**University of Melbourne Student Union**

**Minutes of the Environments Committee**

**Meeting 3(21)**

***Meeting Agenda***

**2PM, 19th February 2021**

**Location: Zoom**

**Link:** [***https://unimelb.zoom.us/j/85985945194?pwd=dXhpUWZLSFdKSFZHZlM1QTFpczRVQT09***](https://unimelb.zoom.us/j/85985945194?pwd=dXhpUWZLSFdKSFZHZlM1QTFpczRVQT09)

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**Agenda**

1. **Procedural Matters**
	1. Election of Chair

***Motion:*** For James to be elected as Chair.

**Mover:** Rubina

**Seconder:** Vishal

* 1. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners
	So acknowledged.
	2. Attendance

Laura, Jeremy, Rubina, Vishal, Atticus, Jaslyn, Aashi.

* 1. Apologies

Harry Syson.

* 1. Proxies

Harry Syson to Atticus.

* 1. Membership
	2. Adoption of Agenda

***Motion:*** For the Agenda to be adopted

**Mover:** James
**Seconder:** Jaslyn

**CWD**

1. **Confirmation of Previous Minutes**Minutes sent to email after previous meeting.

**CWD**

1. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

None.

1. **Correspondence**
2. **Office Bearers’ Reports**

View attached

**CWD**

1. **Motions on Notice**

6.1. As the start of the semester is coming soon, we need to make sure that the weekly Enviro collectives are properly supplied to ensure its successful operation. Collectives are one of the most important events for this semester as it will engage new students to get involved with the various events planned by the Environment department this year. Thus, we wish to move $100 from the Special Events budget line to purchase foods and drinks for in-person regular collectives during the semester.

**Motion: To move $100 from the Environment Department’s Special Events budget line to cover the purchase of snacks and refreshments for in-person collectives and Rad Reading groups

Mover:** Ann Nguyen

**Seconder:** Vishal Chopra

**CWD**

Vishal wanted to clarify whether this will be a weekly expenditure. Ann clarified that the expenditure will only be made if the event is in person.

1. **Other Business**
	1. **Brainstorming Ideas for Uni Climate Declaration**

Ideas:

- Cutting all ties with the Fossil Fuel industry & arms industry

 \*send Vishal article on UniMelb’s ties with Lockheed Martin

- Pledge that UniMelb will embed lessons around environmentalism into every single course.

* 1. **Future Campaigns**

- Rubina’s experience w SS4C contingent: the strategy was borrowed from Sydney’s SS4C.

 - Plan early, go to lectures, talk to people, do a survey (i.e. ask for hands up) to approximate interest. Consistency helps with increasing interest. Transfering this to an online setting might mean that we’ll have to get permission from the tutors before entering the classes.

- Us getting this position in the committee and as Environment OBs also involves a level of campaigning that can be translated to an online setting.

- Aashi ‘s experience with a Human Rights Activist group in India: the most important part was educating people.

* + Hosted an open lecture.
* Ann: for campaigns, we should focus on regular engagement, education, analysis, and long-term collective work.
	1. **Other Business**
* Details of in-person Summerfest will be sent to the group chat
* Vishal would like to be updated on/involved with Community Garden’s Seed Bank. Ann will get in touch with Bronte and Melanie from the Community Garden to figure out the details.
1. **Next Meeting**

As semester will be starting soon, meetings will be REGULAR and FORTNIGHTLY. A when2meet link will be sent out after the meeting.

1. **Meeting closed at 2.29PM**