

**University of Melbourne Student Union
Meeting of the People of Colour Committee
Minutes
2.30 PM, Friday the 3rd of March 2022
Meeting 4(23)
Location: Teams**

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Meeting opened at 3.05 PM

1. Procedural Matters

1.1. Election of Chair

Motion: To elect Mohamed Hadi as Chair

Mover: Mohamed Hadi

Seconded: Nawaar Noor

Carried Without Dissent

1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Custodians

So acknowledged

1.3. Attendance

Reham El Zeiny, Manasi Deshpande, Natasha Mulay, Dimi Olayanju, Nawaar Noor, Marko Younan, Upasna Goel, Mohamed hadi

1.4. Apologies

Hala Khartabil, Malaz Mohamed

1.5. Proxies

Malaz Mohamed to Reham El Zeiny

1.6. Membership

No Changes

1.7. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: To adopt the agenda as presented.

Mover: Mohamed Hadi

Second: NA

Carried Without Dissent

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Motion: To confirm the previous minutes of meeting 3(23) as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Mover: Mohamed Hadi

Second: NA

Carried Without Dissent

3. Conflicts of Interest Declaration

None Declared

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None

5. Correspondence

None

6. Office Bearer Report

- Summerfest

Done and dusted! We had a huge turnout for the event that sent me in a spin but big shoutout to all the committee members that helped me plan, and execute the event!

- Collectives

POC Collective happened this week and the turnout was too good! Ran out of food in the first 20 minutes which made us think of how much food we need to order from here on out

- Holi

Hopefully we will be able to pull this off next week! Got a marquee with discover unimelb to engage with students and show them that umsu is involved

7. Other Reports

7.1. Holi – Upasna Goel, Natasha Mulay

Natasha briefs committee on what we have planned for Holi, including lassi pong, a cloth for students to write on and handing out sweets

8. Operational Business

9. Motions on Notice

9.1. BIPOC grants program

Attached is the application form for the BIPOC grants program, this form must be approved by committee and the deadlines set in order for the program to go live for 2023.

Motion: to approve the BIPOC grants application form and set the grants program dates from 6th of March to 15th of October

Mover: Natasha Mulay

Seconder: Reham Elzeiny

Carried Without Dissent

Discussion:

- Reham asks if we're setting a range or a deadline for applications, Mohamed clarifies it's a range, she then suggests to open applications right away
- Committee then discusses when to close applications, to give enough time for consideration of applications and the production of any events that happen after
- A closing date of 15th of October is settled on

9.2. Application 1 – Anti-racism workshop

Find attached the anti-racism workshop application.

Motion: To approve the anti-racism workshop application on Racism in travel and approve a payment of \$150 from the Events – General (03-60-680-3840) budget line for the presenter of the workshop

Mover: Dimi Olayanju

Seconder: Nawaar Noor

Discussion:

- Manasi mentions they're quite intrigued by the app and they're interested in learning more, Natsha likes how it's a focused issue i.e racism in travel and its something relevant to students

9.3. Application 2 – Anti-racism workshop

Find attached the anti-racism workshop application.

Motion: To approve the anti-racism workshop application on Racism and Ableism and a payment of \$150 from the Events – General (03-60-680-3840) budget line for the presenter of the workshop

Mover: Nawaar Noor

Seconder: Natasha Mulay

Carried Without Dissent

Discussion:

- Reham asks if there is an overlap of this topic with other departments, Mohamed responds by indicating there is none

9.4. Application 3 – Anti-racism workshop

Find attached the anti-racism workshop application.

Motion: To approve the anti-racism workshop application on Racism and AI and approve a payment of \$250 from the Events – General (03-60-680-3840) budget line for the presenter of the workshop

Mover: Natasha Mulay

Seconder: Reham Elzeiny

Carried Without Dissent

Discussion:

- **Natasha, Manasi and Reham all express support for the workshop application citing that its very relevant to up and coming technology and students will benefit from this**

9.5. Application 4 – Anti-racism workshop

Find attached the anti-racism workshop application.

Motion: To defer the anti-racism workshop application on hyper individualism in western culture

Mover: Natasha Mulay

Seconder: Reham Elzeiny

Carried Without Dissent

Discussion:

- **Committee notes that the topic itself is good, but lacks details and how it can be presented to students for an hour**
- **The topic needs a stronger foundation and it seems more of a learning exercise for bipoc rather than an educational/informative workshop, no clear ideas on what students will be taking out of the workshop**

9.6. Application 5 – Anti-racism workshop

Find attached the anti-racism workshop application.

Motion: To /defer the anti-racism workshop application on Intersectionality

Mover: Nawaar Noor

Seconder: Upasna goel

Carried without dissent

Discussion:

- **Committee thinks there could be room for a more original topic or something that hasn't been done in the past**
- **Alternatively a more focused topic within intersectionality would be favoured, they could choose of the subtopics of the workshop and resubmit**

10. Motions without Notice

10.1. Catering – Anti-racism Workshop 1

Motion: to approve \$100 from the Events – General (03-60-680-3840) budget line for the catering of the first anti-racism workshop

Mover: Upasna Goel

Seconder: Natasha Mulay

Carried Without Dissent

Discussion:

- **Upasna asks how many people come to th workshops, Mohamed repsonds by 15-20**

11. Other Business

Mohamed updates committee on the theft of the Ninetendo Switch in the POC space, cites that things have been takes from all the safe spaces

12. Next Meeting

Two weeks time

13. Close

Meeting closed at 3.14 PM