

University of Melbourne Student Union
Meeting of the Students' Council
Minutes
Friday 18 August 2023, 3pm
Meeting 13(23)
Location: Level 4 Lecture Theatre, Building 168

Meeting opened at 3:14pm

1. Procedural Matters

1.1. Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Disha Zutshi be elected as Chair.

Mover: Disha Zutshi

Seconded: Rahul Mittal

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1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Custodians

So acknowledged.

1.3. Attendance

Councillors

Representatives on Students' Council	Full name	Attended?
Students of Colour Representative on Students' Council	Reham Elzeiny	<i>Proxied</i>
Students' Council Indigenous Representative	N/A	<i>N/A</i>
Students with Disabilities Representative on Students' Council	Sameeksha Mudigere Keshav	<i>Yes</i>
Queer Representative on Students' Council	Edison Wei Long Ngu	<i>No</i>
International Student Representative on Students' Council	Luv Pravin Golecha	<i>Yes</i>
Graduate Student Representative on Students' Council	Nan Jiang	<i>Yes</i>
Southbank Student Representative on Students' Council	Caitlin Wessner	<i>Yes</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Rose Power	<i>Terminated</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Divyanshi Sati	<i>Yes</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Rahul Mittal	<i>Yes</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Enzhe (Kevin) Li	<i>Yes</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Evelyn Thompson	<i>Yes</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Inderpreet Singh	<i>Yes</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Isabella Beiraghi	<i>Yes</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Isioma Ogwu	<i>Proxied</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Marcie Di Bartolomeo	<i>On Leave</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Mohan Kwatra	<i>No</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Raphael Duffy	<i>Yes</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	N/A	<i>N/A</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Watey Diep	<i>Yes</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Stefan Gavrilov	<i>Yes</i>
Students' Council (General Representative)	Kunal Dewani	<i>Yes</i>

Office Bearers

Department	Full name	Attended?
President	Hiba Adam	<i>Yes</i>
General Secretary	Disha Zutshi	<i>Yes</i>
Activities Officer	Tvisha Purswani	<i>No</i>
Activities Officer	Arya Kushwaha	<i>On Leave</i>
Creative Arts Officer	Savier D'Arsie-Marquez	<i>No</i>
Clubs & Societies Officer	Renee Thierry	<i>On Leave</i>
Clubs & Societies Officer	Kimmy Ng	<i>Yes</i>
Disabilities Officer	Adam Whitehead	<i>Yes</i>
Disabilities Officer	Alice Zhao	<i>Yes</i>
Education (Academic Affairs) Officer	Carlos Lagos Martin	<i>Yes</i>
Education (Academic Affairs) Officer	Mary Kin Chan	<i>Yes</i>
Education (Public Affairs) Officer	Taj Takahashi	<i>Yes</i>
Environment Officer	Emma Dynes	<i>Yes</i>
Environment Officer	James Gallagher	<i>Yes</i>
Indigenous Officer	Harley Lewis	<i>No</i>
Media Officer	Weiting Chin	<i>No</i>
Media Officer	Xiaole Zhan	<i>Yes</i>
Media Officer	Josh Davis	<i>Yes</i>
Media Officer	Carmen Chin	<i>On Leave</i>
People of Colour Officer	Mohamed Hadi	<i>Yes</i>
Queer Officer	Mehul Gopalakrishnan	<i>Yes</i>
Queer Officer	Sum To Leslie Ho	<i>No</i>
Welfare Officer	Ishita Ganeriwala	<i>Yes</i>
Welfare Officer	Yashica Mishra	<i>On Leave</i>
Women's Officer	Ngaire Bogemann	<i>Yes</i>
Women's Officer	Alessandra Soliven	<i>No</i>
Burnley Campus Coordinator	Rhys Browning	<i>No</i>
Southbank Campus Co-ordinator	Annalyce Wiebenga	<i>Yes</i>
Southbank Campus Co-ordinator	Jack Doughty	<i>No</i>
Southbank Activities Officer	Helen Shen	<i>Yes</i>
Southbank Education Officer	Zodie Bolic	<i>Yes</i>

Other: Sara Pheasant (CEO), Priyanka Pandey (Divisional Manager, People & Community), Ciara Griffiths (Coordinator, Student Representation), Lachie James (Manager, Volunteering), Joel Duggan (Farrago Reporter).

1.4. Apologies**1.5. Proxies**

1.5.1. Isi Ogwu to Rahul Mittal

1.5.2. Reham to Kevin Li

Motion 2: To accept the proxies.

