

University of Melbourne Student Union

Meeting of the Students' Council

Agenda

12 PM, 8 May 2012

Meeting 8

**Location: MUVT Training
Union House**

1. Procedural Matters

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1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

1.3 Attendance

1.4 Apologies

Sam Vero, Isabelle Kingshott, Sally Ren, Vicky Smith, Steven Burak,
Ayeesha Cain

1.5 Proxies

Sally Ren to Jason Lim > Amy Chen

1.6 Membership

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elected by the Education committee. There will be a full by-election for
the position with the Annual Elections in September. For more
information, please see the minutes of the Education Committee
meeting

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2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

2.1 Minutes of 24th April, 2012

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

4. Correspondence

5. Office Bearers' Reports

- **Secretary (24 April)**
- **President (24 April)**
- **Environment (24 April)**
- **Clubs (24 April)**
- **Media (8 May)**
- **Queer (8 May)**
- **Welfare (8 May)**

- **VCAMSA (8 May)**
- **Wom*ns (8 May)**
- **Education Ac (8 May)**
- **Prez (8 May)**

6. Other Reports

7. Motions on Notice

7.1 Fair Trade Motion (For preamble see below)

Motion: That UMSU supports Fairtrade products on campus.
That UMSU supports the University's decision to seek accreditation to become a Fair Trade University and will assist in meeting the requirements for accreditation.

Moved: Mark Kettle Seconded: Ayesha Cain

7.2 Media Department

Motion: That the following expenditure be approved from the Media Department's budget:

- \$500 for Edition 4 launch party from the budget line Food and Beverage (3622)
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Mover: Seconder:

8. Other Business

9. Next Meeting

Next Meeting on the 22nd of May at 2pm

10. Close

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UNCONFIRMED Minutes

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Meeting opened at 12:13pm

1. Procedural Matters

1.1 Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Mark Kettle be elected chair

Mover: Mark Kettle

Seconder: Steph Field

CARRIED

1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So acknowledged

1.3 Attendance

Students' Councillors: Stephen Smith, Stephanie Met, Esther Bohmer, Madee Clark, Galih Pangetsu, Lachlan Russell, Sarina Murray, Patrick Clearwater, Joanna Jellie, Jason Lim, Mercedes Marsh, Bridie Walsh

Office Bearers: Louis Gregory, Ruthi Hambling, Belinda O'Connor, Kelly Song, Luke Nicholls, Katie Grimmer, Ella Dyson, Steph Field, Jacob Battista, Amy Jenkins, Anna Morrison, Kara Hadgraft

Other: Sally Whyte, Zoe Efron, Nick Kotzman, Richard Willder, Goldie Pergl

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Motion 2: To adopt the Agenda as presented

Mover: Chair

CARRIED

1 Abstention

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

2.1 Minutes of 24th April, 2012

Amy Jenkins requests that it be added that she left at 3:05pm

Motion 3: To approve the Minutes as a true and accurate record

Mover: Chair

CARRIED

1 Abstention - Patrick Clearwater

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

No issue

4. Correspondence

UMSU has received some correspondence for Council, but it hasn't been passed on from the Secretary so it will be dealt with next meeting.

5. Office Bearers' Reports

a. Secretary (24 April)

Not present. Report noted

b. President (24th April and 8th May)

Mark spoke, outlining his work on Student Housing and updated Council on the new 600-700 bed facility in Leicester St. He also spoke about the Universities Smoke Free policy, the splitting up of the Eastern Precinct Student Centre as well as plans for UMSU's new Volunteering program. UMSU's email system is also being transferred over to the Universities system, and Advocacy has hired another Advocate as per the Advocacy tender.

c. Environment (24 April)

Not present. Report noted

d. Clubs (24 April)

Steph spoke, outlining the 22 new club applications received – more than any other year in recent history. She expressed thanks to the C&S Committee for attending the new Clubs' IGM's. The C&S Department also funded a mega event – the Easter Hot Cross Bun giveaway held by the Christian Clubs. She also outlined the new changes to Clubs' constitutions that are allowed under C&S Regulations.

e. Media (8 May)

Ella spoke, mentioning the 3 Editions already completed, with the 4th at printers today. Farrago also now does a SYN Radio program – Bantersaurus, which is really going well. 2 workshops have been

held, with 1 more being held in week 12. Above Water is in production and all Farrago Launch Parties have been a success. Applications to attend the National Young Writers Festival in Newcastle will be opening soon as well.

f. Queer (8 May)

Katie spoke, outlining the department's work on Rad Sex and Consent Week. There were over 30 events, and a performance night, a whole website and zine dedicated to the week. The Queer Department also have been running a survey on peoples experience with Sex Education, hence the need for the week. Other Queer Department events have been running well – with requests to make Girlzone weekly (instead of bi-weekly) and over 80 people attending the showing of the movie "Tomboy".

g. Welfare (8 May)

Kelly spoke, mentioning the positive response and good attendance of the weekly Yoga classes. The Welfare Department will also be initiating a good breakfast/budget cookbook for students. English Language Program events have been a highlight – several tours of Melbourne, including one of Parliament, and an upcoming AFL game visit (Swans vs Richmond at the 'G)

h. VCAMSA (8 May)

Jacob spoke outlining the issues students are encountering with the new Music and Performing Arts courses. VCAMSA are purchasing a new PA system for bands for events down at VCAMSA.

