

University of Melbourne Student Union

Meeting of the Environment Committee

Meeting 4

CONFIRMED MINUTES

1pm, Monday 29th February

Location: Training Room 2, Level 3, Union House



Agenda

1. Procedural Matters

1.1 Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Zachary Power be elected Chair.

Mover: Zachary Power

Seconder: Anneke D'emanuele

1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

1.2.1 So acknowledged.

1.3 Attendance

1.3.1 Office Bearers: Zachary Power and Anisa Rogers

1.3.2 Committee Members: Elizabeth Nicholson, Anneke D'emanuele, Lachlan Blain, Sachi Florance, Claudia Lombard and Aaron Bhat

1.4 Apologies

1.4.1 Nil.

1.5 Proxies

1.5.1 Nil.

1.6 Membership

1.6.1 Nathan Bachetti has resigned from the Environment Committee, and a nomination for the ticket appointment has been received by the General Secretary. This ticket appointment nomination is currently awaiting approval by the electoral tribunal.

1.7 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: That the Agenda as presented be adopted.

Mover: Zachary Power
Nicholson

Seconder: Elizabeth

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Motion 3: To confirm the minutes of 01/02/2016 as a true and accurate record.

Mover: Zachary Power

Seconder: Lachlan Blain

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

3. Correspondence

4. Office Bearers' Reports

O-week was a successful week, that saw engagement with a number of students where we able to communicate the purpose of the Environment Office and assist in the promotion of groups supported by the office such as Fossil Free Melbourne University:

- An Environment Department stall as part of the UMSU Carnival Day on the South Lawn (23 February 2016)
- An Environment Department stall on South Lawn, collaborating with Campus Sustainability to include a *Bike n' Blend* activity which proved particularly successful (24 February 2016)
- An Environment Department picnic, 'Lets get EnvironmenTEA' at the Melbourne University Community Garden, collaborating with the Community Garden staff (24 February 2016)

We have been planning to commence the Bike Co-op and Play with your Food throughout semester one. We have been talking to the existing Bike Co-op in Ceres (East Brunswick) to see how we can work with them and offer opportunities for students to be trained in bike maintenance. We are also planning weekly film screenings throughout the year and are talking with different groups on campus to plan joint screenings, as well as planning catering and a space to hold it in.

We recently met with staff and student representatives of the Graduate Student Association (GSA), and are working to collaborate with the GSA in particular environmental and sustainability initiatives.

We recently participated in a meeting convened by Infrastructure Services to collection, storage and distribution and information on Energy and Utilities data. A new website is to be created to prove access to energy and utilities consumption data for a number of different buildings. We will be consulted in the development of the website.

We recently met with a staff member of the Melbourne University Sustainable Society Institute, to seek their advice and support in utilising networks and engaging in existing university issues and projects relevant to environment and sustainability.

We are working to improve our online engagement – updating the website, increasing the breadth and regularity of publishing on the UMSU Environment Department Facebook and planning to better utilise the recently created @UMSUEnviro twitter account.

Motion 3: To approve and accept the Office Bearers' Reports.

Mover: Zachary Power Seconder: Lachlan Blain

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

5. Other Business

2.1 FlexAp – Anneke D'emanuele raised concerns over the potential impact of the FlexAp on teaching of sustainability and environment science within the university. Discussed the potential ramifications of the FlexAp.

2.2 Changes to the 'Bachelor of Environments' - Anneke D'emanuele and Claudia Lombard raised concerns over the potential impact of changes to the Bachelor of Environments on the Environment Science courses offered.

2.3 Resolved to request an update on the both of these matters from the Education (Academic Affairs) Officers.

6. Elizabeth Nicholson left the meeting at 1:20pm.

7. Motions on Notice

Motion 4: To establish a "Communications" budget line and move \$1500 from the Special Events and Projects Budget line to the Communications budget line, allowing the following amended budget lines.

Mover: Zachary Power

Seconder: Aaron Bhat

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

			Fiscal Year Begins:	Jan-15
UMSU				
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ACCOUNT CODE	INCOME			
	FROM COUNCIL		\$20000.00	
	TOTAL INCOME		\$0.00	
	EXPENDATURE		\$20000.00	
	EXPENSES		Project 2015	
3356	Stationary and Postage		\$100.00	
3712	Photocopying and printing		\$600.00	
3743	Telephone		\$20.00	
3839	Special Projects and Events		\$17280.00	
3531	Grants		\$500.00	
	Communications		\$1500.00	
	TOTAL INCOME		\$20,000	
	TOTAL EXPENCES		\$20,000	
	Net Expense			

Motion 5: To pass the expenditure of \$600.00 from the Communications budget line for the O-Week Environment Department flyers.

Mover: Zachary Power

Seconder: Claudia Lombard

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Motion 6: To pass the expenditure of \$400.00 from the Communications budget line for the promotion of the UMSU Environment Department Facebook page and the boosting of individual Facebook posts.

Mover: Zachary Power

Seconder: Anneke D'emanuele

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Motion 7: To pass expenditure of \$330.00 from the Environment Department special events and projects budget line for catering of the O-Week Environment Department picnic event and the purchase of a \$30.00 voucher from the food co-op.

Mover: Anisa Rogers

Seconder: Sachi Florance

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Motion 8: To pass the expenditure of \$1000 from the Special Events and Projects budget line for the catering, purchase of equipment and remuneration of the mechanic for the bike co-op program.

Mover: Anisa Rogers

Seconder: Anneke D'emanuele

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Motion 9: To pass the expenditure of \$500 for the purchase of food and gas bottle hire for the Play with your Food program.

Mover: Anisa Rogers

Seconder: Anneke D'emanuele

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

8. Next Meeting

2.1 1pm 14th March 2016.

9. Close

2.1 Meeting closed at 1:33pm.

Certified by the chair: Zachary Power, 29/02/16