

University of Melbourne Student Union Meeting of the Education Committee Minutes Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022, 11:00 am Meeting 10(22) Location: Zoom

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### Meeting opened at 11:04 am.

### 1. Procedural Matters

#### 1.1. Election of Chair

Motion: That Ethan Georgeou be elected as ChairMover: EthanSeconded: MoiraCARRIED Without Dissent

#### 1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Custodians

So acknowledged.

#### 1.3. Attendance

Ethan Georgeou, Ruby Craven, Moira Negline, Isabella Phillips, Mietta Stephens, Maryam Hessami, Luka Michalczak, Lawrence Thai.

1.4. Apologies

No Apologies

1.5. Proxies

Georgia Burke to Mietta Stephens

Motion: That proxies be accepted en bloc.Mover: Ethan GeorgeouSeconded: Isabella PhillipsCARRIED Without Dissent

#### 1.6. Membership

The ticket allocation process has begun to replace Sriram Gopalasubramanian's membership on the Education Committee.

### **1.7.** Adoption of Agenda

Motion: To adopt the Agenda as presented.

Mover: Ethan Georgeou Seconded: Moira Negline

CARRIED

## 2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

- 2.1. Committee 7(22)
- 2.2. Committee 8(22)
- 2.3. Committee 9(22)

Motion: To accept the previous minutes for Committee 7(22), 8(22) and 9(22) as a true and accurate record of these meetings en bloc.

Mover: Ethan Georgeou Seconded: Ruby Craven

**CARRIED** Without Dissent

# 3. Conflicts of Interest Declaration

None

## 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None

# 5. Correspondence

None

## 6. Office Bearer Reports

# 6.1. Education (Academic)

Moira Negline outlines that Ed Con Grants are happening, and Ed Con is soon! Moira sat on SPC on Monday, it was a long and painful zoom. Last Thursday was Academic Board, it was interesting. Duncan said maybe his election result write-up was maybe a bit too keen. Overall the papers highlighted three key things;

- 1) The university has raised 50 Million for their Believe campaign, on top of their annual reporting. This campaign is meant to fund scholarships etc.
- 2) Deputy VC for People and Community gave her first official report, heavily focussed on the return to campus, which Moira raised could be an issue for some students.
- 3) The government's job-ready graduates legislation has had an impact on student learning entitlements and completion rates. People now have conditions such as completion requirements on CSP places etc. From their end they're applying pressure to communicate this to students.

Moira has been sitting on a lot of academic misconduct panels. The high levels of panels occurring will be an issue of investigation for Education Academic post Ed Con.

The petition that Ed Ac were helping Queer with on Academic Board has been rejected. They met with the President of the Academic Board, who acknowledged that there is not a great process to address these issues.

Ethan Georgeou outlined that they don't have too much to add to this, except that throughout SWOTVAC A lot of SWOTVAC reports occurred from students with assessments falling within the SWOTVAC period. The new academic secretary helped to take care of these. In future it could be better to advertise the SWOTVAC reporting form earlier, and perhaps organise a process for reporting through the academic secretary directly.

# 6.2. Education (Public)

Ruby Craven outlined the process that has gone in to organising the National Union of Students' Education Conference. Two motions will be moved today, to a) register as an organisation to the conference from the Grants budget line, and b) provide grants from the Grants budget line to support students' travel and accommodation to the conference. Ruby outlines that the process for both is governed by the UMSU Travel and Conferences policy and the UMSU Financial Regulations. A second point to note is a recent meeting with Annette from the NTEU, which has raised the potential for upcoming actions around staff pay in the media recently.

Motion: To accept the Office Bearer Reports en Bloc

Mover: Ethan Georgeou Seconded: Isabella Phillips

CARRIED Without Dissent

## 7. Motions on Notice

# 7.1. Merchandise Budget Line Approval

Moira explains the process behind this, looking at creating new merch and designs throughout Semester 2 to set up the next OBs well for the following semester.

Mietta is a strong supporter of merch!

Motion: To approve expenditure from the Merchandise budget line of up to \$2000 for the new merchandise for Semester 2.

Moved: Moira Negline Seconded: Mietta Stephens

CARRIED

## 7.2. NUS Education Conference 2022 – Organisation Registration

Ruby explains that this flat payment will allow any student from UMSU to register to attend the NUS Education Conference for free, rather than paying the cost of a \$25 individual ticket.

## Mietta says what a great experience Ed Con is!

Motion: To approve the expenditure from the Grants budget line of \$650 for UMSU's organisational registration to the NUS Education Conference, to allow students to attend as part of UMSU.

Mover: Ruby Craven

Seconded: Mietta Stephens

CARRIED

## 7.3. NUS Education Conference 2022 – Grant Allocations

Ruby outlines that this process is governed by the UMSU Travel and Conferences policy and the UMSU Financial Regulations. Originally budget allowed for a maximum of 64 grants of \$150 each, however given there have only been 16 applications for this, the Education Department has made the decision to raise each grant to \$250, for a total of \$4,000.

Moira Negline outlines the requirements for grant recipients under the Travel and Conferences policy.

Motion: To approve the expenditure from the Grants budget line of up to \$4000 for travel and accommodation grants, allowing for 16 grants of \$250 each, to the chosen students as agreed by the Education Committee.

The eligible students are listed as the following:

Sotirios Karabogias

Emma Dynes

Maeve Riches

Atticus Joseph Corr

Hannah Krasovec

Hayley Scott

Sarah Wehbe

Tongyi Liu

Yu-Ting Cheng

Tejas Gandhi

Jaan Schild

Farid Fazel Mojtahedi

Felix Sharkey

Ngaire Elizabeth Bogemann

Thomas Leadbetter

Evelyn Thompson

Mover: Ruby Craven

Seconded: Moira Negline

CARRIED Without Dissent

## 8. Motions without Notice

## 9. Other Business

## **10. Next Meeting**

Will be during the holidays, next month – ahead of O-Week/Winterfest. A poll for times will follow.

## 11. Close

### Meeting closed at 11:34 am.