

University of Melbourne Student Union
Meeting of the Clubs & Societies Committee



CONFIRMED Minutes 7

9 am Wednesday 16 April 2025

Meeting 7/25

**Location:
Room 201, Building 168 and Zoom (details available on request)**

Meeting opened at 9:07am by Esther Luk

1. Procedural Matters

1.1. Election of Chair

Motion 1: To elect Esther Luk as chair.

Mover: Esther Luk Second: Ewan Bezzobs

Carried

1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So acknowledged.

1.3. Attendance

Committee: Oliver Nassau, Tarish Kadam, Krithi Babu, Alex Gwynn, Doris Wang, Sanna Dhanda

Office Bearers: Esther Luk, Ewan Bezzobs

Staff: Fiona Sanders

Other: Seamus Donnellan (Beer and Cider Society)

Absent: Lenah Ankliss, Darcy Williams

1.4. Grant speaking rights to Coordinator (Standing Order 21.2)

Motion 2: To grant speaking rights to C&S Coordinator Fiona Sanders under Standing Order 21.2.

Mover: Chair

Carried

1.5. Apologies

Lenah Ankliss

1.6. Proxies

Alex Gwynn to Sanna Dhanda at 12pm

1.7. Membership

No changes

1.8. Adoption of Agenda

Add 5.8 Cider Aims Response

Motion 3: To adopt the agenda with the amendment.

Mover: Chair

Carried

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes (April 2)

Motion 4: To confirm the previous minutes as a true and accurate record of the 2 April meeting.

Mover: Chair

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3. Conflicts of interest

Name	Conflicts of Interest declared
Oliver Nassau	Arts Students Society
Darcy Williams	Birdwatching Society
Tarish Kadam	Language Exchange Club
Doris Wang	Women in Commerce and Politics, Environmental Engineers Society, Photography Club
Lenah Ankliss	Emerging Markets Network
Krithi Babu	Postgraduate Environment Network
Alex Gwynn	Swifties Society
Ewan Bezzobs	Nil
Esther Luk	Ring of Choir, Apollo Music Society

No changes.

4. Business deferred from previous meeting

4.1. Induction & Bystander Compliance

Induction training not compliant: Australia Chinese Student Psychological Association, Australia-China Youth Association, Australian Wall Street, Blockchain Association, Bollywood Club, CastOn Charity Group, Chinese Culture Society, Chinese Debating Group, Construction Students Association, Drone Aviation and Racing Engineering Society, French Club, Iranian Society, Journalism Club, Pokemon Observation, Knowledge and Evolution Nation, Puzzles of Melbourne University, Quantum Club.

Bystander training not compliant: Arknights Enthusiasts Club, Australia Chinese Student Psychological Association, Birdwatching Society, Bubble Tea Society, Chinese Culture Society, Chinese Debating Group, Chinese Music Group, F1 Club, German Club, Global Consulting Group, Hanfu Association, Hispanic Culture and Language Society, Journalism Club, Model United Nations Society, Oxfam Group, Pacific Islands Student Association, Pharmacology United with Biochemistry Students Graduate Group, Platypus Affiliated Society, Puzzles of Melbourne University, Quantum Club, Statistics and Mathematics Postgraduate Society, Urban Collective, Venture Capital and Innovation Laboratories, Women in Technology.

Petition to suspend grants of all the listed clubs (except Chinese Debating Group) for 12 months or until training is completed (R6.3.r).

Petitioned by Tarish Kadam, Alex Gwynn

Krithi Babu left at 9:20am

Doris Wang arrived at 9:21am

4.2. Graduate Events

Krithi Babu came back at 9:22am

Need to increase visibility of UMSU graduate support

No appetite for disproportionate funding

Ewan Bezzobs left at 9:33am

Ewan Bezzobs came back at 9:35am

Motion 5: To direct the OBs to make a call-out to clubs asking if they have grad-focused events or programs, with the objective of better marketing grad programs and events.

