

**University of Melbourne Student Union**

**Minutes of the Students' Council**

**Meeting 3/10**

***CONFIRMED***

**5:30PM, 18<sup>th</sup> February 2010**

**Location: MUVT Training Rooms,  
Union House**

**Agenda**

**1. Procedural Matters**

- 1.1 Election of Chair
- 1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners
- 1.3 Attendance
- 1.4 Apologies
- 1.5 Proxies
- 1.6 Membership
- 1.7 Adoption of Agenda

**2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

**3. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

**4. Correspondence**

**5. Office Bearers' Reports**

- 5.1 President's Report

**6. Standing Committee Reports**

**7. Other Reports**

**8. Motions on Notice**

- 8.1 Amendments to the orientation budget line
- 8.2 Media Department Budget
- 8.3 Registration Fee for Presidents' Summit
- 8.4 VCAMSA and Indigenous Committee by-elections
- 8.5 Amendments to Clubs and Societies' Regulation
- 8.6 Changes to University Student Organisations Statute

**9. General Business (Motions without Notice)**

**10. Next Meeting**

**11. Close**

**Meeting opened at: 5:40PM, by President, Jesse Overton-Skinner**

## **Agenda Item 1: Procedural Matters**

### **1.1 Election of Chair**

**Motion 1:** That Jesse Overton-Skinner chairs the meeting.  
Moved: Jesse Overton-Skinner                      Seconded: Lydia Bevege  
**CARRIED**

### **1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners**

#### **1.3 Attendance**

##### Students' Councillors

Kon Moisisdis, Anton Anin, Rachel Barrett, Max Kaiser, Jimmy Jin, Ming Yang Chen, Linda Gao, Frances Lewis, Louis Gregory

##### Office-Bearers

Lucas Smith, Ellena Savage, Rachel Baxendale, Sarah Laing, Ed Yap, Claire Opperman, Miriam Hamel-Green, Esther Bohmer, Piper O'Dowd, Nic Tammens, David Haidon, Lydia Bevege, Jesse Overton-Skinner, David Evans

##### Others

Tim Forster, Dominique Ottobre, Thomas Hopwood, Mark Kettle, Liam Hedge, Matthew Incerti, James Kingston

#### **Absent**

##### Students' Counillors

Suzie Zheng, Tristan Clack, Meredith Treadwell, Kate Turnbull, Paul Hosri, Elizabeth Redman, Chris Summers

##### Office-Bearers

John Shipp, Rudy Hosri, Yoni Cukierman, Josh Anderson, Lloyd McGeary, David Mulholland, Evelyn Daniel, Dan Musil, Jonathan Donagan, Jidah Clare, Shane Woon

### **1.4 Apologies**

##### Students' Counillors

Suzie Zheng, Tristan Clack, Meredith Treadwell, Kate Turnbull, Paul Hosri, Elizabeth Redman, Chris Summers

##### Office-Bearers

John Shipp, Rudy Hosri, Yoni Cukierman, Josh Anderson, Lloyd McGeary

### **1.5 Proxies**

Suzie Zheng to Jimmy Jin  
Tristan Clack to Ming Yang Chen  
Meredith Treadwell to Dominique Ottobre  
Kate Turnbull to Kon Moisisdis  
Paul Hosri to Liam Hedge  
Elizabeth Redman to Tim Forster  
Chris Summers to Max Kaiser

## 1.6 Membership

None

## 1.7 Adoption of Agenda

**Motion 2:** That the motions on notice be amended to as below, and to include motion 8.7 in the agenda:

- 8.1 Media Department Budget
- 8.2 Amendments to the Orientation Budget Line
- 8.3 VCAMSA and Indigenous Committee By-elections
- 8.4 Amendments to Clubs and Societies' Regulation
- 8.5 Changes to University Student Organisations Statute
- 8.6 Registration Fee for Presidents' Summit
- 8.7 Socialist Alternative Posters

Moved: Jesse Overton-Skinner

Seconded: Lydia Bevege

**CARRIED**

### Agenda Item 2: Confirmation of Previous Minutes

**Motion 3:** That the minutes from meeting 2/09, held on Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2009, be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Moved: Lydia Bevege

Seconded: Jesse Overton-Skinner

**CARRIED**

### Agenda Item 3: Matters Arising from the Minutes

None

### Agenda Item 4: Correspondence

None

### Agenda Item 5: Office Bearers' Reports

5.1 Presidents' Report – Jesse outlines her various activities as President since taking office in January, including attending University Council retreat, preparing for O'week, meeting with the provost and attending various University Committee meetings.

### Agenda Item 6: Other Reports

None

### Agenda Item 8: Motions on Notice

#### 8.1 Media Department Budget

**Motion 4:** That Students' Council adopts the proposed Media Department Budget (attached in meeting papers).

Moved: Rachel Baxendale

Seconded: John Shipp

**CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT**

### 8.2 Amendments to the Orientation Budget Line

Jesse Overton-Skinner directs councillors to correspondence between Marisa Simanjuntak (UMSU Marketing Officer) and Justin Bare (UMSU General Manager), contained in the Meeting Papers, which outlines the overspend in the Orientation Line of the UMSU 2010 Budget and gives recommendations as to the redirection of funds.

Max Kaiser raises the issue of the Student Office Bearer booklet, produced by the MUSUL communications department, which he feels is a poor publication. Many councillors and Office-Bearers present agree with his sentiment. Jesse Overton-Skinner agrees to communicate Student Council's sentiments to MUSUL.

