

**University of Melbourne Student Union**

**Meeting of the Students' Council**

**CONFIRMED Minutes**

**1 PM, 18.06.2015**

**Meeting 16**

**Training Rooms, Union House**

**Meeting petitioned by Sarah Xia, Destan Dikbas, Pat Dollard, Itsi Weinstock, Karly Banks, Danielle Bagnato, Steven Connolly, Stephen Mitas, Feifei Liao**

**Meeting opened by Rachel Withers at 1:06pm**

**1. Procedural Matters**

1.1 Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Rachel Withers be elected Chair

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: James Baker

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So acknowledged

1.3 Attendance

Councillors: Sarah Xia, Destan Dikbas, Pat Dollard, Itsi Weinstock, Karly Banks, Danielle Bagnato, Steven Connolly, Stephen Mitas, Feifei Liao

Office Bearers: Hana Dalton (Secretary), James Baker (Activities), Stephen Smith (Clubs), Lucy Curtis (Wom\*ns), Tyson Holloway-Clarke (Indigenous), Rachel Withers (President), Lynley Eavis (Media), Nellie Montague (Education Academic), Bella Vadeloo (Arts), Bonnie Leigh-Dodds (Arts), Martin Ditmann (Media), Maddy Cleeve Gerken (Media), Simon Farley (Media), Allie Ballantyne (Wom\*ns), Conor Serong (Ed Public), James Bashford (Welfare), Hayden Michaelides (Activities), Susannah Gordon (Disabilities), Van Rudd (VCA)

Other: Patrick Clearwater, Bren Carruthers,

Staff: Goldie Pergl, Justin Baré

1.4 Apologies

PROCEDURAL MOTION: To suspend the Standing Orders to allow all apologies and proxies from Meeting 15 to carry over to Meeting 16

Mover: Rachel Withers (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Ezgi Bridger

1.5 Proxies

Ada Chan to Feifei Liao

Lachlan McCall to Stephen Mitas

Jakob von der Lippe to Danielle Bagnato

1.6 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: That the Agenda be adopted to deal with motions 9.1-9.4 then to item 5, 6, 9.5 and 9.6

Mover: Rachel Withers (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

1.7 Membership

Ben Fourniotis has resigned. A ticket replacement is being sought.

There are currently 16 members of Students' Council

**2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

Motion 3: That the minutes of meeting 14 be approved as a true and accurate record

Mover: Rachel Withers (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

**3. Motions on Notice**

PROCEDURAL MOTION: To discuss and move motions 9.1 – 9.4 en bloc

Mover: Rachel Withers

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

**9.1 Media Department Expenditure – Farrago Edition 4**

**9.2 Media Department Expenditure – Farrago Edition 5**

**9.3 Superannuation for O Week Directors**

**9.4 Burney Event**

**Motion:** To approve up to \$12,000 from the Media budget line 'Printing' for the printing of Farrago Edition Four.

Mover: Simon Farley

Seconded:

**Motion:** To approve up to \$13,000 from the Media budget line 'Printing' for the printing of Farrago Edition Five.

Mover: Simon Farley

Seconded:

**Preamble:** In allocating honoraria to O-Week Directors, due to an oversight Council didn't give direction on how to treat superannuation. Three possible options are:

(1) Pass an extra 9.5% ( $\$285 * 3 = \$855$ ) to cover superannuation for the Directors. This amount is consistent with VCESS and DM Directors (who are responsible for their own budgets).

(2) Pay 9.5% superannuation out of the \$3000 allocated for each Director. In that case they would receive total \$2739.73 in honorarium and \$260.27 in superannuation.

(3) Take the position that Directors receive less than \$450 per month, and so are not eligible for the Superannuation Guarantee (and so we pay no superannuation). (In this case we would need to check that is a correct interpretation of the rules.)

Option (1) seems most consistent with our status as a student union, and is also consistent with how we treat superannuation for OBs and VCESS/DM Directors.

**Motion:** To approve expenditure of up to \$855.00 from the Volunteering budget line to cover superannuation payments associated with O-week Directors' honoraria.

Mover: Patrick Clearwater

Seconder: Rachel Withers

**Motion:** To pass \$490 from Non Parkville budget line for food and drinks a BBQ at Burnley on the 18th of June.

Mover: Rachel Withers

Seconder:

Motion 4: To pass Motion 9.1- 9.4 en bloc

Mover: Rachel Withers (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT


#### 4. Office Bearers' Reports

##### President

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**Report of  
Rachel Withers  
President**

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##### Key activities:

##### **Student Precinct**

Justin and I met with Kate from Hello City, a consultant the uni has contracted to help formulate the a brief/concept for the Student Precinct (not an actual map or space allocation, but a concept for later consultants/architects to work from). We indicated that Hello City needs to talk to far more students than just Steve and myself to gain a proper understanding of the many interests and needs we represent, and they are asking the University to extend the terms of their contract/pay them more to allow them to do this. Alex Lawlor has agreed to this but it is unclear yet what form this consultation will take (it will be with a small but important group of representatives of target services).

Hana and I met with the Food Co Op to discuss their needs, and the importance of maintaining their independence while allowing us to advocate for them. We struck upon a complicated point, which is that under the new arrangement the Food Co Op will likely be leasing directly from the University, which they have not previously done (their current \$1 lease is with MUSUL), and does not effectively insulate them from the University. However they are also reluctant for us to lobby for and control the space, because they do not want their lease to be at the whim of student politicians (fair call). This is a complicated issue that I will ask to be added to the agenda of the next Student Precinct Steering Group.

## **UMSU Student Market**

Following on from the Student Market in Week 12, I created a few surveys (one for stallholders and one for market-goers) so that we can effectively evaluate the value of market. I am putting together an evaluation for councils perusal.

I am also putting together a report on the steps taken as a model on how to run such an event in future. If anyone is keen to take a look at this I am more than happy to send it to you.

## **Meeting with the VC**

We had a meeting in Week 12 between the education officers, Hana and myself to chat to Glyn and a few other university staff members about a range of issues, including re-examining the higher education debate in light of the recent budget. We managed to concretely establish where our priorities overlap (ie that universities absolutely need more funding) and where they do not (ie we are not going to come to a consensus on deregulation any time soon). On this note, we have agreed to hold a joint event next Semester around our common ground: that Universities need and are worthy of higher levels of public funding than they currently receive. We want to make this a huge event as it is a fairly novel and collaborative approach, so creative ideas are very welcome!

## **Isegoria**

I have had further meetings with Miguel about the app he is offering us, including attempting to clarify some of our issues.

I met directly with him alongside Conor, Shanley and Hana, and he was able to address many of our concerns. We discussed the idea of a standard licensing agreement which we could then amend to meet our needs and allow us a process to make changes to the app.

I also attended a meeting with all of the staff of UMSU about the app. A lot of questions were raised around data ownership. A Risk Assessment will be presented to council to allow for council to carefully consider it.

## **Study Spaces**

*See agenda item about unallocated SSAF funds.*

On this note of study space shortage, I have raised questions with MUSUL around how feasible a 24 hour study space within Union House might be.

## **YEAH**

James and I met with the Director of Wellbeing, Dan Persaud, a few members of his team, and Sexual Health Promotion organisation called YEAH. The University is keen to work with YEAH but wants the Student Union to play a large role in this, as it is largely about Youth Ambassadors, and hence a top down approach from them isn't going to work. We are in further talks about what form a partnership/program/agreement might take.

