

**University of Melbourne Student Union**

**Meeting of the Welfare Committee**

**UNCONFIRMED Minutes**

**11AM, 5.05.2016**

**Meeting 7/16**

**Location: OB Space, Union House**

*Meeting opened at 11:03am by Sarah Xia*

**1. Procedural Matters**

1.1 Election of Chair

Motion: That Sarah Xia be elected chair.

Moved: Sarah Xia

Seconder: Destan Dikbas

Carried without dissent

1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So acknowledged

1.3 Attendance

**Office Bearers:** Sarah Xia, Yan Zhuang

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

1.4 Apologies

Isa Pendragon

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: Chair (Sarah Xia)

Seconder: Destan Dikbas

Carried without dissent

**2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

Motion: To accept the minutes of previous meeting 2/16 as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Destan Dikbas

Seconder: Sarah Peters

Carried without dissent

**Yan Zhuang arrived 11:05am**

**3. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

None

#### 4. Office Bearers' Reports

See attached.

Motion: To accept the office bearers' report

Moved: Destan Dikbas

Seconder: Sarah Peters

Carried without dissent

#### 5. Motions on Notice

##### 5.1 Non-Parkville Expenditure

Motion 5.1: That the committee pass \$300 from Welfare Regular Events for the running of events and campaigns on non-Parkville campuses, including food, travel and equipment expenditure.

Mover: Sarah Xia

Seconder: Yan Zhuang

Carried without dissent

#### 6. Motions Without Notice

#### 7. Other Business

##### 7.1 People of Colour Department

Sarah noted that an SGM will be held on 24 May 2016 to discuss the introduction of a People of Colour Department.

##### 7.2 End of Semester Activities/Campaigns

Yan noted that the Welfare Department will be holding a donations drive for the Food Bank all day on 18 May 2016 and encouraged everyone to spread word of the event. Alex suggested that the Welfare Department contact colleges to pick up excess food.

##### 7.3 Free Yoga for Semester 1

Kimberley suggested that the Welfare Department hold free Zumba classes. Sarah replied that the department would look into doing that for Semester 2, given the popularity of the free Zumba class in Stress Less Week.

General discussion over extending free yoga into the Swotvac/exam period.

Motion: That the committee pass \$200 for fitness classes in the Swotvac and exam period from the Regular Events budget line.

Mover: Sarah Xia

Seconder: Alex Su

Carried without dissent

#### 8. Next Meeting

11am on Wednesday, 18 May 2016 as per the regular meeting schedule.

#### 9. Close

*Meeting closed at 11:16am by Sarah Xia*

**University of Melbourne Student Union**

**Report of**

**Sarah Xia & Yan Zhuang**

**Welfare Officers**

**To Welfare Committee 7/16**

**6.05.2016**

The Welfare Office has had a very eventful past two weeks, particularly surrounding the introduction of a People of Colour Department.

We were able to successfully prompt a Special General Meeting on 24 May 2016 to discuss the introduction of a People of Colour Department through a petition of over 1% of the student body earlier this week, and we will be working on raising awareness of race issues and representation leading up to the SGM in Week 12.

Rad Sex and Consent Week was held from 2-5 May 2016, and was a great week in promoting greater awareness of sexual health, sexual education and consent. The week saw a number of workshops, as well as a film screening of ‘The Hunting Ground’.

We are preparing for a Food Bank donations drive in Week 11, probably on 18 May 2016 in Mary Cooke A. This will hopefully help us set up Food Bank packs for the semester break and the end of Semester 1! We are also hoping to work with non-Parkville campuses in holding events and campaigns. Sarah is currently developing a brochure for the Werribee campus, and Yan is setting up a Food Bank at Stop 1 in VCA South Bank.

Our regular events are expected to continue into Semester 2, although we will be updating the committee on this at future meetings. Free breakfasts were booked at the start of the year for all Thursday mornings, and will continue at this time slot in Semester 2. We anticipate that we will be requiring North Court more frequently due to wet weather in the colder months, and we’ve booked North Court for each Thursday morning next Semester so that space is not an issue.