Dominique Ottobre raises a query about the discretionary spending of UMSU Office-Bearers in the motion, and asks that if any discretionary spending decisions are made by Office-Bearers, they they are reported back to Students' Council. Office-Bearers who are present agree to do so.

**Motion 5:** That Students' Council approves the redirection of \$2330 inc GST from the Orientation budget line to be spent on the production of signage for all UMSU department stalls, increasing the budget for the VCAM BBQ to cater for 300 instead of 200 people, and any other O'Week related expenses at the discretion of UMSU Office-Bearers, who must agree on such expenses through consensus.

Moved: Lydia Bevege

Seconded: Jesse Overton-Skinner

**CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT**

**6:01pm – Frances Lewis calls for a quorum count. The meeting is declared quorate.**

**6:02pm – Frances Lewis leaves**

**6:04pm – Matthew Incerti leaves**

### 8.3 VCAMSA and Indigenous Committee By-elections

Jesse Overton-Skinner directs councillors to Justin Bare's memorandum, which outlines the need for the by-elections, the plausibility of the UMSU Office Manager being appointed as Returning Officer in the by-elections, an election timetable and an estimate of funds needed to conduct the by-election.

**Motion 5:** That Students' Council:

- directs the Electoral Tribunal to call a by-election for the vacant positions in the VCAMSA Department and the Indigenous Department,
- approves the allocation of \$750 for the administration of the VCAMSA Department by-election from the whole of union fund,
- directs the Electoral Tribunal to appoint UMSU Manager Justin Bare as the Returning Officer of the Indigenous Department By-election.

Moved: Lydia Bevege

Seconded: Jesse Overton-Skinner

**CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT**

**6:06pm – Frances Lewis returns**

**6:07pm – Frances Lewis leaves**

**6:08pm – Frances Lewis returns**

### 8.3 Amendments to Clubs and Societies' Regulation

Louis Gregory queries the reasoning behind Regulation amendment 4.1.1m, Piper O'Dowd (Clubs and Societies Officer) responds that it is to avoid duplication of Clubs with similar interests.

Thomas Hopwood asks to what extent clubs will be determined as duplicates, Piper responds that it will fall to the discretion of the Clubs and Societies Committee.

Louis Gregory raises a query about whether there will be any flexibility about the regulations that require an IGM to have 20 people to be considered quorate, Piper responds that the new Clubs need to have 20 members to be registered.

**Motion 6 [PROCEDURAL]:** That Motions on Notice 8.3 be put to a vote.

Moved: Chair

**FOR: 7, AGAINST: 2**

**CARRIED**

**Motion 7:** That Students' Council adopt the amendment to regulation 4 of the Clubs and Societies Regulations as presented.

Moved: Piper O'Dowd

Seconded: Jonathan Donagan

**CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT**

**Motion 8:** That Students' Council adopt the amendments to Clubs and Societies Grants and Administration regulations as presented.

Moved: Piper O'Dowd

Seconded: Jonathan Donagan

**FOR: 8, AGAINST: 0, ABSTENTIONS: 1**

**CARRIED**

**6:15pm – Frances Lewis leaves**

**\*QUORUM is LOST\***

Discussion continues surrounding Motion on Notice 8.5 – Changes to University Student Organisations Statute.

Lydia Bevege directs councillors to Justin Bare's memorandum, which makes note that the proposed changes are limited to form and will have no substantive impact on UMSU's role or status in the University.

Max Kaiser raises issue with the fact that there is no right of student representation contained in the statute, and suggests that Students' Council directs the UMSU President to raise this matter with the University.

Dominique Ottobre recommends that this motion be considered when Justin Bare is present to give councillors a detailed brief on what the changes entail.

**Meeting closed at: 6:25PM**

**Motions on Notice to carry over to next meeting:**

8.5 Changes to University Student Organisations Statute  
That Students' Council endorses the proposed changes being made to *Statute 15.1 Student Organisations* and proposed new regulation, *15.1R UMSU*.  
MOVED: Jesse Overton Skinner  
SECONDED: Lydia Bevege

8.6 Registration Fee for Presidents' Summit  
That Students' Council approves the payment of the National Union of Students' Presidents' Summit conference, held in Sydney from the 27-29 January, registration fee (\$150) for Jesse Overton-Skinner from the Whole of Union line.  
MOVED: Josh Anderson  
SECONDED: Rachel Lim

8.7 Socialist Alternative Posters  
That both the Socialist Alternative club affiliated to UMSU and the Socialist Alternative organisation be informed that they may not put up posters that state that they are supported or in any way endorsed by UMSU without following due process of seeking approval from Students' Council or relevant departmental committees.  
MOVED: Shaun Khoo  
SECONDED: Kon Moisisdis

**Motions without Notice to carry over to next meeting:**

That the motion on Socialist Alternative Posters not be discussed if the Socialist Alternative voting representative is not present.  
Moved: Frances Lewis  
Seconded: Dominique Ottobre

That Students' Council approve an amount of \$350 for the Farrago O'Week Edition Launch Party, to be held on South Lawn next Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February. This will be deducted from the Special Projects and Events line of the Media Budget.  
Moved: Rachel Baxendale  
Seconded: Ellena Savage

That Students' Council direct the President to lobby the university to include rights to representation within the relevant regulations.  
Moved: Max Kaiser  
Seconded: Rachel Barrett

**Certified by Chair:**

**Signed:**

**Dated:**