## **Food wastage**

I have been considering how much food wastage potentially goes on amongst the tenants of Union House- I see tenants trying to sell off some of their food cheaper at the end of the day, but I do wonder what happens to the food they are unable to sell off cheaply. I'm sure tenants are doing the best they can but this perfectly edible food may be able to go to feeding students who are struggling to feed themselves due to time/financial constraints.

I have arranged a meeting with MUSUL and James in his capacity as Welfare Officer to further discuss this idea.

### **Ivory Tower Screening**

Conor and I met with the NTEU and the GSA to discuss a collaborative event, a screening of Ivory Tower in Semester 2. I offered Union Theatre as a venue depending on dates and availability, and we are currently sorting out the best date (as well as when to have a follow up panel event, as it was decided amongst the group that trying to do the screening and the panel on the same night might take too long for people to be able to remain for the whole thing).

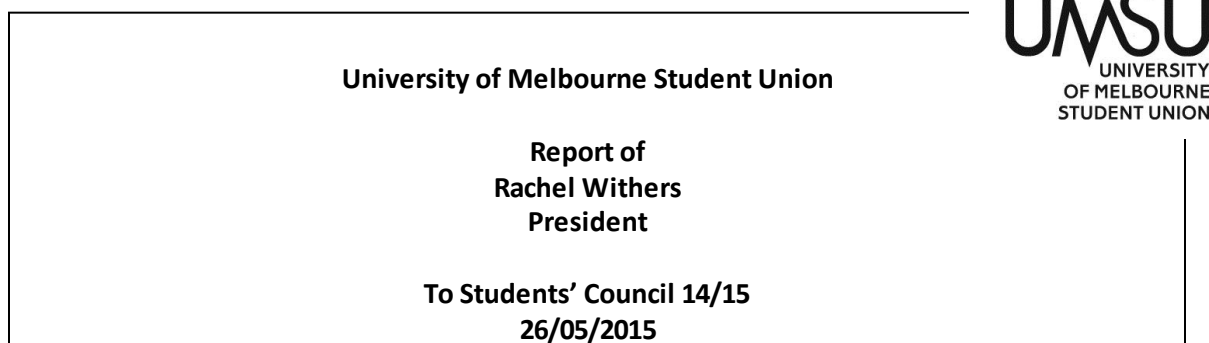
### **Entertainment Advisory Group**

I attended the Entertainment Advisory Group in which we looked back on the semester and what worked, as well as making entertainment suggestions for semester 2. I would like to congratulate Tony (and the Activities Officers) on an absolutely fantastic program of Semester 1 Entertainment (including multiple packed out North Courts over the first few weeks of the year).

### **Orientation**

In order to more clearly delineate the many responsibilities, authorities and tasks within the planning of Orientation (especially between our new directors and Comms), I have drafted an Orientation Framework, which I have needed to work on further in collaboration with some of the existing roles. We are also looking at creating an Orientation Reference Group/committee, to be convened by the Directors.

I have also set up meetings between the Directors and the existing Communications staff so that they can begin to wrap their heads around where we are up to (as they are stepping into tasks that are currently in progress) and get to know the team.



Key activities:

**Student Precinct**

There have been no further meetings of the Student Precinct Steering Group (one scheduled for late May has been pushed back to late June however).

Our second Student Forum was held last week however. The attendance was much lower than the first but it allowed the opportunity for extended questioning and discussion around the potential/risks of the precinct. I tried to create a balance between allowing people to speak their concerns in an open ended way, and answering questions where appropriate.

I have sent the Food Co Op the template the uni requested we use for our services to fill out with theirs.

### **Burnley Event**

I have continued to assist Burnley student Rory to access funding from “non Parkville” budget line to run events for Burnley students (all of this money has come through Operations Sub Committee due to timing). The next event is next Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Universities 21 Student Summit**

In the first week of May I attended the third annual U21 Student Summit. This summit was actually run in tangent with the Vice-Chancellors Summit, with one day of overlapped activities.

This summit proved immensely valuable, not necessarily in its agenda items (which ranged from very interesting to vaguely patronising), but in the opportunity it offered to network with other students and hear about their programs and projects in other parts of the world.

McGill University had a university department that seemed to cover an amalgamation of some of the activities of our Welfare, Disabilities, Indigenous, Wom\*ns and Queer departments. Their representative was both a University staff member and a student. While I believe these functions are still best served by student union departments rather than the University, there are many ideas we can share, and I will be following up with him. A non-elected student from Edinburgh had also run a campaign around student carers being properly recognised by the university, and I have asked her to send me some more info about her campaign, so we can investigate this issue here.

The summit dinner also proved a valuable opportunity to talk to some VCs from around the world (we were assigned tables) about public funding of education and the public vs private debate. I had a long conversation with the VC of University of Queensland and a deputy-VC from the University of Dublin about public funding.

### **Second Hand Market**

Much of my time has been occupied with liaising with stall holders for Monday’s market, sending information to them as it comes to hand and liaising directly with some over specific stall related logistics. I asked Info to collect deposits from stallholders and sent them a spreadsheet of information. I have also locked in two casuals from Info to help with set up and pack up of the event (with a team of volunteers alongside them). I asked Angie from MUSUL to complete a Risk Assessment. I have been uploading small previews of stalls on the event to hopefully entice those who are hesitant to come along. I am also arranging al layout to collocate stalls in an accessible and logical way.

We managed to source tables, pinboards and clothes racks for free, meaning the only cost of the market will be the 4 hours of casual pay for the Toms from Whole of Union (\$112.50).

### **Meeting with the VC**

Conor has arranged a meeting on Monday between the education officers, Hana and myself to chat to Glyn and a few other university staff members about a range of issues, including re-examining the higher education debate in light of the recent budget. We have had a meeting to pre-arrange our thoughts and strategy for this meeting, and we will update council on how this meeting goes.

### **Request for meeting with the Metro CEO**

In my last report I noted that the VC had mentioned an upcoming meeting with the Metro CEO regarding the Melbourne Metro Rail Tunnel and I had emailed Glyn asking if I might attend this meeting as a student representative, given how much of an impact this station will have on students. He offered to ask the Metro CEO to include me in this meeting (I expressed great enthusiasm for this idea).

However his assistant then informed me the meeting would just be an introduction for only the two of them. Post meeting, I asked Glyn how it went and received the following:

*Thanks Rachel.*

*As expected, this proved a courtesy meeting. Evan Tattersall, CEO Of Melbourne Metro, confirmed the intention to build the line, with early works to begin in 2017 (or perhaps late 2016). His technical adviser, Melissa Trapani, indicated current planning locates the Parkville station below the intersection of Royal Parade and Grattan Street, with one pedestrian exit to the hospital precinct and a second to the University, emerging outside the MDHS triradiate building.*

*We reminded our MM colleagues of the strong interest by students and staff in the project, and the importance of maintaining transport links during a long and challenging build. We were assured in turn of continuous consultation through the process. The next conversations will be around station siting and configuration, and around the need to close off Grattan Street for some years while construction is completed. This is welcome news, as we can work with the Council to create a safe and attractive crossing, and so unite the two halves of the campus.*

*Hope this assists -*

*Regards,*

*Glyn*

### **General Secretary**

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### **Meeting with VC**

On Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May, I met with the Vice Chancellor, Provost and other key staff to discuss the future of the University's support for the deregulation bill following the May federal budget. It was made clear that the University still regards fee deregulation as the only feasible way forward to ensure that universities remain well-funded and resourced. While we agreed to disagree on this point, we acknowledged a point of consensus, which is that universities need more government funding. The idea of holding an event or running a campaign around this common ground on the issue of greater government funding for universities was discussed, particularly as higher education looks set to become an important election issue at the next federal election.

