

University of Melbourne Student Union

Meeting of the Clubs & Societies Committee

***CONFIRMED* Minutes**

3 pm, Tuesday September 1st 2015

Meeting 17/15

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

Meeting opened at 3:01 pm by Stephen Smith

1. Procedural Matters

1.1. Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Claire Pollock be elected Chair.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So acknowledged.

1.3. Attendance

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

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

Staff: Fiona Sanders (Clubs & Societies Coordinator)

Observers: Ed Hawkes (AIESEC), Bessy Liu (AIESEC), Chris Kwok (AIESEC)

1.4. Apologies

Nil

1.5. Proxies

Nil

1.6. Membership

No changes

1.7. Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: To adopt the agenda, with the amendment of agenda item 5 to be considered after Other Business.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

2.1. 18/8/2015

Motion 3: To accept the minutes from the meeting on Tuesday 18 August as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Mover: Chair

CWD

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Steven Connolly arrived at 3:03pm

3.1. Petition to Discipline

3.1.1. AIESEC

Ed Hawkes, Bessy Liu, and Chris Kwok arrived at 3:05pm

Ed Hawkes, Bessy Liu, and Chris Kwok were in attendance to speak to the petition.

All three representatives were elected at the AGM this year, and were not informed of the request from the C&S Committee to hold an SGM in Semester 1.

Ed Hawkes, Bessy Liu, and Chris Kwok left at 3:10pm

Motion 4: To withdraw the petition to disaffiliate AIESEC.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

Motion 5: To put AIESEC on probation for 12 months for breach of Regulation 6.1a and 6.1d.

Mover: Chair

CWD

3.2. VCA Dococentric Discipline 18/8/2015

Motion 6: To rescind Motion 5 (18/8/15).

Mover: Chair

CWD

3.3. Policy Amendments

3.3.1. Expo Policy

Motion 7: To adopt the amendments to the Expo Policy.

Mover: Chair

CWD

3.4. New Clubs

3.4.1. FBE PhD Student Society

Motion 8: To grant initial approval to the FBE PhD Student Society to affiliate.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconder: Eilish Hunt

CWD

3.4.2. Soccer Appreciation and FIFA Gaming Society

3.4.3. WuLin Academy

Motion 9: To accept Soccer Appreciation Society and Martial Arts Academy's new name and aims *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

3.4.4. Marlon Brando Appreciation Society

Discussion around the name of the club. Committee felt that it is confusing and does not fully reflect what the club is.

Motion 10: To grant initial approval to Marlon Brando Appreciation Society.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: Eilish Hunt

CARRIED

FOR: 4

AGAINST: 3

3.4.5. MBS Multicultural Hub (Late)

Motion 11: To reject MBS Multicultural Hub's late application to affiliate.

Mover: Chair

CWD

4. Reports

4.1. Officers

4.1.1. Regulation Amendments

Stephen updated Committee that Students' Council at their meeting on September 1 passed the Regulation changes relating to Banking and IGMs.

4.1.3. Safety in Clubs update

The proposed regulation changes regarding Safety in Clubs were rejected by Students' Council, citing concern with the suspension clause.

We met with the concerned Students' Councillors to discuss their concerns, and have agreed upon a way forward.

This will be brought back to C&S Committee for review before being distributed back to Students' Council for consideration.

4.1.2. Mergers

Proposed regulations were presented the Committee. Discussion around 'absolute majority' to agree to a merger, and about quorum and notice for an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM).

Committee requested that quorum should be "10 unique members from each club" and take two attendance lists at an EGM.

Motion 12: To refer the amended Merger Regulations to the Students' Council.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconder: Eilish Hunt

CWD

4.2. Committee

Lauren tabled a report about merging clubs:

- Needed to be greater focus on member consultation
- Need a genuine merger, rather than a wind-up/takeover
- We need to streamline the process

- Absolute majority issues, represents seriousness of merging.

Motion 13: To amend the proposed Merger Regulations to include a longer notice period for EGMs (10 academic days' notice) and a simple majority to merge a club.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconded: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

4.3. SAG

No report – Marketing and Communications Advisory Group has yet to be convened.

6. Grants

6.1. Standard

Motion 14: To approve Standard Grants *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

6.2. Grants For Discussion

Motion 15: To approve Brew Club's grant application for Clubs Carnival at 50 per cent of the eligible funding, and to approve their Purchases (Asset) grant application at 100 per cent of eligible funding.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconded: Lauren Taylor

CWD

Motion 16: To approve Horticultured's grant application.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconded: Ryan Davey

CWD

Motion 17: To reject Solidarity's grant application.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 18: To approve Pakistani Society's grant application at 50 per cent.

Mover: Steven Connolly

Seconded: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

Motion 19: To reject Ellevate's grant application.

