



**University of Melbourne Student Union**

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To Students' Council X(16)  
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**President  
Tyson Holloway-Clarke**

*No report submitted*

**General Secretary  
James Bashford**

Since last meeting (yesterday) I attended a student precinct update meeting, the first in what will be fortnightly meetings.

I also compiled proposed drafts of constitutional changes, as directed by council.

**Activities**

**Megan Pollock & Itsi Weinstock**

**Clubs & Societies  
Ryan Davey & Yasmine Luu**

**Clubs Council**

Clubs Council is the body from which the C&S committee is elected and only club presidents (or nominated representatives) are required to attend. We have set the date for semester 1 Clubs Council to Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> of May 2016 at 12pm.

Clubs Council will hold committee elections for a single spot as Julianna Rozek, our representative from Horticultured, will be resigning due to her impending graduation. Nominations will open when notice is given. There will be a lunch following for executive committee members to come and enjoy after council.

**Awards Night**

The Clubs and Societies department have been tossing up the idea for an awards night for a while now, and the officers have brought it to Clubs Committee to discuss. Running a club is one of the most rewarding experiences you can do in your uni career, but it is often gone unnoticed, this is why we want to celebrate the fantastic work they have done. We have come to the following points and will discuss in the next scheduled committee meeting the feasibility of holding this event.

- Clubs will have to nominate themselves for awards to avoid 'in jokes' and to include more clubs in the award process.
- Committee should be able to nominate clubs for excellent events and advertising but these clubs have to accept the nomination to be presented.
- The event date is being discussed to allow for new and old execs to come. This may have to be early semester 2 to avoid Prosh Week and the UMSU elections.
- Categories of awards can be divvied up by club category, then divided into events, advertising, videos etc.
- There is a possibility that we don't have an 'awards night' per se but a night for club executives to enjoy after all the hard work they've done. We can still have awards but also have games, prizes, and showing off some of the amazing work clubs have done.

**Regulation & Policy Working Group**

We are starting a working group to construct new policies and regulations for Clubs and Societies. We have asked committee to be in attendance and will open it up to committee members of clubs in general. We are likely to hold it every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday (not Clubs committee Wednesdays) and are excited to get started on a very lengthy process to do with the following areas:

- Responsible service of alcohol and licensing
- Camp policy
- Compulsory welfare training
- Equipment use policy
- Room Use terms and conditions
- AGM/SGM notice to be in English
- Clubs Online terms of use
- Code of conduct within Clubs
- Occupational Health and Safety requirements

- GSA and UMSU double dipping policy

### **Lockers**

As stated in last week’s report, the office bearers conducted an audit on all club lockers to check the usage and security. This was a requirement to open up second round locker applications. We will have 19 small lockers and 4 medium lockers definitely ready to be handed over to new clubs or clubs requiring more space. There were 8 lockers, including 1 sought after large locker, that are being ‘used’ by clubs but have no lock or any assets inside. These clubs are to be contacted soon, and asked to explain themselves for not using their locker.

### **General Welfare Training**

After working very closely with Sally Coates and Ben Purvis from Safer Community, we are pleased to announce that we can now run General Welfare Training straight out of our department. We will run this training for new executives and it focuses on club events and disputes within the club. This will differ from our previous Camp Welfare Workshops as we will schedule it consistently throughout semester. Clubs committee passed a motion earlier this year that would enforce clubs holding a camp to have welfare training for most of their leaders. Executive committee members can do this training and it will count towards that requirement.

We want General Welfare Training to tackle concepts including:

- Consent
- Advertising that promotes inappropriate expectations at club events
- Sexual harassment
- The clubs grievance procedure
- Internal conflict
- Promoting safe, inclusive events
- The benefits of instating a women’s officer and welfare officer

We will be taking information from many sources; from the University, the NUS and external resources provided by Safer Community.

All resources produced by the UMSU Clubs & Societies department will first be run through Safer Community. We will further extend drafts to all autonomous departments, for their approval as well. The first few trainings, run by the C&S officers, will be overseen by Sally Coates and will be critiqued to make sure our information is on point and clear.

Please see below for proposed discussion on this topic.

### **Expenditure**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting #</b>	<b>Item Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Budget Line</b>
20/04/2016	7/16	Regulation & Policy Working Group catering	\$100.00	Special Projects
		Catering for Executive Lunch after Clubs Council	\$300.00	Special Projects
		Clubs Guide printing	\$5643.00	Advertising
		Gunter’s Choice frame additional cost	\$52.50	Advertising

**DISCUSSION: We request that Council provide us with concepts to include in our General Welfare Training. It is incredibly important for our department to get as much of a worldly approach to this as possible and would love feedback or topics that we have missed. If you are not at Council, please feel free to forward ideas to the clubs email [clubs@union.unimelb.edu.au](mailto:clubs@union.unimelb.edu.au)**

**Creative Arts**  
**Joshua Lynzaat & Jeanette Tong**

**Update on Events:**

We ran another **LIFE DRAWING** session, which continues to primarily be attended by students whose main discipline is not in visual arts/have never attended before.