### **Student Reference Group**

A meeting of the Student Reference Group was held on the 27<sup>th</sup> of May. At this meeting, we gave final approval to the Student Consultation Protocol, which has been developed by the group since last year. The Protocol aims to establish guidelines for how the University should consult with students on a range of matters. I am hoping that the Protocol will be widely distributed to relevant people and used as the key reference point for anyone hoping to gain an insight into student views on an issue.

At this meeting, we also briefly discussed the preliminary results of the recent SSAF survey, the proposed relocation of the Faculty of Music, and increasing weekend access to the MSD building.

### **Marketing & Events Officer**

In Rachel's absence, I was a member of the panel for selecting a Marketing & Events Officer, which involved shortlisting applicants and interviewing candidates.

### **Comedy Festival Directors**

I convened the panel and organised interviews for Comedy Festival Directorship applicants. Six applications were received in total. There were some outstanding applications which made the final decision a difficult one. Congratulations to the successful candidates, and I look forward to seeing their ideas put into practice.

### **Isegoria**

I attended a meeting with Miguel and some of the other Office Bearers to discuss the Isegoria app, which was an important opportunity to ask some remaining questions.

### **Food Co-Op and Student Precinct**

On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June, Rachel and I met with Liam from the Melbourne University Food Co-Op to discuss their situation in light of the University's plans to relocate some of the services in Union House to a new student precinct. We discussed options that the Food Co-Op could take to best ensure they are given a space in the new precinct, with the recognition that little has been decided or will be decided within the next year.



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## **Union House Forum II**

As directed by a motion of Students' Council, a second forum about the Union House/student precinct plans was held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May. This forum was unfortunately not as well-attended as the previous forum, but was an opportunity for students to ask student representatives further questions. The forum highlighted the range of opinions in the student body around the stance UMSU should take on the issue.

## **Consultation on proposal to restore elected student representatives to university councils**

On Tuesday May 19<sup>th</sup> I attended a consultation at Treasury to discuss the specifics of the State Government's plans to reinstate elected student and staff positions to university councils and TAFE institute boards. Other student representatives from La Trobe, Monash and Melbourne universities also attended, as well as the NUS President. The Minister for Training and Skills (international education), the Hon. Steve Herbert MP, was present. Whilst the University of Melbourne Council includes two student fellows elected during UMSU and GSA election respectively, other universities have not engaged students in this way following a change in legislation made by the previous state government, which removed the requirement for university councils to have student and staff members. It was important for University of Melbourne student representatives to attend in order to highlight the benefits of student representation on University Council. It is promising to see the government acting on this issue.

## **NDA**

Following the announcement of the Federal Government's budget on May 12<sup>th</sup>, which amongst other measures included cuts to higher education funding and the proposed deregulation of university fees, students took to the streets on May 20<sup>th</sup> to protest. About 30 students joined the UMSU contingent down to the CBD, where a few hundred students assembled. Although the rally was unfortunately smaller than previous rallies, it was just as energetic. It is important to keep ensuring that higher education issues are highlighted in the media to put pressure on the government and crossbenchers.

## **Constitutional Working Group**

The third meeting of the Constitutional Working Group took place on the 21<sup>st</sup> of May, to specifically focus on inclusivity issues and nomenclature in the UMSU Constitution with regard to ethnically diverse students. A number of minor amendments were suggested, intended to provide

for greater inclusivity, while some broader issues involving the Electoral Regulations were also discussed

### **Operations Sub-Committee**

The Operations Sub-Committee had its fourth meeting last week (21/5). The meeting passed Media Department expenditure and expenditure for an event at the Burnley campus.

### **AV@Melbourne**

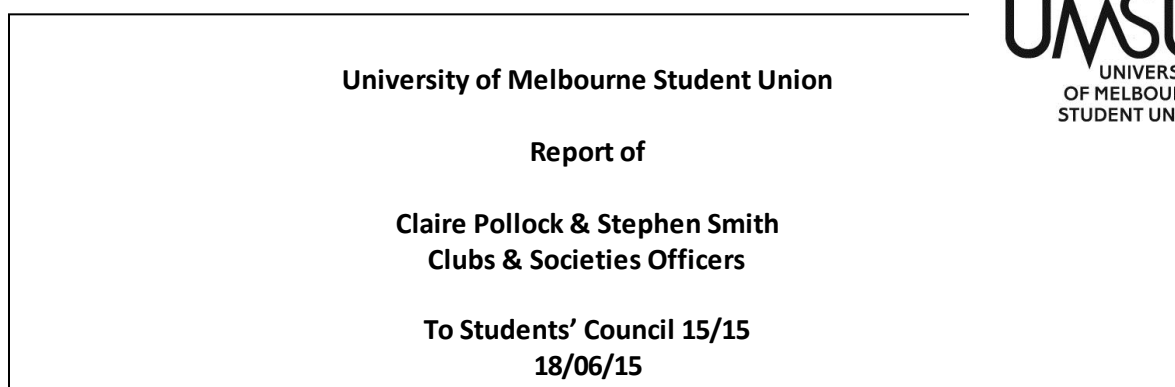
I have been involved in the process of considering expressions of interest for the restructured AV@Melbourne positions which were endorsed by Council in the Change Management Plan on April 15<sup>th</sup>. Two appointments have now been made.

### **Marketing and Events Officer**

I have been involved in shortlisting applicants for the position of Marketing and Events Officer, and will participate in the interview process on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Activities**

### **Clubs & Societies**



### **Clubs Online:**

We have approved Hidden Spark to develop the software for Clubs Online. Both Stephen and Fiona will meet with the developers in Sydney in July, as we continue to assist them with its development.

Clubs Online will be ready to implement in mid-Semester 2 and from then we will transition clubs over from our current paperwork system to the online system with full implementation to be completed by Semester 1 2016. We will be running training sessions in Semester 2 for executives.

We are also looking into developing an app that records attendance at club events to assist in streamlining attendance and eliminating excessive paperwork for our clubs.

### **Safety in Clubs:**

Stephen has been working on the Safety in Clubs Project with the intention of presenting the amendments to the C&S Regulations to the Students' Council prior to Semester 2 for adoption.

Further, this Project now includes an UMSU-wide policy outlining a procedure for managing grievances within clubs and societies. The aim of this is to ensure that as an organisation our response is consistent, coherent, and minimises any further angst or distress to students.

### **Executive Handbook:**

Stephen and Claire have begun work on the Executive Handbook. This project essentially involves updating compiling existing documents and guides into a single resource. We will be working with Committee members and club executives to ensure that information is up-to-date, useful, and relevant to clubs.

