



**University of Melbourne Student Union
Meeting of the People of Colour Committee
Agenda
6:00 PM, Tuesday the 20th of December 2022
Meeting 1(23)
Location: Teams**

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Meeting opened at 6:03 PM

1. Procedural Matters

1.1. Election of Chair

Motion: To elect Mohamed Hadi as Chair

Mover: Mohamed Hadi

Seconder: Marko Younan

Carried Without Dissent

1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Custodians

So Acknowledged

1.3. Attendance

Natasha Mulay, Dimi Olayanju, Marko Younan, Manasi Deshpande, Nawaar Noor

1.4. Apologies

Upasna Goel, Malaz Mohamed-Bakhit

1.5. Proxies

Upasna Goel proxies to Manasi Deshpande

1.6. Membership

Yong Wen Hao has resigned from committee

1.7. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: To adopt the agenda as presented.

Mover: Mohamed Hadi

Seconder: N/A

Carried Without Dissent

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

None.

3. Conflicts of Interest Declaration

None.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None.

5. Correspondence

- Mohamed talks about Monash African society reaching out to him for AfroBall next year and potential sponsorships with the fifa womens world cup and Ben Simmons
- Mohamed to followup with UMSU Sponsorship for more details about how sponsorship works and how much money could we get for having a sponsor.

6. Office Bearer Report

- **Budget**

She's finished! Got a hefty 15 K cut to try to not go over deficit so I cut back as much as I could, will be applying for grants like crazy next year though, those would be the SSAF grants from unimelb and internal umsu rants from the reserves budget

- **ANU Resisting Racism panel**

Last week the president, Hiba, Harley and I went to Canberra to deliver a panel based on the racism at unimelb report I wrote last year, we had some great discussions about hwo the report came to and the university's response to it. Thank you to all who watched and supported us and to ANUSA's BIPOC department and Dr. karo moret for flying us out to deliver this panel

- **United Nations Consultation with Experts of African descent**

I got invited through my contact at the Vic human rights commission to speak on the racism at unimelb report and the state of racism in tertiary education to three consultants from the UN who are working on recommendations to make to the Australian government.

It was very very exciting to have the departments work actually going to such a high level. Dominique Day from the human rights council wants the second version of the report that will come out soon ish and will send that through to them as an official submission.

It was a very heavy working group as others talked about their experiences as refugees, incarceration in healthcare and so on, and it made me realise that we honestly really live in a privileged bubble.

- **Anti-Racism policy& Implementation working group**

I wrote down the term of reference for the anti-racism working group with reham, Natasha and Malaz, the aims of this working group are to draft policy and implement the recommendations from the racism at unimelb reports over the next year, sent for students' council approval by Monday. I've attached the ToR for your reference

Motion: To accept the office bearer report.

Mover: Mohamed Hadi

Second: N/A

Carried without Dissent

7. Other Reports

None.

8. Operational Business

8.1. Departmental Budget Confirmation

The final budget allocation by students' council will be circulated on Monday after budget council for committee adoption

Motion: To endorse and adopt the People of Colour department budget as presented on the attached Smartsheet

Mover: Marko Younan

Second: Natasha Mulay

Carried Without Dissent

8.2. Operations Sub-committee delegation

The operations subcommittee exists as a delegation from students' council that will allow the spending of money in cases where emergency motions need to be passed for spending between committee meetings.

Motion: To delegate up to \$3000 from each departmental budget line to the operations subcommittee

Mover: Natasha Mulay

Second: Manasi Deshpande

Carried without dissent

Discussion:

- Mohamed explains the function of the subcommittee, places \$5000 as a preliminary amount
- Dimi asks if it's delegation for the whole year or per semester, Mohamed notes its for the whole year
- Nawaar suggests having more than \$1000 as a delegation to op-sub, due to budget size

- Marko asks if this delegation can be changed at any point of the year, Mohamed confirms
- Dimi is leaning more to the side of having a larger amount than 1000 delegated to opsub
- Natasha suggests \$3000 for opsub delegation.

8.3. Co-opting additional committee members

Discussion:

- Mohamed explains committees ability to co-opt members and suggests Reham to be co-opted as an additional non-voting member due to her position as poc rep on council.
- Marko asks voting rights for co-opted members of committee; Mohamed explains they will have no voting rights unless committee proxies a vote to them.
- Mohamed invites committee to add members to co-opt at any point of the year if they want to and it will be presented to committee to vote on

Motion: To co-opt Reham Elzeiny as a non-voting committee member of the people of colour committee.

Mover: Natasha Mulay

Seconded: Manasi Deshpande

Carried without Dissent

8.4. Summerfest and Merchandise discussion

Discussion:

- Mohamed explains more info on Summerfest, how the department will have one event to attract students instead of a stall and event
- Asks will students know who we are if we don't have stalls Mohamed respond by saying I think the strategy is to bring all students to one focus point which is the event, but he doesn't agree with the removal of stalls for the department
- Committee has discussions on allocating more money towards the game site instead of buying merchandise and goodies for the stall, Dimi suggests \$3000 as a placeholder value for the summer fest application, Natasha suggests buying less merch and distributing it during the games night, committee agrees

9. Motions on Notice

None.

10. Motions without Notice

None.

11. Other Business

Mohamed Informs committee that POC space orders have went through thanks to UMSU staff who managed to convince finance to put the orders through.

12. Next Meeting

Sometime in early January

13. Close

Meeting closed at 6.38 PM