

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



Confirmed Minutes

9 am Wednesday 21 May 2025

Meeting 9/25

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

Meeting opened by Esther Luk at 9:09 am

1. Procedural Matters

1.1. Election of Chair

**Motion 1: To elect Esther Luk as chair.**

Mover: Esther Luk      Second: Ewan Bezzobs

**CWD**

1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So acknowledged.

1.3. Attendance

Committee: Lenah Ankliss, Doris Wang, Oliver Nassau, Tarish Kadam, Alex Gwynn

Office Bearers: Esther Luk, Ewan Bezzobs

Staff: Fiona Sanders

Biomedicine Students Society representatives: Daniel Watson, Mila Burnett, Melisand Box, Lara Karunajeewa, Cindy Zhang, Cameron Lou, Zoe Gwynn

Other: Joshua Solomon, Kaarthi Vijaay Ampalli Arularasu (Tamil Sangam), Andrew Nguyen (Global Consulting Club)

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

**CWD**

1.5. Apologies

Krithi Babu

1.6. Proxies

Nil

1.7. Membership

Darcy Williams has been terminated.

1.8. Adoption of Agenda

**Motion 3: To adopt the more recent agenda distributed on the 20<sup>th</sup> of May.**

Mover: Chair

**CWD**

## 2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes (May 7)

**Motion 4: To confirm the 7<sup>th</sup> of May minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.**

Mover: Chair

Seconder: Alex Gwynn

**CWD**

## 3. Conflicts of interest

Name	Conflicts of Interest declared
Oliver Nassau	Arts Students 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

## 4. Matters arising from previous Minutes

**Procedural Motion 1: To go to 4.1.2.4 Tamil Sangam.**

Mover: Chair

**CWD**

### 4.1.2.4 Tamil Sangam

*Petition made last meeting: To give a formal warning to Tamil Sangam for late Notice of their AGM (R5.2.b)*

*Petitioned by Tarish Kadam, Doris Wang*

**Andrew Nguyen arrived at 9:13 am**

Committee thought it was 5 calendar days, not 5 Academic Days.

**Motion 5: To uphold the petition to give a formal warning to Tamil Sangam for late Notice of their AGM (R5.2.b).**

Mover: Tarish Kadam

Seconder: Alex Gwynn

**Against: 5**

**LOST**

**Kaarthi Vijaay Ampalli Arularasu left at 9:14 am**

**Procedural Motion 2: To go to 4.3 Global Consulting Group AGM.**

Mover: Chair

**CWD**

#### 4.3 Global Consulting Group AGM

Notice was not sent through website, but sent by email some other way. General committee positions not opened for election.

All executives graduated at the end of last year so there was miscommunication. There was no process of opening general committee for election. Current general committee are continuing on from last year and assumed they could stay on the committee.

There was no mention of election in the notice email. The email addresses that the notice was sent to were harvested from the membership customisation question on MSL.

Discussion of process of AGM election.

**Motion 6: To accept the AGM and direct Global Consulting Group to hold an SGM to elect the General Committee before the end of Week 3 S2 2025.**

Mover: Alex Gwynn

Seconder: Doris Wang

**CWD**

**Petition to put Global Consulting Group on probation for 6 months or until the SGM is accepted by the C&S Committee (R5.2.b)**

**Petitioned by Oliver Nassau, Lenah Ankliss, Tarish Kadam**

**Andrew Nguyen left at 9:40 am**

**Procedural Motion 3: To move to 4.2 Biomedicine Students Society camp incident reporting.**

Mover: Chair

**CWD**

#### 4.2 Biomedicine Students Society camp incident reporting

Executives spent a lot of time preparing for the camp and training camp leaders. They tried to take steps during and after camp to manage the issues that arose. They did not initially report the issues to C&S because the individuals affected did not want to escalate, but still provided the Safer Communities portal to them. The problem person was not a member, so they couldn't be expelled, but they have been banned from future events.

The culture of BSS has perpetuated these issues.

Welfare shifts were 45 minutes long. Camp leaders needed to be sober for these shifts, but it is difficult to keep track and ensure all camp leaders are at BAC 0.00 for their 45 minutes of the night. The scheduling is problematic.

One of the camp leaders misbehaved seriously, but they could not be sent home because it was the middle of the night outside of the city. They were sent home in the morning, when it was next feasible.

