be by elections and

to be fair all councilors must be treated equally meaning that

after by elections, final office allocations will be done

Furthermore, the Secretary General reminded Council that

Offices are a working space so they must be kept clean.

**2017. M01.6** **SCHEDULING OF WELCOME COMMITTEE**

The Secretary General told council that he would email welcome

Committee schedule. The Community Engagement Councilor

Asked for clarity in this regard and the President explained that

Councilors will be split into groups to welcome students,

parents and guardians during registration at Eden Grove.

**2017. M01.7** **OBJECTIVES, GOALS AND MANIFESTOS** (*Vice president*)

The Vice President asked council to send him objectives and

Co objectives which must align with the manifestos, he further

stated that he will email soon when council should submit.

**2017. M01.8** **OFFICE CLEAN UP** (*Vice president*)

The Vice President thanked council for their effort in cleaning

Offices especially the purple room and further stated that we

should put 2 metal drawers in the RA Room and all office

equipment that is on the passage and by the DSA must be

taken to the purple room.

**2017. M01.9** **BUDGET AND FINANCE** (*Treasurer*).

The treasurer explained that inorder to get purchase orders

Councilors must send an email to her 3 days before, with the

Exception of an urgent need.

The International Affairs Councilor asked for clarity on how the

General account is operating. The treasurer said that she knows

How much is there.

Environmental Councilor asked if we get a monthly update

About SRC Finances. The Vice President enlightened Council

In this regard by mentioning that, it is done at Student Parliament.

**2017. M01.10** **NSFAS update and O week sponsors** (*Student Benefits*)

Student Benefits and Sponsorships Councilor told council

That she contacted NSFAS and they said that they would

Respond to students by 20 February. She further mentioned

Our sponsors for Oweek which are Pick n Pay, Insight and

Saints

The Projects Manager confirmed other sponsors, which are

Redbull and Sesfikile wines.

**2017. M01.11** **Oppidan plans and meet the SRC** (*oppidan councilor*)

The Oppidan Councilor tried contacting Sfiso Xulu for him

To play music in the event and further mentioned that she is

Still waiting for a list of songs that each councilor would like

For the presentation

The International Affairs Councilor said that we need to set up

A task team to help the Oppidan Councilor.

The Oppidan Councilor came with an Idea of starting Oppidan

Market to fundraise for the meal fund and send a letter to

Churches for support. The Vice President mentioned that

There is a fundraising policy so this should align with that.

The President asked the Oppidan Councilor to follow up all

The suggestions and report back.

**2017. M01.12** **Fees must fall**

The President asked what we could do as an SRC for Fees Must

Fall and advised that as a starting point we should form a

Relationship with FMF leadership so that we can all work

Together to build student unity as Mr. Irvin alluded to that this

Division kills the call.

Council decided, that we need to find common grounds and go

Ahead and the Secretary General and the Vice President were

Tasked to find a day to discuss FMF as council and our stance.

**2017. M01.12** **Report backs**

There were no report backs

**2017. M01.13** **Any other business**

Afro MUN

International Affairs Councilor explained that Mr Ofei will

Assist us to source funds for this conference and those that are

Interested should register and apply, the deadline is 30 January.

He further mentioned that the SRC website needs to be updated.

The Environmental affairs Councilor has emailed a photographer

For SRC video, now waiting for quotations.

The Oppidan Councilor said that we should find a date for the

Oppi market, sponsors and all the logistics. Also came with an

Idea of the Oppi bus picking up students from the location in the

Morning

The Vice President suggested that we schedule a think tank and

Have a little imbizo.

**2017. M01.14 Upcoming events**

11-18th Orientation week

President speech at Monument on Sunday the 12/02/17.

Meet your SRC on Monday the 13/02/17.

**2017. M01.15 Date and time of next meeting**

To be confirmed