

ANU BIPOC DEPARTMENT COLLECTIVE MEETING - WEEK 8 SEM 1

24/4/24

ATTENDANCE: see bottom of agenda

Meeting opened: 5:07 p.m.

Apologies: Emalisa and Precious

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The ANU BIPOC Department acknowledges the traditional owners of this land, the Ngunnawal and Ngambri peoples. We pay our respects to Elders, past, present and emerging. We acknowledge that this land was stolen and sovereignty was never ceded. We welcome all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to our Collective and we commit to standing with our First Nations people.

2. OFFICER REPORT

a. Palestine Fundraiser THIS FRIDAY!

- i. Tickets now sold out
- ii. Raised \$2k
- iii. We are going to do tickets at door
- iv. Aleesya to do a post saying the same
- v. Selena to double check with staff as to when doors close
- vi. Thank you to all volunteers!!!

b. Dr Karo Panel

- i. Next Tuesday 6PM @ Ursula Hall
- ii. Topic: Racism and SASH

c. SRC - Last Wed

- i. BIPOC Baddie section
 1. All exec members of the BIPOC department got a shoutout in this section
- ii. Learnt amount additional funding \$9k
 1. Asked for \$7K and got extra \$2K.
 2. Need to balance the figures, selena to check with ANUSA treasurer to see how flexible the fund is after receiving the invoice.

d. Mental Health Taskforce

- i. Coffee catch up this Monday was informative
 1. Selena to attend next meeting and make a decision then
 2. The BIPOC Department decides Selena should leave the mental health taskforce. Reasons:
 - a. Does not feel like making an impact
 - b. Can pull out and join anytime.
- ii. Will attend next meeting and make a decision about my involvement

e. Anti-Racism Taskforce

- i. More interested in this and investigating the outcomes of last year's taskforce
 - f. Ursula Hall Report Update**
 - i. Met with Jenni (Dean of Students) on Thursday 18th April 9AM
 - ii. Will meet with Jenni again on the 2nd of May 10AM to finalise next steps of the report
 - g. Palestine Chalk Mural**
 - i. Received advice from legal
 - 1. Nothing we can do about it to prevent it from happening
 - 2. The BIPOC Department doesn't have enforcement rights on the wall.
 - ii. ANU Security is currently reviewing CCTV
 - 1. If they identify a person we have a few options:
 - a. We either take to dean of students
 - i. Formal Pathway
 - b. ANU security will ask the person to make an anonymous apology
 - c. We send a letter to ANU security and then they will send it to the person
 - d. We can do nothing
 - 2. Perpetrator is not obligated to respond
 - iii. To be decided what to do next week when Emalisa & Precious are present.
- h. Palestine Protest Walkover**
 - i. ?
- i. Disclosure Training for BIPOC Reps at Res Halls**
 - i. Huge delays with this as no response from SSW
 - ii. Looking to push this back in Bush Week Sem 2
- j. Indigenous Panel**
 - i. Still trying to secure venue
 - ii. Selena to check in with Faith again.
- k. Indigenous Dept x Ball**
 - i. Need to meet with Indigenous Dept to discuss finances
 - ii. Important to sign a contract within the next few weeks with the Rex Hotel.
- l. BIPOC Base**
 - i. Feedback form is up in BIPOC Base. Also find it [here](#)
 - ii. Access: 118 students
 - iii. Pending:
 - 1. Will be contacting ANU re: Panel Heaters
 - 2. Pads / Tampons: still not secured however need to register with Share the Dignity
 - a. Maitrey to help with this.

3. Snacks: need to organise a snack run and check with Chia about costs
- iv. **Office Hours: Wed 3-4PM @ BIPOC Base**

3. SECRETARY REPORT

a. Library

- i. Up and running! Check out form can be found on the bookshelf.

b. Volunteers

- i. Compiling a list of this semester's volunteers for our records

4. TREASURER REPORT

a. find out how much Ball should cost

- i. \$8700 approx
 1. BIPOC to contribute 50% of the expensive
 2. The rest fund through tickets
 3. Indigenous department not paying for Alcohol
 - a. \$7k approx for alcohol which the BIPOC department will have to take up
- ii. Selena to speak with Paria about the increased cost of alcohol.
- iii. Meet with indigenous department next week or the week after and see how much the BIPOC department is happy to fund and see what category takes up how much of the expenses.

b. Zine?

- i. Not done yet

c. Costco vs Aldi

- i. Identifies Costco is much better
- ii. Much cheaper and

5. SOCIAL OFFICER REPORT

6. ADVOCACY OFFICER REPORT

a. Advocacy Committee meeting

- i. Understanding role of committee
- ii. What does the committee want?
 1. Education panels - themes around themes fragility, Palestine, censorship, inaccessibility on rent campus, residencies
 2. Racism report also briefly discussed
 3. Increasing awareness of BIPOC Base
- iii. Only ideas right now but no action list

- iv. Feedback: need BIPOC Base to be more visible (e.g. Google Maps, signs board, signs on windows), mural needs to be more inclusive of international students
- v. Next meeting TBC
- b. Palestine Panel**
 - i. ANU Confessions
 - ii. Questions will be sent to the panellists for their review
 - iii. Day of event need help with registering
- c. Documentary 2023**
 - i. Paria now has access to Premier Pro and is set up

7. PUBLICITY OFFICER REPORT

- a. Good engagement with palestine panel
- b. One last post tomorrow for Palestine Fundraiser
- c. Hope to do bios for Palestine Panels
- d. Google form is the new way of doing graphics
 - i. Event organisers must put their event on the doc
 - ii. Aleesya will see the doc and make the graphics

8. BASC OFFICER REPORT

- a. Meeting with Lodge BIPOC Rep**
 - i. Finalise event for next sem
 - ii. Week 10 (Wednesday) - Study Group BASC Event at BIPOC Base
- b. Afro Jams
 - i. 4th May (Saturday)
 - ii. 7PM pres
 - iii. Location: Badger

9. FIRST YEAR OFFICER REPORT

- Chai and Chats were very successful, 20 people showed up!
- Feedback form complete: [form](#)
- Upcoming events
 - Possibly look at week 11 & 12 (exam period)
 - Study session event
 - Destress Picnic (Idea)

10. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Tea and Slay

Meeting Closed: 5:43 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Selena Wania (BIPOC Officer)

Maitrey Khobragade (Advocacy Officer)

Chiamaka Oba (Treasurer)

Kabelo Setipa (BASC Rep)
Youngseo (Sabine) Lee (First Year Rep)
Aleesya (Publicity Officer)