### **Mid-Year Orientation:**


We have allocated stalls to clubs for the Clubs Expo at Mid-Year Orientation. We have booked North Court which is able to host 63 clubs out of our 207. While this is not ideal, we have been unable to find a suitable alternative venue as Wilson Hall and University Hall are booked out for the Rare Book Festival during this time. We welcome any volunteer support for the day to help with set up and pack down.

### **New Clubs:**

As per previous reports, we had 25 applications from groups seeking to affiliate. We granted initial approval to 12 of these groups, and have had 9 of these groups become affiliates so far, taking our total number of clubs to 207 leading into Semester 2.

### **Creative Arts**

### **Education (Academic Affairs)**

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### **Academic Misconduct Hearings**

As final assessments are coming in quite a few academic misconduct hearings are being held. We have been sitting on the hearing committees as student representatives and talking with faculties and UMSU Advocacy about how to best inform students and faculties of the processes and policies around this difficult task.

### **Exam Support Stall**

UMSU Advocacy is again running the Exam Support Stall at REB to provide resources and information to students doing exams. A number of Office Bearers are helping; along with other volunteers, to run the stall and provide this invaluable service.

### **EdCon**

EdCon is coming up in July, subsidies have been allocated and paperwork is slowly coming in. We will be running a number of workshops to discuss educational issues and we hope there will be some interesting guest speakers and worthwhile discussions. A detailed report will be forthcoming after the conference.

### **Quality Survey**

This survey closes on the 15<sup>th</sup> June and we are continuing to advertise it. Hard copies completed by students are being uploaded to the NUS website.

### **Glyn Meeting**

A very successful meeting was held with Professor Glyn Davis, Professor Margaret Shiel, the Provost; Professor Susan Elliot, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (International); Dr Julie Wells, Vice-Principal, Policy and Projects; and Dr Gwilym Groucher, Higher Education Policy Adviser and UMSU Education Officers Conor Serong, Nellie Montague and Shanley Price, President Rachel Withers, and General Secretary Hana Dalton. Discussions were had around funding for Universities and how to frame a debate so deregulation is not the only option put on the table. Further meetings and collaborations have been committed to and we look forward to seeing these happen.

### **Campaign Planning**

Planning is underway for numerous campaigns for next semester including a 'Know Your Rights' and an 'Anonymous Marking' campaign to ensure students are getting fair and equitable treatment at the University.

### **Countercourse**

Bookmarks advertising submissions are being promoted all over campus. We are looking at doing a bigger online and physical presence push after exams/start of semester 2.

### **Second Hand Book Stall**

We are working alongside UMSU International to run a second hand book stall in week 2 of Semester 2. More information regarding the process and types of books to be sold will be coming soon.

### **Women in Higher Education Week**

In collaboration with the Women's Department and the NTEU we will be running a number of activities during Women in Higher Education Week (also known as Bluestocking Week) which will be held in week 3 of semester 2.

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**Key Activities**

**MSD Opening hours:** After much discussion with the University and the faculty we have secured a trial period of increased opening hours of 7am-1am. This is a great win for students and is a good indication of the benefit of student lobbying to make real life changes to students' experiences at the University.

**Vice Chancellor Meeting:** A very successful meeting was held between student representatives and high up academics and staff at the University, it was a great chance to sit down and discuss the University's approach to higher education funding and to discuss the areas that we agree on and to have worthwhile conversations about the areas we disagree on. See Conor's report for more details.

**Countercourse:** Submissions are open for the Countercourse Handbook, bookmarks advertising the Handbook and the prize draw for submissions are all around Union House and will be advertised on the UMSU Education facebook page.

**Advocacy and Legal Student Advisory Group:** The second of the quartely SAGs run by UMSU Advocacy and Legal was held on the 13<sup>th</sup> May. Advocacy and Legal staff detailed what they are working on at the moment including information sessions for International Students around working while still fulfilling the conditions of their visas. Discussions were had around the increase in traffic infringement notices and the reasons surrounding this including the new free tram zone which has meant the MelbUni tramstop is being targeted for fare evaders. Advocacy has been able to support students who have had negative experiences with ticketing officers with some cases going further in light of the cases Julian Burnside has been working on. It was a great chance to hear about all the important work UMSU Advocacy and Legal are doing to provide free legal advice and support for students.

**UMSU International Meeting:** We have made contact with the newly elected Education and Welfare officers at UMSU International and have had a good first meeting in which we talked about all the projects we are working on and decided to collaborate on running a 'Bazaar' in week 2 of next semester. UMSU will be running the Book Stall/Textbook section. Any ideas and input are very welcome as we are in the planning stages at the moment.

**Academic Misconduct Hearings:** We are continuing to be part of Academic Misconduct hearings at various faculties, and working with UMSU Advocacy to ensure that faculties are aware of due process and are following policy and guidelines.

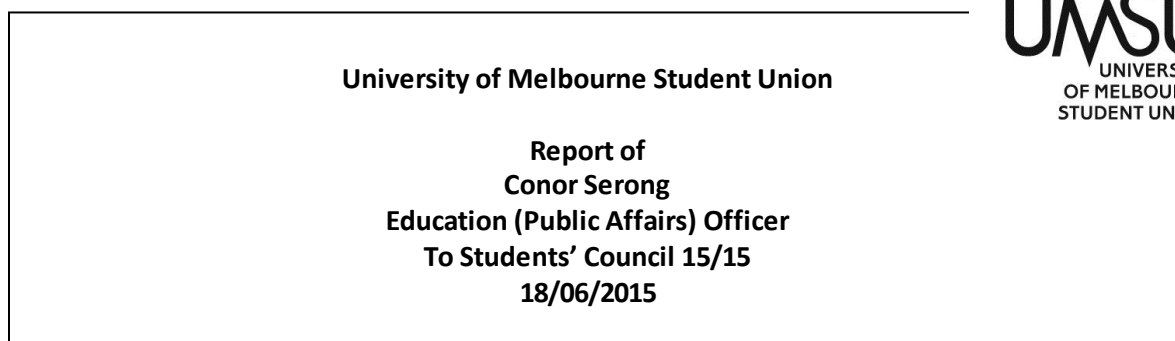
**Exam Support Stall:** We are working with UMSU Advocacy to run the Exam Support Stall at REB during the exam period in June. This is an important service that provides free water, pens, tissues,

calculator hire and advice on exam procedures, special consideration and academic misconduct to students at a very stressful time of year.

**EdCon:** Education Conference is coming up in June and we are encouraging students to attend. Applications for subsidies to cover a combination of conference registration, accommodation and flights are available to students who demonstrate financial need. Applications close Wednesday 27 May at 5pm, and the form can be found on the UMSU website, UMSU Education Facebook page, and UMSU Education Collective Facebook group.

**Quality Survey:** The NUS Quality Survey is an important chance to gauge student experience at the University, it is open until the 15<sup>th</sup> June so jump on it! See UMSU Education facebook page for details.

### **Education (Public Affairs)**



### **Meeting with Glyn Davis**

As reported previously, I called for a meeting with the Vice-Chancellor to discuss the future of higher education funding, and the potential for a cooperative campaign to make higher education funding an election issue in the lead-up to the 2016 Federal Election.

