



**University of Melbourne Student Union**  
**Meeting of the Students' Council**  
**UNCONFIRMED Minutes**  
**11:00 AM, 10.2.2016**  
**Meeting 3(16)**  
**Location: Training Room 1, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Union House**

Meeting opened at 11:06am by Adriana Mells

**1. Procedural Matters**

1.1 Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Adriana Mells be elected Chair

Mover: Adriana Mells

Seconder: James Bashford

CARRIED

1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So acknowledged

1.3 Attendance

**Students' Councillors:**

Millicent Austin-Andrews	<i>Did not attend</i>
Liam Leyden	<i>Attended</i>
Elizabeth Nicholson	<i>Attended</i>
Martin Kaminsky	<i>Attended</i>
Anneke D'emanuele	<i>Did not attend</i>
Tamara Hunt	<i>Did not attend</i>
Hayden Michaelides	<i>Attended</i>
Reanna Clark	<i>Attended</i>
Gulsara Kaplun	<i>Did not attend</i>
Simon Frankland	<i>Attended</i>
Adam Wojcik	<i>Attended</i>
Daniel Sango	<i>Attended</i>
Ella Shi	<i>Attended</i>
Darcy Thornton	<i>Attended</i>
Luke Byrnes	<i>Did not attend</i>
Kelly Smith	<i>Attended</i>
Xuelan Tang	<i>Did not attend</i>
Wunambi Connor	<i>Attended</i>
Cassandra Prigg	<i>Attended</i>
Harry Adam	<i>Attended</i>

**Office Bearers:**

President	James Baker	<i>Attended</i>
General Secretary	James Bashford	<i>Attended</i>
Activities	Megan Pollock	<i>Attended</i>
Activities	Itsi Weinstock	<i>Attended</i>
Clubs & Societies	Yasmine Luu	<i>Attended</i>

Clubs & Societies	Ryan Davey	<i>Did not attend</i>
Creative Arts Officer	Jeanette Tong	<i>Attended</i>
Creative Arts Officer	Joshua Lynzaat	<i>Attended</i>
Education Academic affairs	Tom Crowley	<i>Did not attend</i>
Education Academic affairs	Paul Sakkal	<i>Did not attend</i>
Education Public Affairs	Akira Boardman	<i>Attended</i>
Education Public Affairs	Dominic Cernaz	<i>Attended</i>
Environment Officer	Anisa Rogers	<i>Attended</i>
Environment Officer	Zachary Power	<i>Attended</i>
Media	Caleb Triscari	<i>Did not attend</i>
Media	Danielle Bagnato	<i>Attended</i>
Media	Sebastian Dodds	<i>Did not attend</i>
Media	Baya Ou Yang	<i>Did not attend</i>
Queer	Frances Connors	<i>Did not attend</i>
Queer	Lotus Ye	<i>Did not attend</i>
Welfare	Sarah Xia	<i>Attended</i>
Welfare	Yan Zhuang	<i>Did not attend</i>
Wom*n Officer	Hien Thuc Nguyen	<i>Attended</i>
Wom*n Officer	Adriana Mells	<i>Attended</i>
Indigenous	Tyson Holloway-Clarke	<i>Attended</i>
Indigenous	Emily Kayte James	<i>Did not attend</i>
Disabilities	Christian Tsoutsouvas	<i>Attended</i>
Disabilities	Jess Kapuscinski-Evans	<i>Did not attend</i>
VCA Campus Coordinator	Van Rudd	<i>Attended</i>
Burnley Campus Coordinator	Erathanos Beretta	<i>Attended</i>

**Other:** Jacob T. Rodrigo, Joshua Rose

**Staff:** Justin Baré (UMSU GM), Goldie Pergl (UMSU Admin & Project Officer)

1.4 Apologies

Lizzie Nicholson, Anneke Demanuele, Millicent Austin-Andrews, Ella Shi, Simon Frankland, Gulsara Kaplun, Caleb Triscari, Ryan Davey, Yan Zhuang

1.5 Proxies

Anneke Demanuele to Jade Eckhaus  
Millie Austin-Andrews to Adam Wojcik

1.6 Membership

No Change

1.7 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: That the Agenda as presented be adopted	
Mover: Cassandra Prigg	Second: Adam Wojcik
CARRIED	

**2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

Minutes of meetings 1(16) and 2(16) attached.

Motion 3: That the Minutes of meetings 1 and 2 be confirmed as a true and accurate record

Mover: Ella Shi

Seconder: Harry Adam

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

### 3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

#### 3.1 NUS National Conference Reports

It was a condition of receiving a grant for NUS National Conference that recipients submit a report on their attendance by January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016. This deadline was shortly after the Christmas/New Year holiday period and was while the General Secretary was overseas and unable to send reminders to recipients. This is reflected in the lack of reports submitted by the deadline – just 2 from 12 recipients. Since then reminders were sent asking reports to be submitted by February 8<sup>th</sup> with a further 8 reports received in this time.