**POP! Wait a minute** has launched, and at the very first performance (a rap performance at Deakin Court) the performer was approached by a fellow rapper/producer to foster a working relationship. We're hopeful that the rest of the program will be able to continue to foster this spontaneous student-to-student direct engagement. The full program is available here:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/223222701389713/>

**Melbourne University Film Festival (MUFF):** The artistic programming and production overseeing roles will be handled primarily by the Filmmakers Collaborative Uni and our committee. The festival is currently planned for Semester 2. Drawing on lots of different sources and going to have a uni-wide competition encouraging people who don't normally work with film to submit stuff.

Our next **grant round** closes 5<sup>th</sup> May!

**Progress on assigned actions from last report:**

**Action#1:**

Begin getting in touch with mentors for TASTINGS to ensure their availabilities.

**ONGOING:** Several professionals from the arts industry (dance, directing, puppetry) have confirmed their interest in mentoring a student's performance-based work. We are putting together our application forms for Tastings, and hope to launch it soon.

**Budget expenditure since last report:**

Meeting no.	Date	Description	Amount	Line-Item	Comments
2	22/2/2016	Life Drawing Session	\$70	3839	

**Disabilities**  
**Jess Kapuscinski-Evan & Christian Tsoutsouvas**

Auslan classes have been very popular and we will be running the next level class in Semester 2. Anxiety Support Group and the film screenings are also going well. We sent a student to the consultation about food outlets on campus, and Christian and I attended a similar consultation about transport and mobility both to and from, as well as around the

university. We are yet to debrief with the student who attended the food outlets consultation, but can briefly report back that the transport and mobility one was underwhelming in terms of bringing student issues to the attention of representatives from the university. We will be having one or two guests on our radio show Network Disabled next week to coincide with Rad Sex and Consent Week at Melbourne Uni, and the release of the Federal budget.

**Education (Academic Affairs)**  
**Tom Crowley & Paul Sakkal**

#### Flexible Academic Programming Project

All four of the Flex Ap streams have met several times and are well underway in their task of identifying problems areas, and working towards solutions to address these areas.

In conjunction with the series of fora, our Department is putting the finishing touches on a Flex Ap survey to be distributed within the next fortnight. The survey will inform the positions we take on issues that arise on Flex Ap work streams.

The second round of Flex Ap streams are set to get underway in April/May (Semester Structure, Academic Workforce, Optimising Physical Infrastructure, Curriculum Sharing) and we are pleased to announce that UMSU's reps have been confirmed: Emily James (Semester Structure) and Tyson Holloway-Clarke (Optimising physical Infrastructure).

#### Bachelor of Commerce

A standing committee into the Bachelor of Commerce has approved recommendations to change the structure of the course. The changes would see a reduction in the maximum number of points students can get from breadth subjects, from 100 points to 75 points. There is also likely to be changes to the core subjects for majors in economics and finance.

Our Department will begin to work to consult with the University to ensure the changes do not adversely affect students currently enrolled in the course. Any new information that comes to light will be shared with Council in coming meetings.

#### Cadmus

Following on from our previous report to Council regarding the specifics of Cadmus' capabilities, we have been in constant dialogue with Gregor Kennedy (PVC, Educational Innovation) and Richard James (PVC, Academic) regarding the future of Cadmus. After several discussions with them, as well as a meeting with the creators of the tool, we have ensured that it is not the University's intention to provide keyboard biometrics data to tutors, thus safeguarding students from myriad concerns that were originally canvassed. It is this Department's view that the University's intentions for Cadmus are not sinister, and are rather an attempt to weed out the perceived scourge of original essay-purchasing. However, the potential use of Cadmus is something that we are very wary of, and we are in the process of seeking assurances to limit the future use of Cadmus. A framework for communication in relation to Cadmus has been developed between this Department and Chancellery, and we will inform Council of any new information that arises in terms of the University's

thinking on Cadmus. The live trials are due to wrap up soon, and evaluations will be undertaken by the various faculties to determine the success of the trials. These evaluations will be shared with us. For those interested, an in-depth write-up on Cadmus can be found in this week's edition of Parkville Station, as well as shorter pieces in the latest edition of Farrago and on The Australian's website.

