

**University of Melbourne Student Union  
Meeting of the Disabilities Committee**

**Agenda**

**24<sup>th</sup> April 2pm**

**Meeting 7(18)**

**Location: OB Space**

**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. OB Reports**

**Key Activities**

We are currently in the process of beginning a campaign for greater CAPS funding through collaboration with UMSU's President and Welfare Department. We've had a meeting with Advocacy to discuss best strategy and Hien and I have organised for a Skype meeting with the NUS Disabilities OB to talk about the national campaign and how we can fit into it.

**Progress on assigned actions from last report**

All of our jobs have been submitted to comms for upcoming events.

**Budget Expenditure**

none

**6. Other Reports**

**7. Motions on Notice**

**7.1 Disability Pride**

We want to run a big event on Disability Pride, following on from the small discussion circle we ran during Rad Ed Week and leading into a full campaign. This will happen in late May, and we are booking Jax Jacki Brown to run the event. Her fees for an hour event are \$600, and we estimate that catering and promotion will be up to \$250.

Motion: to pass up to \$850 from budget line 'Special Projects and Events' for Disability Pride event.

## **8. Motions Without Notice**

## **9. Other Business**

### **9.1 Effective Altruism Club**

The Effective Altruism Club has contacted us about their upcoming event with guest speaker Peter Singer. They have said that they understand that he is a controversial figure in the Disabled community, and ask us if we have any requests or concerns for them.

Hien and I are against giving Singer a platform at the university because he has a reductive philosophy that compares vulnerable groups of people to animals in captivity. This is intended to encourage empathy for animals but often reveals a deep ignorance surrounding self-determination in activism and the history of abolitionism.

## **10. Next Meeting**

8<sup>th</sup> May 2pm, OB space.

## **11. Close**