The cooking of food was not timely, so campers said they were hungry during mealtimes but also there were a lot of leftovers at the end of the camp. Camp leaders were allowed to BYO as it was understood that the alcohol at the bar was for the first years, but this should not have been the case.

Camp leaders are attending the camp for free. This may give them a sense of entitlement and a lack of stake in the operations of the camp. However, making camp leaders pay for the camp may also incentivise them to try to enjoy the experience more instead of staying responsible.

Spirits were pre-mixed in a big container and then served. Cider was poured into cups before being served. There were no bottles being carried around by campers. Service was from the bar and was responsible.

**Zoe Gwynn left at 10:18 am**

Executive failed to provide a safe environment. They will improve by writing a more explicit camp leader guidebook:

- Do not bring alcohol
- Must be sober one night of camp
- Must be sober while on the bar
- Specific consequences for breaching rules

First year feedback is very positive. There is a community built in the cohort through camps, as can be seen from changes between week 2 and week 3.

Campers need to be able to report welfare issues externally to ensure anonymity and reporting.

How will the club change culture?

- Allow more time for handover
- Try to ensure BSS as a whole is changing
- Inclusion & engagement project, diversifying the committee & cohort
- Try to screen out “party people” for camp leaders
- Looking at 2<sup>nd</sup> years already, and screening out inappropriate camp leaders
- Could hold in-person interviews and briefings

There was one in-person and one hybrid briefing for camp leaders this time. These briefings can be scaled up. Prevention rather than cure should be used to manage problem camp leaders. There should be clearer rules and no BYO of alcohol.

The games that were played on camp are fun and help with team-building, and they do not foster a negative culture.

**Procedural Motion 4: To go in camera, including Fiona Sanders and Joshua Solomon.**

Mover: Chair

**CWD**

**All Biomedicine Students Society reps left at 10:55 am**

**Procedural Motion 5: To admit strangers.**

Mover: Tarish Kadam

**CWD**

**All Biomedicine Students Society reps came in at 11:15 am**

**Procedural Motion 6: To suspend Standing Orders and keep the meeting going.**

Mover: Ewan Bezzobs

**CWD**

**Petition to put Biomedicine Students Society on probation for 12 months for breaching OHS regulations (R6.3.u)**

**Petitioned by Tarish Kadam, Lenah Ankliss**

**Motion 7: To direct BSS to work with the C&S OBs to report on the following milestones: 1. handover to new executive, 2. review of leader guidelines & selection**

**process, and 3. briefings for camp leaders, in order to receive approval for a 2026 camp, and to debrief the 2026 camp if approved with the 2026 C&S OBs.**

Mover: Lenah Ankliss                      Seconder: Tarish Kadam

**CWD**

**10 minute break at 11:18 am**

**Meeting reopened at 11:30 am, without Alex Gwynn**

4.1. Discipline

4.1.1. Assets Not Presented

*Indonesian Students Association, Australian Wall Street, Japanese Club, Puzzles of Melbourne University, Financial Management Association of Australia*

*Petition made last meeting: 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*

**Alex Gwynn arrived at 11:31 am**

**Motion 8: To suspend asset grants of the Indonesian Students Association for 3 months.**

Mover: Doris Wang                      Seconder: Tarish Kadam

**CWD**

**Motion 9: To suspend asset grants of Australian Wall Street, Japanese Club, Puzzles of Melbourne University, and Financial Management Association of Australia for 12 months or until assets are presented or written off by the C&S Committee.**

Mover: Oliver Nassau                      Seconder: Tarish Kadam

**CWD**

4.1.2. General Meetings (Late Notice)

*Petition made last meeting: To give a formal warning to the Labor Club, Student Exchange Society, and Apollo Music Society for late notice of their AGM (R5.2.b).*

*Petitioned by Tarish Kadam, Doris Wang*

**Motion 10: To uphold the petition to give a formal warning to the Labor Club, Student Exchange Society, and Apollo Music Society for late notice of their AGM (R5.2.b).**

Mover: Oliver Nassau                      Seconder: Tarish Kadam

**CWD**

4.1.2.1. Labor Club

4.1.2.2. Student Exchange Society

4.1.2.3. Apollo Music Society

4.1.3. Arts Students Society (Const. amendment not properly notified)

*Petition made last meeting: To give a formal warning to the Arts Students Society for not properly advising members of the proposed constitutional change (R5.2.g.iv)*