Mover: Tarish Kadam

Seconder: Alex Gwynn

CWD

4.3. WinterFest

UMSU Events is planning for Winterfest Clubs Expo to run over 2 days due to budgetary concerns. C&S can limit the number of stalls at sign-up.

Discussion around students not showing up on the Friday, and that a 2-day expo means that student engagement is spread over two days instead of three.

Winterfest Clubs Expo should be run for 4 hours.

4.4. Biomedicine Students Society Camp

There have been rumours of serious and ongoing issues regarding the camp and the conduct of a member.

Motion 6: To direct the OBs to reach out to BSS and invite them to disclose reports and incidents from the Orientation camp before next meeting (9 am Monday 5 May).

Mover: Alex Gwynn

Seconder: Tarish Kadam

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5. Matters arising from previous Minutes

5.1. Discipline

5.1.1. Cider Appreciation Society

Procedural Motion 1: To discuss 5.8 Cider Aims Response with 5.1.1.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Petition made last meeting: To put Cider Appreciation Society on probation for 12 months under R6.3.d

Petitioned by Tarish Kadam, Doris Wang

There were two complaints about students being coerced to sign attendance sheets/ get an attendance ticket on the UMSU website for the Cider Appreciation Society SGM.

Procedural Motion 2: To go in camera with Fiona Sanders.

Mover: Ewan Bezzobs

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Seamus Donnellan left

Procedural Motion 3: To include strangers.

Mover: Ewan Bezzobs

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Seamus was included back into the meeting

Seamus denies recruiting attendees, and objects to the idea that they falsified quorum. He acknowledges other procedural missteps in the lead up to the SGM.

Motion 7: To uphold the petition to put Cider Appreciation Society on probation for 12 months under R6.3.d.

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconder: Alex Gwynn

Against: 5

LOST

5.8 Cider Aims

Seamus committed to submitting the aims before the next meeting.

Seamus Donnellan left at 10:14 am

5.1.2. Australia Chinese Student Psychological Association

Petition made last meeting: To disaffiliate the Australia Chinese Student Psychological Association under R5.3.a for failing to reach minimum membership requirements.

Petitioned by Tarish Kadam, Oliver Nassau

ACSPA have sufficient members now.

Motion 8: To uphold the petition to disaffiliate the Australia Chinese Student Psychological Association under R5.3.a for failing to reach minimum membership requirements.

Mover: Tarish Kadam Seconder: Alex Gwynn

Against: 5

LOST

5.2. Regulations

5.2.1. Assets

Accepted.

5.2.2. Grant Deadlines

Hold until a decision is made on Promotional Events grants requirements.

Promotional Events grants: consider rewriting the regulation to allow for multiple grants during one Promotional Period up to the cap of \$200.

The maximum ticket price for Function grants (R8.3) can be increased to \$100.

5.2.3. Regulation 4.2.b.xii

Delete it.

5.2.4. Membership

Is 30 members enough? Discussion of tiered membership system. Discussion around not killing small clubs that provide a genuine benefit to a small group of people.

5.2.5. Quorum

No appetite to change quorum at general meetings.

Consider amending the requirements around activity reporting.

5.2.6. Oxford commas, etc

Can be referred to the General Secretary without going through the C&S Committee.

Motion 9: To approve the proposed regulation changes for assets, regulation 4.2.b.xii, and Oxford commas etc.

Mover: Tarish Kadam

Seconder: Doris Wang

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5.3. Policies

Nil

5.4. Sustainability initiatives

5.4.1. Grant category (Regulation Amendment)

Nil

5.4.2. Grant questions

Can include in Clubs Online grant application form as required questions.

May be an increased burden on clubs.

Don't want to add questions before any training or workshops have taken place, as we wouldn't have taught club executives how to fill those questions in.

ACTION: Tell Enviro OBs that training has to occur before we add the questions to grant applications.

