

# University of Melbourne Student Union Meeting of the Students' Council Minutes Friday 13 May 2022, 1pm Meeting 8(22) Location: Zoom

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# Meeting opened at 1.07PM

## 1. Procedural Matters

## 1.1. Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Millie Macwhirter be elected as Chair

Mover: Millie Macwhirter Seconded: Ethan Georgeou

**CARRIED** 

# **1.2.** Acknowledgement of Indigenous Custodians

So acknowledged.

## 1.3. Attendance

# Councillors

Representatives on Students' Council	Full name	Attended?
Students of Colour Representative on Students' Council	Mohamed Hadi	Yes
Students' Council Indigenous Representative	Jessica Alderton	No
Students with Disabilities Representative on Students' Council	Jaryd Clifford	Yes
Queer Representative on Students' Council	Chaitanya Rhaguvanshi	On Leave
International Student Representative on Students' Council	Aakash Chandak	Yes
Graduate Student Representative on Students' Council	Haotian (Allen) Xiao	Yes
Southbank Student Representative on Students' Council	Zodie Bolic	Yes
Students' Council (General Representative)	Imogen Senior	No
Students' Council (General Representative)	Nishank Ji-Sung Jain	Yes
Students' Council (General Representative)	Ishita Ganeriwala	Yes
Students' Council (General Representative)	Rebekah Kelly	Yes
Students' Council (General Representative)	Scarlett Padden	No
Students' Council (General Representative)	Terry Zhu-Xin Wang	Yes
Students' Council (General Representative)	Yong Wen Hao	Yes

Students' Council (General Representative)	Annalyce Wiebenga	Yes
Students' Council (General Representative)	Joshua Davis	On Leave
Students' Council (General Representative)	Shirley Killen	Yes
Students' Council (General Representative)	Georgia Burke	Yes
Students' Council (General Representative)	Mietta Stephens	Resigned
Students' Council (General Representative)	Nate Hollis	No
Students' Council (General Representative)	Ngaire Bogemann	Yes
Students' Council (General Representative)	Zachary Kaplan	Yes

# Office Bearers

Department	Full name	Attended?
President	Sophie Nguyen	In Apology
General Secretary	Millie Macwhirter	Yes
Activities Officer	Bella Henry	No
Activities Officer	Sami Zehir	No
Clubs & Societies Officer	Benito Di Battista	Yes
Clubs & Societies Officer	Eleanor Cooney-Hunt	Yes
Creative Arts Officer	Marcie Di Bartolomeo	On Leave
Creative Arts Officer	Prerna Aggarwal	Yes
Disabilities Officer	VACANT	Yes
Disabilities Officer	Shuyan (Betty) Zhang	Yes
Education (Academic Affairs) Officer	Ethan Georgeou	Yes
Education (Academic Affairs) Officer	Moira Negline	On Leave
Education (Public Affairs) Officer	VACANT	Yes
Education (Public Affairs) Officer	Ruby Craven	Yes
<b>Environment Officer</b>	Chelsea Daniel	Yes
Environment Officer	Zachary Matthews	Yes
Indigenous Officer	Brittney Henderson	Yes
Indigenous Officer	Harley Lewis	Yes
Media Officer	Charlotte Waters	Yes
Media Officer	Jasmine Pierce	Yes
Media Officer	Joanna Guelas	Yes
Media Officer	Nishtha Banavalikar	In Apology
People of Colour Officer	Hibatallah Adam	Yes
People of Colour Officer	Kyi Phyu Moe Htet	Yes
Queer Officer	Rook Davis	Yes
Queer Officer	Rose Power	Yes
Welfare Officer	Shuyan (Lynne) Bian	Yes
Welfare Officer	Disha Zutshi	Yes
Women's Officer	Aashi (Kraanti) Agarwal	Yes
Women's Officer	Lauren Scott	Resigned
Burnley Campus Coordinator	Kaitlyn Hammond	Yes
Southbank Campus Co-ordinator	Alex Birch	Yes
	Nina Mountford	No
Southbank Activities Officer	Jack Doughty	Yes
Southbank Education Officer	Xiaole Zhan	Yes

Other: Ciara Griffiths (Minute-taker), Phoebe Churches (Interim CEO), Martina Smythe (Manager, People & Culture), Isi Ogwu, Benjamin Cronshaw, Jesse Gardner Russell

## 1.4. Apologies

Office Bearers: Sophie Nguyen, Nishtha Banavalikar

## 1.5. Leave of Absence Requests

Office Bearers: Marcie requested leave from Thursday 12th of May to Wednesday 18th of May. Moira Negline has requested leave for Council 8(22).

