

University of Melbourne Student Union
Meeting of the Environment Committee



Meeting 5/9/17

Agenda

9.00AM

Location: Environment Office, Level 1, Union House

Minutes

1. Procedural Matters

1.1 Election of Chair

Take note that if the chair is a voting member, they do not get a vote.

Motion 1: That Lizzie be elected Chair

Mover: Seconders:

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

1.3 Attendance

1.4 Apologies

1.5 Proxies

1.6 Membership

1.7 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: That the Agenda as presented be adopted

Mover: Seconders:

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Motion 3: to confirm the previous minutes of 12 April 2017 as a true and accurate record.

Mover: Seconders:

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

4. Correspondence

5. Office Bearers' Reports

Fossil Free

Three members of FFMU (including one signatory to the FOI) attended a meeting with Allan Tait on the 17th. These meetings are to update members of the Fossil Free group on the progress of the Sustainable Investments Framework, including all contact with Mercer, the VFMC and its clients. The meetings come as an agreement between Allan and the FOI signatories, that we will not pursue a claim with VCAT as long as we are regularly updated.

Key take-aways from the latest meeting include, Mercer have been engaged as specialist advisors to provide a range of SIF options, the final selection will be made by the Investments Management Committee. Due to new management VFMC is canvassing major clients to revise their approach to ESG and climate change. The University will be meeting with major clients of the VFMC to present the University's own views on sustainable investment as a means to place pressure on VFMC to create a portfolio inline with the SIF created by Mercer.

Lizzie and Kate ran a few workshops a statewide training over the 19th/20th in conjunction with other fossil free groups and 350.org. Members of Fossil Free MU got the chance to share campaign stories and skills with members from the RMIT, Monash and ACU campaigns.

Regular Events

PWYF ✓ Enviro Collective went along to AYCC's Commonwealth Bank action on campus instead of collective. Green Screen showed Nation Bird in conjunction with the Lockout Lockheed group.

Lockout Lockheed

Stickers have arrived. A cheeky action happened in the lead up to open day on Saturday night, as well as on Open Day, where members shared their concerns about the lab with prospective students. Preparation for the week 10 forum continues.

Bike Co-op

The Bike co-op will be moving into the old hairdresser space of Union House in the coming weeks. A volunteer coordinator description has been written up, and a call out for next years coordinators has begun. A new workbench which was purchased last year is in the works for getting made.

Cups

Kate has contacted several relevant people about getting cups added to the plate system in Union House, and it looks like we're going to be ready to announce this during Enviro Week. We're getting a bunch of cups from the reuse centre for it, so even if people steal all the cups, it's actually still recycling so ha! Tricked you.

Enviro Week

We had our first meeting with comms to talk about all the things we need to do for Enviro Week to be a success, and have started on some of those tasks.

Community Garden

They're just great you guys. The new coordinators are doing a great job.

Motion 4: To approve and accept the Office Bearers Reports

Mover: Seconder:

Motions not on Notice

Motion 5: To approve up to \$2500 for the cost of food, licensing rights, speakers fees and other materials for Enviro Week in week 9 from the special projects budget line.

Mover: Seconder:

Motion 6: To approve the spending of up to \$600 for climates networking events from special projects budget line.

Mover: Seconder:

Motion 7: To approve the spending of up to \$300 for food for Green Screen events from special projects budget line

Mover: Seconder:

Motion 8: To approve the spending of up to \$1200 for food and materials, parts and tools for the bike coop from the special projects budget line

Mover: Seconder: Lachlan

6. **Other Business**

7. **Next Meeting**

8. **Closed**