5.4.3. Training module

Nil

5.4.4. Workshops

Nil

5.5. New Clubs

5.5.1. Completed Constitutions

Desi Karaoke Club did not complete their constitution.

5.5.1.1. Australia-Asia Youth Association (name change)

Motion 10: To approve the Australia-Asia Youth Association's name change.

Mover: Tarish Kadam

Seconder: Oliver Nassau

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5.5.2. Membership

Desi Karaoke Club and Television & Streaming Society did not meet membership requirements.

5.5.3. IGM Training

Reels Club did not meet the hurdle of attending IGM training. No appetite from committee to offer an alternative.

Standing Orders break at 11am for 10 minutes

Krithi Babu left in the break

Meeting resumed at 11:15am

5.5.3.1. Chair / Returning Officer obligations

Obligations explained.

5.5.4. Neurodivergent Student Society

They asked for an extension to attract members. An extension was granted until Wednesday 23 April, which gives them as much time as the other new clubs that were granted initial approval earlier to recruit members.

5.6. Email white-listing

All club emails have been excluded from spam checks, but the exclusion for each email address will expire if an email is not sent from that address for 45 days. Esther is in contact with MSL to look for a more permanent solution.

MSL recently replied and said that they can change the 'global from' address.

5.7. General Meetings

No report

5.7.1. Directed General Meetings

5.7.1.1. Friends of Vets Beyond Borders (Fill vacancies (VP) w4 S1 2025)
Submitted.

5.7.1.2. University Network for Investment and Trading (Sec/Treas (update const or spill & fill) w4 S1 2025)
Submitted.

5.7.1.3. Journalism Club (Fill vacancies (editor in chief, sec, treas) w4 S1 2025)
Nil.

Petition to disaffiliate Journalism Club under R6.3.a (R5.2.f.ii).

Petitioned by Tarish Kadam, Oliver Nassau

5.7.1.4. Chinese Debating Group (2024 AGM, w3 S1 2025)
Complete.

Motion 11: To accept the Chinese Debating Group AGM.

Mover: Oliver Nassau

Seconder: Alex Gwynn

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5.7.2. Women In Science and Engineering SGMs (11 March, 13 March)

The MailChimp list, which was used to send out notice, was updated every day from the customisations on the UMSU website. Both SGMs had quorum.

Motion 12: To accept both SGMs of Women* In Science and Engineering.

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconder: Doris Wang

For: 3 Against: 1

Carried

No appetite to take action on the Notice breach.

6. OB Reports

Ewan did not submit an OB report.

Motion 13: To accept Esther Luk's OB report.

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconder: Tarish Kadam

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7. Correspondence

7.1. CEO (Cantonese Students Association invoice)

Additional information was provided in a complaint to the CEO: the individual was an alumnus of the club and was getting photos.

Motion 14: To reduce the invoice amount from \$250 to \$50.

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconder: Tarish Kadam

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7.2. Chris Honig (two-to-sign)

Discussion of clubs ensuring their own financial buffer. Clubs should give committee members an advance for purchases so that they are not personally funding club events.

There is an audit risk both ways.

No appetite to change.

7.3. Classics & Archaeology Student Society 24741

The event was held on South Lawn, and there was no venue booking as the club executives thought that the space was not bookable. The SFH certificate does not belong to the person who completed the SFH plan.

Motion 15: To approve CSF24741 at 50%.

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconder: Tarish Kadam

CWD

7.4. Urban Collective 24310

The event was held on Concrete Lawn, but the club executives do not have outdoor spaces as a bookable option on DiBS.

Motion 16: To approve grant CSF24310 at 100%.

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconder: Tarish Kadam

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7.5. Maths & Stats Society Aim change

Motion 17: To approve the Mathematics and Statistics Society aims change.

Mover: Oliver Nassau

Seconder: Alex Gwynn

CWD

8. Grants

8.1. Correspondence

8.1.1. Myanmar Students Association

The grant was submitted late and the SFH plan did not satisfy the 2/4 rule for time and temperature control, but the grant is for an earthquake relief fundraising event.

