

University of Melbourne Student Union

Meeting of the Students' Council

Minutes

1:00pm, the 19th of June, 2018

Meeting 11(18)

Location: Training Room 1, Third Floor, Union House

Meeting declared inquorate at 1:30pm.

1. Procedural Matters

- 1.1 Election of Chair
- 1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners
- 1.3 Attendance
- 1.4 Apologies

Councillors: Katie Doherty, Hannah Buchan, Rajan Dominic Roque Ilagan, Anneke Demanuele

Office Bearers: Conor Clements

- 1.5 Proxies

Katie Doherty to Catriona Smith, Hannah Buchan to Noni Bridger, Rajan Dominic Roque Ilagan to Horace Wong, Anneke Demanuele to Melinda Suter

- 1.6 Membership

Annie Liew has resigned as International Representative on Students' Council.

- 1.7 Adoption of Agenda

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

- 2.1. Minutes of Meeting 10(18), for confirmation

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- 3.1. Meeting 10(18), Ratification
- 3.2. Student Initiative Grant Application, Rural Ball Accommodation

4. Correspondence

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)	Submitted
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

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

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

6.1. Financial Reports, May 2018

6.2. Response, Rowden White Library and Arts Programs Review Report

7. Other Reports

8. Operational Business

8.1. Leave, Cecilia Widjojo

19 June to 2 July

8.2. Student Initiative Grant Application, WILDFIRE Bendigo Ball

8.3. Student Initiative Grant Application, MY Talent

8.4. Student Initiative Grant Application, RMH

9. Motions on Notice

9.1. Use and Control of Student Data Working Group

9.2. Oppose the Far Right and its Sympathisers, Boycott Arcadia

10. Motions Without Notice

10.1. Support the NTEU, Support the Library staff

11. Other Business

11.1. Students of Sustainability 2018

12. Next Meeting

TBA

13. Close

9.1. Use and Control of Student Data Working Group

Motion: That the UCSDWG be established.

Moved: Toby Silcock

Seconded: Alice Smith

9.2. Oppose the Far Right and its Sympathisers, Boycott Arcadia

Platform:

1. That this student council reasserts its constitutional commitment to standing in opposition to militarism, nationalism, and discrimination on the basis of race, colour, sex, gender identity, religion, and national or social origin
2. This student council notes that the aims, and ideals of far-right, and fascist groups are in fundamental opposition to the aforementioned constitutional commitments.
3. That this student council condemns the Australian Liberty Alliance (ALA)'s far-right politics,
4. That this student council condemns the ALA's choice to nominate for the seat of Caulfield an associate of far-right figures including a man convicted of the anti-semitic harassment of a Rabbi, gangs associated with far-right ultraviolence, figures who have called in public fora for pictures of Hitler to be displayed in every Australian classroom, as well as self-professed neo-nazis.
5. That this student council notes the owner of the Arcadia Hotel in South Yarra has noted public sympathies for the ALA, and its politics, and has routinely hosted events for the ALA.
6. That, due to the Arcadia Hotel's links to far-right groups, this student council imposes a rolling boycott upon any future association with or use of the facilities of the Arcadia Hotel, and calls upon its constituent clubs, and societies, and all students to take the same stance in principled opposition to the far-right, and in solidarity with all students under threat from the spectre of racism, anti-semitism, sexism, queerphobia, transphobia, ableism, and militarism

Moved: Andie Moore

10.1. Support the NTEU, Support the Library staff

Preamble:

1. Staff at the University of Melbourne have been in a bargaining period with the university administration for many months now.
2. The university is seeking to undermine pay and conditions, whilst attacking the ability of staff to collectively fight together by separating the academic and professional staff.
3. Unimelb staff have already taken strike action against the intractable university administration. This strike garnered a lot of support from staff and was one of the largest staff demonstrations in a decade at Melbourne Uni.
4. NTEU members voted to implement bans on overtime and collecting money from students, among other things, at a recent members meeting.
5. Library staff have started to implement a ban on collecting fines for overdue library books.

Platform:

1. UMSU unreservedly supports staff and members of the NTEU in their battle against an administration that is constantly sacking staff, winding up departments and seeking to cut costs in order to line its own pockets.
2. UMSU supports industrial action taken by staff at the university.

3. UMSU applauds the action of the library staff in refusing to collect money for fines.
4. UMSU recognises the need for solidarity between staff and students.
5. UMSU reaffirms its support for industrial action, and will support any future strikes or bans by NTEU members.

Action:

1. Students council will take a photo of solidarity with the NTEU members currently undertaking bans on overtime and collecting money.
2. The UMSU president will write and release a press statement in support of the NTEU members.
3. UMSU will publicise the industrial action being taken by NTEU members through its social media channels.

Moved: Anneke Demanuele