



Graduate Rep	Travis Hughes	did not attend	4/9
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**Office Bearers**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Attended?</b>	<b>Councils attended this year (including this one)</b>
President	Desiree Cai	attended	9/9
General Secretary	Daniel Beratis	attended	9/9
Ed Ac	Alice Smith	attended	7/9
Ed Ac	Toby Silcock	attended	6/9
Ed Pub	Conor William James Clements	attended	7/9
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Welfare	Cecilia Widjojo	did not attend	5/9
Welfare	Michael Aguilera	attended	7/9
Activities Officer	Alex Fielden	attended	6/9
Activities Officer	Jordan Tochner	attended	6/9
C and S Officer	Nellie Seale	attended	6/9
C and S Officer	Matthew Simkiss	attended	8/9
Creative Arts	Freya McGrath	attended	6/9
Creative Arts	Ashleigh Morris	attended	6/9
VCACC	VACANT		
Media Officer	Jesse Paris-Jourdan	attended	9/9
Media Officer	Esther Le Couteur	did not attend	6/9
Media Officer	Ashleigh Barraclough	did not attend	7/9
Media Officer	Monique O'Rafferty	attended	8/9
Disabilities Officer	Jacinta Dowe	did not attend	5/9
Disabilities Officer	Hien Ngyuen	did not attend	6/9
Indigenous Officer	Alexandra Hohoi	attended	6/9
Environment Officer	Callum Simpson	attended	6/9
Environment Officer	Lucy Turton	did not attend	5/9
Queer Officer	Elinor Mills	attended	7/9
Queer Officer	Amelia Reeves	attended	7/9
Burnley Campus Coordinator	James Barclay	attended	5/9
People of Colour Officer	Reem Faiq	attended	6/9
People of Colour Officer	Hiruni Walimunige	did not attend	6/9
Creative Arts Officer	Ashleigh Morris	did not attend	6/9
Womens	Molly Willmott	did not attend	5/9
Womens	Kareena Dhaliwal	attended	6/9

Other: John Hee, Dani Madanayake, Joshua Bruni

Staff: Justin Baré, UMSU CEO; Sarah Black, UMSU Administration Officer

1.4 Apologies

*Councillors: Katie Doherty, Anneke Demanuele, Hannah Buchan, Serena Rae Thompson, Hanady Kaik*

*Office Bearers: Lucy Turton*

1.5 Proxies

*Katie Doherty to Jacob Sacher, Anneke Demanuele to Jade Eckhaus, Hannah Buchan to Dominic Roque Ilagan*

1.6 Membership

Adriana Mells resigned as Disabilities Representative

1.7 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: To adopt the agenda as presented.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

**2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

2.1. Minutes of Meeting 8(18), for confirmation

Motion 3: To accept the minutes with the amendment to the Chair for motion 7. The Chair at that point was Daniel Beratis, not Desiree Cai.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

**3. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

No matters arising

**4. Correspondence**

**4.1. FOI Decision Letter (Education Public, see 5.1.)**

Toby Silcock spoke about the FOI Decision letter. He noted that Education Public won't pursue it further.

*Jacob Sacher entered at 10:14am*

*Alex Fielden entered at 10:15am*

Motion 4: To note correspondence.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

**5. 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	Submitted
Education (Academic Affairs)	Late
Education (Public Affairs)	Submitted
Environment	Submitted
Indigenous	Not submitted
Media	Submitted
People of Colour	Submitted
Queer	Submitted
Welfare	Submitted
Women’s	Submitted
Burnley	Submitted
Victorian College of the Arts	Vacant

Daniel Beratis noted that Media submitted their report one minute before the deadline.

Daniel Beratis also spoke to his report that a VCA Committee meeting is scheduled for the 24<sup>th</sup> of May to decide on the nominations for the next VCA Campus Coordinator.