**Education (Public Affairs)  
Akira Boardman & Dominic Cernaz**

**May 11 Rally**

We ran a stall at the farmers markets last week, promoting the May 11 rally and encouraging students to enrol to vote. We decided that our previous stalls on South Lawn caught a larger amount of students to engage with and we will be having our stalls back on South Lawn next time.

The EAG will be holding a budget response speak out tomorrow at 12pm to engage with students immediately after the budget release. This will be in south court and there will be snack provided, I encourage all to attend.

**Budget Response**

We have been working with the other departments to organise an “UMSU Breaks down the budget” event which encompasses cross department involvement. The aim is to explain policies in the Federal Budget that is released today and how they will affect different groups of students on campus. It has been a great process to be able to work with other departments to engage in political discussion, especially with an election coming up which will have a large focus around education.

This will continue on with an Enrol to Vote campaign which we will be playing a large role in. Over the next few months we will continue to focus on the upcoming Federal Election and ensuring students understand the power of their vote and the policies surrounding our education.

**Environment  
Zac Power & Anisa Rogers**

In the Environment Office we have been working on a lot!

Bike co-op: The permanent space in May is looking very likely, so we are getting a group of passionate students together to plan and promote it! We are planning a pilot program for semester 2 that will provide a space that will be open much more than the current 2 hours on Tuesday mornings. We are looking for more volunteers!

Sustainability Plan: Student/Staff working groups are underway for all 5 parts of the plan; Governance, Teaching and Learning, Engagement, Research and Operations. The groups are working to educate ourselves on how these areas currently work, and put forward recommendations and help design the Sustainability Plan that will dictate Sustainability at Melbourne Uni from 2016 to 2020. Next meeting: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May.

World Environment Day: Our office, along with Sustainable Campus, the Sustainability Executive, Melbourne Sustainable Society Institute, GSA and others are planning a World Environment Day event on the June 3rd from 12:30 to 2. We are hoping to have a couple of quick speakers, and stalls displaying different ways members of the university community can change their lives to be more sustainable. In the lead up and on the day we will call out to students and staff to vote on which

challenge we would like to tackle as a community; Food, Waste, Consumption, Transport or Energy. We are looking for students who are interested in any of these to help out on the stalls! Play With Your Food is drawing bigger crowds, and the Doco Nights are going very well. Last week we played Rocking the Foundations, an amazing doco about the Builders Labourers Federation in NSW in the 70s, highly recommended.

Break Free from Fossil Fuels: A group of Melbourne Uni students are heading down to Newcastle next week (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>) to take part in an action with hundreds of others. The aim is to block Australia's largest coal port and show that everyday people are willing to stand up against fossil fuels as our governments continue to do too little.

**Indigenous  
Tyson Holloway-Clarke & Emily Kayte James**

The Indigenous Department has changed a fair bit since we've last spoke, Emily is temporarily riding solo as Tyson has moved on to conquering all of UMSU, the office is going to feel empty but Emily's sure Tyson will still have his say. The UMSU Indigenous committee will instate a new co-office bearer within the fortnight and are looking forward to seeing all the bigger and better things we'll be doing in the near future! Nominations are open to filling Indigenous office bearer positions. We've been busy in the last few weeks with training sessions for the National Indigenous Tertiary Games, which take place in June. Under Bunjil our bi-annual publication is well underway and we're excited to be publishing a new and improved creative edition of Under Bunjil for Volume Three. Getting very excited for our next social event Koorioke happening in Week 9, its sure to great fun.

**Media  
Danielle Bagnato, Sebastian Dodds, Caleb Triscari & Baya Ou Yang**

Firstly, we'd like to congratulate Tyson Holloway-Clarke on his appointment as UMSU President.

**Farrago:**

We are currently laying out Farrago Edition Four and are expected to send it to print on May 6th.

**Radio:**

We will be taking part in outdoor broadcasts during the Farmer's Market each Wednesday. This will be a great opportunity to get some UMSU branding out there.

We will also be taking part in a Radio Fodder budget panel on May 3rd to explain the budget to students and get perspectives from students from different groups.

**Video:**

Our “Baillieu Brawl” video went viral! In three days, we reached over 1,100 likes/reactions, 430 shares (which includes international pages and profiles), 84,000 views, and a 240,000 post reach.

Meeting no.	Date	Description	Amount	Line-Item
Council 2	10/02/16	Farrago Ed3 Printing	\$10945.00	Printing

**Queer  
Frances Connors & Lotus Ye**

**Main Activities**

- The successful running of Rad Sex and Consent Week (from the 2nd to the 5th of May), an inter-departmental event that involved peer educators hosting workshops on safe sexual health and relationships

**Ongoing Activities**

- Continuation of regular events: all four collectives, free Wednesday lunches and Thursday fun times
- Changing of 'trans/nonbinary/other' gender option for students to just 'nonbinary/other' to avoid implying that trans men and women aren't really male/female

**Welfare  
Sarah Xia & Yan Zhuang**

The past week has been a relatively quiet week for the Welfare Department after Stress Less Week, and we've been running our regular events to great success.

