

University of Melbourne Student Union

Meeting of the Welfare Committee

UNCONFIRMED Minutes

2PM, 5.04.2016

Meeting 5/16

Location: OB Space, Union House

Meeting opened at 2:03pm by Sarah Xia

1. Procedural Matters

1.1 Election of Chair

Motion: That Sarah Xia be elected chair.

Moved: Sarah Xia

Seconder: Marlo Zambelli

CWD

1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So acknowledged.

1.3 Attendance

Office Bearer: Sarah Xia (Welfare Officer)

Committee: Sarah Peters, Isa Pendragon, Destan Dikbas, Marlo Zambelli, Kimberley Chian, Alex Su

1.4 Apologies

None

1.5 Proxies

None

1.6 Membership

No change in membership

1.7 Adoption of Agenda

Motion: That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Moved: Sarah Xia

Seconder: Sarah Peters

CWD

Shujie (Alex) Su arrived 2:05pm

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Motion: That the minutes of the Welfare Committee meeting 4/16 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Sarah Xia

Seconder: Marlo Zambelli

Carried

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None

4. Office Bearers' Reports

See attached.

Motion: To accept the Welfare Officers' report.

Moved: Sarah Peters

Seconder: Kimberley Chian

CWD

5. Motions on Notice

5.1 Stress Less Week Dance Classes

Preamble: Students' Council has passed \$1000 for dance classes with Vanessa Marian, which is held in conjunction with the UMSU Wom*n's Department. We are ticketing for the event at a subsidised \$5 per class and expect that the cost of the classes will eventually be absorbed through the Students' Council motion. Any additional fees will be split between the Welfare and Wom*n's Departments. However, we are paying a base deposit of \$1800 for the six dance classes before all the ticketing is done and need to pass a motion to ensure we can pay the deposit.

Motion 5.1: That the committee pass an additional \$800 from Welfare Regular Events to supplement the Students' Council motion in order to pay for Stress Less Week dance classes.

Mover: Sarah Xia

Seconder:

5.2 Stress Less Week Bouncy Castle

Motion 5.2:

That the committee pass an additional \$80 from Special Project and Events to order a bouncy castle for the Stress Less Week Carnival, to cover the cost of sand bags.

Mover: Sarah Xia

Seconder:

5.3 People of Colour Department Petition

Motion 5.3: That the committee endorses the creation of a People of Colour Department, and endorses the use of the Welfare Department logo and materials for the promotion of a People of Colour Department and related activities.

Mover: Sarah Xia

Seconder:

5.4 Board Games and Equipment

Motion 5.4: That the committee pass up to \$200 from the Regular Events budget line to pay for board, card and other associated games for Welfare department events.

Mover: Sarah Xia

Seconder:

Sarah Xia moved a procedural motion to consider motions 5.1 to 5.4 en bloc.

Procedural: That the committee discuss motions 5.1 to 5.4 en bloc.

Mover: Sarah Xia

Seconder: Marlo Zambelli

Carried without dissent

Sarah spoke to the motions.

Motion: That the committee pass motions 5.1 to 5.4 en bloc.

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Mover: Sarah Peters

Seconder: Kimberley Chian

Carried without dissent

6. Motions Without Notice

None

7. Other Business

Sarah Xia noted that Stress Less Week would be held in the following week, and encouraged the Welfare Committee to attend and volunteer throughout the week. There was general discussion of activities and volunteer tasks.

8. Next Meeting

Wednesday, 20 April 2016 at 11am

9. Close

Sarah Xia closed the meeting at 2:14pm

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Report of

Sarah Xia & Yan Zhuang

Welfare Officers

To Welfare Committee 5/16

5.04.2016

In the past few weeks we've been preparing for Stress Less Week in Week 6. We've established a Facebook event, which has been a great way to get exposure for the special week. We have many events planned, which will be released with our official schedule later in the week. We will be holding a free Zumba class on Monday, 11 April as well as our usual free yoga class on the Tuesday. We are also collaborating with UMSU Activities to bring giant board games and some information stalls to the BBQ on Monday 11 April. The carnival on Thursday 14 April should be a main highlight of the week, with Pets Haven's puppies and a bouncing castle on South Lawn.

We are bringing dance classes to the University of Melbourne, and have ordered six dance classes over Thursday and Friday with the Wom*n's Department. This is a great way to promote fitness in a fun, inclusive environment. Tickets are currently on sale, and we encourage everyone to attend as many classes as they like. These tickets are only \$5 per session, as we've subsidised the classes for students through our departmental and Whole of Union budgets. We have plenty of places left, but we expect that most purchases will be made at the end of this week.

We are currently seeking volunteers to help us run Stress Less Week activities, including collecting donations for Pets Haven, setting up equipment, and holding events such as the BBQ. An email will be sent out later this week with all the volunteer options and details.

We've been holding our regular events to great success, with the Free Breakfast every Thursday attracting a high number of new and returning visitors. Monday Mingle has been going smoothly, and we've enjoyed a consistent turnout. The Food Bank has engaged a high number of students, particularly around the mid-semester break. We are very pleased with the general awareness of the Food Bank, but are looking to make sure students are aware of other options for more long-term assistance.

It's been a very exciting couple of weeks, and we're very pumped for Stress Less Week!