University of Melbourne Student Union



Meeting of the Clubs & Societies Committee

CONFIRMED Minutes

10 am, Monday May 4, 2020

Meeting 09/20

Location: Zoom

Opened at 10:01 am by Jordan Di Natale

1. Procedural Matters

1.1. Election of Chair

Motion 1: To elect Olivia White as chair

Mover: Jordan Di Natale Seconder: Chris Melenhorst

CWD

1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So acknowledged

1.3. Attendance

Committee: Olivia White, Beatrice Valencia, Niamh Hollick, Chris Melenhorst, Ezekiel

McPherson

Officer: Jordan Di Natale

Staff: Fiona Sanders

Absent: Justin Riazaty, Ezra Bangun

1.4. Grant speaking rights to Coordinator (Standing Order 21.2)

Procedural motion 1: To grant speaking rights to Fiona Sanders

Mover: Chair

CWD

1.5. Apologies

None received

1.6. Proxies

None received

1.7. Membership

No changes

1.8. Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: To adopt the Agenda with the addition of 9.4 Virtual Community

Mover: Chair

CWD

2. Confirmation of previous minutes

2.1. April 21, 2020

Motion 3: To confirm and accept the previous minutes as a true and accurate record

Mover: Chair

CWD

3. Conflict of interests

Name	Conflicts of Interest declared			
Chris Melenhorst	Transit Riders Alliance for Melbourne Students			
Justin Riazaty	Russian Society			
Ezekiel McPherson	ASEAN Students of Melbourne University			
Ezra Bangun	nil			
Beatrice Valencia	planetUni			
Niamh Hollick	Science Students Society			
Olivia White	Friends Of Unnatural Llamas			
Jordan Di Natale	nil			

No changes

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

4.1. 2019 Directed General Meetings

Defer

4.2. Asset Checking

Defer

- 4.3. Regulation review
- 1.f (communicate with C&S in English) was omitted from Moore's edit: C&S Committee want it in, refer to confirm
- 1.h (defining Notice periods) addition accepted by C&S Committee
- 2.1.b & c. (administration of Council nominees) accepted by committee to administer C&S Council rep nominations/registrations. However, needs to be checked against the constitution, refer to confirm it is acceptable. The Committee has an interest in limiting participation to club committee members.
- 2.3.e. (appealing staff decisions around election to the Committee) this makes no sense. Elections are chaired by RO, any disagreements about nominated reps would have to be referred to the RO, and appeal is the Electoral Tribunal. Certainly not C&S Committee.
- 5.1 (amendments and clarifications to the layout of the Required Provisions of Club Constitution), acceptable to Committee.
- 5.2.c (membership list must be provided to Retuning Officer before the meeting) acceptable to Committee, noting that this list must be provided before the commencement of the meeting. Noted that clubs should pay attention to membership administration in advance of the General Meeting.
- 5.2.e.i (reword from RO for all General Meetings, to RO for any election), acceptable to Committee

- 5.2.e.iv.C (signing secret ballot papers), Clubs are terrible at this, but Committee wants to retain the good administration of elections
- 5.2.e.vi (declaring election invalid) refers to all of 5.2, but in doing so duplicates 5.2.h, refer to confirm
- 5.3.g.iii (Club must not expel members on discriminatory grounds, Moore's wording omits "provided that the member supports the aims of the club.") Committee wishes to restore the original regulation wording.
- 6.2.b Regulation reference to be checked and confirmed

Justin Riazaty arrived at 10:42 am

6.3.x (bad faith clause). Long discussion about the lack of definition of what is bad faith. Some concern that the C&S Committee would use this to prosecute particular grudges, but it was noted that it places a higher bar on the C&S Committee to establish that something was done with the intent to deceive, and clubs cannot be disciplined for an honest mistake.

Motion 4: To add a definition of bad faith to the Regulations.

Mover: Chair

For 2 Against 4

LOST

Motion 5: That Regulation 6.3.x be worded "acts in bad faith toward the Department or Committee"

Mover: Chris Melenhorst Seconder: Jordan Di Natale

For 4 Against 2

CARRIED

Justin Riazaty left at 11:26 am and proxies to Ezekiel McPherson

- 6.4.a.iv (actions that can have an individual barred from being an executive), actions reviewed and no changes made.
- 6.5.a.ii & iii (both C&S Council & Students Council can petition to discipline clubs), rewording accepted, however, the C&S Council's ongoing membership is not the nominees, but the Presidents, and so 6.5.a.ii should say Club Presidents, or be removed. Committee wants to remove 6.5.a.ii. Seek confirmation this is acceptable.
- 6.5.c. (advertising discipline on Noticeboards), seems redundant as the only UMSU, meetings required to be advertised on boards is the General Meeting. Committee wants to delete clause, refer to confirm this is acceptable.
- 6.6.ii (Moore's edited from a club in disaffiliation appeal period is not bound by rights or responsibilities of Regulations, to no rights, but all responsibilities), Committee wants to return to original wording, refer to confirm this is acceptable.
- 6.8 & 6.9, discussed location in Regulations, no change proposed.
- 7.6.b (addition of an agreement of leaders with the Camp Code of Conduct), acceptable to Committee.
- 7.6.d (new clause, Participant Info Forms must be completed in advance of camp), acceptable to Committee.

- 7.6.g (child protection), refer for advice.
- 8.3.g.iv (limiting to one C&S Promo grant per event), acceptable to committee.
- 9.7 correction to mediation process, rights suspension is not a sanction, but is a temporary measure in mediation. Accepted by committee.
- 11. Definitions added of Academic Day and Attendance List. Accepted by Committee.
- 11. Definition of "Staff" is incorrect, refer for correction
- 12.e. (Regs are interpreted by C&S Committee) omitted by Moore's, Committee wants it restored, refer for confirmation.