Moved: Chair

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1.6. Leave of Absence Requests

1.6.1. For this Council:

- Office Bearers: Yashica Mishra, Carmen Chin, Renee Thierry
- Councillors: Marcie Di Bartolomeo, Sameeksha Mudigere (leave from council for 30 minutes – 3:00-3:30)

1.6.2. For 4-8th September

- Office Bearers: Disha Zutshi, Mohamed Hadi, Hiba Adam, Arya Kushwaha, Mehul Gopalakrishnan, Leslie Ho, Adam Whitehead, Yashica Mishra, Ngaire Bogemann, Tvisha Purswani, Ishita Ganeriwala, James Gallagher
- Councillors: Kevin Li, Rahul Mittal, Divyanshi Sati, Luv Golecha, Kunal Dewani, Sameeksha Mudigere, Inderpreet Dhillon, Evelyn Thompson, Bella Beiraghi

1.7. Membership

Rose Power has been terminated from Council.

1.8. Adoption of Agenda

Motion 3: To adopt the Agenda as presented.

Mover: Chair

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2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

2.1. Minutes 11(23)

Ngaire Bogemann noted they were present at the Council 11(23).

2.2. Minutes 12(23)

Motion 4: To accept the minutes as a true and accurate record with amendments.

Moved: Chair

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3. Conflicts of Interest Declaration

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

5. Correspondence

6. Office Bearer Reports

Department	Full name	Submission Status?
President	Hiba Adam	<i>Not Submitted</i>
General Secretary	Disha Zutshi	<i>Not Submitted</i>
Activities Officer	Tvisha Purswani	<i>Submitted</i>
Activities Officer	Arya Kushwaha	<i>Submitted</i>
Creative Arts Officer	Savier D'Arsie-Marquez	<i>Not Submitted</i>
Clubs & Societies Officer	Renee Thierry	<i>Submitted</i>
Clubs & Societies Officer	Kimmy Ng	<i>Submitted</i>
Disabilities Officer	Adam Whitehead	<i>Not Submitted</i>

Disabilities Officer	Alice Zhao	<i>Submitted</i>
Education (Academic Affairs) Officer	Carlos Lagos Martin	<i>Not Submitted</i>
Education (Academic Affairs) Officer	Mary Kin Chan	<i>Submitted</i>
Education (Public Affairs) Officer	Taj Takahashi	<i>Submitted</i>
Environment Officer	Emma Dynes	<i>Not Submitted</i>
Environment Officer	James Gallagher	<i>Not Submitted</i>
Indigenous Officer	Harley Lewis	<i>Not Submitted</i>
Media Officer	Weiting Chin	<i>Not Submitted</i>
Media Officer	Xiaole Zhan	<i>Not Submitted</i>
Media Officer	Josh Davis	<i>Submitted</i>
Media Officer	Carmen Chin	<i>Submitted</i>
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Queer Officer	Mehul Gopalakrishnan	<i>Not Submitted</i>
Queer Officer	Sum To Leslie Ho	<i>Not Submitted</i>
Welfare Officer	Ishita Ganeriwala	<i>Submitted</i>
Welfare Officer	Yashica Mishra	<i>Submitted</i>
Women's Officer	Ngairé Bogemann	<i>Not Submitted</i>
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Burnley Campus Coordinator	Rhys Browning	<i>Not Submitted</i>
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Motion 5: To accept the OB Reports

Moved: Rahul Mittal

Seconded: Divyanshi Sati

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Procedural Motion: to move in camera for the CEO report.

Moved: Chair

CARRIED

Priyanka Pandey, Lachie James, and Joel Duggan left at 3:19pm

Council moved in camera at 3:19pm

7. CEO Report

Mohamed Hadi, Sameeksha Mudigere Keshav, Mehul Gopalakrishnan, and Alice Zhao arrived at 3:30pm

Adam Whitehead, Helen Shen, and Xiaole Zhan left at 3:50pm

Procedural Motion: To include Lachie James in camera.

Moved: Hiba Adam

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Lachie James arrived at 4:01pm

Stefan Gavrilov left 4:10pm

Procedural Motion: To move out of camera.

Moved: Chair

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Council moved out of camera at 4:14

Joel Duggan and Priyanka Pandey arrived at 4:15pm

Motion 6: That Students' Council to direct the CEO to work with the Volunteering Manager to start a 4-week consultation to investigate the functioning of VCESS program. Until consultation is completed, the VCESS program is to be suspended.

