



Indigenous Rep	Serena Rae Thompson	attended	5/8
International Rep	Annie Liew	did not attend	4/8
Graduate Rep	VACANT		

**Office Bearers**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Attended?</b>	<b>Councils attended this year (including this one)</b>
President	Desiree Cai	attended	8/8
General Secretary	Daniel Beratis	attended	8/8
Ed Ac	Alice Smith	did not attend	6/8
Ed Ac	Toby Silcock	attended	5/8
Ed Pub	Conor William James Clements	did not attend	6/8
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Welfare	Cecilia Widjojo	did not attend	5/8
Welfare	Michael Aguilera	did not attend	6/8
Activities Officer	Alex Fielden	attended	5/8
Activities Officer	Jordan Tochner	attended	6/8
C and S Officer	Nellie Seale	did not attend	5/8
C and S Officer	Matthew Simkiss	did not attend	7/8
Creative Arts	Freya McGrath	attended	5/8
Creative Arts	Ashleigh Morris	attended	5/8
VCACC	VACANT		
Media Officer	Jesse Paris-Jourdan	attended	8/8
Media Officer	Esther Le Couteur	attended	6/8
Media Officer	Ashleigh Barraclough	attended	7/8
Media Officer	Monique O'Rafferty	did not attend	7/8
Disabilities Officer	Jacinta Dowe	attended	5/8
Disabilities Officer	Hien Ngyuen	attended	6/8
Indigenous Officer	Alexandra Hohoi	did not attend	5/8
Environment Officer	Callum Simpson	did not attend	6/8
Environment Officer	Lucy Turton	attended	5/8
Queer Officer	Elinor Mills	attended	6/8
Queer Officer	Amelia Reeves	attended	6/8
Burnley Campus Coordinator	James Barclay	did not attend	4/8
People of Colour Officer	Reem Faiq	attended	6/8
People of Colour Officer	Hiruni Walimunige	did not attend	6/8
Creative Arts Officer	Ashleigh Morris	attended	6/8
Womens	Molly Willmott	did not attend	5/8
Womens	Kareena Dhaliwal	attended	5/8

Other: Brad Knight, Georgia Daly, Joshua Bruni, Alston Chu

Staff: Justin Baré, UMSU CEO; Goldie Pergl, UMSU Coordinator – Volunteering and Student Representation; Sarah Black, UMSU Administration Officer

1.1 Apologies

*Councillors: Annie Liew*

*Office Bearers: Alice Smith, James Barclay*

1.2 Proxies

*Jacob Sacher to Katie Doherty (when not present)*

1.3 Membership

*Nicholas Lam has constitutionally vacated the office of VCA Campus Coordinator after missing three consecutive scheduled meetings of Students' Council.*

1.4 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: That the agenda be amended to discuss item 9.1 first, then Reviews, then Office Bearer Recommendations.

Mover: Daniel Beratis (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

### 9.1. CAMP Magazine

The Queer Department is looking to join the Women's Department and the People of Colour Department in having an annual autonomous publication. Titled CAMP, this magazine will highlight queer and trans voices, provide a creative outlet for the LGBTQI+ community, and ultimately just be a beautiful publication that UMSU can be proud of, all while reflecting the diversity of our community. With the Australian Marriage Law Postal Survey only just behind us, the queer and trans community at this university is both still reeling from the deluge of harsh rhetoric that saw a 40% upswing in young queer people seeking mental health support, and loving the rise in numbers of young queer people willing to engage with their community. We think now more than ever it is important for queer and trans students to have this.

When we initially budgeted for it, we were unfortunately operating based on outdated information about printing costs. While we at first believed \$6000 would cover our printing costs, our honoraria for the editors, and all miscellaneous costs arising during production, we're currently looking several grand short. Our quote for 1000 copies – the smallest print run we were considering – was \$7898. Our honoraria for editors is in line with publications like Judy's Punch, adjusted for the number of editors we have – totalling \$1200. Unfortunately, we cannot find all of this money elsewhere in our budget without a strong negative impact on the other services and events we provide – we're of course happy to share the long and boring number crunching with anyone from Council who wants to swing by the office sometime. In summary: we have already folded the end-of-semester party into our launch night in order to save money, our budget for our weekly events and collectives is already struggling with significantly increased turnout over previous years, and we'd have to cancel multiple semester 2 events in order to get the funds entirely from our budget. In terms of timelines, we currently have our three editors and more than a dozen subeditors working away at our chosen submissions in anticipation of a week 12 launch.

