

University of Melbourne Student Union

Minutes of the Welfare Committee

Meeting 03/10

CONFIRMED

3.30PM, 22nd March 2010

Location: Student Resource Room, 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

- 2.1 Minutes from Welfare Committee Meeting on Monday 8 February 2010

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- 4. Motions on Notice
- 5. Other Business
- 6. Next Meeting
- 7. Close

Meeting opened at: 3.52PM, by Lloyd McGeary

Agenda Item 1: Procedural Matters

1.1 Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Lloyd McGeary takes the chair

Moved: Lloyd McGeary

Seconded: Michael Lewis

CWD

1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So acknowledged

1.3 Attendance

Lloyd McGeary (Welfare Office Bearer), Rachael Lim (Welfare Office Bearer), Dan Musil (Environment Office Bearer), Liz Errol, Jim Smith, Noni Sproule, Michael Lewis, Kar Yan Ng, Chris Lewis.

Absent

Tristan Clack
Mark Kettle
Elizabeth Patterson

1.4 Apologies

Tristan Clack
Mark Kettle
Elizabeth Patterson

1.5 Proxies

Liz Patterson proxies to Liz Errol
Mark Kettle proxies to Noni Sproule

1.6 Membership

1.7 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: That the agenda be adopted.
Moved: Kar Yan Ng Seconded: Michael Lewis
CWD

Agenda Item 2: Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Motion 3 That Minutes from the Welfare Committee Meeting on Monday 8 February be confirmed
Moved: Kar Yan Ng Seconded: Michael Lewis
CWD

Agenda Item 3: Matters Arising from the Minutes

No matters arising from previous minutes

Agenda Item 4: Motions on Notice

Rachael Lim circulated and spoke to the following motions:

Motion 4.1 Reimbursement for Excess Costs on Commercial Toaster and Delivery
That the Welfare Committee reimburse Welfare Office-Bearer Rachael Lim for additional costs on the Commercial Toaster and for its Delivery, to the value of \$82.90 to be taken from the Stationary Budget Line.

Motion 4.2 Reimbursement for Food from Introductory English Language Tutorial
That the Welfare Committee reimburse Welfare Office-Bearer Rachael Lim the amount of \$105.00 from the Workshops Budget Line for the food (pizza) supplied during the Introductory UMSU English Language Tutorial on Wednesday 10 March 2010 for the purpose of promoting involvement of volunteer tutors and students in the program.

Motion 4.3 Reimbursement for Stationary used in UMSU Welfare English Language Tutorials

That the Welfare Committee reimburse Welfare Office-Bearer Rachael Lim the amount of \$17.85 from the Stationary Budget Line for exercise books and pens purchased for students of the UMSU Welfare English Language Tutorial Program.

Motion 4.4 Reimbursement for BBQ Hire for UMSU Free Breakfasts

That the Welfare Committee reimburse Welfare Office-Bearer Rachael Lim the amount of \$60.00 from the Food and Beverages Budget Line for hire of BBQs used on Monday 15 March for Week 3 of the Free Breakfast Program and on Monday 22 March for the International Week Free Breakfast.

Committee members expressed concern with Welfare Office-Bearers not having been reimbursed for a long period, and recommended that this be avoided in the future.

Motion 4.5: That motions 4.1 to 4.4 be moved en bloc

Moved: Lloyd McGeary (Chair)

Seconded: Michael Lewis

CWD

Rachael Lim circulated and spoke to the following motion:

Motion 4.6 Recurring Funding for the Free Breakfast Program Until End of Semester I

That the Welfare Committee approve the expenditure of up to \$600 from the Free Breakfast budget line to be spent from the week beginning 29/03/2010 to week beginning 24/05/2010, excluding holidays, on food judged as required to provide weekly free breakfasts by the discretion of the UMSU Welfare Office Bearers, who must agree on such expenses through consensus.

Committee members express concern regarding \$600 being committed to the remainder of the Semester for Free Breakfasts.

Amendment: That Motion 4.6 reads as 'That the Welfare committee approve the expenditure of up to \$300 from the Free Breakfast budget line to be spent from the week beginning 29/03/2010 to week beginning 26/04/2010, excluding holidays, on food judged as required to provide weekly free breakfasts by the discretion of the UMSU Welfare Office Bearers, who must agree on such expenses through consensus.'

