



University of Melbourne Student Union
Meeting of the People of Colour Committee
Minutes (Unconfirmed)
2:00pm, Monday the 18th of February, 2019
Meeting 3 (19)
Location: OB space, Level 1, Union House

Meeting opened at 2:10pm by Mark Yin

1. Procedural Matters

1. Election of Chair

Mark Yin was elected as chair.

Mover: Mark Yin **Seconder:** Neha Agarwal

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners
So acknowledged
3. Attendance
Mark Yin, Neha Agarwal, Fiona Xia, A'bidah Zaid Shirbeeni, Sam Zaman, Maha Masroor, Yaameen Al-Muttaqi, Hiruni Walimunige, Tharidi Walimunige.
4. Apologies
None received
5. Proxies
None received
6. Membership
No changes
7. Adoption of Agenda

The agenda, as presented, was adopted.

Mover: Mark Yin **Seconder:** Sam Zaman

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

The previous minutes were confirmed.

Mover: Mark Yin **Seconder:** Neha Agarwal

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

3. Conflict of Interest Declarations

Mark declared that he had paid for the board games and in turn would be reimbursed for it. As such, he would not move or second Motion 7.1.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None

5. Correspondence

The discussions with Amelia Terry about Diversity Week are continuing, and progress is being made with the events.

Discussions with UMSU International about the board game day are progressing. People to help on the day, as well as cross-promotion, have been requested with the intention of drawing people from both crowds.

6. Office Bearer Reports

Continued SummerFest preparations

Our tote bags have arrived as of the 11th and our snacks are on the way - we'd appreciate some help packing them in preparation for our stall. We're also thinking of chucking some tea in an esky and doing an activity involving matching racist quotes to the people who said them, so we'll be organising this pretty shortly. Our other events are also taking shape, with various bits and pieces of logistics being ironed out.

Interviewing prospective Anti-Racism 101 presenters

We interviewed a number of very strong applicants to present this O-Week workshop, ranging from past office bearers to people new to the department altogether. Since this is a new event which aims to introduce students to our department and its values, selecting the right presenter is a momentous decision for us.

Diversity/inclusion training

We've been talking to staff and students across various faculties - in particular Arts and FBE - to get a grasp of existing procedures of diversity/inclusion training for staff. This is so that we can organise a student-led portion of said training in order to centre the lived experiences of students of colour. We'll be sitting on a student panel in the Faculty of Arts tutor induction, and will be in contact with FBE about a cultural diversity training session later in semester one.

Anti-Racism 101 Workshop

Yaameen Al-Muttaqi is confirmed as the presenter. In his words: "There will be dumb jokes, and you can make fun of me."

7. Motions on Notice

7.1. To move up to \$200 from the 'Special Events' budget line to remunerate Mark Yin for the purchase of board games.

Mover: Sam Zaman

Seconder: Neha Agarwal

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Yaameen asked if Mark could buy him boardgames. Mark responded with "This is SSAF money, I can't spend SSAF money on you."

7.2. To move a further \$100 from the ‘Special Events’ budget line to purchase snacks for SummerFest events.

Mover: Mark Yin **Seconder:** Neha Agarwal

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

7.3. To move \$450 from the ‘Special Events’ budget line in order to cover AV costs for our SummerFest film screening

Mover: Mark Yin **Seconder:** Sam Zaman

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

At one point, Yaameen tried to talk over Mark. Mark told him to “shut up.”

7.4. To move up to \$150 from the ‘Special Events’ budget line for *Crazy Rich Asians* screening rights.

**This motion was amended during the meeting, with the amount being corrected to \$150 from \$50 after a typo in the circulated agenda. It is amenable to the listed mover and seconder.*

Mover: Mark Yin **Seconder:** Sam Zaman

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

7.5. To move up to \$50 from the ‘Special Events’ budget line to hire a casual to staff the popcorn machine for our SummerFest film screening.

Mover: Mark Yin **Seconder:** Neha Agarwal

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Neha asked if we could have popcorn every day. Mark responded with a “hard no”, but later acquiesced with a “maybe” for some collectives.

8. Motions without notice

8.1. To move up to \$150 from the ‘Special Events’ budget line to cater the remainder of the SummerFest events.

Mover: Mark Yin **Seconder:** Neha Agarwal

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

8.2. To move up to \$1200 from the ‘Collectives’ budget line to cater QPoC catering for semester 1.

Mover: Mark Yin **Seconder:** Sam Zaman

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

8.3. To move up to \$1000 from the 'Special Events' budget line to buy more tote bags.

Mover: Mark Yin

Seconded: Sam Zaman

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Sam asked if more totes were needed. Mark explained that new totes would allow for distribution throughout the year and also to those who do fall under the department's constituency. He also mentioned that students of Colour could be prioritised.

8.4. To move up to \$960 from the 'Collectives' budget line to cater Reading Groups for the year.

Mover: Mark Yin

Seconded: Neha Agarwal

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Mark clarified that it would be up to \$80 per week for 12 weeks.

9. Other Business

Sam asked when the roster for Carnival day would be out. Mark answered that he will get that out ASAP.

Sam mentioned she is free. Fiona and Maha said that they would be free from 2pm onwards.

Mark noted that there were T-shirts available for people to wear at the stall.

He also said that they were waiting on UMSU International to get back to them before confirming the roster.

He said that the Anti-Racism 101 workshop would be on the Friday that week and that people would be needed to pick up food.

He finally mentioned that Week 1 would see the regular events start up again.

10. Next Meeting

Proposed for Week 1 (Mar/4-8). Whenisgood will be circulated for semester as a whole.

11. Close

Meeting closed at 2:32pm