Mover: Yasmine Luu

Seconded: Eilish Hunt

CWD

Motion 20: To approve Oxfam Group, International Vietnamese Students at the University of Melbourne, CIS Postgraduate Group, and German Club's grant applications at 50 per cent of eligible funding *en bloc*, and approve Overseas Christian Fellowship's grant application.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 21: To reject Environments Students Society and French Club's grant applications *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 22: To approve Chemical Engineering Students' Society's grant application conditional on submitting relevant paperwork before the event.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 23: To reject Pool Club and Mahjong Club's grant applications *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 24: To approve Arts Students' Society's grant application conditional on providing Certificate of Currency before the event.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 25: To reject Postgraduate Environment Network's grant application.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 26: To reject Clinical Audiology Students' Association and Oxfam Group's grant applications *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 27: To reject Vietnamese Students Association and Thai Students Association's grant applications *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 28: To approve Environmental Engineers Society and Geomatics Society's grant applications *en bloc* conditional on grounds booking before the events.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 29: To reject More Beer!'s grant application.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 30: To approve Mechanical Engineering Students Society, Science Student Society, and German Club's grant applications *en bloc* conditional on grounds bookings and RSA compliance before the events.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 31: To reject Malaysians of Melbourne University's grant application.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 32: To reject Chess Club's grant application.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 33: To approve Filipino Students Association's grant application conditional on providing Certificate of Currency and ground booking before the event.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Eilish Hunt left at 4:07pm

Motion 34: To approve Russian Society, Fotoholics, and Finance Student Association's grant applications *en bloc* conditional on proof of delivery of food.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 35: To approve Brazilian Students Association's grant application conditional on proof of delivery and display of UMSU logo.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 36: To reject Card Crew's grant application, and approve Astronomical Society's grant application conditional on venue confirmation.

Mover: Gulsara Kaplun

Seconder: Stephen Smith

CWD

Motion 37: To approve German Club, Melbourne Microfinance Initiative, Chocolate Lovers' Society, Engineers Without Borders, and Philosophy Community's grant applications *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 38: To reject International Vietnamese Students at the University of Melbourne's grant application.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 39: To reject Liberal Club's grant application.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

Motion 40: To defer Habitat for Humanity's grant application pending questions around OH&S compliance and storage.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 41: To approve all Joint Event grant applications *en bloc*.

Mover: Chair

CWD

6.2.2. CIS Postgraduate Group

Motion 42: That CIS Postgraduate Group's grant application be considered as a Functions grant.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Motion 43: To rescind the motion rejecting CIS Postgraduate Group's grant application from 13/8/15 and approve it.

Mover: Chair

CWD

6.2.3. Community Development Club

Motion 44: To rescind the motion rejecting Community Development Club's grant application from 19/8/15 and approve it.

Mover: Chair

CWD

ACTION: To recommend to clubs to use long life milk or milk capsules.

7. Other Business

7.1. Union House/Alcohol & Licencing

Stephen and Fiona met with Angeline Courtenay (Projects Officer, MUSUL) to discuss Alcohol and Licencing. MUSUL would supply alcohol to clubs under the MUSUL licence.

We have been reassured by MUSUL that liquor would be provided to clubs at the same cost or less than commercially available.

Committee was concerned about the impact of this on clubs – Stephen reminded them that decisions made had to be made with our fiduciary responsibilities in mind.

ACTION: Any questions about liquor licencing should be sent to Stephen to raise with MUSUL.

7.2. CIS Postgraduate group App for Payment

Motion 45: To process CIS Postgraduate Group's application for payment and include all signatories, but fund at 50 per cent of eligible funding.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: Lauren Taylor

CWD

7.3. Birdwatching Society Wind Up

Birdwatching Society's Committee passed a motion requesting that C&S Committee wind up the club, following an inquorate AGM that sought to wind-up the club.

Motion 46: To wind up the Birdwatching Society.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

CWD

7.4. BBQ Subsidy payment (\$440 from Special Projects to AV@Melbourne)

Motion 47: To approve up to \$440 from budget line Special Projects to AV@Melbourne to pay for BBQ subsidies for July.

Mover: Chair

CWD

7.5. Student Life – SFH

Motion 48: To reject Student Life's grant application.

Mover: Chair

CWD

7.6. Community Development Club name change

Motion 49: To approve Community Development Club's request to change their name to the Community Health Project Initiative.

Mover: Chair

CWD

7.7. Clubs Trivia

Motion 50: To reimburse Claire Pollock \$100 for the Clubs Trivia prize from budget line Special Projects.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: Ryan Davey

CWD

7.8. New Clubs – Promotion

Motion 51: To reimburse Claire Pollock \$20 for promotion for New Clubs from budget line Special Projects.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

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5. Correspondence

5.1. Debating Society Grievance

Stephen Smith excused himself from Committee and left at 4:34pm

Procedural motion: To suspend the meeting for 5 minutes.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Committee suspended at 4:35pm

Committee reopened at 4:42pm

Procedural motion: To move *in camera* with the exception of Fiona Sanders.

Mover: Chair

CWD

Petition: To put Debating Society on probation for 12 months and suspend their grants for 6 months for a breach of their own Constitution (6.1.b and 6.1d).

Petitioners: Yasmine Luu, Gulsara Kaplun, Philip Mallis, Ryan Davey, Steven Connolly, Lauren Taylor

Petition: To disaffiliate Debating Society for a breach of their own Constitution (6.1.b and 6.1d).

Petitioners: Yasmine Luu, Gulsara Kaplun, Philip Mallis, Ryan Davey, Steven Connolly

ACTION: Fiona to ask Debating Society about the allegations put forward.

Motion 52: That the C&S Department inform Melbourne Law School about the petitions against Debating Society.

Mover: Steven Connolly

Seconder: Gulsara Kaplun

CARRIED

Lauren Taylor left at 6:04pm

8. Next Meeting (Tuesday September 15, 3pm)

Meeting closed at 6:16pm