

University of Melbourne Student Union
Meeting of the Operations Sub-committee
Confirmed Minutes
11:00am, the 24th of August, 2018
Meeting 15(18)
Location: OB Space, Level One, Union House

Meeting opened at 11:01am.

1. Procedural Matters

1.1 Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Daniel Beratis be elected Chair.

Moved: Daniel Beratis

Seconded: Katie Doherty

Carried without dissent

1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

1.3 Attendance

Committee: Noni Bridger, Hannah Buchan, Katie Doherty, Dominic Roque Ilagan

Others: Daniel Beratis, Jacinta Dowe, Elinor Mills, Amelia Reeves

1.4 Apologies

1.5 Proxies

1.6 Membership

1.7 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Moved: Chair

Carried without dissent

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

4. Operational Business

5. Motions on Notice

5.1. Leave Applications

Motion 3: That the leave applications be approved en bloc.

Moved: Chair

Carried without dissent

5.2. Indigenous Welcome to Country

Motion 4: That the motion be agreed to.

Moved: Chair

Carried without dissent

5.3. Law Lecture Recordings

Motion 5: That the motion be agreed to.

Moved: Chair

Carried without dissent

5.4. NUS Disabilities Conference

Motion 6: That the motion be agreed to.

Moved: Chair

Carried without dissent

6. **Other Business**

7. **Next Meeting**

8. **Close**

5.1. Leave Applications

That the following leave applications be approved.

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| Esther Le Couteur | 3 rd – 7 th September |
| Monique O’Rafferty | 3 rd – 7 th September |
| Ashleigh Barraclough | 3 rd – 7 th September |
| Michael Aguilera | 3 rd – 7 th September |
| Jordan Tochner | 3 rd – 7 th September |
| Hiruni Walimunige | 3 rd – 7 th September |
| Hilary Ekins | 3 rd – 7 th September |
| Alex Fielden | 3 rd – 7 th September |
| Daniel Beratis | 3 rd – 7 th September |

5.2. Indigenous Welcome to Country

That up to \$1,000 be passed from Whole of Union to pay for a Welcome to Country on the 28th of August.

Moved: Daniel Beratis

Seconded: Amelia Reeves

5.3. Law Lecture Recordings

Education is starting a joint campaign with the GSA to get lectures recorded at Law. Our petition is launching soon, and we’re also planning a student forum on the issue Tuesday 29th August. We’d like to print some posters and possibly other materials for the campaign in the coming weeks. This covers that expenditure. At the moment, the planned expenditure is posters for a law school poster run. We may do flyers, however this isn’t certain. For that reason we’ve kept the amount small compared to other campaigns.

Motion: That \$400 be moved from the Printing budget line of the Education budget to pay for printed posters, and additional collateral, respecting the campaign to get lectures recorded in the JD.

Moved: Noni Bridger

Seconded: Katie Doherty

5.4. NUS Disabilities Conference

The National Union of Students (NUS) Disability and Accessibility Conference will be held at Monash University (Clayton) over the weekend of 28th to 30th September 2018. Considering the current political climate where disabilities rights have been constantly under attack due to budget cuts and slashing support services, it is important that students with disabilities come together to organise and advocate for ourselves.

As UMSU Disabilities OBs, we (Hien Nguyen and Jacinta Dowe) would like to go to the conference to represent the population of students with disabilities at the University of Melbourne which include both of us. However we are both unable to go without financial assistance. The costs for attending the conference are:

With Accommodation: \$76-167

We need to get accommodations for Friday and Saturday nights because 1) the conference starts at 9 AM on Saturday and 2) traveling to Monash Clayton campus using public transport during weekend takes up to 2 hours and 7 minutes from Hien's place, and up to 2 hours and 16 minutes from Jacinta's place.

We understand that the official UMSU Student Travel and Conference Attendance policy states that "accommodation subsidies for a travel event or conference entirely held in metropolitan Melbourne with activity (formal or informal) occurring entirely within business hours, unless that is part of a set conference registration fee." are non-allowable expenses. However 1) the conference is outside of the 9-5 Monday-Friday business hours and 2) our disabilities make it very difficult to use public transport before 11 AM and for long distance, so we want to keep the number of trips taken to a minimum and travel to Monash Clayton campus on Friday night instead of Saturday morning, and stay in Clayton for Saturday night instead of travelling home and travelling back on Sunday morning.

We will each provide a report on the conference for the Disabilities Committee within one month after the conference ends.

Motion: To pass up to \$246 from the Disabilities Department's budget line 'Grants' for Hien Nguyen and Jacinta Dowe to attend the NUS Disability and Accessibility Conference (2 tickets including accommodations for 2 nights).

Moved: Jacinta Dowe

Seconded: Amelia Reeves