*Petitioned by Tarish Kadam, Doris Wang*

**Motion 11: To uphold the petition to give a formal warning to the Arts Students Society for not properly advising members of the proposed constitutional change (R5.2.g.iv).**

Mover: Tarish Kadam                      Seconder: Alex Gwynn

For: 4 Abst: 1

**Carried**

4.2. Biomedicine Students Society camp incident reporting

Done

4.3. Global Consulting Club AGM

Done

4.4. Regulations

4.4.1. Assets

**Motion 12: To recommend the asset regulation change to Students Council.**

Mover: Alex Gwynn                      Seconder: Tarish Kadam

**CWD**

4.4.2. Promotional Events category / Promotional obligations (ongoing)

**ACTION: Ewan Bezzobs to write a proposed regulation change.**

4.5. Policies

4.5.1. Grant Appeals

Clarify that the grace period for failed uploads is in Academic Days. Add that PDFs are preferred. Clubs Online error screenshots must include computer time, and email must be timely. Move compelling circumstances for late grants away from the top.

**ACTION: Fiona Sanders and Esther Luk to review**

4.6. New Clubs

4.6.1. IGMs

They are happening!

Linguistics Society – RO confirms that everyone was present.

**Lenah Ankliss left at 11:55 am**

**Procedural Motion 7: To proxy to Joshua Solomon.**

Mover: Doris Wang

**CWD**

**Doris Wang left at 11:56 am**

Joshua Solomon declares interest in SAMU and Jewish Students Society.

Coordinator recommends affiliation.

**Motion 13: To formally affiliate the Linguistics Society.**

Mover: Oliver Nassau                      Seconder: Tarish Kadam

**CWD**

STEAM's affiliation is deferred.

4.7. Email white-listing / Global from address

No update

4.8. Passion Fruit Projects asset presentation

Defer

4.9. Cambodian Students Society SGM Meeting

Club met with Coordinator and they acknowledge multiple faults. Will fix the constitution at their AGM.

4.10. Chinese Debating Group training compliance

Will update when training has occurred.

## 5. OB Reports

A non-semester meeting will take place in week 3 of exam period if possible. Will use when2meet to decide date and time. Mid-year budget review is coming up, so Ewan and Esther will meet with Deanna from UMSU Admin and Finance. Esther is starting to edit the Canvas training.

**Motion 14: To accept the OB reports.**

Mover: Tarish Kadam                      Seconder: Joshua Solomon

**CWD**

## 6. Correspondence

6.1. Google Developers Name Change

**Motion 15: To approve the Google Developer Student Club's name change.**

Mover: Tarish Kadam                      Seconder: Oliver Nassau

**CWD**

6.2. Pakistani Students Society

Complaint about IGSS posting in support of Indian military actions. Gen Sec has written to the clubs on this matter.

**Motion 16: To direct the C&S OBs to write to the Indian Graduate Students' Society and convey the need for mutual respect and inclusion across affiliated Clubs and Societies, and to avoid the intentional or accidental promotion of militarism in club messaging.**

Mover: Tarish Kadam                      Seconder: Alex Gwynn

For: 3      Abst: 1

**Carried**

**ACTION: To remind all clubs of their responsibilities and obligations under R1.(e) in the next C&S Bulletin.**

## 8. Grants

8.1. OB Recommendations

**Motion 17: To approve all standard grants en bloc.**

Mover: Tarish Kadam                      Seconder: Oliver Nassau

**CWD**

8.1.1. Late before event

Committee consensus to approve late grants at 100%.

**ACTION: amend on Clubs Online**

8.1.2. Incorrect UMSU logo

**Motion 18: To approve CSF25268 at 75% and set the precedent for incorrect UMSU logo submissions as such.**

Mover: Alex Gwynn

Secunder: Tarish Kadam

**CWD**

8.1.3. Late after event glitch (NZSS)

Approve.