Ultimately, we believe this publication is something UMSU is lacking, and we believe that instituting it will reiterate our general commitment as an organisation to supporting queer and trans students.

**Motion 3:** To approve up to \$3000 from the Whole of Union budget line to spend on the publication of the inaugural CAMP magazine, which includes printing costs, payments for editors, and other costs arising during production.

Moved: Elinor Mills

Seconded: Esther Le Couteur

**11:52am – Jacob Sacher arrived**

Elinor Mills spoke to the item and the budget issues, that there may be a need for the Queer Department to reduce the budget for other events by 1/3 to 1/2.

**11:55am – Alston Chu and Kareena Dhaliwal arrived**

Kayley Cuzzubbo proposed to amend the budget to \$5000 from the Whole of Union.

Motion 3: To amend the motion to approve \$5000 from the Whole of Union budget for the Queer CAMP magazine.

Mover: Daniel Beratis (Chair)

CARRIED – Katie abstained

**Council moved in camera at 11:59am**

During this time Council discussed 2 reviews and the CEOs report

**Cecilia Widjojo arrived at 12:11pm**

**Conor Clements arrived at 12:15pm**

Motion 4: To accept the CEO's report and recommendations.

Mover: Daniel Beratis (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

**Council moved out of camera at 12:20pm**

## 5.2 Office Bearer Recommendations

### Media

*We request that the following amounts be passed from the Media budget. Please see our OB report for further information on these requests.*

Description	Budget line	Amount
New lock for cabinet	Special projects and events	\$17.50
Licence: Online Mini - Live Webcasting - Tier B.	Radio Fodder	\$550.00
Two Sennheiser headphones	Radio Fodder	\$217.00
Two camera bags	Radio Fodder	\$149.90
Sony NP-FV50 battery	Radio Fodder	\$59.00
Canon LC-E8E battery charger	Radio Fodder	\$82.50
Sony BC-QM1 battery charger	Radio Fodder	\$79.95
Lens cap	Radio Fodder	\$9.95
Two UV filters	Radio Fodder	\$84.90
Edition three launch party food & drink	Special projects and events	\$500.00

Moved: Jesse Paris-Jourdan  
 Seconded: Ashleigh Barraclough

Motion: To accept the Media recommendations

Mover: Daniel Beratis (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

### Welfare

Cecilia Widjojo spoke to the Welfare recommendations

We are expanding the scope of Stress Less week by collaborating with various departments and hence this could not possibly be funded solely on Welfare budget. We have reached out to various university departments as well, such as Academic Skills, CAPS and Advocacy. On top of that, we are hoping to work with Rowden Library to bring back the therapy dogs. We will also provide council with additional report after all details are finalised.

**Motion:** to pass \$3000 from the Whole of Union budget line to fund Stress Less Week – Week 11.

Kayley Cuzzubbo asked about the breakdown for the \$3000.

Cecilia Widjojo said that there's no exact breakdown of the budget at this time.

Motion 5: To accept the Welfare recommendations

Mover: Daniel Beratis (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

## 2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

2.1. Minutes of Meeting 7(18), for confirmation

Motion 6: That the minutes of meeting 7(18) be accepted as a true and accurate record.

Mover: Daniel Beratis (Chair)

CARRIED, Adriana abstains

**3. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

No matters arising

**4. Correspondence**

No correspondence

**6. Office Bearer Reports**

5.1. Please see the attached document: Office Bearer Reports.

President	Submitted
General Secretary	Submitted
Activities	Submitted
Clubs & Societies	Submitted
Creative Arts	Submitted
Disabilities	Not submitted
Education (Academic Affairs)	Submitted
Education (Public Affairs)	Submitted
Environment	Submitted
Indigenous	Submitted
Media	Submitted
People of Colour	Submitted
Queer	Submitted
Welfare	Submitted
Women's	Late
Burnley	Not submitted
Victorian College of the Arts	Vacant

Desiree Cai spoke to her report regarding the upcoming final design for the new student precinct.

Elinor Mills reminded Student Council about an event held today by the Queer Department, 'Crafts, Beer and Queer'.

Conor spoke about Syndicate and that there has been no reply from the Fair Work Ombudsman.

Toby expressed that as many people as possible should complete the Stop 1 survey.

Alex Fielden noted that the event scheduled on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018, 'Pub Night' will not go ahead.

Kareena Dhaliwal encouraged people to come to The Hunting Ground screening.