Discussion regarding issues raised within the reports.

James Bashford indicated that any suggestions for the improvement of the conference could be passed on to him, as he is on national Executive of NUS, and that the conference should not continue in the way that it does.

Discussion about the Codes of Conduct and agreements regarding behaviour. Many councillors expressed disappointment into how things seem to have been operated at the Conference, and at the lack of accountability.

#### Motion 4:

1. That Students' Council accepts all NUS National Conference reports submitted by grant recipients by February 8<sup>th</sup>.
2. That Students' Council notes the failure of Alex Hughes and Sam Wallace to submit a report. They will be ineligible for any future grants from Students' Council.

Mover: Cassandra Prigg

Seconder: Harry Adam

CARRIED

#### 3.2 Bike Spot Initiative

**Motion 5:** To allow the University of Melbourne Student Union to become a communication supporter of the Squeaky Wheel's Bike Spot Project; approving the listing of the organisation and UMSU logo as a supporter on their website and the active promotion of the initiative.

Mover: Zachary Power

Seconder: Sarah Xia

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

#### 3.3 People of Colour Collective Expenditure

UMSU has an ongoing interest in ensuring students are able to enjoy a positive and inclusive university experience. As part of the UMSU's representation of students, the Welfare Department has established a People of Colour Collective and will holding events for the collective and people of colour to ensure students of colour are more supported on campus.

**Motion 6:** That Council pass up to \$1200 from the Whole of Union budget line for food, drink, equipment and amenities for People of Colour Collective events.

Mover: Sarah Xia

Seconder: Tyson Holloway-Clarke

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

**Procedural Motion:** To discuss and move items 3.4 and 3.7 en bloc

Mover: Adriana Mells (Chair)

CARRIED

### 3.4 Media Department Budget

The UMSU Media Department does not have a committee, and therefore requires Students' Council to approve the budget.

In 2015, the Media Department successfully created "The Fodder", a student radio station. In its first year, The Fodder ran popular programs and developed a healthy presence throughout the student body. Unfortunately, there remained confusion over what "The Fodder" actually was. To combat this, we as the new Media Officers have consulted with various stakeholders — including past and present radio team members — to come up with a plan to improve brand recognition with students. A generally agreed upon notion was to change the name to "Radio Fodder" for brand recognition purposes.

**Motion 7:** That Students' Council approves the UMSU Media Department for the 2016 fiscal year accordingly:

That Students' Council approves the change of name from "The Fodder" to "Radio Fodder", and directs the Media Officers to make the appropriate administrative changes.

That Students' Council:

Approves expenditure of up to \$14 000 to print the first edition of Farrago from the Media printing budget line

Approves expenditure of up to \$11 000 to print the second edition of Farrago from the Media printing budget line.

Approves expenditure of up to \$11 000 to print the third edition of Farrago from the Media printing budget line.

Approves expenditure of up to \$500 for the first launch party from the Media special projects budget line.

That Students' Council approves the expenditure of \$1000 for radio licensing from the Radio/Video budget line.

Mover: Danielle Bagnato

Seconder: Ella Shi

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

### 3.8 Burnley Magazine Subscriptions

Burnley want to purchase form Magazine subscriptions for their common area.

James Bashford suggests amending this motion to read that the money comes from the Whole of Union Budget line. This is amenable to the mover.

**Motion 8:** To pass \$1000 for the Burnley campus to have magazine subscriptions for 2016 organised together with the Campus Coordinator and Rowden White Library from the Whole of Union Budget line.

Mover: Eranthos Beretta                      Second: Lizzie Nicholson

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

3.9      Burnley BBQ

Council noted that this was under the threshold for Council to approve the expenditure and that usually this would be passed by Operations Sub Committee but made an exception for this purchase

**Motion 9:** To pass \$400 for one new barbeque and two new 8.5kg Gas canisters for the Burnley Campus. The campus only has one fully functioning BBQ at the moment.

Mover: Eranthos Beretta                      Second: Adam Wojcik

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

**4. Correspondence**

None

**5. Office Bearer Reports**

<b>Summary</b>	
President	Submitted
General Secretary	Submitted
Activities	Submitted
Clubs & Societies	Submitted
Creative Arts	Submitted
Disabilities	Submitted
Education (Academic Affairs)	Submitted
Education (Public Affairs)	Submitted
Environment	Submitted
Indigenous	Submitted
Media	Submitted
Queer	Submitted
Welfare	Submitted
Wom*ns	Submitted
Burnley	Submitted
VCA	Submitted

A number of OBs chose to also speak to their reports, these are summarised below

James Bashford (Secretary) spoke about his experience on one of the FAP working Groups

Tyson Holloway-Clark indicated that the Indigenous Transition Camp is on next week, and the department is working well with Murrup Barak

Sarah Xia (Welfare) raised the issue of the generally poor state of counselling at campuses other than Parkville and that the office would be advocating for better services

Adriana Mells (Wom\*ns) informed everyone that applications for the Wom\*ns Mentoring Program were closing soon, and encouraged everyone to read the Talk About it Survey

Van Rudd (VCA) discussed the FAP, mentioning that the word ‘flexibility’ is bad from a Union perspective, and to beware of the FAP.