Councillors: Chaitanya Raghuvanshi for Council 8(22)

Motion 2: To accept the leave requests.

Moved: Chair

**CARRIED** 

#### 1.6. Proxies

Chaitanya Raghuvanshi proxies to Mohamed Hadi.

Imogen Senior proxies to Zodie Bolic.

Scarlett Padden to Rebekah Kelly

Motion 3: To accept the proxies

Moved: Chair

**CARRIED** 

## 1.7. Membership

- 1.7.1. Lauren Scott has resigned from the position of Women's Officer
- 1.7.2. Mietta Stephens has resigned from Students' Council

## 1.8. Adoption of Agenda

Motion 4: To adopt the Agenda as presented.

Mover: Chair

CARRIED

## 2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

## **2.1.** Minutes 7(22)

Motion 5: To accept the minutes as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Chair

**CARRIED** 

## 3. Conflicts of Interest Declaration

## 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

## 5. Correspondence

- **5.1.** There has been significant correspondence regarding motion 9.5 passed at last council. It was requested that this be shared with council and the relevant documents have been provided. The provided motion within is not to be voted on, rather a point of reference as to what some students hope a collaborative motion might look like moving forward.
- **5.2.** Additional correspondence from BDS regarding the motion passed and standing in solidarity as well as potential next actions UMSU could take. This will be circulated to Council.
- **5.3.** Letter regarding legal proceedings.

**Procedural Motion 1:** To move into camera

Moved: Chair

**CARRIED** 

### Council moved in camera at 1.20PM

During this time, Students' Council moved the following actions:

- Moved to Item 7 (CEO's Report)
- Deferred the UMSU Draft Log of Claims for consideration at Council 9(22) with provision of the EBA
- Accepted a proxy from Ngaire Bogemann to Georgia Burke
- Accepted the CEO's report and its recommendations with exception of the UMSU Log of Claims (deferred)
- Endorsed the SSAF Reporting for submission to Chancellery by 18 May 2022
- Noted the monthly CME Report

## Council moved out of camera at 2.35PM

## 6. Office Bearer Reports

Department	Full name	Submission
		Status?
President	Sophie Nguyen	Submitted
General Secretary	Millie Macwhirter	Submitted
Activities Officer	Bella Henry	Submitted
Activities Officer	Sami Zehir	Not Submitted
Clubs & Societies Officer	Benito Di Battista	Late
Clubs & Societies Officer	Eleanor Cooney-Hunt	Submitted
Creative Arts Officer	Marcie Di Bartolomeo	Submitted
Creative Arts Officer	Prerna Aggarwal	Submitted
Disabilities Officer	Shuyan (Betty) Zhang	Late
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Burnley Officer, Kaitlyn Hammond, apologised for the lack of a written report, provided a verbal report. Hosted an event for the clean-up of the Student Amenities Building and have been working on the R book.

Zach Matthews asked the Welfare Officers why a report has not been submitted by Lynne Bian, enquired after the department's activities.

Lynne Bian delivered a verbal report. Union mart has been running 11am-1pm. For welfare breakfast, officers have collaborated with the Info Desk. Have given Info Desk food to distribute throughout the day (Up & Go and breakfast biscuits).

Zach requested that the Officers advertise these changes more widely.

Rook Davis asked Gen Sec after Sami Zehir's lack of report, how many reports have not been submitted to Council.

Millie Macwhirter, in response; Sami has submitted three reports out of eight Councils. However, this has been impacted by the casual vacancy in the department earlier in the year, and the leave taken during by-election week. This in mind, so far there have not been any consecutive missing reports.