Daniel Beratis noted that there will be an AGM next Tuesday.

Discussion around the Student Precinct.

Alex Fielden asked if there will be a space like North Court.

Desiree Cai advised that there will be spaces which may be able to be used as the ones at North Court.

Freya McGrath asked about room bookings in the new space.

Justin clarified that it's still very early in the process but that a governance consultant will be used to determine the ownership of buildings for booking purposes. –

Motion 7: To accept the Office Bearer reports en block.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

8.2. Student Initiative Grant Application, UMMSS St. Vincent's Hospital

Kayley Cuzzubbo enquired whether students pay full SSAF.

Justin Baré advised that they do pay SSAF.

Motion 8: To accept the Student Initiative Grant Application, UMMSS St. Vincent's Hospital

Mover: Daniel Beratis (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

8.3. Student Initiative Grant Application, UMMSS Northern Clinical School

Motion 9: To accept the Student Initiative Grant Application, UMMSS Northern Clinical School

Mover: Daniel Beratis (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

8.4. Student Initiative Grant Application, VCA MCM Initiative

Alex Fielden suggested that the funds should be from the VCA budget

Alice Smith said that the grant is for students from all campuses and should come from SAF.

Motion 10: To accept the Student Initiative Grant Application, VCA MCM Initiative

Mover: Daniel Beratis (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

8.5. Travel and Conferences Policy

**Daniel Beratis cedes chair to Desiree Cai at 12:45pm**

Motion 11: To endorse this policy.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

8.6. Draft, Conflict of Interest Policy

Daniel Beratis noted that this is only a draft and that changes will follow when it's presented to Council at a later date.

Based on the model policy of the charity commission

**Reem Faiq left at 12:49**

Motion 12: To note the draft policy and invite feedback to Daniel Beratis.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

**Desiree cedes chair back to Daniel Beratis at 12:50pm**

## 7. Motions on Notice

### 9.2. Creative Arts Cross-departmental Events

**Motion:** That \$2,000 be passed from whole of union for Creative Arts to facilitate and engage in interdepartmental events.

Including the upcoming collaborations:

Queer Department – Crafts, Beer and Queer (estimated cost \$500)

Women’s department – Stress Less event (estimated cost \$200)

Sexplorations – Scult ya bits (estimated cost \$300)

**Motion:** That \$247.96 be passed from whole of union to cover additional cleaning costs from Mudfest 2017.

Moved: Freya McGrath. Seconded: Elinor

CARRIED

Motion 13: To accept the motion with the second motion removed

Mover: Daniel Beratis (Chair)

CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT

## 8. Motions Without Notice

### 10.1. Supporting joint research project with NUS

The National Union of Students (NUS) is currently lobbying the government cross-benchers on the Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (Student Loan Sustainability) bill. Currently one of the proposals within this bill is the implementation of a HELP loan limit of \$104k, which would price many students, especially at Melbourne University, out of higher education- specifically their postgraduate degrees. Cross-benchers from the NXT and Senator Fraser Anning have expressed interest in amending this legislation in order to review the limit amount so that no student is priced out of higher education as a result of the loan limit being too low. These senators are awaiting research in order to back up an amendment to the bill to raise the loan limit to an amount modelled and based on research.

Because NUS currently is without a research officer, a joint research project has been instigated- involving NUS, CAPA, and a number of different student unions throughout the country who will be most affected should the loan limit be implemented. These unions include UMSU, the GSA, UWA Guild, the MSA (Monash Student Association) and MPA (Monash Postgraduate Association) . NUS is currently working with and obtaining funding from these organisations to support the research project.

As the representative body of one of the universities which will be hardest hit by this legislation should it pass, it seems fair that we support this project and NUS in lobbying on this issue.

Discussion about research to target cross benchers

Kayley asked about the transparency of money spent and given.



It was noted that timelines are tight and this needs to be done as soon as possible.

Motion 14: to pass up to \$4000 from the Campaigns budget line and \$4000 from the Whole of Union budget line in order to support the joint NUS research project into HELP loan limits.

Moved: Desiree Cai.

Seconder: Elizabeth Tembo

CARRIED, Kayley abstained

#### 9. Other Business

Toby submitted a motion without notice.

It was amenable that education is one of the best ways of equalising poverty

Motion 15: To endorse the refugee scholarship

Mover: Toby Silcock  
Smith

Seconder: Alice

CARRIED

#### 10. Next Meeting

*10:00am, Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of May*

#### 11. Closed

Meeting closed at 11:09pm

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