

## Agenda

### 1. Procedural Matters

#### 1.1 Election of Chair

**Motion 1:** That Zachary Power be elected Chair.

Mover: Zachary Power

Seconder: Aaron Bhat

#### 1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

#### 1.3 Attendance

1.3.1 Officer bearers: Zachary Power

1.3.2 Committee Members: Elizabeth Nicholson, Aaron Bhat, Lachlan Blain (via phone) and Claudia Lombard (via phone)

1.3.3 Observers: Kate Dever-Stevenson

#### 1.4 Apologies

1.4.1 Anneke Demanuele

#### 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

Seconder: Aaron Bhat

### 2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

**Motion 3:** To confirm the minutes of 21/10/2016 as a true and accurate record.

Mover: Elizabeth Nicholson

Seconder: Aaron Bhat

### 3. Correspondence

2.1 Nil.

### 4. Office Bearers' Reports

This a report of key actives of the year.

O-Week – The office started with good engagement across two stalls and a successful picnic event with the Melbourne University Community Garden. Additionally, we held a second successful stall at winter festival.

Environment Collective – The Environment Collective commenced in Semester 1 with varying levels of engagement at times drawing reasonable attendance from a range of students. This proved a positive discussion forum, but could benefit from more consistent engagement and focus.

Play with your Food program - Play with your Food has been a key program of the environment office, providing free weekly cooking sessions and meals to a range of students. The program was successfully run throughout semester one and continued with greater success in semester two. It was able to appeal to many international students, and provide a positive experience of a part of our university community.

Bike Coop program – the bike coop program has provided an important service to students seeking to learn to fix their own bikes throughout the year.

Environment Week – Environment week was run from the 11<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> of August and was largely successful, and supported by good collaboration with sustainable campus and the Melbourne University Community Garden.

Environment Committee – the Environment Committee has functioned reasonably well throughout the year, although was difficult during certain periods to reach quorum. This was made particularly difficult by an early resignation of a committee member that was never replaced.

Sustainability plan and campus sustainability – we had different interactions with the university and the graduate student association over the sustainability plan and general campus issues relevant to sustainability (such as energy usage information management). This proved quite ad hoc but resulted in some positive conversations and opportunities a limited level of student input.

**Motion 4:** To approve and accept the Office Bearers' Reports.

Mover: Zachary Power

Seconder: Aaron Bhat

## 5. Other Reports

2.1 Nil

## 6. Motions on Notice

**Motion 5:** To pass the expenditure of \$200 from the Special Events and Projects budget line for catering of the winter festival stall and activities.

Mover: Zachary Power

Seconder: Aaron Bhat

**Motion 6:** To pass an additional \$200 for reimbursement of an outstanding Environmental week expense for the trivia night held as part of the week.

Mover: Elizabeth Nicholson

Seconder: Aaron Bhat

**Motion 7:** To pass \$300 for a freedom of information request to obtain the universities report on their fossil fuel industry relationships.

Mover: Elizabeth Nicholson

Seconder: Aaron Bhat

## 7. Motions without Notice

2.1 Nil.

## 8. UMSU Environment Department Grants

2.1 No applications received.

## 9. Other Business

## 10. Next Meeting

## 11. Close of Meeting

2.1 Meeting closed at 10:59am.