

University of Melbourne Student Union Meeting of the Students' Council Minutes

3:30PM, 13th of September 2019 Special Meeting 2(19) (Meeting 18)

Location: Middle Theatre (106), Babel Building, Parkville

Petitioned by Lucy Turton, Conor Day, Jack Buksh, Worapitcha Laichant, Catriona Smith, Georgia Walton Briggs, Timothy Lilley, & Ciara O'Sullivan

Meeting opened at 3:40pm

1. Procedural Matters

1.1 Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Reece Moir be elected Chair.

Mover: Reece Moir Seconder: Tree Smith

CARRIED

1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Custodians

So acknowledged.

1.3 Attendance

NB: In the eyes of attendance, special meeting attendance this does not count towards councillors' record.

Councillors			
Position	Name	Attended?	Councils attended (including this one)
Students Council	Jack Buksh	Y	4
Students Council	Tim Lilley	N	16
Students Council	Terence Taylor	N	8
Students Council	Nick Reich	N	3
Students Council	Anneke Demanuele	Y	8
Students Council	Georgia Walton-Briggs	Y	11
Students Council	Catriona Smith	Y	12
Students Council	Melinda Suter	N	3
Students Council	Gurpreet Singh	Y	15
Students Council	Lucy Turton	Y	8
Students Council	VACANT		

Students Council	Eva Addinsall	Y	6
Students Council	Worapitcha Laichant	Y	10
Students Council	Conor Day	Y	12
Students Council	Chi Wai Wong	Y	12
Students of Colour	em // w // ong		
Rep	VACANT		
Queer Rep	Ciara O'Sullivan	N	2
Disability Rep	Hue Man Dang	N	
Indigenous Rep	VACANT		
International Rep	VACANT		
Graduate Rep	VACANT		
	ce Bearers		
Position	Name		
President	Molly Willmott	Y	16
General Secretary	Reece Moir	Y	18
Ed Ac	Dominic Ilagan	N	3
Ed Ac	Elizabeth Tembo	N	5
Ed Pub	Charlie Joyce	N	1
Ed Pub	Charli Fouhy	N	7
Welfare	Natasha Guglielmino	N	13
Welfare	Ashwin Chhaperia	N	8
Activities Officer	Liam O'Brien	N	9
Activities Officer	VACANT		
C and S Officer	Jordan Tochner	N	7
C and S Officer	Christoper Melenhorst	N	14
Creative Arts	Ellie Hamill	N	9
Creative Arts	Lucy Holz	N	5
Southbank	Hilary Ekins	N	6
Media Officer	Stephanie Zhang	N	9
Media Officer	Carolyn Huane	N	4
Media Officer	VACANT		
Media Officer	Ruby Perryman	N	5
Disabilities Officer	Lucy Birch	Y	8
Disabilities Officer	VACANT		
Indigenous Officer	Jordan HC	N	3
Indigenous Officer	Laura Brown	N	0
Environment Officer	Will Ross	N	5
Environment Officer	VACANT		
Queer Officer	Andie Moore	N	12
Queer Officer	Raph Canty	N	6
Burnley	James Barclay	N	2

People of Colour Officer	Mark Yin	N	11
People of Colour Officer	Farah Khairat	N	5
Womens	Hannah Buchan	Y	14
Womens	Aria Sunga	N	8

Other: Archit Agrawal; Sean Ng; Damian Yeo; Rebecca Lee; Faith Ang; Aviya Bavati; Nishka Bananakibar; Jack Buksh; Emma Johnson; Nancy Ciara Griffiths; Ezra Bungun; Justin Baré, UMSU CEO; Sarah Black, Administration Officer;

1.4 Apologies

Office Bearer: Jordan Tochner (leave)

1.5 Proxies

Tim Lilley to Ezra Bangun

1.6 Membership

Indiah Money resigned, Nour Altoukhi resigned, Jessica Miller resigned.

Procedural to suspend standing orders.

