

University of Melbourne Student Union
Meeting of the Creative Arts Committee
Minutes
30th of June, 2pm, 2026
Meeting 7(26)
Location: Zoom
Opened at 2:08pm



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Meeting ID: 422 203 2456 Passcode: C9ysQ5

1. Procedural Matters

1.1. Election of Chair

The CA Committee moves Yashesvi to be elected as chair

Mover: Ethan McNeil

Seconded: Saria Ratnam

CWD

1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Custodians

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the lands on which we work and pay our respects to Indigenous Elders past, present and emerging. Sovereignty has never been ceded. It always was, and always will be, Aboriginal land.

1.3. Attendance

Ethan McNeil

Yashesvi Verma

Saria Ratnam

Aahna Kamboj

Prishita Shethia

Mansis Kaur

Neel Bhatia

1.4. Apologies

1.5. Proxies

1.6. Leave of Absence Requests

Vincent Chen
Muhammad Riyan

1.7. Membership

1.8. Adoption of Agenda

Agenda to be adopted as circulated.

Mover: Yashesvi Verma Seconded: Aahna Kamboj

CWD

1.9. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Confirmation of previous minutes 6(26).

Mover: Yashesvi Verma Seconded: Prishita Shethia

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2. Conflicts of Interest Declaration

Saria and Yashesvi know Mahema and will not take part in voting for the particular application.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- Discuss grant application round 2 and finalise the amount granted to all 11 applicants.

Tim Liu's grant is clear, but the CA committee cannot grant \$500 to all applicants, a grant of \$160 for art supplies is applicable.

Raisa McLean's application is very detailed and has requested for specifically venue hire in December. The committee recommends the applicant apply again closer to the date.

Milly Walker's application is detailed, but as the funds are limited, we cannot support the submission fees of all the newspapers. \$175 will go towards submitting their art.

Maddi Johnstone's application was clear and an understandable amount. The committee is happy to fund \$55 for the application. Because the event is in December, the committee encourages the applicant to apply again in Semester 2.

Leyla's application is very detailed, and the committee would be happy to support the project with \$250.

Lauren Williams' application was clear, the committee has opted to grant the applicant \$225.

Jeanne's application was broken down well, with budget restrictions, the committee has decided to support the applicant with \$200.

Elyssia Heckman's application does not delve into costs for the project past surface level values. While the application is \$500, the costing of the full project is \$10,000. The committee is hesitant to support the project without knowing how the money directly supports the project. The committee encourages the applicant to re-apply with more information regarding this.

Darla and Sunday's application is for a project to run in Semester 2. The committee would be happy to grant \$185 to the applicant.

Creative Arts recognises the value of the project by the applicant. The costs of trestle tables cannot be supported by the committee at this time, however, the CA department can collaborate with the Drawing and Painting Club to help save costs.

Mahema's application seems to be detailed, yet the costs seem to be extraordinarily high. The committee encourages Mahema to review costs and apply again in Semester 2.

4. Correspondence

5. Office Bearer Reports

Accept the Office Bearer reports as presented.

Mover: Yashesvi Verma Seconded: Saria Ratnam

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6. Motions on Notice

Motion 1: That the creative arts committee approves the expenditure of \$200 from Summerfest budget from budget line (03-60-610-3840) for Winterfest in July 2026.

Mover: Aahna Kamboj Seconded: Prishita Shethia

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7. Other Business (Motions without Notice)

8. Next Meeting

8th meeting of CA Committee will be held in Week 1 of Semester 2.

9. Close

Meeting closes at 2.54pm.