

**University of Melbourne Student Union**

**Meeting of the Environment Committee**

**CONFIRMED MINUTES**

**3pm, Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2015**

**Meeting 8**

**Location: Office Bearer Meeting Space  
Level 1, Union House**

Meeting declared inquorate by Daniel Sullivan at 3:30PM

**1. Procedural Matters**

1. Election of Chair
2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners
3. Attendance: Daniel Sullivan, Courtney Colclough, Thomas Mudie, Sara Kissel
4. Apologies: Annie Zhang, Justine Rudock
5. Proxies
6. Membership

Alexander Arase has resigned from his position on the Environment Committee and Savannah Shukla's membership has lapsed. Their positions are currently vacant as we await the ticket appointment of new members.

7. Adoption of Agenda

**2. Confirmation of previous minutes**

**3. Matters arising from previous minutes**

**4. Correspondence**

**5. Office Bearers' Reports**

Most time in recent weeks has been spent getting back into our regular events and organising Enviro Week (week 6: 31<sup>st</sup> August-4<sup>th</sup> September). We've also been supporting the community garden's promotional efforts and FFMU's awareness raising efforts and attempts to open a discussion surrounding divestment's inclusion on the university's new Sustainability Charter.

The following more urgent motions were submitted and passed at a meeting of the Operations Sub-Committee on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August.

1. That the Operations Sub-Committee authorise expenditure of up to a further \$400 on Students of Sustainability conference subsidies, for registration and transport cost, from the Environment Department's budget line 'Special Projects and Events' (budget line 3839). This will ensure all attendees will have received a partial (50% or \$65) subsidy for their registration and \$40 towards their transport costs.
2. That the Operations Sub-Committee authorise expenditure of up to \$500 from the Environment Department's budget line 'Special Projects and Events' (budget line 3839) to subsidise the attendance of Melbourne Uni at the 'Future of Local Food' conference from 10th-11th September 2015.

**6. Other Reports**

**7. Motions on Notice**

1. That the Environment Committee pass a motion to spend up to \$3000 on Enviro Week, from budget line 'Special Projects and Events' (budget line 3839). Enviro Week will run from Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August until Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September. This funding will be spent on activities; food and drink (alcoholic & non-alcoholic); subsidising tickets to attend the coinciding Environmental Film Festival; presenter payments and/or gifts; venue hire; excursion costs; workshop materials and costs; AV costs; promotional costs; and craft materials.
2. That the Environment Committee pass a motion to spend up to \$200 on a trip to East Gippsland in the September from the budget line 'Special Projects and Events' (budget line 3839). This will go towards food and fuel or other (least expensive) forms of transport.
3. That the Environment Committee pass a motion to provide a grant of up to \$400 to [FLW Theatre](#) from budget line 'Grants' (budget line 3531). These funds will go towards 100% recyclable set and production materials and a limited amount of print materials and posters (with most promotion being conducted online) for the group's semester two performance '[The Dark Room](#)'. This production will involve approximately 20-30 Melbourne Uni students and the group's productions have previously reached audiences ranging from 250-400, 70% of whom are also Melbourne Uni students.
4. That the Environment Committee pass a motion to amend the previously passed motion regarding Students of Sustainability, from Environment Committee Meeting 4, to include expenditure on transport subsidies:  
"That the Environment Committee pass a motion to spend up to \$1800 on subsidising registration for the Students of Sustainability conference from July 7th-12th, from budget line 'Special Projects and Events' (budget line 3839)."

It will now read as:

"That the Environment Committee pass a motion to spend up to \$1800 on subsidising registration and transport costs for the Students of Sustainability conference from July 7th-12th, from budget line 'Special Projects and Events' (budget line 3839)."

8. **Other Business**
9. **Next Meeting**
10. **Close**

**Certified by Chair: Daniel Sullivan 20/8/2015**