This meeting took place on Monday 25 May, and I was accompanied by fellow UMSU Education Officers Nellie Montague and Shanley Price, President Rachel Withers, and General Secretary Hana Dalton. Alongside Professor Glyn Davis, representing the University administration were Professor Margaret Shiel, the Provost; Professor Susan Elliot, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (International); Dr Julie Wells, Vice-Principal, Policy and Projects; and Dr Gwilym Groucher, Higher Education Policy Adviser.

The meeting was productive, with the University prepared to stand alongside UMSU in a public campaign for greater public funding in the lead-up to the 2016 Federal Election. In particular, Glyn expressed an interest in running a joint event with considerable media coverage with the intention of pressuring the major parties to commit to greater funding, given that we are in an almost unique position of having higher education funding become a major election issue.

Glyn and his colleagues also committed to meeting with student representatives on this and other issues at least once a semester, which we saw as a highly desirable outcome.

### **NUS Education Conference**

The National Union of Students' Education Conference 2015 will be held at the University of New South Wales, from 6-10 July. UMSU Education offered subsidies to students who plan to attend, but require financial assistance. We received a high volume of applications, and were able to offer over twenty students a subsidy to assist their attendance. Each recipient is required to submit a written report to the Education Committee within four weeks of the Conference ending.

### **NUS Quality Survey**

The National Union of Students' Quality Survey will close on 15 June. Along with other Office Bearers, we have promoted the survey via social media, in-person to students, via email and through the UMSU newsletter and website.

### **Lorna Stirling Fund Committee**

Through my role in the Student Representative Network, I sit on the Lorna Stirling Fund Committee, which meets annually to allocate grants to students wishing to embark on exchange or attend international events with the aim of establishing channels of information and learning between students and countries. This Committee met late in May, and awarded several students grants.

### **Academic Consultation and Coordination Committee**

Again, as part of the Student Representative Network, I sit on the newly formed Academic Consultation and Coordination Committee (ACCC), chaired by the Provost, and attended by many senior academic and professional staff, including Pro Vice-Chancellors, the President, Vice-President and Deputy Vice-President of the Academic Board, and many others. While this Committee met four times in 2015 without student representatives, Steve Brown of the GSA and myself were formally welcomed as committee members as of the most recent meeting held on 4 June. A broad range of academic topics were discussed, and I will be preparing a report to submit to the Student Representative Network should anyone be interested in learning more.

### **Isegoria App**

I am involved in meetings with Miguel, who pitched an app to Students' Council recently. In our first meeting, he allayed a number of the concerns raised by Councillors and Office Bearers, and took several questions on notice. We are scheduled to meet on 10 June with the Communications Department to discuss how a potential venture would impact the work that the department does. Following on from discussions in Council, we are aiming to have a draft agreement that can be presented to the next Council meeting for consideration.

### **CounterCourse**

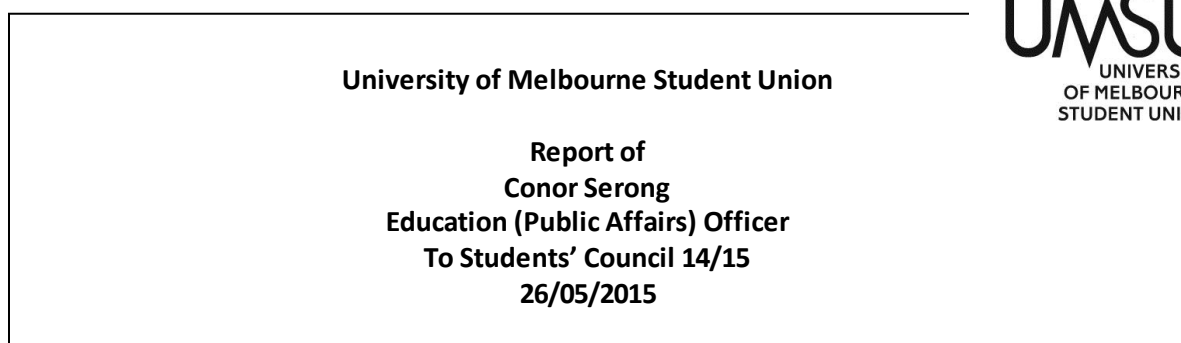
We will be encouraging student submissions to our online database of reviews of subjects, majors and other university experiences. We have been distributing CounterCourse bookmarks and may investigate the possibility of a secondary run of CounterCourse Handbooks.

### **24-hour Study Spaces**

We have begun examining the feasibility of opening up a portion of Union House which would be available as a 24-hour study space in Semester 2. This is only in the very early stages and there is nothing concrete to report on yet.

## **Budget Expenditure since last report:**

There has been some expenditure in the form of Education Conference subsidies. Once all of these payments have been made, they will be compiled into one expenditure report for enhanced clarity.



## **Key activities:**

### **The Fodder Federal Budget radio show**

I was invited to speak on the Fodder's Federal Budget radio show, on the evening of 12 May when the 2015-16 Federal Budget was announced. The show ran for over two hours, with myself and other students providing commentary on budgetary issues, including considerable focus on those which relate to higher education funding and income support. Feedback on this show was positive – we were told that listenership was relatively high and constant throughout the show, and we received input throughout the show from students and other listeners.

### **NUS National Day of Action**

On Wednesday 20 May UMSU took part in the National Union of Students' National Day of Action against fee deregulation and funding cuts to higher education, both of which reappeared in the 2015-16 Federal Budget. This saw several hundred students gather at the State Library and march to Parliament House.

### **CounterCourse bookmarks**

We have been distributing bookmarks to promote the CounterCourse Handbook – and in particular the online submissions which we are encouraging students to participate in.

### **Stress balls**

As part of Stress Less Week, we purchased 500 stress balls to be given away at events – particularly Education and Welfare events. In addition to an existing 500 stress balls being given away in that week alone, we also distributed approximately 300 or more of the new batch. We will continue to distribute these at future events.

### **Stress Less Week workshop**

We had a guest speaker give a workshop on stress-management and workload-balancing during Stress Less Week. This event was not well-attended, but we received some positive feedback from



two staff members from Ormond College who found some of the advice and strategies discussed useful for their own work with college students.

### **Farmers' Market**

On Wednesday 13 May, UMSU Education supervised the UMSU marquee at the weekly farmers' market. At this, we promoted the National Day of Action, Quality Survey, and other events. We also gave away a considerable number of our maze pens and stress balls.

### **NUS Quality Survey**

The National Union of Students are circulating their Quality Survey, designed to gauge the quality of teaching and facilities at universities around the country. We have been promoting this online and in person at the UMSU marquee at the farmers' market every Wednesday, as well as distributing posters and flyers around campus. It has also been included in the UMSU newsletter.

### **NUS Education Conference**

The National Union of Students have announced that "EdCon" will be held from 6-10 July, at the University of New South Wales. We are encouraging students to attend, and are currently fielding applications for subsidies to cover a combination of conference registration, accommodation and flights, to students who demonstrate financial need. Applications close Wednesday 27 May at 5pm, and the form can be found on the UMSU website, UMSU Education Facebook page, and UMSU Education Collective Facebook group. It has also been emailed out several times to our Collective mailing list.

### **Meeting with Glyn Davis**

As reported previously, I called for a meeting with the Vice-Chancellor to discuss the future of higher education funding, and the potential for a cooperative campaign to make higher education funding an election issue in the lead-up to the 2016 Federal Election.

