

University of Melbourne Student Union
Meeting of the Clubs & Societies Committee



CONFIRMED Minutes

2:15 pm, Tuesday August 18th 2015

Meeting 16/15

Location:
C&S Office, 1st floor Union House

Meeting opened at 2:18pm by Stephen Smith

1. Procedural Matters

1.1. Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Stephen Smith be elected Chair.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So acknowledged.

1.3. Attendance

Committee: Ryan Davey, Eilish Hunt, Yasmine Luu, Gulsara Kaplun, Steven Connolly, Philip Mallis

Office Bearers: Claire Pollock (Clubs & Societies), Stephen Smith (Clubs & Societies), Rachel Withers (President)

Staff: Fiona Sanders (Clubs & Societies Coordinator)

Observers: Barry Tjahjadi (FMAA), Jenny (FMAA), Will Fulgenzi (IYSSE), IYSSE Rep

1.4. Apologies

Nil

1.5. Proxies

No proxies

1.6. Membership

No changes

1.7. Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: To adopt the Agenda as presented, with the exception of 5.9, 5.14, 5.21 being discussed immediately prior to 5.1.

Mover: Chair

CWD

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

2.1. 4/8/2015

Motion 3: To accept the minutes from the 4/8/15 as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Mover: Chair

CWD

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

3.1. Petitions to Discipline

3.1.1. Steer North

Steer North has since submitted the requested information.

Motion 4: To dismiss the petition against Steer North.

Mover: Chair

CWD

3.1.2. VCA Play Club

Motion 5: To uphold the petition against the VCA Play Club.

Mover: Chair

CWD

3.1.3. Wu Cultural Society

Two representatives from the Wu Cultural Society attended the meeting.

Discussed the club using table bookings in Union House despite being banned, they did this by sharing a table with another club.

The Committee questioned the representatives about whether this was done knowingly, or whether it was an accident. The representatives said that they were aware they were banned and knowingly approached another club to get access to the table.

Motion 6: To uphold the petition against Wu Cultural Society.

Mover: Eilish Hunt

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

Procedural motion: To move to agenda item 5.

Mover: Chair

CWD

5. New Club Applications

5.9. Financial Management Association of Australia

Discussion about affiliating a club with the name "association" given Committee's previous decision regarding this. Committee felt that given it was an existing club that an exemption could be made.

Barry and Jenny attended from FMAA. Discussion about the role of the club and its position within the existing FBE community.

Concerns about the club's overlap with Commerce Students' Society, Society of Marketing and Management, CAINZ, etc.

The club representatives outlined that they provided skills to prepare students for careers, where CSS was more of a social club – not different to M-ASS or SSS.

The representatives left.

Motion 7: To grant Financial Management Association of Australia initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Chair

CWD

5.14. International Youth and Students for Social Equality (IYSSE)

IYSSE have changed their application as requested after being rejected in Semester 1, and it is now significantly different from Socialist Alternative.

The Chair said that the discussion Committee needed to have was not about whether the club is too similar to Socialist Alternative, but whether the C&S Department can have productive relationship with the club.

Two representatives from IYSSE attended.

The Chair thanked the representatives for addressing our concerns in their application, but raised some concern around one of their aims. The sentiment of the aim was sufficient, but the wording was too hostile towards another affiliated club.

The representatives acknowledged this and were willing to have a more broad aim that expressed this sentiment.

The Chair raised concern around behaviour that occurred following the Committee's decision to reject their application in Semester 1. There were reports to C&S of harassment and intimidation towards members of the Media Department.

The club representatives denied they intimidated any members of the Media or C&S department. They asserted that they asked for the right of reply to a letter that Committee had intended to publish in *Farrago*.

Committee said that they were concerned that if a grant or other decision went against IYSSE that they would use open letters and political tactics to try and force our hand into decisions, as per the decision to reject affiliation in Semester 1, rather than engaging with appropriate channels.

The club representatives said that they tried to engage by asking what the avenues of appeal were, and the Chair acknowledged this and said that they were advised that there were no avenues of appeal, and that the behaviour that occurred afterwards undermined the ability to have a good working relationship with IYSSE.

The Chair said that Committee had been misrepresented by IYSSE in an article on their website, and that this was not the foundations for a good working relationship.

Procedural motion: To exclude strangers, with the exception of the C&S Coordinator.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 8: To grant International Youth and Students for Social Equality initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Chair

MOTION WITHDRAWN

Procedural motion: That Motion 9 be via secret ballot.

Mover: Chair

CARRIED

Motion 9: To reject International Youth and Students for Social Equality's application to affiliate under Regulation 4.1.2.n.

Mover: Chair

CARRIED

Procedural motion: To adjourn the meeting for 5 minutes.

Mover: Chair

CARRIED

Procedural motion: To include strangers.

Mover: Chair

CWD

5.8. Financial Engineering Club

Motion 10: To grant Financial Engineering Club initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Steven Connolly

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

5.16. Marlon Brando Appreciation Society

Motion 11: To grant Marlon Brando Appreciation Society initial approval to affiliate conditional on changing their name to reflect their aims.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconder: Steven Connolly

CWD

5.21. Soccer Appreciation and FIFA Gaming Society

Motion 12: To grant Soccer Appreciation and FIFA Gaming Society initial approval to affiliate conditional on changing their name to Soccer Appreciation Society and changing their aims to reflect general soccer appreciation.

Mover: Chair

CWD

5.1. ALE! Amigos De La Lengua Espanola

Motion 13: To grant ALE! Amigos De La Lengua Espanola initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Eilish Hunt

Seconder: Chair

CWD

5.2. Art History Student Society

Motion 14: To grant Art History Student Society initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconder: Yasmine Luu

CWD

5.3. Australian Melbourne University Social Entrepreneurship Club

Aims are very broad – it is difficult to see exactly what this club will be doing. Concerns about “biomedical experiments”.

Motion 15: To reject Australian Melbourne University Social Entrepreneurship Club’s affiliation under Regulations 4.1.2.e, f.

Mover: Lauren Taylor

Seconder: Philip Mallis

CWD

5.4. Chinese Chess Club

Motion 16: To grant Chinese Chess Club initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Philip Mallis

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

5.5. Co-operative Enthusiasts

Motion 17: To reject Co-operative Enthusiasts’ affiliation under Regulation 4.1.2.q.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconder: Chair

CWD

5.6. E-Commerce and Digital marketing Association

Overlaps SAMM, MINT, CISSA & CIS Postgraduate Group

Motion 18: To reject E-Commerce and Digital Marketing Association’s affiliation under Regulation 4.1.2.f.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconder: Chair

CWD

ACTION: Fiona to encourage them to work with FMAA in their rejection email.

5.7. FBE PHd Student Society

Discussion about the application – very niche group of students.

Motion 19: To defer FBE PhD Student Society application to allow us to discuss with the club whether an affiliation to the GSA would be more appropriate.

Mover: Chair

CARRIED

5.10. Freedom Society

Motion 20: To grant Freedom Society’s initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Chair

CARRIED

5.11. Globalist

Overlaps International Relations Society

Motion 21: To reject Globalist’s affiliation under Regulation 4.1.2.f.

Mover: Chair

CWD

President Withers arrived at 3:40pm

President Withers left at 3:41pm

5.12. Graduate Organisation of Development Students

Motion 22: To grant Graduate Organisation of Development Students initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Chair

CWD

5.13. International Students Travel Group

Gulsara looked up Clause 149a of the UMSU Constitution which sets out the aims and objectives of the International Students Department.

While they currently only run the Central Australia trip, approving this club would overlap with their autonomy as a department.

Motion 23: To reject International Students Travel Group under Regulation 4.1.2.q.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconder: Philip Mallis

LOST

FOR: 2

AGAINST: 4

ABSTENTIONS: 1

Motion 24: To grant International Students Travel Group initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Chair

CARRIED

5.15. Magic Society

Motion 25: To grant Magic Society initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Eilish Hunt

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

5.17. Melbourne Entrepreneurs Collaborative

Overlaps CAINZ, vague aims

Motion 26: To reject Melbourne Entrepreneurs Collaborative's affiliation under Regulation 4.1.2.f & 4.1.2.e.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconder: Lauren Taylor

CWD

5.18. Motorcycle Club

Motion 27: To grant Motorcycle Club initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Chair

CWD

5.19. Myanmar Student Association

Discussion about the club's name – Burma versus Myanmar. Concern around Aim 3.

Motion 28: To grant Myanmar Student Association initial approval to affiliate conditional on amending Aim 3.

Mover: Ryan Davey

Seconder: Chair

CWD

5.20. Save the Children Club

Discussion around the benefits to the potential members of the club – it was argued that the skills of volunteering and fundraising provided benefits to the members.

Motion 29: To grant Save the Children Club initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Yasmine Luu

Second: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

ACTION: Future committees to review what are tangible benefits to members.

5.22. Street Workout and Calisthenics Club

Motion 30: To grant Street Workout and Calisthenics Club initial approval to affiliation conditional on insurance stipulation in their Constitution.

Mover: Eilish Hunt

Second: Chair

CWD

5.23. Strive Student Health Initiative Inc.

Motion 31: To reject Strive Student Health Initiative Inc.'s affiliation on an inability to provide adequate insurance (4.2.1.l).

Mover: Chair

CWD

Procedural motion: To move to agenda item 5.26.

Mover: Chair

CWD

5.26. Vegan Club

Motion 32: To grant Vegan Club initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Yasmine Luu

Second: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

Steven Connolly left at 4:05pm

5.24. Students Workers' Right Coalition

Discussion around the Your Rights @ Work Campaign run by UMSU Welfare, UMSU International, and UMSU Legal Service.

According to the aims of those departments and services we are unable to say no – this club serves a distinct purpose and audience.

Motion 33: To grant Student Workers' Right Coalition initial approval conditional on changing name to "Student Workers' Rights Coalition".

Mover: Chair

CWD

5.25. United States of America Society

Motion 34: To grant United States of America Society initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Claire Pollock
CWD

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

5.26. Woofers Appreciation Guild

Application is much better than in Semester 1.

The Chair declared a conflict of interest in having helped the applicants prepare their application.

Motion 35: To grant Woofers Appreciation Guild initial approval to affiliate.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconder: Philip Mallis

CARRIED

ABSTENTIONS: 2 (Eilish Hunt, Ryan Davey)

5.27. WuLin Academy

Discussion about name – and whether this sets a precedent to have a series of similar but different martial arts clubs.

Motion 36: To grant WuLin Academy initial approval to affiliate conditional on changing their name to “Martial Arts Academy” and changing their aims to reflect this change, as well as including an insurance stipulation in their Constitution.

Mover: Chair

CWD

As per Standing Order 3.11 the Committee is required to adjourn for 10 minutes.

Procedural motion: To adjourn for 10 minutes.

Mover: Chair

CWD

3.2 Policy Amendments

3.2.1 Expo Policy

There was general support for the policy, but as there was insufficient notice, it cannot be considered until the next meeting.

Motion 37: To defer to the next meeting.

Mover: Chair

CWD

4. Reports

4.1. Officers

Stephen delivered a verbal report.

Disorientation Week going well – Dodgeball was successful despite the limited number of teams. Stephen accidentally organised fencing, which helped make the event a success.

On Thursday we have Carnival and Trivia – it would be great if Committee could help out.

4.2. Committee

No report.

4.3. SAG

No report.

7. Other Business & Correspondence

7.1. International Student Welfare Grants

Motion 38: To take no further action in relation to the International Student Welfare Grants in relations to Clubs & Societies.

Mover: Chair

CWD

ACTION: To forward this to Aviya to distribute in UMSU International.

7.2. CMG Flyer Appeal

The design presented was non-compliant.

Motion 39: To uphold our original decision to reject the flyer.

Mover: Chair

CWD

7.3. IPEP HSN Grant Category Appeal

Motion 40: To allow IPEP's grant application category to be Purchases and Hiring (Events).

Mover: Chair

CWD

7.4. AIESEC SGM non-compliance

AIESEC failed to hold an SGM despite being directed to do so by C&S Committee, their appointment of Committee members undermines democracy, and they are in breach of the C&S Regulations and their Constitution.

Petition: To disaffiliate AIESEC under Regulation 6.1a and 6.1d.

Petitioners: Ryan Davey, Eilish Hunt, Yasmine Luu, Lauren Taylor, Gulsara Kaplun, Philip Mallis

Petition: To suspend AIESEC's grants for 12 months and put them on probation for 12 months under Regulation 6.1a and 6.1d.

Petitioners: Ryan Davey, Eilish Hunt, Yasmine Luu, Lauren Taylor, Gulsara Kaplun, Philip Mallis

Motion 41: To direct AIESEC to have an AGM with a representative from C&S within 3 weeks.

Mover: Chair

CWD

7.5. CAINZ Weekly Event

Discussion around needing to submit designs for every publication, C&S Committee unwilling to write a "blank cheque" for CAINZ to publish materials with our name without our approval.

ACTION: Fiona to write to CAINZ and tell them that they must submit every week.

6. Grants

6.1. Standard

The standard of grant applications received is much higher than usual, due to the Committee tough stance on providing adequate information.

Motion 42: To approve the Standard Grants *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

6.2. Grants For Discussion

Motion 43: To approve CIS Postgraduate Group's grant application and pay at appropriate rate (Function of Excursion).

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 44: To approve Hong Kong Student Association's grant application conditional on insurance.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconder: Ryan Davey

CWD

Motion 45: To reject Speech Pathology Students' Society's grant application.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 46: To reject Pakistani Society's grant application.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 47: To approve Women in Science and Engineering's grant application and direct them to do excursion forms.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 48: To approve Science Students' Society and Wine Society's grant applications *en bloc* conditional on submitting relevant forms before the event.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 49: To reject Cantonese Student Association, Construction Students Association, and Linguists Interpreting Nuanced Garbling's grant applications *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 50: To reject Computing and Information Systems Student Association's grant application.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 51: To approve Jewish Students' Society's grant application conditional on grounds booking.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 52: To approve Biomedical Engineering Society, Canadian Club, and Italian Social Club's grant applications *en bloc* conditional on grounds bookings, and to reject for past events.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 53: To reject Construction Students Association's grant application.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 54: To approve Consistently Amazing Kitchen Endeavours and Food Interest Group's grant applications *en bloc* conditional on SFH compliance.

Mover: Chair

CARRIED

ABSTENTION: 1 (Philip Mallis)

Motion 55: To reject Filipino Students Association and PotterHeads grant applications *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Stephen Smith cedes Chair to Claire Pollock

Motion 56: To approve Actuarial Students Society, Food Interest Group, New Zealand Students Society, Students of Marketing and Management, and Earth Sciences Students Society's grant applications *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 57: To approve Debating Society's grant application conditional on providing Certificate of Currency before the event.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 58: To approve Planning Students Society's grant application conditional on proof of food at the event.

Mover: Chair

CARRIED

ABSTENTION: 1 (Philip Mallis)

Motion 59: To approve Pakistani Society and T-Society's grant applications *en bloc* conditional on SFH compliance.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 60: To approve CAINZ's grant application conditional on proof that food was delivered.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 61: To reject CIS Postgraduate Group and Community Development Club's grant applications *en bloc*.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconded: Ryan Davey

CWD

Motion 62: To reject AIESEC's grant application.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconded: Stephen Smith

CWD

Motion 63: To reject Korean Christian Group's grant application for non-compliance.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconded: Ryan Davey

CWD

Motion 64: To approve Engineering Music Society's grant application.

Mover: Chair

CARRIED

ABSTENTION: 1 (Lauren Taylor)

Motion 65: To reject Civil and Structural Society and Environmental Engineers Society's joint event application.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconded: Ryan Davey

CWD

Motion 66: To approve Film Society and New Zealand Students Society and Mechatronics Society, Mechanical Engineering Students Society, Chemical Engineering Students Society, Biomedical Engineering Society, Environmental Engineers Society, and Civil and Structural Society's joint event applications *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

7.6 UMSU Elections

C&S Committee members Yasmine Luu and Ryan Davey are running for Clubs & Societies Officer in the upcoming Annual General Elections.

8. Next Meeting: Wednesday 15th April, 4:15pm

Meeting closed at 5:54pm.

