



**University of Melbourne Student Union
Meeting of the Education Committee
Minutes
Friday 15 September 2023 13:30
Meeting 16(23)
Location: Room 201 Building 168**

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Meeting opened at 13:38.

1. Procedural Matters

1.1. Election of Chair

Motion 1.1.1: That Carlos be elected as Chair

Mover: Carlos

Seconded: Mary

CARRIED

1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Custodians

So acknowledged.

1.3. Attendance

Carlos Lagos Martin, Mary Kin Chan, Lachlan Mutimer, Heather Maltby, Rahul Mittal, Tom Xie, Divya Rajagopalan, Taj Takahashi.

1.4. Apologies

Anita Keng.

1.5. Proxies

None.

1.6. Membership

No changes to membership.

1.7. Adoption of Agenda

Motion 1.7.1: To adopt the agenda as presented.

Mover: Carlos

Seconded: Mary

CARRIED

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

2.1 Minutes 15(23)

Motion 2.1.1: To accept the previous minutes as a true and accurate record of meeting 15(23).

Mover: Carlos

Seconded: Mary

CARRIED

3. Conflicts of Interest Declaration

Mary declares a conflict of interest as the coffee club's secretary.

Tom declares a conflict of interest as a member of the coffee club.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None.

5. Correspondence

None.

6. Office Bearer Reports

Carlos:

Carlos reported that the university is planning to move instances of medical certificates falsification from 'academic misconduct' cases to 'general misconduct' cases. Students who apply for multiple assignments with falsified documents can involve multiple faculties, resulting in multiple misconduct sessions. The university plans to move such instances of falsified medical certificates (applied to multiple assignments) and combine them into one 'general misconduct' session.

Reported on getting in touch with James and Emma on how solidarity campaign will deal with the week 10 strike. Motion without notice coming up to approve money for that week. Tom asked if week 10 strike is to happen across the uni, all NTEU members were confirmed to strike as they voted taking protected action up. Carlos: 'Encourage your tutors to join!'

Mary:

Reported on the End of semester working group. Mary suggested releasing the surveys earlier to give students reasonable time to fill them in but the university said that that would be too early. Mary also suggested donating \$1 for each survey completed to a charitable cause such as a bursary for students with financial difficulties, SASH victims, cancer related charities/organisations, funding professional clothing for job interviews etc. Realistically will come in summer 2024.

Elected Reps: Review on SEDS, focused mainly on students who have logged their disabilities with the university. Education Academic advocated to extend the submission

The event will be held in the student kitchen (student pavilion) during SWOTVAC, preferably earlier in that week. We will provide filter coffee and an extra sweet snack (most likely tiramisu made by CAFE). The idea is that students have some coffee and a bite while studying.

Also an opportunity for this year's UMSU Education Office to say goodbye to students!!

Motion 9.1: To approve spending \$250.00 within Tag "Food & Beverages" under account number 03-60-620-3840 "Events".

Mover: Lachie

Seconded: Rahul

CARRIED

10. Other Business (Motions without Notice)

Carlos was seeking committee approval of \$500 for a catered event related to the NTEU's planned strike action.

As there is a week of strike action during week 10, Carlos wants to have an event for students who are on campus at the time with some food or a chill out area and to be able to facilitate conversations about the strike action and how staff working conditions may affect students' learning conditions.

Motion 10.1: To approve \$200 within Tag "Food & Beverages" under account number 03-60-620-3840 "Events" for an event/catering related to and to be held during the NTEU's week 10 strike action.

Mover: Lachie

Seconded: Heather

CARRIED

Motion 10.2: To approve \$300 within Tag "Campaigns" under account number 03-60-620-3840 "Events" for Yes 23! Merchandise like pins, stickers, and booklets to have on Wednesday Yes 23 Education Department stall.

Mover: Lachie

Seconded: Heather

CARRIED

11. Next Meeting

Friday 29th of September via Zoom.

12. Close

Meeting closed at 13:55.