This meeting took place on Monday 25 May, and I was accompanied by fellow UMSU Education Officers Nellie Montague and Shanley Price, President Rachel Withers, and General Secretary Hana Dalton. Alongside Professor Glyn Davis, representing the University administration were Professor Margaret Shiel, the Provost; Professor Susan Elliot, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (International); Dr Julie Wells, Vice-Principal, Policy and Projects; and Dr Gwilym Groucher, Higher Education Policy Adviser.

The meeting was productive, with the University prepared to stand alongside UMSU in a public campaign for greater public funding in the lead-up to the 2016 Federal Election. In particular, Glyn expressed an interest in running a joint event with considerable media coverage with the intention of pressuring the major parties to commit to greater funding, given that we are in an almost unique position of having higher education funding become a major election issue.

Glyn and his colleagues also committed to meeting with student representatives on this and other issues at least once a semester, which we saw as a highly desirable outcome.

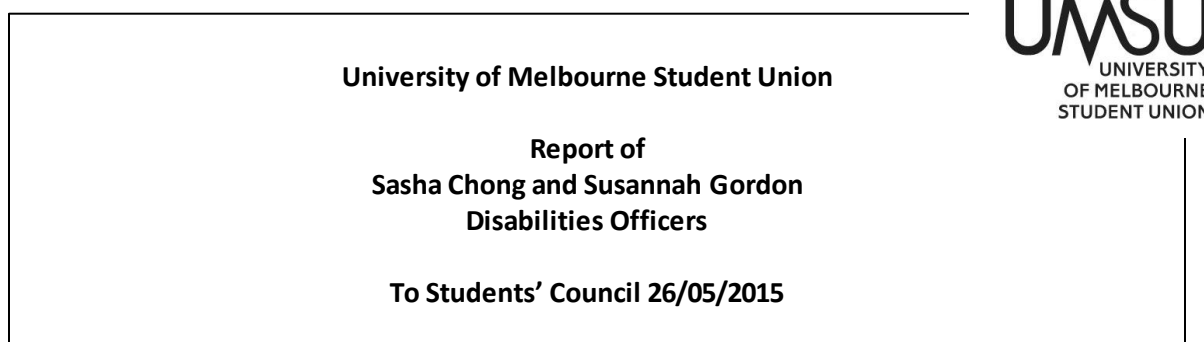
### **Budget Expenditure since last report:**

<b>Meeting No.</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount (ex. GST)</b>	<b>Line</b>	<b>Comments</b>

4.	12/05/2015	Governance training catering	\$256.82	Campaigns, Special Projects + Events	Half the cost of catering from the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre for Governance Training held on Friday 20 March, split with UMSU Advocacy.
<i>Approved by the Operations Sub-Committee.</i>	07/05/2015	AV equipment for 25 March NDA	\$65.00	Campaigns, Special Projects + Events	There was a delay in this expenditure pending amendment of expenditure amount initially approved by the Education Committee on 17 March 2015.

## Environment

## Disabilities



### Key activities:

#### **SMART Program Launch:**

*During Stress Less week, the launch for our substance abuse recover program.*

To celebrate our new program, running next semester we ran a games afternoon to promote fun activities that do not involve alcohol or drugs. One of our facilitators spoke about the importance of this program, and we had an Auslan interpreter come in to interpret.

#### **Mudfest Access Committee:**

Sasha has been attending committee meetings run by Mudfest's Access Officer to help make the arts festival more accessible for all groups of people, including people with disabilities.

#### **Mudfest Sexy Access statement competition:**

We are having a competition for people to come up with a "Sexy Access Statement" for Mudfest to use in all their promotional material, including the website. The prize will be \$100.

### **List of action points to be completed by next report:**

#### **Campaigns**

*Our major campaigns on trigger warnings for classes and Auslan as a diploma.*

We are still in the early planning stages for these campaigns, and are aiming to get things in motion quite soon.

#### **Auslan Classes:**

*A 6 week course to run next semester*

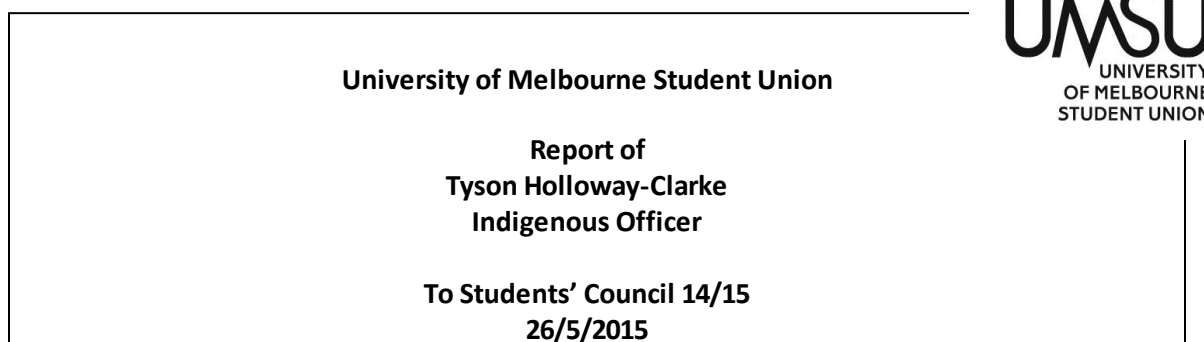
We are to start planning and preparing for our Auslan course running next semester. We plan on having three classes; two level one beginner classes, and one level two class.

#### **Start Planning our Joint event with the Wom\*ns department:**

*In conjunction with Women with Disabilities Australia*

This is an event we hope to run next semester.

#### **Indigenous**



As the semester closes we look back on a fantastic half-year for the Indigenous Department. Reflecting on the semester a great number of projects have been started with great levels of success across the board. The primary focus of the Department over the course of the semester has been student engagement and community building, which has been incredibly successful.

#### **Engagement Projects:**

- Establishment of the Indigenous Arts Collective
  - This collective was responsible for the amazing content found in Under Bunjil and has already established a committee for future publications.
  - Planning for Mudfest contributions. Stay tuned for the exciting projects coming next semester.
- Indigenous Social Events
  - Over the course of the semester this department has held 5 five social events exclusively for the Indigenous Students at UniMelb. These have had a great turnout all up reaching a very high proportion of the total number of Indigenous students on campus.

- Indigenous Games Team
  - For the second time this Department has taken up the job of organising Indigenous Games for the cohort. This has been a tremendous effort and has proven vital for the vertical socialisation of the cohort. This project has been a fantastic way to get first years involved with the department and interested in the other projects the department is running.

#### Building Relationships

- Working with Murrup Barak.
  - There have been both trust and communication issues between the students and Murrup Barak. The Associate Director, Charles O’Leary and I have had many candid conversations about how this relationship can be repaired and the best outcomes can be reached for the students. I am happy to say that Murrup Barak has improved in these areas and placed a great amount of faith in this department to engage with the student body and has also been willing to invest it’s own resources into Union run activities and initiatives, in place of their own projects.

All of these project tied in with the advocacy and education provided by the this Department has led to a fruitful semester. Between now and next semester Indig Games will have been finished and submissions for the second Under Bunjil will have opened. Work will have also started on the many projects we are looking to include in Mudfest, thanks to the amazing work of the Creative Arts Department.