Mover: Reece Moir (Chair)

CARRIED

Procedural to proxy Melinda Suter's vote to Anneke d'Emmanuele

Mover: Reece Moir (Chair)

CARRIED

Procedural to resume standing orders.

Mover: Reece Moir (Chair)

CARRIED

1.7 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: That the agenda be adopted with the amendment to move item 9.5 immediately.

Mover: Reece Moir (Chair)

CARRIED

9.5. UMSU x UMSUI Agreement

Archit Agrawal spoke about the UMSUI Agreement, and his beliefs that UMSU International did not have as much to say as they should have, and that changes need to be approved by the UMSU International Central Committee (ICC) which did not happen.

Molly explained the issues for people who were not present at the previous meeting. She spoke about legal time requirements in making changes and a breakdown in communication.

Anneke asked why UMSU International is opposed to elections opposing at the same time as the rest of UMSU.

Archie clarified that this is not under discussion.

Tree asked Justin how the consultation process looked for UMSU International.

Justin said that the UMSU International president had a consultation and that a focus group was organised for UMSU International but did not gain attendance.

Conor asked about the current system for UMSU International OBs and ICC members being terminated.

Archit explained that at 8 strikes there is a warning issued in the ICC meeting and 8 strikes equals to 3 or 4 meetings being missed. A vote of no confidence is then issued. Archit says this is how UMSU International is able to deliver events.

Tree: So you have to miss 32 meetings to be kicked off?

Archit: for 1 meeting you have 4 strikes and other conditions such as forgetting to submit a report.

Meetings happen every second Friday. Department meetings happen weekly.

Executive Committee meets every week.

Anneke: Is there something UMSU International doesn't want to report to Student Council?

Archit: The committee hasn't voted on that yet.

Archit stated that proper communication between UMSU and UMSU International doesn't exist and that the International Committee would like for it to exist. He said that international students have a special status and it is because their numbers have grown on campus. The organisational culture for UMSU International is very different, and it should remain different. He posed the question of how corking cooperatively can happen if UMSU International is working under the Student Council. He said that UMSU International doesn't agree with the OB status and how that binds them together with the Student Council.

Procedural to move to a vote.

Mover: Tree Smith

CARRIED

Motion 3: To endorse this agreement.

Mover: Molly Willmott Seconder: Worapitcha Laichant

CARRIED

Molly and Archit decided to sign the agreement at this time. The signatories of this agreement are Molly Willmott, Reece Moir, Justin Baré, Hannah Buchan, Jack Buksh.

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Unable to confirm due to special meeting

3. Conflicts of Interest Declaration

None

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None

5. Correspondence

None

6. Office Bearer Reports

Submitted	
Submitted	
Not Submitted	
Submitted	
Submitted	
Submitted	
Submitted	
Submitted	
Not Submitted	
Not Submitted	

Molly spoke about Special Consideration and its negative impact on students. A survey was posted online and 2000 responses were achieved in a short period of time. Molly urged people to share the survey. Molly stated that this is an Academic Board issue and that there is some academic support for it mostly from the maths faculty as that's where

many of the special consideration cases occur. She also spoke about the Global Climate Strike in one week's time and urged people to attend.

Motion 4: To defer the OB reports to next council.

Mover: Reece Moir (Chair)

CARRIED

Motion 5: To approve OB Recommendations from Media and Activities.

Mover: Reece Moir (Chair)

CARRIED

7. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Justin Baré spoke to his report and added the following issues:

- that UMSU has been working with UMSU International to resolve the matter.
- working with the University around the orientation schedule. He said there has been a lot of discussions with various parts of university about how UMSU will maintain their program around the start of the semester. We are now able to be involved more actively in these conversations.
- that Fair Work requested clarification about the Collective Agreement.
- The issue of outstanding funds that the University owed to UMSU. These were costs incurred in 2018. \$600 000 will be paid in 3 annual instalments this year, 2020 and 2021.

Lucy Turton asked Justin about the lease occupancy agreement.