Zoe Efron asks about whether it is easier to hire a PA system from AV@Melbourne.

Jacob outlines the difficulty with logistics in getting the system down there, as well as that they plan to have many events – so financially, it would be better to have their own PA system.

Mark Kettle asks about the name "VCAMSA" – as the faculty is not called VCAM any more, will the name of the organisation change?

Jacob responds that they're looking at the issue within the Committee.

Anna Morrison asks how the Committee is going (as it is newly elected from the recent by-election).

Jacob replies that they've not had a committee recently, so it's going quite well!

i. Wom*ns (8 May)

Amy spoke, outlining the success of Rad Sex and Consent week, particularly mentioning the use of non-changing venues (2nd floor rooms were booked for most events) and the support and organisation given by the Office Bearers. The Wom*ns Committee have decided to pay the outstanding difference for the White Ribbon BBQ Collection tin – a tin went missing at the event, and due to a lengthy wait for a response from the Welfare Department, it was difficult to follow up. NOWSA is in Canberra

this year, but the Wom*ns Office Bearers have concerns about the organisation of the event – the date has been changed recently, so there is discussion about not attending as a department, but supporting students that do want to go. The Wom*ns Department has also run a very successful Self Defence Class.

Zoe Efron asks about the Rad Sex and Consent Week media issues, and the issue of Proof of ID. .

Lachlan Russell points out that any person who is Under 18 cannot have their name published without Guardians consent.

Belinda O'Connor responds – over 18s names can be published though (and apart from an allegation of an under 18yo in attendance all were over 18): look at what has happened to the workshop presenter. We have a duty of care to marginalised students. However this includes u18s so next year additional measures will be taken

Mark Kettle asks where the event in question was held, and if the workshop was advertised clearly.

Belinda O'Connor responds – the event was in the Queer Space, and a description was published everywhere – the website, the zine, at the location. She described the measures taken regarding grievances and complaints – there were grievance officers at every event, and at every event, attendees were asked to email, voice or air their concerns to the presenter, grievance officers or Office Bearers. All avenues of comment were received by attendees.

Mark Kettle asked if there were any complaints received by the Departments or Grievance Officers

Belinda replied that the Departments, Grievance officers had not received any complaints about the event in question.

Mark Kettle added that to date, UMSU had not received any complaints via any media – no emails, not front desk enquiries, no facebook questions.

Belinda O'Connor stresses that the Departments had so much debate about ground rules, trigger warnings etc, and due to this foresight, have had many positive comments, and thanks for the provision of a safe space, free from threatening behaviour.

Katie Grimmer says the only lack of the 'safe space' concept was because people recorded workshops without seeking prior consent.

j. Education Ac (8 May)

Kara spoke, outlining the NUS Quality Survey that is currently taking place. UMSU has the 2nd biggest response to the survey Australia wide, with 400 responses so far.

All students are urged to participate in the survey – as results are given to Universities and the Federal Government, it's a really useful tool for them to argue for greater funding.

Education is also running a Study Support Stall on Thursday outside the Ballieu, providing snacks, coffee and tea for students. Union House Sleepover went really well with 60 attendees. The SRN is waiting for a Staffing Sub-committee to be called, to allocate new positions and Phoebe from Advocacy is attending the next SRN meeting.

Katie Grimmer left at 12:52

k. Education Public (8 May)

Louis spoke, mentioning in particular the Referencing Workshop, and the Forums recently held by the Department. He also outlined the work being done with the Fair Trade Fair and revamping the Counter-course Handbook.

Motion 4: To approve all Office Bearers' Reports en bloc

Mover: Chair
CARRIED

6. Other Reports

Returning Officers Report was not heard – will hear at next meeting

7. Motions on Notice

Fair Trade Motion (For preamble see below)

The University is seeking a accreditation as a Fair Trade

Motion 5: That UMSU supports Fairtrade products on campus. That UMSU supports the University's decision to seek accreditation to become a Fair Trade University and will assist in meeting the requirements for accreditation.

Moved: Mark Kettle Seconded: Ayesha Cain
CARRIED

7.2 Media Department

Money required for Launch Party and publicity for Launch Party. Anna Morrison asked how the event will be promoted – it will be on FaceBook and posters.

Motion 6: That the following expenditure be approved from the Media Department's budget:

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Mover: Anna Morrison Seconder: Stephen Smith
CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

8. Other Business - Motions Without Notice

Motion tabled by Anna Morrison. Discussion surrounding the recent media attention on UMSU and about the SSAF in the media.

Motion 7: That UMSU supports the right of departments to run social and educational events for the benefit of students

Mover: Anna Morrison Seconder: Stephen Smith
CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

9. Next Meeting

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Meeting Closed at 1:03 pm