Meeting opened 11:09am  
Present; Andrea Bozic, Lloyd Rouse, Daniel Beratis, Rebecca Duke, Ry An.  
Apologies; Asiel.

1. **Procedural Matters**  
   1.1 Election of Chair  
      1.1.1 Lloyd is nominated. No opposition.  
   1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners  
   1.3 Attendance  
   1.4 Apologies  
   1.5 Proxies  
   1.6 Adoption of Agenda  
      1.6.1 Moved by Lloyd. Seconded by Andrea. Carried.

2. **Correspondence**

3. **Office Bearers’ Report**  
   Motion to accept the Office Bearer’s report.  
   Moved by Lloyd. Seconded by Andrea. Carried.

4. **Other Reports**

5. **Motions on Notice**

5.1 **2014 Queer Department 2015 Budget**  
   Motion 1: To adopt the budget attached to be the Queer Department budget for 2015.  
   Mover: Lloyd Rouse Seconder: Andrea Bozic  
   Carried.  

5.2 **Operations Sub-Committee**  
   Motion 2: To allow for Operations Sub-Committee to approve up to $1000 from the budget line Special Projects and Events line and up to $500 from the Food and Beverages line.  
   Mover: Lloyd Rouse Seconder: Andrea Bozic
5.3 Education Department Reimbursement

Preamble: Due to the inability to hold a quorate Queer Committee meeting as well as a quorate Students Council, funds to cover O-Week expenditure as well as costs to attend the ACON training program was used from the Education department budget.

Motion 3: To approve the transfer of $1255.19 from the Queer Department Special Projects and Events line to the Education Department Special Projects and Events line for the reimburse the cost of bags, stickers, food, and drinks of O-Week, as well as costs to attend the ACON training program in Sydney.
Mover: Lloyd Rouse Seconder: Andrea Bozic
Carried.

5.4 Condoms

Motion 4: To approve $200 from the Queer Department Special Projects and Events line for the cost of condoms and dams to be distributed throughout the year by the Queer Department.
Mover: Lloyd Rouse Seconder: Andrea Bozic
Carried.

5.5 Queer Space Party

Motion 5: To approve the use of up to $350 from the Queer Department Food and Beverage line for the cost of food and alcohol for the Queer Space Opening party.
Mover: Lloyd Rouse Seconder: Andrea Bozic
Carried.

5.6 Free Lunch with the Queer Bunch

Motion 6: To approve the use of up to $1500 from the Queer Department Food and Beverages line to be used for the weekly Free Lunch with the Queer Bunch events.
Mover: Lloyd Rouse Seconder: Ry An
Carried.

5.7 Queer Thursdays

Motion 7: To approve the use of up to $500 from the Queer Department Special Projects and Events line for the cost of food, drinks, and other goods and services required to run various social activities for Queer Thursdays.
Mover: Lloyd Rouse Seconder: Andrea Bozic
Carried.
5.8 Coming Out Support Group

Motion 8: To approve the use of up to $400 from the Queer Department Food and Beverages line for the cost of food and drinks provided during the weekly Coming Out Support Group events during Semester 1.
Mover: Lloyd Rouse  Seconder: Andrea Bozic  
Carried

5.9 Funding Collectives

Motion 9: To approve the use of up to $500 from the Queer Department Food and Beverages line for the cost of food and drinks provided during various Autonomous Collective meetings occurring throughout Semester 1.
Mover: Lloyd Rouse  Seconder: Andrea Bozic  
Carried

6. Other Business

7. Next Meeting; 1st April 3:30

Meeting Closed at 11:48 am

Queer Department

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8. Close

Queer Officers Report 18/3/15
O-Week BBQ Picnic
Our first event for the year was a huge success. We had around 60-70 students attend our BBQ Picnic and the general atmosphere and vibes were overall positive, with students not feeling unwelcome and neglected. Many of the students who attended have gone on to attend other events and regularly visit the Queer Space.

**Free Lunch with the Queer Bunch.**
The free lunch in the queer space had more people turning up to it in week one than in most weeks last year. First years are meeting each other as well as some of the older queer students.

**Queer Thursdays – Board Game Night**
Despite concerns that Board Games will not be a hugely popular and attendance will not be optimal, this event was a huge success. Around 20 students attended this event, and were incredibly keen to engage in the not so mainstream board games provided. Future Queer Thursdays will feature Movie Screenings, a LAN café event, as well as a mini-party with a night out afterwards.

**Pride Prom**
Planning has begun for Pride Prom, scheduled for Week 9. This event will be the premier event for Semester 1 and will hopefully be well attended.

**Community Building**
Our emphasis on the year, particularly first semester, is on building and invigorating a sense of community within the Queer Department. This is fostered by ensuring the Queer Space has an inviting and welcoming atmosphere, with maintaining a presence in the QS from the Office Bearers a key to achieving this. This not only has increased attendance to events but also has made the QS consistently occupied by students.

**Planning and promotion for Rad, Sex and Consent Week**
Rad sex and consent week is a sex education week in week 7 that has a focus on consensual, healthy and safe sex and relationships. This year we are working with the Umsu International, Welfare, Disabilities and Indigenous departments to diversify the range, and increase the numbers of students engaged in the week. We are also liaising with Monash, RMIT and Swinburne for cross promotion of the workshops as well as opening and closing night events. Promotion of this week has already started. A secondary debriefing room is being organised with volunteer students and staff facilitating discussion and access to health services if need be.

**O-week Stall**
Our O-week stall involved giving out bags full of resources for queer students at both the Parkville and the VCA campuses. The bags were snapped up at Parkville’s O-week stall and this was used to introduce students to some of the services and faculties provided by the queer department and by the university. VCA students seemed hesitant to walk up to the crowded stalls so the queer Officer on duty engaged queer students and started many deeper discussions about what was available for the queer students.

**ACON Education**
The Queer Officers went to Sydney to access training on queer issues that is not available in Victoria. The training involved issues such as HIV prevention and stigma, safe sex for ladies who play with ladies, Trans and genderqueer issues as well as advocacy.

**Safety in Clubs Working Group**
One of the queer officers is involved with the Safety in Clubs Working Group to ensure that queer students are protected by Clubs protocols.

**Queer Space Protocol**
A protocol has been written up and submitted for the queer space so that staff and students who do not identify as queer but who may need to access the space due to their occupational responsibilities, have an approved way to access the queer space and the people inside it.