

## Women's Committee Meeting 7(21)

Date of Meeting: Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

Advertised time: 6:00 PM (AEST)

Venue: Zoom

<https://unimelb.zoom.us/j/85874443399?pwd=bmVCNmpJSFFubEZxbXcrdk51YTFKdz09>

### **Agenda**

#### **1. Procedural Matters**

##### **1.1. Election of Chair**

Mickhaella moves to elect Srishti as Chair. Seconded by Emily. Carried without dissent.

Srishti moves to elect Mickhaella as Minute-Taker. Carried without dissent.

##### **1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Custodians**

Srishti gave Acknowledgement.

##### **1.3. Attendance**

Mickhaella Ermita, Srishti Chatterjee, Emily Crawford, Tahlia Crossley, Charlotte Macpherson.

##### **1.4. Apologies**

Veronica Chu, who proxied to Emily Crawford.

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Ananya Agarwal.

#### **2. Agenda**

##### **2.1. Collectives and SWOTVAC**

The UMSU Women's Department would like to pass more money for the purchasing of food and drinks to stock the Women's Room fridge during SWOTVAC and for use during our in-person collectives.

MOTION: To pass \$300 from the "Collectives" budget line to purchase food and drinks to stock the Women's Room and for use during in-person collectives.

Moved by Srishti.

Carries without dissent.

##### **2.2. Menstruation Beyond the Binary**

On May 20, the Women's Department facilitated a "Menstruation Beyond the Binary" workshop. The event went incredibly well! We're seeking to pay one of the workshop facilitators for her work in both planning and leading the event on the day. The standard rate for paying for workshop facilitation is \$150.

MOTION: To pass \$150 from the "Events" budget line to pay Liv Bell for planning and facilitating the "Menstruation Beyond the Binary" workshop.

Moved by Srishti.

Carries without dissent.

### **2.3. Judy's Punch**

The UMSU Women's Department has recently accepted editor applications for Judy's Punch, the annual departmental publication written by and for women and non-binary people. We have three paid editor positions available (commentary, creative and graphic) and have put aside \$1500 to pay each editor \$500 for the project in accordance with last year's rates.

However, it has been brought to our attention that any payment above \$450 must come with super, which would amount to an additional 9.5% of \$500. Altogether, the total super would amount to \$142.50.

MOTION: To pass \$1642.50 from the "Judy's Punch" budget line to pay the three student contractors who will edit the publication (creative, commentary and graphics) \$500 each, including super.

Srishti moves to amend the motion to increase the amount from \$1642.50 to \$2463.75 to accommodate for an increase in payment from \$500 to \$750 and include super.

AMENDED MOTION: To pass \$2463.75 from the "Judy's Punch" budget line to pay the three student contractors who will edit the publication (creative, commentary and graphics) \$750 each, plus super.

Carries without dissent.

## **3. Other Business**

### **3.1. Update on Safety on Campus**

Srishti gave an update on how the UMSU Women's Officers have been invited to consult on the development of a standalone sexual misconduct policy for the University and have also been involved in policy-writing for eSafety as part of the SOAR (Safe Online Aware Resilient) committee – all in the lead-up to surveys which will be conducted next semester.

### **3.2. Update on departmental social events**

Despite student fatigue dealing with the current news-cycle regarding sexual assault and harassment, UMSU Women's have had decent engagement from students for social events (Open Mic, Menstruation Beyond the Binary, collectives, etc.), especially AMAB and non-binary people, which is a sincerely fantastic development. While we've both been very busy (and tired), the progress we've made on both the activist and social fronts with the department this semester have made things worthwhile.

## **4. Next Meeting**

A WhenIsGood will be sent out to decide when the off-semester meetings in June and July will be scheduled.

## **5. Close**

The meeting closes at 6:25pm.