Moved: Hiba Adam

Seconded: Inderpreet Singh

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Procedural Motion: To adjourn for a five-minute break.

Moved: Annalyce Wiebenga

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Council adjourned 4:16pm

Ngaire Bogemann, Carlos Lagos Martin, Nan Jiang, Hiba Adam, Kevin Li, Priyanka Pandey, and Lachie James left during adjournment.

Council re-adjourned at 4:23pm

Motion 7: To note the CEO's report.

Moved: Chair

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8. Other Reports

9. Operational Business

9.1. SIG Applications

Chair advised Council that there is \$900 remaining in the SIG budget.

9.1.1. St Vincent's Clinical School Graduation Dinner

Applicant granted 50% of remaining SIG pool: \$450

9.1.2. Epworth Valedictory Dinner 2023

Applicant granted 50% of remaining SIG pool: \$450

9.1.3. MUCGT: For Haunt

Grant rejected - Council directed Secretary to speak to MUCGT about seeking a grant from Creative Arts and/or Theatre Board.

9.1.4. Musical Performance at Latin Schools Night

Grant rejected - Councillors noted that the society already intends to apply for a C&S grant. Council also noted is for the benefit to VCE students, not Melbourne University students.

Motion 8: To approve the St Vincent's Clinical School Graduation Dinner and Epworth Valedictory Dinner SIG applications for a grant of \$450 each.

Moved: Divyanshi

Seconded: Rahul Mittal

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Motion 9: To reject the MUCGT "For Haunt" and MUCLASS "Musical Performance at Latin Schools Night" SIG applications.

Moved: Rahul Mittal

Seconded: Divyanshi Sati

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10. Motions on Notice

10.1. Media Motions

Procedural Motion: To move motions 10.1.1-10.1.6 en bloc.

Moved: Rahul Mittal

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10.1.1. To pass \$300 from the Media Department's Contractor Fees – Artists budget line to remunerate the Featured Artists for Farrago Editions 5 and 6.

Moved: Josh Davis

Seconded: Xiaole Zhan

10.1.2. To pass \$1875 from the Contractor Fees > Speakers budget line of the Media Department's budget to pay for the speaker fees for Ouyang Yu, Shu-Ling Chua and Wenjuenn Le to facilitate the next three Farrago industry workshops.

Moved: Josh Davis

Seconded: Xiaole Zhan

10.1.3. To pass \$300 from the Events > Food and Beverage budget line of the Media Department's budget to pay for catering for the next three Farrago industry workshops.

Moved: Josh Davis

Seconded: Xiaole Zhan

10.1.4. To pass \$940 from the Events > Food and Beverage budget line of the Media Department's budget to pay for catering and beverages for the upcoming Media Mixer in Week 6.

Moved: Josh Davis

Seconded: Xiaole Zhan

10.1.5. To pass \$29,930.00 from the Printing-External > Publications budget line of the Media Department's budget to pay for the printing of Farrago Editions 5 and 6.

Moved: Josh Davis

Seconded: Xiaole Zhan

10.1.6. To pass \$3000 from the Events > Food and Beverages budget line and \$1500 from the Events > General budget line to pay for food and beverage costs and venue hire and other associated venue-related expenses for the Farrago Edition 5 and 6 launches.

Moved: Josh Davis

Seconded: Xiaole Zhan

Motion 10: To accept motions 10.1.1-10.1.6 en bloc.

Moved: Annalyce Wiebenga Seconded: Josh Davis

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10.2. Elections

Motion: To pass \$1000 from the Election Administration line (03-70-710-3848) for "I voted" badges for the UMSU election.

Mover: Rahul Mittal

Seconded: Luv Golecha

Annalyce requested that some badges are sent to Southbank.

Councillors asked who is distributing the badges.

The badges will be distributed by the ROs at the polling help points.

Motion 11: To accept the motion as presented.

Moved: Chair

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11. Other Business (Motions Without Notice)

11.1. The Voice

Chair reminded Officers and Councillors to refer to email from the President regarding contributions to UMSU's stance on the Voice, and campaign ideas.

11.2. The Rental & Housing Affordability Crisis Enquiry

Sara Pheasant advised that UMSU's submission to the enquiry has been accepted, and that UMSU has been invited to the parliamentary hearing on Wednesday 23 August. Sara to distribute the invitation to members of Council.

12. Next Meeting

When2Meet has been circulated.

13. Close

Meeting closed at 4:39pm