University of Melbourne Student Union

Minutes of the Environment Committee

Meeting 1

2.00pm, Thursday 19th February 2015

CONFIRMED Minutes

Location: Office Bearer Meeting Space
Level 1, Union House

1. Procedural Matters

1. Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Daniel Sullivan be elected Chair
Mover: Lauren Englefield
Second: Justine Rudock
CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

3. Attendance: Lauren Englefield; Daniel Sullivan; Justine Rudock; Courtney Colclough; Annie Zhang; and Adam Papley

4. Apologies: N/A

5. Proxies: N/A

6. Membership: N/A

7. Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: That the Agenda as presented be adopted
Mover: Daniel Sullivan
Second: Lauren Englefield
CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

1. Correspondence

There was no correspondence to report.

2. Office Bearers’ Reports

We have been organising for a number of O-Week activities and regular events for semester one. We have also been meeting with a number of individuals, other UMSU departments, and campus groups to discuss potential collaborations throughout the year and semester.

O-Week will include a department stall at Carnival Day, a picnic in the community garden and a stall promoting the bike co-op at the sports expo. We will also be participating in an UMSU Meet and Greet your representatives session and encouraging students to join us for a bike ride to Luna Park for the Activities Department’s event there on the Friday afternoon.
The regular events will be comprised of weekly Play With Your Food dinners, Bike Co-ops (with a ride-to-university breakfast), Collective meetings, and a film/workshop/discussion series (alternating activity between weeks). We have also made preliminary arrangements for an Earth Hour event on Thursday 26th March and a larger Ride-to-University breakfast on Wednesday 18th March, both in collaboration with Sustainable Campus.

We have been liaising with the Fossil Free Melbourne University campaign group and the MUC Garden group to establish the level of collaboration we will have in the coming year and the level of support they will each require of the Environment Department.

We have also been discussing an ongoing collaboration with the UMSU Creative Arts Department. This will include a series of workshops and the appointment of a sustainability officer at this year’s MUDFest in an effort to create more environmentally sustainable theatre and educate students on making their own creative practices greener. It will also encompass the assignment of a dually sponsored set of grants (from both departments) to help students make art projects more environmentally sound.

2. Other Reports
There were no other reports to report.

4. Motions on Notice

1. That the Environment Committee adopt the proposed budget for 2015:

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**Motion 4 (without notice):** That motions numbered 2-10 be passed en bloc after discussion of each item and after making the following (italicised) amendments to items 2 and 9:

2. That the Environment Committee pass a motion for $1000 to be spent on the collective’s affiliation to the Australian Student Environment Network from the budget line ‘Special Projects and Events’ (budget line 3839). *This expenditure is to be taken from non-SSAF revenue.*

9. That the Environment Committee pass a motion for $2000 to be assigned for spending on Fossil Free Melbourne Uni activities from the budget line ‘Special Projects and Events’ (budget line 3839). *This expenditure is to be taken from non-SSAF revenue.*

Mover: Daniel Sullivan  
Seconder: Courtney Colclough  
CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

**Motion 5:** To pass all motions listed 2-10, including the previously mentioned amendments, en bloc.

Mover: Daniel Sullivan  
Seconder: Lauren Englefield  
CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

2. That the Environment Committee pass a motion for $1000 to be spent on the collective’s affiliation to the Australian Student Environment Network from budget line ‘Special Projects and Events’ (budget line 3839).

3. That the Environment Committee pass a motion for up to $300 spending for food and drinks the O-Week picnic from budget line ‘Special projects and events’ (budget line 3839).

4. That the Environment Committee pass a motion for up to $1320 across semester one for weekly Play With Your Food events, from budget line Special Projects and Events (budget line 3839). This money will be spent on food and gas bottle hire and surplus will go towards hosting a final Play With Your Food party event in week twelve.

5. That the Environment Committee pass a motion for up to $1200 across semester one for the weekly Bike Co-op and Ride-to-Uni breakfasts from the budget line ‘Special projects and events’ (budget line 3839). This money will be spent on food and drink for the breakfast and new bike materials.
6. That the Environment Committee pass a motion to spend $60/hour on wages for our bike mechanic, Bec Nissen, from weeks 1-12, for the number of hours she works from the budget line ‘Special Projects and Events (budget line 3839). She will be scheduled to work two hours weekly and will work no more than three.

7. That the Environment Committee pass a motion for up to $300 spending over the next twelve collective meetings for collective expenses such as food and workshops from budget line ‘Special Projects and Events’ (budget line 3839).

8. That the Environment Committee pass a motion for up to $800 spending during semester one’s film, discussion and workshop series from budget line ‘Special Projects and Events’ (budget line 3839). This money will be spent on film licences, films, some presenter and workshop facilitator payments and some snacks.

9. That the Environment Committee pass a motion for $2000 to be assigned for spending on Fossil Free Melbourne Uni activities from the budget line ‘Special Projects and Events’ (budget line 3839).

10. That the Environment Committee pass a motion for $2500 to be assigned for spending on Melbourne Uni Community Garden activities from the budget line ‘Special Projects and Events’ (budget line 3839).

5. Other Business

Ethical Living Challenge- unlikely that we will have funds for sponsorship. Committee’s thoughts on creating a forum deconstructing debate surrounding ethical consumption and lifestyle environmentalism.

6. Next Meeting

Next Committee Meeting proposed for Week 1 or 2. We will set regular meeting schedule then (once timetables have been finalised).

Next meeting TBC

7. Close

Meeting closed at 3.05pm

Certified by Chair: Daniel Sullivan, 19/02/15