Toby Silcock spoke to the Education Public report concerning the FOI Decision Letter. He said that by withholding information about complaints made about businesses in the Union House building, Fair Work Ombudsman is protecting them.

Desiree Cai spoke to her report about the Student Precinct, that it’s taking longer to meet but that there will be a meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May.

Desiree Cai also encouraged Council to attend the NTEU Industrial Action at 9am on 9<sup>th</sup> of May.

Kayley Cuzzubbo enquired whether the online module Consent Matters is compulsory for students to complete, as few have done so.

Kareena Dhaliwal clarified that no sanctions are placed on students who do not complete it.

Discussion around how to encourage students to complete Consent Matters.

Kayley Cuzzubbo asked Alex Fielden about attendance at BBQs and Trivia.

Alex Fielden explained that the attendance at BBQs is higher and can be seen by the length of the queue. He said that a lot of advertising of Trivia has happened and that a large turnout is expected, invited Council to attend.

Motion 5: To accept the Office Bearer Reports en bloc.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

**5.2. Please see the attached document: Office Bearer Recommendations.**

Motion 6: To accept the Media recommendation on expenditure.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

*Council moved in camera at 10:26am*

**6. Chief Executive Officer's Report** *(in confidence)*

Justin Baré spoke to his report.

While in camera, Council discussed the Ida Bar and the Disabilities Space.

Motion 7: To accept the CEO's report.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

*Council moved out of camera at 10:49am*

**7. Other Reports**

No other reports

**8. Operational Business**

**8.1. Student Initiative Grant Application, Moovin' Health Rural Ball**

Daniel Beratis mentioned that there was \$15000 allocated to the Grants budget line but it is diminishing fast. Kayley Cuzzubbo enquired about this. Daniel said that a framework for grant applications would be useful to prevent this.

Motion 8: To accept the *Moovin' Health Rural Ball* grant.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

**8.2. Student Initiative Grant Application, Moovin' Health Rural Ball Accommodation**

Kayley Cuzzubbo enquired whether two grants for the same event are permissible.

Daniel Beratis said that he can take this on notice.

Discussion around this grant.

Jessica Miller said that we could move funds across from a different line to pay for grants in the eventuality of exhausting the grant funds.

Toby Silcock spoke about the need to support regional students but also to have a clearer structure for grant allocation.

Catriona Smith said that more information is needed to clarify why there are two grant applications for one event whereas this is not the case for other events.

Motion 9: To move to defer grant 8.2 until more information becomes available.

Mover: Deisree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

**8.3. Student Initiative Grant Application, Rural Clinical School Taste Of Events**

Jacob Sacher enquired whether the applicant for this grant is the same as for 8.1 and 8.2.

Daniel Beratis clarified that it is linked to the placement group.

Motion 10: To accept the *Taste Of Events* grant.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

#### **8.4. Student Initiative Grant Application, *By end of day, Wednesday***

Kareena Dhaliwal noted that they could also apply to the Theatre Board.

Motion 11: To accept the *By end of day, Wednesday* grant.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

#### **8.5. Terms of Reference, People of Colour in the Media Office Working Group**

Motion: That a People of Colour in the Media Office Working Group be set up. The terms of reference are attached.

Moved: Jesse Paris-Jourdan

Seconded: Reem Faiq

Kareena Dhaliwal expressed her support for this motion.

Jesse Paris-Jourdan explained the motion.

Motion 12: To accept the motion.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

### **9. Motions on Notice**

#### **9.1. UMSU Supports the NTEU Strike**

Since February 2017, negotiations have been taking place between University of Melbourne management and local National Tertiary Education Union over the creation of a new Enterprise Bargaining Agreement (EBA). These negotiations have yielded little results, in no small part due to University obstructionism and an inability for their representatives to bargain in good faith. One of the many actions from the University that displays this is their refusal to offer staff a small pay rise as is customary during such a drawn out negotiation process.