Motion 4.6 Recurring Funding for the Free Breakfast Program

That the Welfare committee approve the expenditure of up to \$300 from the Free Breakfast budget line to be spent from the week beginning 29/03/2010 to week beginning 26/04/2010, excluding holidays, on food judged as required to provide weekly free breakfasts by the discretion of the UMSU Welfare Office Bearers, who must agree on such expenses through consensus.'

Moved: Lloyd McGeary (Chair)

Seconded: Michael Lewis

CWD

Rachael Lim circulated and spoke to the following motion:

Motion 4.7 Funding for Food Expenses for the UMSU Welfare English Language Tutorial Program

That the Welfare Committee approve the expenditure of up to \$50 from the Workshops Budget Line for stationery and food, judged as required by the UMSU Welfare Office-Bearers, at the UMSU Welfare English Language Tutorial Program Educational Television Screening, to be held on Wednesday 31 March 2010 or Wednesday 14 April 2010.

Committee members express concern with the expenditure of \$50 on food and stationery for one English Language Tutorial.

Amendment: That Motion 4.7 reads as 'That the Welfare Committee approve the expenditure of up to \$20 from the Workshops Budget Line for stationery and food, judged as required by the UMSU Welfare Office-Bearers, at the UMSU Welfare English Language Tutorial Program Educational Television Screening, to be held on Wednesday 31 March 2010 or Wednesday 14 April 2010.'

Motion 4.7 Funding for Food Expenses for the UMSU Welfare English Language Tutorial Program

That the Welfare Committee approve the expenditure of up to \$20 from the Workshops Budget Line for stationery and food, judged as required by the UMSU Welfare Office-Bearers, at the UMSU Welfare English Language Tutorial Program Educational Television Screening, to be held on Wednesday 31 March 2010 or Wednesday 14 April 2010

Moved: Lloyd McGeary (Chair)

Seconded: Kar Yan Ng

CWD

Rachael Lim circulated and spoke to the following motion:

Motion 4.8 Funding for Food Expenses of the 'Play With Your Food' Program

That the Welfare Committee approve the expenditure of up to \$100 from the Special Projects Budget Line for food, judged as required by the UMSU Welfare Office-Bearers, to be used to provide free dinners through the 'Play With Your Food' Program on Monday 29 March 2010 and Monday 12 April 2010. This is under the understanding that UMSU Students' Council will deliberate this issue at the next meeting and for food to be judged as required for a particular dinner, a list of ingredients and approximate costs must be provided to the Welfare Office prior to spending, for accountability purposes.

Committee members express concern about the onerous nature of a list of ingredients and approximate costs being provided to the Welfare Office Bearers on behalf of volunteers. Welfare Office Bearers accepted this, but required that names of those volunteering to provide food were given for accountability purposes. Dan Musil also expressed concerns that funding until Monday 12 April was too short a time frame, but reasoned that \$200 would be enough to provide until Monday 26 April 2010

Amendment: That Motion 4.8 reads as "That the Welfare Committee approve the expenditure of up to \$200 from the Special Projects Budget Line for food, judged as required by the UMSU Welfare Office-Bearers, to be used to provide free dinners through the 'Play With Your Food' Program on Monday 29 March 2010 until Monday 26 April 2010. This is under the understanding that UMSU Students' Council will deliberate this issue at the next meeting and the name of the food purchaser will be given to either Welfare Officer prior to purchase."

Motion 4.8 Funding for Food Expenses of the 'Play With Your Food' Program

That the Welfare Committee approve the expenditure of up to \$200 from the Special Projects Budget Line for food, judged as required by the UMSU Welfare Office-Bearers, to be used to provide free dinners through the 'Play With Your Food' Program on Monday 29 March 2010 until Monday 26 April 2010. This is under the understanding that UMSU Students' Council will deliberate this issue at the next meeting and the name of the food purchaser will be given to either Welfare Officer prior to purchase

Moved: Lloyd McGeary (Chair)

Seconded: Kar Yan Ng

CWD

Agenda Item 5: Other Business

No other business.

Agenda Item 6: Next Meeting

Discussion around the desire to set a meeting schedule, but further activity in this regard postponed to allow committee members to send in timetables.

Agenda Item 7: Close

Meeting closed at: 4.49PM

Certified by Chair:

Signed:

Dated: