

University of Melbourne Student Union



Minutes of the Queer Committee

Meeting 3(20)

UNCONFIRMED Minutes

12 PM 11th February 2020

Location: OB Space, Union House

Agenda

Meeting opens at 12:02PM

1. Procedural Matters

1.1 Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Ciara O'Sullivan be elected Chair

Mover: Ciara O'Sullivan

Seconder: Karl Pahl-Duffy

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So Acknowledged.

1.3 Attendance

Officers: Ciara O'Sullivan, A'bidah Zaid (call-in)

Committee Members: Andoni Fischer (minute-taker, Karl Pahl-Duffy, Iley Johnson (call-in), Eleanor Watson (call-in), Natasha Bay (call-in).

1.4 Apologies

Reece Moir

1.5 Proxies

1.6 Membership

1.7 Adoption of Agenda

If you want to change the order of the Agenda, now is the time.

Motion 2: That the Agenda as presented be adopted

Mover: Ciara O'Sullivan

Seconder: Andoni Fischer

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Motion 3: To confirm the previous minutes of 12/01/2020 as a true and accurate record.

Mover: Ciara O'Sullivan

Seconder: Andoni Fischer

CARRIED, Karl Pahl-Duffy and Eleanor Watson abstain.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

4. Office Bearers' Reports

Ciara gave her office bearer report, as written.

Eleanor: What makes the nail polish/make up gender neutral?

Ciara: the advertising and marketing is all gender neutral and the company donates a percentage of their profits to charities and organisations helping trans and nonbinary people.

Ciara: Zine might not be printed for Summerfest, that's not a big deal, it's just an environmentally friendly online zine lol. Will have A5 info sheets though.

Speed friending will be happening!

Karl asks about the location, Ciara says it will be in the same spot as last year, but we will work to make it more accessible.

Motion 4: To approve and accept the Office Bearers Reports (and recommendations)

Mover: Ciara O'Sullivan

Seconder: Andoni Fischer

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

5. Motions on Notice

Motion 5: To approve up to \$300 expenditure from the Special Events and Projects line for supplies for the Bubble Teas with the LGBTs picnic.

Mover: Ciara O'Sullivan

Seconder: Karl Pahl-Duffy

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Motion 6: To approve up to \$100 from the Orientation budget line for speed friending snacks.

Mover: Ciara O'Sullivan

Seconder: Karl Pahl-Duffy

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Eleanor: How many people were there last year?

Ciara: about 40, I helped run it last year.

Motion 7: To authorise the expenditure of up to \$3,600 from the Special Projects and Events budget line on food and drink cards for G&Ts with the LGBTs.

Mover: Ciara O'Sullivan

Seconder: Karl Pahl-Duffy

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Ciara has asked comms to make the event less alcohol centric, to make it clear you can get soft drinks, and there's okonomiyaki (OKONOMIYAKI IS OKONOMI-BACK-I)

Iley: how often are we running it?

Ciara: still every 2 weeks.

Motion 8: To approve up to \$7,000 from the Collectives budget line to spend on food and drinks for Queer Lunch every Wednesday.

Mover: Ciara O'Sullivan

Seconder: Karl Pahl-Duffy

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Karl: are we still using pronto's for that?

Ciara: yes.

Eleanor: because it getting bigger, are we getting an arts lab for that?

Ciara: yes, we've booked the arts lab for all of semester 1 bar one day, for semester two we will have it much less as later in semester there are workshops that need to be run

Karl: is there any way we can book the meeting rooms for semester two?

Ciara: We need to talk to POC about that because they have their lunch at the same time in those rooms, there's just limited space to compromise because there's limited space and there are so many collectives running in other times. We need to keep the time constant so that people can show up.

Eleanor: is there more room now for people to stand around in the queer space?

Ciara: yeah a little. We have lots of options to mitigate these issues but no real solution.

Motion 9: To approve up to \$960 from the Collectives budget line to spend on food and drinks for QxDisabilities collective, QPoF collective, and Trans Collective every week during semester.

Mover: Ciara O'Sullivan

Secunder: Karl Pahl-Duffy

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Eleanor: have we got a time for trans collective?

Ciara: 2-3pm is what I've booked, but can change if need be.

Motion 10: To approve up to \$1,260 from the Collectives budget line to fund speakers, food, political actions, and workshops for Queer Political Action Collective.

Mover: Ciara O'Sullivan

Secunder: Karl Pahl-Duffy

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Ciara: the figures here are based on what POC used last year to fund their workshops. We can still pay people to run these workshops, they will just need to have an ABN and we'll have to run it past HR and legal. We're thinking of running both student lead and external workshops.

Karl: are there any sort of specific event that have already been planned?

Ciara: I was thinking of doing something related to rad sex consent week and I have been talking to the women's department about that. I also wanted to see if we could get a trans student to run a workshop during week of trans day of visibility. There's also something in the works with media and disabilities. Andie Moore is our coordinator for it, so I'm sure they have ideas also.

Ciara: part of this fund can be used to fund political action when need be, depends on what happens and how we need to react.

Eleanor: is this a strict budget, or can we expand it in the future

Ciara: we should have money left over from other areas, and if need be we can reach out to student's council.

6. Other Business

6.1 The Zine

Ciara: please write submissions. As said before, it's a bit late this year because I have been #dying, but there will be a digital copy by Summerfest at the very the least, and something by winterfest, and I'll have little a5 sheets of what we do for Summerfest too.

6.2 Summerfest Volunteers

Ciara: I'm looking for volunteers on the 26th

I have a volunquers group chat on Facebook that I'm reaching out on, but it's a bit of a mess.

Eleanor: it might be worth making a Facebook page to have important information be more clear.

Ciara: yeah definitely, I'll also sent out a DIY roster for people to fill in.

Illey: I had a question, what was the event you guys were planning on running alternating to g and ts? Because I saw money dedicated to it in the budget?

Ciara: I was planning on running a bubble tea chill event using the leftover toppings from Summerfest in queer space

Illey: g and ts won't be every fortnight then?

Ciara: no, it still will be. It will just be running the alternate weeks to the g and ts as a part of the compromise from student council. And again, as concerns were raised by council and Hannah, I have asked comms to focus less on the alcohol of the event. When you go to the event you can see that the event is not centred around alcohol, we just want to make sure the event is marketed better. And the alternate dry event should also help with accessibility. Keeping the name of GnTs though, because it's cute.

Eleanor: is ace collective still running on Monday?

Ciara: no, we've decided to give it a pause in response to feedback that said that it wasn't a very useful meeting- just was good for visibility, which we were planning to achieve in other ways.

7. Next Meeting

Doodle poll to be sent out for semester one availability

8. Close

Meeting closed at: 12:44 PM