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It's important to recognise the effect that some of the changes proposed by the University will have on students, too. The removal of student-to-student ratios, for example, will result in increased class sizes, which means more work for teachers and less time for students to interact with them. Here we can see that there is a clear link between the interests of students, and the interests of staff, which are currently on the line.

With that in mind, NTEU members recently voted in favour of stopping work from 9am-1pm on May 9th, (and attending the Change the Rules rally instead) as a

beginning to pressure the University to back off from their more insidious demands, as well as to begin considering more suggestions from the NTEU. This strike action needs to support of both staff and students if it is to succeed.

Motion:

1. UMSU supports the NTEU and University staff in fighting for fairer conditions at the University of Melbourne.
2. UMSU will stand in solidarity with all NTEU industrial action that is taken to improve the terms of their EBA.
3. Students' Council directs Office Bearers and Councillors to attend and participate in the NTEU action on Wednesday the 9th, 9am, at gate 4 (Monash Road Entrance), and join the NTEU/UMSU contingent to the Change the Rules Rally (from 10am-1pm that same day) unless they have work, significant personal reasons, or classes for which both their attendance would be marked and attendance is required under the handbook.
4. Student's Council directs office-bearers to use their department social media channels, opportunities at events, and other means within their responsibilities to publicise and inform students about why we should stand in solidarity with staff in their industrial action, and encourage them not to attend classes, and to attend rallies or picket lines.

Moved: Conor Clements

Seconded: Toby Silcock

Conor Clements spoke to this motion and expressed that Education would like to see as many Office Bearer's and Councillors as possible.

Toby Silcock said that it is an important rally for the Union movement and that the Student Union should support the NTEU.

Melinda Suter stressed the importance of leading by example.

Toby stressed that UMSU should be supporting the NTEU strike.

Alexander Fielden said that he will not be attending the strike as he has class, and that while he supports the motion, his obligation is to attend class.

Joshua Bruni said that the word "directing" is too strong and that it should be "encouraging" instead.

Procedural motion to move to a vote.

Mover: Dominic

NOT CARRIED

Amelia Reeves noted that accessibility issues can hinder attendance.

Conor Clements said that people should not feel bad if there are accessibility issues in attending the strike and that use of the word "direct" was not meant to incite controversy.

Melinda Suter said that she believes it shouldn't just be a talk shop at the Union, that this motion is to stop people to say they support the strike while simultaneously not attending it. She expressed displeasure about personal interests outweighing collective student interests.

Procedural to limit speaking time to 30 seconds.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

Procedural to close the speaking list.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

Alex Fielden asked that Melinda refer to him by name and that her comments were passive aggressive.

Catriona Smith said that it's unfair to shame someone for not going to the strike.

Callum Simpson said that it's unfair to request people to go.

Alex Fielden said that the term "direct" places obligations on Office Bearers and Councillors and that to amend the motion to say "strongly request" would treat Office Bearers and Councillors as self-policing individuals. He emphasised that he'd like assurance that no sanctions will be imposed if Office bearers and Councillors do not attend the strike.

Toby Silcock said that he is open to changing the motion to add "accessibility reasons" but that striking the term "direct" is not amenable.

Joshua Bruni said that Councillors act autonomously at the end of the day and should not be told to do something.

Melinda said that no one has a chain around their neck but that the strike is unanimously perceived as a good thing but that elected student representatives are now defending not attending the strike.

Procedural to move to a vote.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

Motion 13: To amend the motion to change the wording "directly" to "strongly encouraged".

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

MOTION LOST

Kareena Dhaliwal asked about the logistics of class attendance and the strike.

Conor Clements said that it's best to clarify with the tutor.

Motion 14: To accept the motion with the amendment to include "accessibility reasons" with regards to non attendance.

Mover: Desiree Cai (Chair)

CARRIED

## 10. Motions Without Notice

None

## 11. Other Business

None

## 12. Next Meeting

*11:30am, Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup> of May*

## 13. Close

Closed at 11:29am



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