Justin explained that as part of the agreement with MUSUL, UMSU had terms and conditions to occupy the premises of Union House. Once UMSU started operating the bar, the University made the decision that UMSU needed a commercial lease. Ida Bar is responsible for approximately 3% of UMSU turnover. The University also spoke about UMSU activity on campus which is not acceptable. A term to the lease was proposed, this would expire at the end of the year and be subject to renewal. This would create a possibility of non-renewal. Justin clarified that UMSU do not want to enter an agreement which may remove UMSU before the relocation to the new student precinct. The University says that UMSU wouldn't have to implement that, but the principal of legal drafting is that if it's there, it's there for a reason. Justin went on to say that UMSU are waiting to meet with a senior person from the University when they're available in October. He said that he would be recommending a lease in the talks with the University only if it was in UMSU's interest to do so.

Georgia Walton-briggs left at 4:18pm

Anneke asked a clarifying question about the lease.

Justin: We can have an agreement, it's just the terms.

Conor asked about the kitchen space downstairs.

Justin said that a handover is taking place.

Jack Buksh left room at 4:20pm Quorum lost at 4:20pm

Conor asked about the new student precinct and most of design being finalised, asked if any new design could be sent now.

Molly replied that everything is finalised. Big issues that came of that: prayer space, the bar, storage, car park. Prayer space is basically a 'no'. She said that UMSU have to speak to the head of Student Services about opening some form of a prayer space in the vicinity of the new student precinct.

Jack Buksh entered room at 4:22pm Quorum regained at 4:22pm

Justin said that the Chancellery is deciding whether UMSU will operate a bar in the new precinct. The new student precinct project team is preparing a project paper to Richard James (deputy Provost) and someone from physical infrastructure. The issue is the basis on which UMSU would occupy the bar. Normally when a faculty or department occupy a building, they pay space charges. The question is whether there should be compensation to the University for occupying the bar as it's a commercial activity and whether those would be base charges, tenancy rate or something in between which would be another figure.

Justin: We went through a whole process for making the bar safe to operate and will re-provide the University with all those documents from when we moved the license from MUSUL to UMSU.

Tree: Is there a possibility the University may not allow UMSU to operate a bar?

Justin: Yes. I wouldn't be pessimistic about that at this time.

Anneke: One of the things we were talking about was the same number of meeting rooms in the new precinct and how accessible department spaces will be to students.

Molly: Same spaces and same room names will apply. There will be as many bookable rooms if not more. In terms of accessibility, it's split up a little.

Justin: Yes, there's a corridor and anyone can walk through them.

Motion 6: To accept the CEO's report.

Mover: Reece Moir (Chair)

CARRIED

8. Other

None

9. Operational Business

9.1. Student Initiative Grant, Rural Clinical School Graduation

9.2. Student Initiative Grant, VCA Student Art Exhibition

Motion 7: To approve 9.1 and 9,2 en bloc

Mover: Reece Moir (Chair)

CARRIED

9.3. Operations Sub-committee Nominations

Reece said that there are two vacant positions for Op Sub and he would like to open them to nominations.

Motion 8: To move to open nominations for Op Sub and close on the next scheduled

meetings.

Mover: Reece Moir (Chair)

CARRIED

Procedural to go into camera at 4:34pm

Mover: Reece Moir (Chair)

CARRIED

9.4. August P&L Statements

While in Camera, the August P&L statements were discussed and accepted by Council.

Procedural to move out of camera at 4:35pm

Mover: Reece Moir (Chair)

CARRIED

10. Motions on Notice

10.1. Queer Lunch

10.2. G&Ts with the LGBTs

10.3. Queer Department 'Zine

Procedural to defer 10.1-10.3 en bloc to next council,

Mover: Tree Smith Seconder: Connor Day

11. Motions Without Notice

None

12. Other Business

Anneke invited everyone to Blitz Day

Justin spoke on the upcoming climate strike and that since it's endorsed by UMSU, there will be options explored to facilitate getting staff involved. Justin mentioned that a level of service must continue to be available to students.

Reece reminded everyone about the Regulations Information session next Wednesday from 11am.

Next Meeting

24th September 2019

13. Close

Council closed at 4:38pm.