**Rad Sex and Consent Week**

The timetable of events and flyers for Rad Sex and Consent Week has recently been released, and we are promoting the Week through our media platforms. As mentioned in our previous report, we are very excited for the launch of the week.

**Food Bank at VCA**

With the help of the Creative Arts Department, we have been working towards the introduction of a food bank at VCA. We have been in correspondence with Stop 1, who has recently confirmed that they are happy to host the food bank there. Yan will be meeting with them next week to discuss logistics and it will hopefully be up and running soon.

**Regular Events**



Our regular events have continued to be a wonderful way to engage with students. While the Conversations Partners did not run due to ANZAC Day, both Welfare Collective and People of Colour Collective saw both new and returning attendees.

Our regular Thursday breakfast had high attendance and was as usual well received. We are still experimenting with using the UMSU speaker to play music at breakfast. Any song suggestions can be sent to [welfare@union.unimelb.edu.au](mailto:welfare@union.unimelb.edu.au)!

### **Budget Expenditure**

<b>Welfare Committee Meeting no.</b>	<b>Date of meeting</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Line-Item</b>
02/16	01/02/2016	Free Breakfast #8	\$184.87	Regular Events
02/16	01/02/16	Welfare Collective Sushi	50	Regular Events

**Wom\*n's  
Adriana Mells & Hien Nguyen**

#### Regular Events:

Our regular events have been continuing as usual, with the exception of this week due to Rad Sex and Consent week. Queer and Questioning QTs attendance has been struggling for weeks, we are considering what we can do for semester two – to either boost attendance or replace the event.

We are also talking to our collectives about the proposed Women's Department constitutional changes to hear people's thoughts and feedback and to hopefully engage people who don't know as much about UMSU to get involved. We are also holding women's department banner painting in the Women's Room this week to engage people from the department with the upcoming May 11 NDA.

#### Rad Sex and Consent Week:

Rad Sex and Consent Week is taking place this week. We have 8 different workshops; a film screening and an afternoon hang out with sweet treats. We have been extremely busy trying to secure presenters for workshops for the past few weeks, so that we could start promotion of the week.

Our current timetable for the week is:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Sexual Health Workshop by YEAH! 10:30, Training Room 2, Third Floor Union House		Sexual Health Workshops by YEAH! 1pm, Training Room 1, Third Floor Union	

		House	
Prep and Bareback Sex and Gay Liberation, oh my! 1pm, Training Room 2, Third Floor Union House	Interracial Relationships, 2pm Training Room 1, Third Floor Union House	Mental Illness and Dating, 2pm, Training Room 1, Third Floor Union House	The Hunting Ground Screening
Relationships and Sexuality in Australia 3:00pm Training Room 2, Third Floor Union House	Sex Work Q&A 3:30, Training Room 1 Third Floor Union House	Sex Toys 101, 3:15pm, Training Room 1, Third Floor Union House	Sweet Treats in the afternoon, 2:30pm, Training Room 1, Third Floor Union House

### Sexual Assault/Safety on Campus:

We are still in communication with the University about sexual assault reporting procedure, as the new survey about sexual assault on Australian campuses looks like it will be released this month. We are hoping that the survey will be sent to all students so that we are getting a wide range of responses.

Alongside this, we are hoping to have more screenings of the Hunting Ground next semester as well as discussions with students. We are also looking at re-creating the guide to sexual assault on and off campus, but are still needing to do more ground work before we can get this started.

### Judy's Punch

We now have our third editor for Judy's Punch 2016. We are looking to start extensively advertising for Judy's Punch sub-editors and contributors as of this Thursday.

### NOWSA

We have discussed subsidising students who wish to go to the NOWSA conference this year. Women's Committee have agreed on a set price to subsidise people for registration, accommodation and flights. We are now in the process on making a form that students can apply for financial assistance.

Registration	\$100
Accommodation	\$100
Flights	\$250

### Women's Department Expenditure:

Weeks 7 and 8 for Women's Department regular events:

Women of Colour Collective	\$105.00
Women's Collective	\$76.15
Queer and Questioning QTs	\$79.14

### Women's Mentoring Network:

Networking Night (2)	\$97.00
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**Burnley Campus  
Eranthos Beretta**

*No report submitted*

**Victorian College of the Arts  
Van Rudd**

*No report submitted*