On a final note, the trial for the murder of Joshua Hardy will start tomorrow (the 27th of May) and this will likely be a trying time for this department, for the Indigenous community and the m any people Josh inspired and touched across his amazing lifetime. We encourage the Union to reflect on their own lives and be supportive of the Indigenous cohort during this time. That would include attempting to minimise coverage of proceedings on social media and being respectful of the Trinity College space over the course of the next few weeks. We do not know what will happen but the legal proceedings will likely have a great impact on the wellbeing of the Indigenous cohort and then likely affect final assessments for these students. This Department, the colleges and Murrup Barak will be working together to ensure that students are adequately supported during this time.

#### Media


#### Queer

#### Welfare

**University of Melbourne Student Union**

**Report of  
James Bashford  
Welfare Officer**

**To Students’ Council 15/15  
18/6/2015**



### Food Bank and Food Wastage

The Food Bank has a busy period of demand at the end of the teaching period and now needs to be restocked in time for next semester. After the success of the Food Bank in its first 4 months, I'm hoping to expand it further in the next semester. I've been in touch with the University's furniture re-use service in the hope of finding suitable shelving and storage for the Food Bank and Household Goods Service which could be located somewhere more accessible to students than my office. A possible location for this is the old Uni Store in the Union House Basement (where there are now C&S lockers).

This week I joined Rachel to meet with Trevor White, the MUSUL CEO, to discuss the possibilities of using food wastage from Union House tenants at the end of the day to give to students. There are many good possibilities as well as many challenges to setting this up but the discussion with Trevor was productive and will hopefully see some trial eventuating from it. In this meeting I also discussed my plans for expanding the food bank with Trevor suggesting the current Book Co-Op room as possible location. This is an ideal location which I have been considering, but getting in touch with the Book Co-op (which claims to be part of UMSU) has proved difficult from the start of the year.

In addition to this, I'm working with Comms to create promotional materials for the food bank to raise more awareness. A larger set up for the food bank is necessary before it is more widely promoted, however, as it needs greater capacity to cater for more demand.

### Bookfest and Melbourne Mingle

The Education and Welfare Departments have met with UMSU Intl's Education and Welfare Team and are planning a student bazaar for the start of next semester. This will include a chance for students to re-sell their textbooks, along the model of UMSU Intl's Bookfest, which they stopped running this year.

I've also been working with UMSU Intl to plan a second Melbourne Mingle event. This time we're considering a daytime event with speed friending a likely activity. We'll be using the lessons from the last event to build on its success and hopefully attract a more diverse group of students to participate.

### Wellness @ Melbourne

This week I've also met with Danielle Clayman from Wellness@Melbourne to discuss her plans for Wellness Week, to be held in Week 5 of next semester. I shared a lot of my experience with Stress Less Week with Danielle in terms of what events were successful. At this stage I'm planning on helping organise a carnival day, similar to that held in Stress Less Week, with the obligatory Stress Less Puppies/other cute animals. I'm also collaborating with the Medical Students Society (UMMSS) to co-ordinate their Blue Week with Wellness Week, as they're planned for the same week.

**University of Melbourne Student Union**

**Report of  
Allison Ballantyne & Lucy Curtis  
Wom\*n's Officers  
To Students' Council 14/15  
26/5/2015**

**Key activities:**

**Regular Events**

Our regular events have had quite solid attendance over the past few weeks. In week 10 we had pizza at Wom\*n's Collective and Queer and Questioning QTs in honour of Stress Less Week. We will review all of our events at the end of the semester.

**Sweet Treats in the Wom\*n's Room**

Last week we ran an afternoon tea in the Wom\*n's Room, which featured tea, cakes and biscuits. It was intended to be a relaxing end-of-semester event for students. This event was extremely popular and we were really pleased to see many new faces in the Wom\*n's Room.

**Engagement with colleges**

Over the past couple of weeks we have had meetings with the Presidents of two different residential colleges to discuss the Wom\*n's Department running consent workshops for college students. These meetings were very positive and over the break we are planning to develop a comprehensive and interactive workshop to run at colleges. We have contacted the Safer Community Program for consultation on the content and format of the workshop, and are hoping to meet with them over the next few weeks. We have also contacted the Inter-Collegiate Council, and are planning to attend their first meeting in semester 2 in order to promote our workshop to colleges with which we haven't yet communicated.

**Student Market**

Due to a great deal of interest in the badge-making at Crafternoons in week 10, we have signed up for a stall at the student market in week 12 where we will sell badges made by members of our collective. All proceeds from our market stall will be donated to Safe Steps, the Family Violence Response Centre.

**Anonymous Marking Policy**

In conjunction with the Education (Academic) Department, we have begun looking into the University's policy concerning anonymous marking. At the moment, only exams are subject to anonymous marking. This means that the marking of all other assessments is potentially affected by unconscious gender bias. We are currently looking into other universities' policies and practices concerning anonymous marking.

## **NOWSA**

We are currently processing subsidies for students who applied for financial assistance from the Women's Department to attend NOWSA. We are also organising a gathering for University of Melbourne students who are attending the conference. We are hoping to have this before the end of the semester.

### **List of action points to be completed by next report:**

#### **Establishment of Judy's Punch committee**

As we have received some more solid expressions of interest in Judy's Punch, we are hoping to start putting together a group to work on the editing/design/illustration of the publication over the next couple of weeks.

#### **Planning for semester two**

We have started to look ahead to semester two, and over the coming weeks will make some more concrete plans for our women's networking nights, Women in Higher Education week, campaigns and special panel events/workshops.

## **VCA**

Motion 5: That the OB's reports be accepted en bloc

Mover: Rachel Withers (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

## **6. General Manager's Report**

### **Briefing Paper – Collective Agreement 2016 circulated**

Justin outlined the procedures moving forward with the Collective Bargaining, and the issues that are likely to be raised by the NTEU and MUSUL. Outlined some of the things UMSU would like in the EBA – regarding end of year procedures, and the impact of SSAF negotiations on the timing of the EBA

Motion 6: That the GM of UMSU, President and Secretary act as liaison between UMS and MUSUL and report back to Students' Council as required on these issues

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: Steven Connolly

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

Volunteering Programs Review & recommendations – circulated

Justin outlined the need to develop a more coherent framework for Volunteering, and the need to move ahead to address additional issues regarding the review.

Motion 7: That Students' Council note the Volunteering Program Review Final Report and directs the President, the General Secretary and the General Manager to prepare a response for Council's consideration.

The response should take the form of a proposal that addresses:

- Staffing structure, including Position Descriptions for new or revised roles;
- Draft Policies and other documents required to support the operation of UMSU Volunteer Programs;
- Appropriate budget arrangements;
- Software and infrastructure requirements to support the operation of UMSU Volunteer Programs; and
- Any other issues that are relevant, or require Council's consideration.

The response should be considered by Council in July 2015.

The Volunteering Program Review Final Report should be distributed to UMSU staff and existing Volunteer Program Directors. Initial feedback in relation to the content of the Final Report should be provided to the Presidents, General Secretary and General Manager by July 2.