8.1.4. Split into multiple categories

**Motion 19: To change CSF25199 to a Function grant, and to submit a Purchases and Hiring (Events) grant for the prizes and refer to the Function grant.**

Mover: Oliver Nassau

Secunder: Tarish Kadam

**CWD**

8.1.5. Sports insurance

**Motion 20: To reject CSF25205 and CSF25181.**

Mover: Tarish Kadam

Secunder: Joshua Solomon

**CWD**

8.1.6. Risk assessment wrong date

**Motion 21: To reject CSF25196.**

Mover: Tarish Kadam

Secunder: Alex Gwynn

**CWD**

## Grants for Discussion

<b>GRANT ID</b>	<b>CLUB NAME</b>	<b>GRANT TYPE</b>	<b>DATE FROM</b>	<b>OB RECOMMENDATION</b>
CSF25243	Apollo Music Society	Purchase (Other)		Reject
CSF25242	Apollo Music Society	Purchase (Other)		Reject
CSF25220	Apollo Music Society	Camps	22/04/2025	Reject
CSF25222	Golf Appreciation Society	Function	15/05/2025	Reject

CSF25312	Sexpression	Function	30/05/2025	Reject
CSF25182	Sexpression	Purchase (Other)		Reject
CSF25292	Islamic Society	Function	21/05/2025	Approve conditional on resubmission of acceptable files (risk assessment must be submitted within 5 days of the event)
CSF25197	Chinese Calligraphy Club	Purchases & Hiring (Events)		Approve conditional on submission of acceptable event details
CSF25183	Sexpression	Purchase (Other)		Approve conditional on submission of acceptable purchase details
CSF24786	Chocolate Lovers Society	Function	09/05/2025	Approve
CSF25214	Creative Literature and Writing Society	Function	14/05/2025	Approve
CSF25251	Film Society	Function	16/05/2025	Approve
CSF25171	Film Society	Function	09/05/2025	Approve
CSF25188	Language Exchange Club	Function	15/05/2025	Approve
CSF25221	Social Impact Investment Fund	Function	14/05/2025	Approve
CSF25236	Beta Alpha Psi - Unimelb Chapter	Function	15/05/2025	Approve
CSF25185	Civil and Structural Society	Function	08/05/2025	Approve
CSF25314	Competitive Programming Club	Function	21/05/2025	Approve
CSF25212	Competitive Programming Club	Function	07/05/2025	Approve
CSF25266	Friends of Unnatural Llamas	Function	13/05/2025	Approve

CSF25179	Global Health Society	Function	07/05/2025	Approve
CSF25186	Hispanic Culture and Language Society	Function	08/05/2025	Approve
CSF25254	Japanese Club	Function	16/05/2025	Approve
CSF25191	Pakistani Society	Function	07/05/2025	Approve
CSF25260	Vegan Club	Function	14/05/2025	Approve
CSF25257	Youth Charity Society	Function	10/05/2025	Reject
CSF25295	Thai Student Association	Function	23/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of risk assessment before event
CSF25298	Speech Pathology Students' Society	Function	28/05/2025	Approve
CSF25168	Robogals Melbourne	Function	10/05/2025	Approve
CSF25180	Postgraduate Physics Students' Society	Function	09/05/2025	Approve
CSF25201	Classics and Archaeology Society	Function	13/05/2025	Approve
CSF25313	Sexpression	Function	30/05/2025	Approve
CSF25161	Youth Charity Society	Function	13/05/2025	Reject
CSF24824	Music Students Society	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	14/05/2025	Change category and approve
CSF25209	Korean Students Society	Function	17/05/2025	Approve conditional on resubmission of acceptable files (risk assessment must be submitted within 5 days of the event)
CSF25304	AIESEC in Melbourne	Function	22/05/2025	Approve conditional on resubmission of acceptable files and

				submission of SFH certificate obtained before event
CSF25302	Biomedicine Student Society	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	29/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of certificate of currency
CSF25262	Pre-Law Society	Function	22/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF25225	StartUp Link Unimelb	Function	14/05/2025	Approve conditional on acceptable resubmission of venue booking request
CSF25123	New Zealand Students Society	Function	08/05/2025	Approve
CSF25204	Rotaract Club	Function	09/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of proof of usage of UMSU logo and acceptable purchase details
CSF25270	Slavic Languages Club	Function	17/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of acceptable purchase details
CSF25235	Card Crew	Function	09/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of SFH certificate obtained before event
CSF25170	Embrace Education	Function	06/05/2025	Reject
CSF25264	Eurovision Social Club	Function	18/05/2025	Approve conditional on acceptable resubmission of venue booking request
CSF25232	Apollo Music Society	Function	16/05/2025	Reject
CSF25223	Interprofessional Education and Practice Health Students Network	Function	15/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of proof of permission