Discussion surrounding what is actually known about the FAP (or FlexAp as it’s now being referred to). Discussion about the work representatives from 2015 and 2016 have done to get students on all committees regarding the FAP, which is a first for this type of plan, and that Council should be cautious but not alarmist.

Discussion about whether some more flexibility might be beneficial to students, and a promise to return to Council as soon as more information is known.

Motion 10: To accept the submitted OB reports

Mover: Adriana Mells (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

## 6. General Manager’s Report

Report Attached

Justin discussed a number of things – his recent meeting with Denis Napthine – GM of the GSA, as well as the FSA Survey results, 2015 accounts, Clubs Online, OHS and the Bar.

There was also a recommendation in Justin’s report  
It is recommended that UMSU and the GSA engage in a two-stage strategy regarding potential future structures to support student organisations:

1. To set out a broad process to support negotiations between the two organisations and to seek University support for this project; and
2. To negotiate with the GSA in relation to a future structure and arrangements to support student representation.

UMSU should aim to finalise this process and implement new structures progressively in 2017.

It is recommended that Students’ Council empowers the President, the General Secretary and the General Manager to engage in discussions with the GSA and the University in relation to stage one of this process.

Once the second stage of this process commences (if stage one can be successfully completed) then the President, General Secretary and the General Manager should seek further direction from Students’ Council prior to further negotiation.

Motion 11: To approve the General Managers report and approve the associated recommendation

Mover: Erathanos Beretta

Second: Reanna Clark

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

## 7. Other Reports

None

## 8. Operational Business



Motion 13: That Students' Council approves the expenditure of up to \$50.00 from the Media Special Projects and Events budget line for Facebook advertising.

That Students' Council approves the reimbursement to Sebastian Dodds of \$21.00 spent on Facebook advertising from the Media Special Projects and Events budget line.

That Student's council approves the reimbursement of Sebastian Dodds for up to \$70 on camera memory cards from the Media Radio/Video Budget line.

Mover: Danielle Bagnato                      Seconder: Ella Shi

CARRIED

#### 9.5 O-Week Sponsorship

**Motion:** That the University of Melbourne Student Union disapproves of the orientation week sponsorship accepted from the Commonwealth and Westpac Banks. As significant investors in fossil fuel industries, these companies have consistently failed to demonstrate a genuine commitment to corporate responsibility. Accordingly, both banks should not have been granted promotional exposure at any orientation week activity or function.

Mover: Anisa Rogers                      Seconder: Zachary Power

Discussion around the need for Divestment, and clarification that both CommBank and Westpac are sponsors at O'week.

Justin reminds everyone of their legal responsibilities as Students' Councillors to read the papers of the meeting carefully before the meeting, and that the Communications Department that organises O'week is in UMSU. He noted that this was an issue that UMSU tried to address last year, but had little response from the relevant OBs, so couldn't move forward. He suggests that UMSU should have a policy specifically on sponsorship and advertising so that everything is very clear for staff.

James Bashford asks to amend the motion, to read "To direct James Bashford, UMSU General Secretary, to form a policy regarding UMSU sponsorship and advertising in consultation with a Working Group of interested parties"

This is amenable to the mover. Further discussion about UMSU's capacity to reject paid sponsorship.

**Motion 14:** That the University of Melbourne Student Union disapproves of the orientation week sponsorship accepted from the Commonwealth and Westpac Banks. As significant investors in fossil fuel industries, these companies have consistently failed to demonstrate a genuine commitment to corporate responsibility. Accordingly, both banks should not have been granted promotional exposure at any orientation week activity or function.

To direct James Bashford, UMSU General Secretary, to form a policy regarding UMSU sponsorship and advertising in consultation with a Working Group of interested parties

Mover: Anisa Rogers                      Seconder: Zachary Power

CARRIED

### 10. Motions Without Notice

#### 10.1 Theatre Board



**Motion 15:** That Students' Council approves the following appointments to Theatre Board:

Tyson Holloway-Clarke (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Representative)

Patricia Pan

Kim Ho

Moved: Jeanette Tong

Seconded: Joshua Lynzaat

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

**11. Other Business**

Nil

**12. Next Meeting**

Wednesday February 17th, 12:00 PM. Training Room 2, 3rd Floor, Union House

**13. Close**

Meeting closed at 12:23pm