Appendix 1 (standard constitution) cleaned up to restore all the bits Moore's deleted, accepted by Committee.

Appendix 2.5.e.ii (contradicts 1.b of Appendix 2), refer to correct.

4.4. Electoral Guidance

We can get Above Quota Elections to prepare something for us, but at this time we are constrained by budget uncertainty.

Defer until budget is resolved

4.5. Wellbeing Training

Jordan has emailed Dr Patrick, waiting for response.

Defer to next meeting

4.6. Sustainability Policy

Policy was sent with meeting Notice

Enviro officers would like to add that club members are encouraged or required to bring plastic containers to events. The Committee did not accept this addition; it is both impossible to administer and also a Safe Food Handling risk in most cases as club members should not be encouraged to take food home that has been out more than two hours, and they will carry around in their bag all afternoon!

10 minute break taken, meeting resumed at 11:51 am

Noted that it is not the intention to discipline clubs for not adhering to policy; rather it is guidance.

Motion 6: To adopt the Sustainability Policy.

Mover: Jordan Di Natale Seconder: Beatrice Valencia

CWD

4.7. Apollo Music Society Camp

Club camp (and all costs) deferred with campsite. No further action

4.8. Clubs Council

Proposed agenda was distributed in the meeting papers. No additional business is proposed by the C&S Committee.

The objective with discussing the Attendance App is to find out if anyone used it.

Time and date set for Tuesday June 2, 1 pm

We will use a Goggle form to collect Name, Exec and Club from attendees. Beatrice will assist in the meeting with using the chat to remind attendees to register attendance

4.9. General Meetings in isolation

The various election options presented were discussed. Recommendations to clubs will depend on pricing

ACTION: Jordan to enquire about pricing

UMSU is looking at an online platform called (MSL) that encompasses several aspects of the union, and it includes online elections for clubs

The committee reiterated its commitment to no Semester 1 General Meetings

5. Officers Report

Jordan advised the committee about the survey collaboration with Environments, to be designed and sent soon to clubs.

Additionally, we can ask Hidden Spark to include agreement with the Sustainability policy on grants as a reminder.

Motion 7: To accept the Office Bearer's report.

Mover: Chris Melenhorst Seconder: Niamh Hollick

CWD

6. Correspondence

6.1. Club Merchandise Enquiry

Uni shop want to gather details of clubs what sell hoodies.

ACTION: Fiona to write back and invite her to contact individual clubs, or write something we can send to clubs in the Bulletin

6.2. Pakistani Society CSF13291 appeal

The grant was initially rejected on solid grounds. Committee did not take any action.

7. Grants

7.1. Standard

Motion 8: To approve all standard grants en bloc

Mover: Chair

CWD

7.2. Grants For Discussion

7.2.1. MOMU 13516

Grant ID	Club Name	Mtn #	Recommendations	Motion & outcome
CSF13516	Malaysians of Melbourne University	9	To recommend the club to seek a deferral of the camp to a later date	To approve grant 13516 Mover: Chris Melenhorst Seconder: Beatrice Valencia CWD

CSF13543	Oxfam Group	10	Donations are not for C&S to make on behalf of clubs; grant money is for club member benefit.	To approve grant CSF13543 for to the vouchers. Mover: Chris Melenhorst Seconder: Jordan Di Natale CWD
CSF13537	Indonesian Students Association	11	To reject grant due to not being compliant with Regulations 8.3.1	To accept the Officer's recommendations Mover: Jordan Di Natale Seconder: Niamh Hollick
CSF13538	Indonesian Students Association		To approve grant at 50% due to lateness	
CSF13539	Language Exchange Club		To approve grant at 50% due to lateness	CWD

8. General Meetings

8.1. Compliant

None

8.2. For Discussion

8.2.1. Australian Students Society of Haematology (AGM March 4)

Two founding members active in AGM had not re-signed as 2020 members.

Motion 12: To accept the Australian Students Society of Haematology AGM.

Mover: Chris Melenhorst Seconder: Niamh Hollick

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9. Other Business

9.1. New Clubs

9.1.1. Constitutions/Progress

Almost all constitutions are complete

Obstetrics and Gynaecology Society are adopting a non-standard constitution; C&S have reviewed draft, have received an update to be reviewed again.

African Society contacted us Friday with small changes, have appointment this afternoon.

9.1.2. Semester 2 Expressions of Interest

Committee will accept electronic Expressions of Interest in Semester 2

9.1.3. Semester 1 "pre-affiliates" and MYO

Committee will permit pre-affiliates to participate in Mid-Year Orientation, with advice to prospective members that they are yet to formally affiliate.

9.1.4. Names:

9.1.4.1. Gleam Up

Proposed name, accepted by C&S is Gleam Up Beauty, Business and Science. Acceptable to Committee.

9.1.4.2. Impact Investment Fund

Motion 13: To accept the name change to Social Impact Investment Fund.

Mover: Chris Melenhorst Seconder: Beatrice Valencia

CWD

9.2. Sustainability Survey

Already discussed in 5. Offices Report

9.3. Mid-Year Orientation

Discussion of a "virtual Expo" website, needs to include link to a Zoom and/or membership form. Payment method must be sorted out.

Want it to have the feeling of browsing the clubs; a festival feeling rather than a list, something more visual like an interactive expo map

9.4 Virtual Campus

There is a quickly evolving project, part of which centralises information about all the clubs on campus, which C&S will have a big part in, but we are also navigating how C&S can negotiate for the rest of UMSU to be a part of the virtual campus.

Likely to have communication out to clubs next week.

10. Next Meeting (Tuesday May 19, 12 pm)

11. Close

Meeting closed at 12:40 pm