Mover: Stephen Smith

Seconder: Martin Ditmann

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

1:15pm – Sarina Murray left

### **Occupational Health and Safety**

Justin noted that there had been a hole in the Media Office skirting board, and that the office had to be closed due to asbestos contamination fears. The all-clear has now been given for the office and Editors were allowed back in this morning.

### **Communications & Marketing Statistical Reporting**

Report given out to councillors. Clarification that the data is just data and not really conclusive evidence of anything

1:19 Van Rudd arrived

AV@Melbourne

Redeployment has occurred, with 1 redundancy. Recruitment for the 3<sup>rd</sup> position is going well.

Motion 8: To accept the GMs report

Mover: Rachel Withers (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT



## 7. Motions on Notice

### 9.5 Ratification of Comedy Festival Directorship Appointments

**Preamble:** Following Council's motion creating Comedy Festival Directors, the position was advertising on the UMSU website, the UMSU Facebook page and a wide variety of comedy and UMSU channels and groups. One application was received before the deadline, and a short extension was given which saw five more applications arrive.

A panel consisting of Hana Dalton (General Secretary), Martin Ditmann (nominee of the President), Bonnie Leigh-Dodds (Creative Arts Officer) and Susan Hewitt (Manager, Arts and Entertainment) oversaw the process. After a review of CVs and documentation, an interview process and very significant deliberation, the panel reached a collaborative decision to appoint two of the candidates to the role.

**Motion 9:** to approve the appointment of Ben Volchok and Sarina Murray as the 2015 Comedy Festival Directors, for a term beginning on June 12 2015 and ending on October 31 2015, and set the honoraria at \$1000 plus 9.5% superannuation each taken from the Volunteering budget line.

Mover: Martin Ditmann

Secunder: Hana Dalton

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

### 9.6 Media Department Delegation to Operations Sub-Committee

**Motion 10:** That Operations Sub-Committee be delegated authority to approve expenditure of up to \$15,000 for the printing of Farrago from the Media Department budget line.

Mover: Martin Ditmann

Secunder: Simon Farley

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

## 8. Motions Without Notice

### Student Market Assessment

#### Report to Students Council 18/06/15

UMSU held a Student Market on Monday of Week 12 (May 25th) in North Court, with 32 stalls including 29 independent student stalls, one general UMSU stall, one UMSU department (Wom\*ns), and one UMSU affiliated club (Arts Students' Society).

This report is intended to be only an assessment of the successfulness of the market. I am also putting together a longer report around the **process involved** in organising the market from start to finish, for future OBs' reference. If councillors are interested in reading this, I am very happy to send a copy your way.

#### Costs

Tables, pinboards and clothes racks were sourced from 130 Degrees at no cost (as the event was in North Court; to use them on South Lawn for future markets would mostly likely incur a cost).

Much of the set up was undertaken by a team of volunteers.

The only cost of the market therefore was the 4 hours of casual pay for two UMSU casual staff members passed from Whole of Union (\$112.50) by Operations Sub-Committee.

#### Feedback

15 stallholders completed the stallholder feedback survey.

- ☐ The question of “How do you find being involved in the market?” (1 being extremely negative and 5 being extremely positive) received an average score of 4.73 (with 11 respondents giving a 5 and four giving a 4).
- ☐ Every respondent indicated they would apply to have a stall again if run in Semester 2.
- ☐ 9 out of 15 respondents indicated they would be interested in coming back if there were a \$20 fee to be involved
- ☐ 11 out of 15 respondents indicated they had more than 15 customers, five of whom had over 20
- ☐ “How satisfied were you with the amount of space you received? (1-5)” received an average score of 4.26
- ☐ “How satisfied were you with North Court as a venue? (1-5)” received an average score of 3.93, with some concerns about the amount of foot traffic. I will be investigating other venues for semester 2.
- ☐ “How satisfied were you with the resources you were supplied with? (ie table, clothes racks) (1-5)” received an average score of 4.4
- ☐ “How satisfied were you with the communication before and after the market? (1-5)” received an average score of 3.73
- ☐ Free text feedback included

- Many students expressed gratitude for the opportunity to make some money
  - “A genuine sense of community”, “market vibes”, “Great environment and atmosphere amongst stall holders”
  - “ being able to get my work out and speak to students”
  - Negative feedback was limited, but a few students suggested more publicity, more lead up time, and a little more space next time would be desirable (all of which are useful suggestions that will be taken on board). Students for the most part left the “what did you not enjoy about the market?” question blank.
  - “Relatively low number of passersby due to isolated venue” suggests North Court is not central enough to pick up those who are not connecting with us on social media
- 36 student attendees completed the Student Market Feedback Survey
- ☐ “How did you find the student market? (1-5)” received an average score of 4.28
  - ☐ 35 out of 36 respondents indicated they would come to the next Student Market
  - ☐ 26 respondents found out about the market via the Facebook event, one through a Facebook group, one through signs around campus, five through a friend telling them, two walking past, and one through the Food Co Op

Feedback from the two surveys we ran suggest that this market was a popular activity and a great success.

I intend to run this market again in Semester 2, pending Council’s support.

Discussion from council about the survey, and approximate costs for a South Lawn Venue.

Motion 11: to accept the report and endorse the notion of holding another market in second semester.

Mover: Rachel Withers (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

### **Comedy Festival Directors**

Preamble: Ben Volchok and myself (S Murray) have been appointed Comedy Festival Directors for the inaugural UMSU Comedy Festival. We have blocked out October 5-10 in the second floor and Member’s lounge to showcase performances.

We need a starter fund and we are actively approaching sponsors to give us the money necessary to create something magical. But in the meantime, we don't want to be focusing on the specifics of how much security, cleaning, AV, in union house will cost per hour.

We are in the process of creating both broad and targeted call-outs for performers. One of my personal artistic precursors is creating creative space for people who are usually forced to be on the defensive. Letting people look at their daily aggressions – racism, sexism, homophobia, ableism, etc (UMSU constitution) –and be allowed to explore that with humour BUT also creating performances that get beyond the self-consciousness inherent in having to justify your existence.

We need to spend active time on the ground working with people who are usually about the defensive rather than the offensive.

We need our energy to go there rather than worrying about scheduling security guards, cleaning, AV equipment, etc.

With this contingency fund, we have some security that our approaches to sponsors aren't life or death. The first 4k are pretty much the minimum amount we need to fund AV and security. The extra 5k is the bare threads of what you need to start something amazing. And it *is* a contingency, which is the point of that budget line. We are very confident that we can attract tens of thousands in sponsorship, but in order to start planning we need something in the bank.

Crux: \$2,000 from Whole of Union, \$2,000 from Special Weeks, \$5,000 from contingency fund to support the inaugural UMSU Comedy Festival

Mover: Sarina Murray

Seconder: Pat Dollard

Sarina spoke to the motion, outlining the Directors experience and passion for Comedy. Keenness to create income for UMSU. Sarina is confident in getting over \$20,000 worth of sponsorship from various sponsors.

Discussions surrounding sponsors and the need for such a large output of money if such a large amount of income is expected

Discussion about passing a large amount of money with no notice

Motion 12: To defer the vote on this until the next Council

Mover: Steven Connolly

Seconder: Itsi Weinstock

CARRIED

## 9. Other Business

None

## 10. Next Meeting

TBC

## 11. Close

Meeting closed at 2:15pm

