University of Melbourne Student Union

Minutes of the Wom*n’s Committee

Meeting 3/15

CONFIRMED Minutes

4.25 PM at, 31/03/2015

Location: OB Space, Union House

Agenda

1. Procedural Matters
   1.1 Election of Chair
       Take note that if the chair is a voting member, they do not get a vote.

       **Motion 1:** That Allison Ballantyne be elected Chair
       Mover: Allie
       CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

   1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners
       So acknowledged

   1.3 Attendance
       Mihika Upadhayaya, Taylor Mitas, Tiffany Yan, Lucy Curtis, Allison Ballantyne, Adriana Mells (phone)

   1.4 Apologies
       Clare McLeod

   1.5 Proxies
       N/A

   1.6 Membership
       N/A

   1.7 Adoption of Agenda
       If you want to change the order of the Agenda, now is the time.

       **Motion 2:** That the Agenda as presented be adopted
       Mover: Allie
       CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

   **Motion 3:** to confirm the previous minutes of (18/03/2015) as a true and accurate record.
   Mover: Allie
   CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

4. Correspondence
5. Office Bearers’ Reports

Women’s Mentoring Network administration: The administrative side of Women’s Mentoring Network is ongoing – we have spent some time re-assigning mentors and mentees/ironing out any issues which have arisen. We are also finalising speakers for our second Women’s Networking night (Wednesday April 15). At the moment we have someone from the publishing industry, someone in engineering and hopefully an academic who will speak.

Rad Sex and Consent Week: Planning for Rad Sex and Consent Week is underway, and we are currently confirming speakers for workshops during the week. The Queer Department has confirmed a venue for our closing party/drinks on the Thursday night (Perseverance). We are planning to hold a film screening on the Monday afternoon/evening of Rad Sex and Consent Week, at the university, and are currently sourcing a venue for this (with the Queer Department). We are also working on the schedule for the workshops and hoping to publicise this soon. The Queer Department has been working with Communications to create designs to advertise the week. A Facebook page has also been set up.

Regular events: Our regular events have been going pretty well, attendance has been solid. Wom*n’s Collective did not run last week due to the NDA and will not run this week due to our What the Feminism!? panel event, which is replacing it.

Judy’s Punch: We have started work on organising the Wom*n’s Department publication, Judy’s Punch. Judy’s Punch currently takes the form of an annual magazine. We have begun to advertise for editors and contributors through various means. The submission deadline has been set for week one of semester 2. We are planning for this year’s edition of Judy’s Punch to be a polished, professional publication with a focus on feminist writing.

What the Feminism!? panel: This Wednesday (April 1) we are hosting a panel event called ‘What the Feminism!?’, featuring the guest speakers Karen Pickering, Eugenia Flynn and Sara Brocklesby. It will also feature free pizza and will be open to all genders. The aim of the event is to stimulate feminist discussion among people who might be somewhat new to feminism, and put forward some introductory feminist concepts.

Motion 4: To approve and accept the Office Bearers Reports
Mover: Adriana  Seconder: Mihika
CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

6. Motions on Notice

Motion 5: To pass up to $100 for the purchase of food for Wom*n’s Collective in weeks 7 and 8 of semester one from the Wom*n’s Department budget line Special Events and Projects
Mover: Taylor  Seconder: Tiffany  CARRIED

Motion 6: To pass up to $1000 to pay for workshops during Rad Sex and Consent Week and to contribute to the costs of the film night.
Mover: Taylor  Seconder: Mihika  CARRIED

Motion 7: To pass an additional $40 for food for Queer and Questioning QTs in weeks 5 and 6 of semester one
Mover: Adriana  Seconder: Allie  CARRIED
Motion 8: To pass up to $80 for food for Queer and Questioning QTs in weeks 7 and 8 of semester one
Mover: Mihika Seconder: Tiffany CARRIED

Motion 9: To pass up to $15 for the purchase of biscuits for Femme Afternoons in weeks 6 and 7
Mover: Tiffany Seconder: Taylor CARRIED

7. Other Business
N/A

8. Next Meeting
Wednesday 15/4/2015, 4.15pm

Motion 10: To move the next meeting to Tuesday 14/4/15, 5pm
Mover: Allie CARRIED

9. Close
Meeting closed at: 5:27PM