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| **University of Melbourne Student Union**  **Meeting of the Education Committee**  **1pm, the 26th of March, 2021**  **Meeting 5(21)**  **Location: Zoom, Online** |

1. **Procedural Matters**
   1. Election of Chair

Planning moves to elect himself as chair.

Jennisha seconds.

Carried without dissent.

* 1. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

Planning does the acknowledgement.

* 1. Attendance

Hannah, Planning, Jennisha, Tejas, Sunny, Luka, Anna, Nishank, Sami, Jess.

* 1. Apologies

none

* 1. Proxies

none

* 1. Membership

No changes

1.7 Adoption of Agenda

1. **Conflict of Interest Declarations**

none

1. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**
2. none
3. **Operation Business**

Hannah and Tejas go over the rally yesterday. Explained why Zoe Ranganathan (NUS President) and Jack Buksh (UMSU President) couldn’t speak – they were both really unwell. Hannah lists other speakers, aim of rally, expresses that rally was smaller than expected but this may be because of the bad weather.

Tejas discusses statement about attacks on Asian communities. Statement was done in conjuction with Indigenous, POC and Women’s Department.

Tejas also discusses Women’s rally and how Hannah spoke at it.

Hannah discusses RACV rally organised by the NTEU. Rally was outside where the Unimelb executives were having their meeting to “plan the direction in which the university will go this year”. Hannah explains that the NTEU were protesting because more job cuts are happening. Hannah also spoke at the rally as a student representative and highlighted the relationship between staff working conditions and student learning conditions.

Tejas discusses petition about deporting Australian-born child with disability. Asks committee to share it around and sign it. Link: <https://www.change.org/p/allow-kayaan-our-son-who-lives-with-cerebral-palsy-to-stay-in-australia/psf/promote_or_share>

Jennisha: discusses reopening of SRN applications, will be soon. Went to the Exam subcommittee – this is where academics discuss assessments and examinations. Also replying to student concerns.

Planning: several departments doing several campaigns – eg. Women’s, Queer. Important that Education Department support these rallies. Today shared a post about Indian Students Migrant Survey – understand grievances of Indian students. UMSU Advocacy and UOM Dental School. Fee remission incredibly hard – Uni dodges it by using other unis as references. Dental School – use data to show that quality of education has decreased – haven’t been able to get sufficient training and experience to go into the field. Academic board – positives: transition to campus. Concerns about international students missing out on experiences.

Planning asks if committee members have any questions.

Planning: SRN Applications reopening as certain committees still vacant. Want committee to help get people onto committees. Explains importance of students sitting on committees. Bit more bureaucratic but still worth it. Assures committee that they will be updated.

1. **Motions on Notice**

none

1. **Other Business**

none

1. **Next Meeting**

Hannah will send out whenisgood. Next meeting will be sometime over the next 2 weeks.

1. **Close**

1:21pm