No other concerns, and the grant will be approved in the OB recommendations.

8.2. OB Recommendations

Alex Gwynn left at 11:56 am and Sanna Dhanda arrived at 11:56 am

Motion 18: To accept all standard grants *en bloc*.

Mover: Tarish Kadam

Seconder: Oliver Nassau

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GRANT ID	CLUB NAME	CATEGORY	DATE FROM	OB RECOMMENDATION
CSF24923	Youth Charity Society	Function	12/04/2025	Approve all standard grants en bloc
CSF24868	Coffee Appreciation For Enthusiasts	Function	10/04/2025	Reject
CSF24964	Language Exchange Club	Function	17/04/2025	Reject
CSF24901	Chariot Journal	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	16/04/2025	Approve
CSF24902	Chariot Journal	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	16/04/2025	Approve
CSF24900	Chariot Journal	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	16/04/2025	Approve
CSF24899	Chariot Journal	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	16/04/2025	Approve
CSF24898	Chariot Journal	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	16/04/2025	Approve
CSF24784	Chocolate Lovers Society	Function	09/04/2025	Approve

CSF24913	Data Science Student Society	Function	08/04/2025	Approve
CSF24952	Film Society	Function	11/04/2025	Approve
CSF24957	Information Security Club	Function	14/04/2025	Approve
CSF24951	Social Impact Investment Fund	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	15/04/2025	Approve
CSF24929	StartUp Link Unimelb	Function	16/04/2025	Approve
CSF24885	F1 Club	Function	06/04/2025	Approve 50%
CSF24869	Friends of Unnatural Llamas	Function	01/04/2025	Approve 50%
CSF24872	Lebanese Students Society	Function	02/04/2025	Approve 50%
CSF24921	Construction Students Association	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	31/03/2025	Reject
CSF24905	Multi Art and Culture Association	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	24/03/2025	Reject
CSF24993	Myanmar Student Association	Function	28/03/2025	Reject
CSF24990	Cider Appreciation Society	Function	16/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of certificate of currency
CSF24960	Islamic Society	Function	14/04/2025	Reject
CSF24907	Responsible Artificial Intelligence Development	C&S Promotional Events	09/04/2025	Change category to Function and approve
CSF24915	Myanmar Student Association	Function	07/04/2025	Approve

CSF24937	Islamic Society	Function	04/04/2025	Reject
CSF24890	MUR Motorsports	Function	06/04/2025	Approve 50% conditional on submission of SFH certificate obtained before event
CSF24887	Ring of Choir	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	04/04/2025	Approve 50% conditional on submission of certificate of currency
CSF24940	Card Crew	Function	04/04/2025	Approve 50% conditional on submission of SFH certificate obtained before event
CSF24364	Beta Alpha Psi - Unimelb Chapter	Purchase (Assets)		Reject
CSF24882	Environmental Engineers Society	Function	07/04/2025	Reject
CSF24904	Society for Astronomy at Melbourne University	Function	08/04/2025	Reject
CSF24972	Gleam Up Beauty, Business and Science	Function	17/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request and SFH certificate obtained before event
CSF24980	Japanese Club	Function	15/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request and SFH certificate obtained before event
CSF24986	Catholic Society	Function	16/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of food plan before event
CSF24906	Korean Students Society	Function	08/04/2025	Reject
CSF24922	ALP Club	Function	09/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of SFH

				certificate obtained before event
CSF24931	Mandarin Language Club	Function	10/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of SFH certificate obtained before event
CSF24861	Very Special Kids Society	Excursions	16/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of Off Campus Activity form before event
CSF24989	Actuarial Students' Society	Function	16/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24938	Asia-Pacific Development Initiative	Function	11/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24918	BusinessOne Consulting University of Melbourne	Function	15/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24881	Chemical Engineering Students Society	Function	08/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24945	Computing and Information Systems Students Association	Function	12/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24991	Eurovision Social Club	Function	18/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24962	Hispanic Culture and Language Society	Function	15/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24953	International Vietnamese Students at the University of Melbourne	Function	29/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24893	Jewish Students Society	Function	30/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request