				and SFH certificate obtained before event
CSF25169	Student Exchange Society	Function	15/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of certificate of currency and submission of risk assessment within 5 days of the event
CSF24967	Barbell Society	Function	09/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of certificate of currency
CSF25195	Youth Charity Society	Function	17/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of SFH certificate obtained before event or purchase of only non-perishable snacks
CSF25300	CAINZ	Function	22/05/2025	Approve conditional on resubmission of SFH plan before event
CSF25194	Multi Art and Culture Association	Purchases & Hiring (Events)	14/05/2025	Reject
CSF25224	Catholics of One Spirit Down Under	Function	16/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request and SFH certificate obtained before event
CSF25240	TEDxUniMelb	Purchase (Assets)		Approve conditional on submission of proof of usage of UMSU logo
CSF25241	Filipino Students Association	Function	16/05/2025	Approve conditional on acceptable resubmission of venue booking request
CSF25269	Greens Club	Function	20/05/2025	Approve conditional on acceptable resubmission of venue booking request

CSF25296	Thai Student Association	Function	23/05/2025	Approve conditional on acceptable resubmission of risk assessment before event
CSF25239	Card Crew	Function	23/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of SFH certificate obtained before event
CSF25238	Card Crew	Function	16/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of SFH certificate obtained before event
CSF25265	World of Mahjong Club	Function	23/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of SFH certificate obtained before event
CSF25172	Cantonese Students Association	Function	08/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF25263	Christian Union	Function	19/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF25192	Christian Union	Function	12/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF25276	Healthy Eating and Nutrition Society	Function	20/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF25277	Jewish Students Society	Function	21/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF25200	Jewish Students Society	Function	14/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
CSF25255	Physics Students Society	Function	27/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request

CSF25177	Queer Commerce Club	Function	15/05/2025	Approve conditional on submission of venue booking request
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Tarish Kadam and Joshua Solomon have conflicts of interest with some Grants for Discussion.

**Motion 22: To accept all other OB recommendations.**

Mover: Oliver Nassau                      Seconder: Alex Gwynn

For: 2 Abst: 2

**Carried**

8.2. Appeal

8.2.1. Cambodian Students Association 25067

Had a Clubs Online technical issue, but reported late to C&S.

**Motion 23: To approve CSF25067 at 75%.**

Mover: Oliver Nassau                      Seconder: Tarish Kadam

For: 3 Abst: 1

**Carried**

8.2.2. Jewish Students Society Food Plans

**Ewan Bezzobs left at 12:37 pm**

**ACTION: Clarify the definition of non-perishable foods in a bulletin item and on Canvas training.**

**Ewan Bezzobs came back at 12:42 pm**

**Motion 24: To pay Jewish Students Society's grants where there is perishable food but no SFH plan at a rate of 75%.**

Mover: Tarish Kadam                      Seconder: Oliver Nassau

For: 3 Abst: 1

**Carried**

**9. Other Business**

9.1. Training Obligations (Bystander)

For clubs that have less than or equal to 100 members, 1 executive must complete training.

For clubs that have greater than 100 members, 2 committee members, including 1 executive, must complete training. If a committee member completed training in the previous year, their training may be recognised for the current year.

**Motion 25: To adopt the above obligations for Bystander Intervention training.**

Mover: Oliver Nassau                      Seconder: Tarish Kadam

**CWD**

9.2. Vietnamese Students Society 24757

The club faked the logo on the image of their bingo sheets, which were purchased online.

**Motion 26: Approve CSF24757 at 50%.**

Mover: Alex Gwynn

Seconded: Tarish Kadam

**CWD**

9.3. Promo obligations S2 2025

Events must be posted on the UMSU calendar a week in advance.

**Motion 27: To set the promo period requirements as the same as 2025 S1.**

Mover: Alex Gwynn

Seconded: Oliver Nassau

**CWD**

## **11. Next Meeting**

Wednesday June 4, time TBC

## **12. Close**

**Meeting closed at 12:52 pm**