Annalyce Wiebenga left a question on notice for Moira Negline and Sophie Nguyen; asked for reporting on the Academic Board. Requested inclusion on it in their next OB reports.

Ethan Georgeou to pass along to Moira the question on notice. It was also noted in response to a question raised by the Queer Officers about queer representation on

the Academic Board, that president is currently the delegated representative on the Board. However, they are looking at the regulations regarding representation on the Board and if there are ways to introduce alternative/additional representation.

Women's Officer, Kraanti Agarwal, apologised for the lack of a written report, provided a verbal report. Has been playing catch up following Lauren's resignation with the SA/SH Working Group, campaigns, collectives, and the end of semester event coming up – Open Mic Night.

Annalyce Wiebenga asked for updates on the workshops or the end of semester event. Kraanti responded, the first in person workshop was held last week, great attendance. Not many EOIs were received for the workshops so not running any more this semester. Having an open mic end of semester party, invited Council to come along if keen.

General Secretary, Millie Macwhirter, spoke to lack of circulation of Nina Mountford's report. Was submitted (although late) but could not access the report for technical difficulties. Can circulate afterwards if Councillors need.

## Kraanti Agarwal left at 2.44PM

Motion 6: To accept the OB Reports

Moved: Chair

**CARRIED** 

## 7. CEO Report

Item 7 was considered and accepted In Camera.

## 8. Other Reports

8.1. Monthly CME Report April

Was noted in the CEO's Report.

8.2. SSAF Reporting

Was endorsed with acceptance of the CEO's Report.

8.3. UMSU Draft Log of Claims

Was discussed with the CEO's Report and deferred.

#### 8.4. CEO Recruitment Sub-Committee

Mohamed Hadi spoke to the report. The CEO Recruitment Sub-Committee have not met since the last Council meeting. The next meeting's date is still to be confirmed. Current actions: the Position Description will be finalised, and EOIs for recruitment agencies are to be sent out ASAP.

## 8.5. Operations Sub-Committee

Millie Macwhirter spoke to the OpSub report. The Operations Sub-Committee met on Friday 6 May. Passed a motion to move \$400 from the General Operations budget line for a new BBQ for the Burnley Campus.

## 9. Operational Business

## 9.1. Operations Sub-Committee

Chair raised that with the resignation from Students' Council of Mietta Stephens, a casual vacancy has also been triggered on the Operations Sub-Committee.

Motion 7: That Nominations to fill the casual vacancy on the Operations Sub-Committee be opened, with nominations to be sent to the General Secretary and closed on 5pm Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> of May.

Moved: Annalyce Wiebenga Seconded: Zodie Bolic

CARRIED

#### 10. Motions on Notice

**10.1.** Motion for Council to pass \$877.50 from the Whole of Union budget for the upcoming Annual General Meeting. \$732.50 accounts for the equipment and technician from AV Melbourne in line with the quote received. The remaining \$145 accounts for events casuals for counting quorum.

Motion 8: To accept the motion as presented.

Moved: Annalyce Wiebenga Seconded: Harley Lewis

**CARRIED** 

#### 11. Motions without Notice

### 11.1.

#### Preamble:

UMSU has received a price proposal from Moores to deliver a report setting out the merits of the proposed ground for legal challenge and relief set out in the letter of demand, an assessment of the risks for UMSU and consideration of UMSUs strategic options and potentially a meeting with Students' Council to discuss the strategic options set out in the report and how best to proceed.

#### Motion:

Council is asked to pass \$8,000 from Whole of Union budget in order to respond to the letter from Gladwin legal, dated 10th May 2022, threatening legal action against UMSU.

Motion 9: To accept the motion as presented.

Moved: Georgia Burke Seconded: Zodie Bolic

**CARRIED** 

## 12. Other Business

General Secretary and Interim CEO reminded Students' Council to attend the AGM/SGM tomorrow (May 17, 12:40PM).

Jo Guelas raised a question on notice on behalf of Chelsea Rosario for the Women's Officer, regarding the distro for the 2021 Judy's Punch. Sadly, the full shipment is still located on the loading bay.

# 13. Next Meeting

## 14. Close

Meeting closed at 2.54PM