CSF24892	Jewish Students Society	Function	16/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24891	Jewish Students Society	Function	09/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24876	Photography Club	Function	10/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24970	Physiotherapy Students' Society	Function	14/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24888	Rotaract Club	Function	08/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF24978	Global Consulting Group	Function	16/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of certificate of currency
CSF24903	Psychology Association	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	09/04/2025	Approve conditional on submission of certificate of currency

Motion 19: To reject CSF24964 for being a duplicate grant.

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconder: Sanna Dhanda

For: 3 Abst: 1

Carried

Motion 20: To reject CSF 24882 for not having a SFH certificate and having an incomplete SFH plan.

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconder: Sanna Dhanda

For: 3 Abst: 1

Carried

Motion 21: To approve CSF24876 conditional on submission of venue booking.

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconder: Sanna Dhanda

For: 3 Abst: 1

Carried

Motion 22: To approve OB recommendations for the remainder of Grants for Discussion.

Mover: Oliver Nassau

Seconded: Sanna Dhanda

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9. Other Business

9.1. Asset Reporting

Disaffiliated clubs' assets:

Club Name	Grant ID	Description	Year of Purchase	UMSU-funded Amount
Bullet Journal and Stationery Club (BJSC)	CSF16606	Banner	2022	62.30
Collective Neuroscience Society	CSF17967	Banner	2022	66.50
International Commerce Students Society	CSF19568	Banner	2023	67.90
Media and Communications Students Society	CSF17312	Banner	2022	138.60
Melbourne Alternative Protein Project	CSF18573	Banner	2023	66.50
Melbourne International Relations Society (MIRS)	CSF15993	Banner	2022	113.19

Motion 23: To write off the assets of disaffiliated clubs.

Mover: Oliver Nassau

Seconded: Tarish Kadam

CWD

ACTION: Revisit Asset amendment to clarify that the \$200 threshold is \$200 of the total cost of the asset.

Assets that have not been presented and that have no correspondence:

Club Name	Grant ID	Description	Year of Purchase	UMSU-funded Amount
Australian Wall Street	CSF22109	Banner	2024	67.90
Banking on Women	CSF23955	10 x Zip up jackets	2024	500.00
Bollywood Club	CSF16700	Speaker	2022	108.49
Bubble Tea Society	CSF20692	Foldable trolley	2023	62.29
Catholic Society	CSF20735	Banner	2024	87.16
Chemical Engineering Students Society	CSF15893	Square Reader	2022	41.30
Computing and Information Systems Students Association	CSF16110	Square Reader	2022	44.80
Design Student Society (DES)	CSF20700	12 Acrylic Display Stands, 5	2023	56.42

		Clipboards, ruler, storage container		
Filipino Students Association	CSF21327	Square Reader	2024	36.40
Film Society	CSF18795	Air Blower Machine	2023	76.96
Hong Kong Students Association	CSF16831	Banner	2022	79.77
Indonesian Students Association	CSF16045	Badminton Racket	2022	69.99
Indonesian Students Association	CSF18237	Basketball and First Aid Kits	2022	84.69
Indonesian Students Association	CSF17364	Banner	2022	98.00
Indonesian Students Association	CSF20695	Square reader	2023	41.97
Indonesian Students Association	CSF20684	External hard drive 2 terabyte	2023	68.60
Indonesian Students Association	CSF20679	Foldable beach trolley	2023	41.30
Japanese Club	CSF16849	Square Reader and stand	2022	41.30
Japanese Club	CSF17437	Outdoor Picnic Rug x5	2022	104.92
Myanmar Student Association	CSF16969	Eftpos machine	2022	41.30
Myanmar Student Association	CSF17296	Water Urn	2022	58.70
Puzzles of Melbourne University	CSF21894	Mahjong	2024	98.03
TEDxUniMelb	CSF23683	Red Round Carpet	2024	132.3
TEDxUniMelb	CSF22570	50x Lanyards	2024	97.41
Financial Management Association of Australia	CSF21390	Banner	2024	67.90

Petition to suspend asset grants of the above clubs for 12 months or until assets are presented (R6.3.j).

