



SRC 2021/22 TERM REPORT I: SENIOR PRIM COMMITTEE CHAIR







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Constitutional Responsibilities

The Senior Prim Committee (SPC) has a constitutional mandate to actively promote the rights of students contained in CHAPTER 2 of the Student Constitution, and specifically the right to an enabling campus environment in which student success and academic excellence are encouraged and pursued.

The SPC's duties and powers are:

(1) The Senior Prim Committee represents the interests of the residents of senior residences, in that capacity, at the SRC and the University management.

(2) The Senior Prim Committee has the powers necessary for the performance of its duties.

The SPC this term exercised its mandate of representing senior students in various committee meetings and engagements which shall be elaborated on in the section dealing with committees and task teams.

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Portfolio Overview

The Senior Prim Committee consists of a Chairperson, a Vice-Chairperson, and the Prim, or their nominee, of each senior residence, as well as any other members that are provided for in the constitution of the Senior Prim Committee. Other members provided for in the SPC constitution are the Senior Living Spaces (SLS) cluster convenors and new structures for senior students residing outside of residences – Rubix.net, amaMaties.net and Wimbledon.Net.

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Committees/Task Teams

Student Communities Advisory Committee:

- Committee in the office of Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Learning and Teaching
- Advise DVC on ways to effect coordination between residences, cluster, and hub processes as they align to the University's strategic planning
- Advise on clusters as an organizing principle for student life, academic affairs and delivery of services
- Ensure that University infrastructure enables holistic integration and coordination of all studentrelated housing, cluster, and hub activities
- Act as a communication agent and consultation forum for the various divisions involved in the Committee for matters relating to student communities and student housing.

USKOF:

- Committee in the office of Senior Director: Student Affairs
- Dispensing financial support for students who seek to improve their co-curricular competencies
- Includes but not limited to: conferences, meetings, workshops and non-academic exchanges

SPC Constitution Committee:

- Committee chaired by SPC Chairperson
- Reviews all constitutions, rules or regulations of house committee constitutions
- Reviews SPC Constitution every three years

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Term Overview



The first term of the SPC 2021/2022 included the first sitting once all the new student leaders were elected, with the exception of the LLL representative and three .Net executive leaders. In this meeting the newly elected Prims were orientated with the functioning and role of the SPC within Student Communities and Student Governance.

Planning commenced with the house committee training program. This was done with the help of Yeki Mosomothane and Quinton Apollis from the Centre for Student Communities. A survey was drafted and carried out with all newly elected house committee members outlining their past leadership experience and key areas which they have identified the need for more information/training. The information was then compiled, and a weekend program was developed.

Regular meetings were also held with Noel Bekkers (SLS cluster coordinator), Gareth Cornelissen (Deputy director: Student Communities) and Pieter Kloppers (Deputy director: Student Communities) regarding both the functioning of the SPC as well the current state of senior residences.

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Plans for next term

In the next term the following projects will take place:

- HCs Training Weekend
- SLS Driving School Phase I

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