Petitioned by Tarish Kadam, Oliver Nassau

Broken assets (supported by a statutory declaration):

Earth Sciences Students Society CSF18443 Banner 2022 66.50

Character-Creator and Worldbuilders' Guild CSF23862 Banner 2024 59.50

Motion 24: To write off above broken assets.

Mover: Tarish Kadam

Seconder: Sanna Dhanda

CWD

Lost asset:

Habitat for Humanity CSF18609 Banner 2023 59.50

Motion 25: To write off the above lost asset.

Mover: Tarish Kadam Seconderc: Oliver Nassau

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Petition to suspend Habitat for Humanity's asset grants for 6 months (R6.3.s).

Petitioned by Tarish Kadam, Oliver Nassau

Passion Fruit Projects CSF23840 Club Magazines 2024 409.33

The magazines are still shipping from China.

Motion 26: To give an extension to Passion Fruits Projects until end of semester to present assets (deadline Fri 30 May).

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconderc: Tarish Kadam

CWD

AIESEC in Melbourne CSF16067 Banner 2022 71.89

Statutory declaration was requested for the lost asset, not yet submitted.

Petition to suspend assets grants for AIESEC in Melbourne for 9 months (R6.3.s).

Petitioned by Oliver Nassau, Sanna Dhanda

Broken assets (not supported by a statutory declaration):

Coffee Appreciation For Enthusiasts CSF20632 Banner2023 99.40

Global Affairs Society CSF22385 Banner2024 66.50

Bubble Tea Society CSF16087 Banner2022 87.50

Motion 27: To write off the above broken assets.

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconderc: Tarish Kadam

CWD

Petition to suspend asset grants for the above clubs for 6 months (R6.3.s).

Petitioned by Oliver Nassau, Tarish Kadam

Motion 28: To write off AIESEC in Melbourne's asset.

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconderc: Tarish Kadam

CWD

Pre-Law Society CSF17299 Banner2022 66.50

No current executive was on the committee when the banner was broken, so they do not feel comfortable signing a statutory declaration.

Motion 29: To write off the Pre-Law Society's asset.

Mover: Oliver Nassau Seconderc: Sanna Dhanda

CWD

Petition to suspend Pre-Law Society's asset grants for 6 months (R6.3.s).

Petitioned by Tarish Kadam, Oliver Nassau

9.2. Biomedicine Students Orchestra Camp (underage participant)

There was not sufficient risk planning, and the C&S Coordinator did not review camp documents with the expectation of a minor attending. Parental permission was not given on time for the minor to attend the camp. There was no alcohol on camp and camp leaders had WWCCs. BSO reached out to C&S when they found out they had a minor on the bus on the way to camp.

Petition to put Biomedicine Students' Orchestra on probation for 12 months for breaching camp responsibilities with regard to minors (R6.3.a (R7.6.h)).

Petitioned by Tarish Kadam, Oliver Nassau

9.3. Classics & Archaeology Society High Risk Event

No High Risk Event Risk Assessment, as advised by C&S Coordinator

Motion 30: To reject CSF24858.

Mover: Tarish Kadam

Seconder: Oliver Nassau

CWD

Petition to put Classics & Archaeology Society on probation for 6 months for breach of OHS requirements (R6.3.j).

Petitioned by Oliver Nassau, Tarish Kadam

10. Next Meeting

9 am Wednesday May 7

11. Close

Meeting closed at 12:37pm