

University of Melbourne Student Union



Minutes of the Clubs & Societies Committee

Meeting 20/12

CONFIRMED

2:00 PM, 22/11/2012

Location: OB Meeting Space, 1st Floor Union House

Agenda

1. Procedural Matters

- 1.1. Election of Chair
- 1.2. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners
- 1.3. Attendance
- 1.4. Apologies (Yitong Wang)
- 1.5. Proxies
- 1.6. Membership
- 1.7. Adoption of Agenda

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes (1/11/2012)

2A CAKE Club AGM

2B Chocolate Lovers Club AGM

2C Heavy Metal Club Training Issue

2D Socialist Alternative Issues

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- 3.1. Income Tax
- 3.2. Regulations (Amendments to 6.1.i&j 1.c&d)
- 3.3. Orientation 2013
 - 3.3.1. Ballot & Stage 2 Information
- 3.4. Mailboxes
- 3.5. Online Projects
- 3.6. City of Melbourne SFH
- 3.7. UniCard System
 - 3.7.1. Deferred Grants
- 3.8. Resources Room
- 3.9. CMG Audit

4. Petitions to Discipline

- 4.1. Socialist Alternative
- 4.2. Klubo De Esperanto
- 4.3. Inquorate AGMs
 - 4.3.1. Multi clubs
 - 4.3.2. Chocolate Lovers Society
- 4.4. Incomplete AGM documents
- 4.5. Training not attended
 - 4.5.1. 23+ Correspondence
 - 4.5.2. MSLE Correspondence
 - 4.5.3. Fotoholics Correspondence
 - 4.5.4. UNICEF Correspondence

5. Reports

- 5.1. Officers
- 5.2. Committee

6. Correspondence

- 6.1. Justin Bare (Mailboxes & UniCard)
- 6.2. Greta Heywood (SFH)
- 6.3. Geomatics Society Grounds Booking 26/10

7. Payments

- 7.1. Training (for the remainder of 2012)
 - 7.1.1. Materials (\$450 to SmallPrint 03 60 605 3161)
 - 7.1.2. SouthWest Training Services (\$1600 from 03 60 605 3161)
- 7.2. Start-Up Payments (\$100 from 03 60 605 3839)
 - 7.2.1. Solidarity Student Club
 - 7.2.2. Campus Refugee rights Club
 - 7.2.3. New Zealand Student Society
 - 7.2.4. Poker Club
 - 7.2.5. Mechatronics Society
 - 7.2.6. Exploring Cultures Through Food
 - 7.2.7. Music Interest Club

8. New Clubs

- 8.1. Recommendations for Affiliation
 - 8.1.1. Apollo Health Music Society
 - 8.1.2. Classics and Archaeology Students Society

8.1.3. Amnesty International

8.2. Almost Professional Printmakers League

8.3. Mauritian Students Society

9. AGM Processing

10. Other Business

10.1. Book Club grant alterations

10.2. Heavy Metal Club grant alterations

10.3. Graduate Careers Fair

10.4. Handover Meeting

11. Next Meeting (time, date)

12. Close

Meeting opened at: 2:05 PM, by Quinn Oakley

Agenda Item 1: Procedural Matters

1.1 Election of Chair

Motion 1: That Quinn Oakley be elected as Chair.

Moved: Quinn Oakley

Seconded: Steph Field

CWD

1.2 Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

So Acknowledged

1.3 Attendance

C&S Officers: Quinn Oakley, Steph Field

C&S Committee: Tom Walker, Cassie Lutzko, Patrick Clearwater, Yitong Wang, Chris Heath, Marie Kelly

UMSU Administration and Projects Officer (minute taker): Goldie Pergl

C&S Committee 2013 elect: Tom Hayes

Socialist Alternative Representatives: Steph Price, Jade Eckhaus, Phoebe Kelloway

Heavy Metal Club Representative: Nick Robinson-Griffith

Consistently Amazing Kitchen Endeavours Representative: Ai Tran

Chocolate Lovers Society Representative

1.4 Apologies

Erin Morton, Yitong Wang

1.5 Proxies

Nil

1.6 Membership

No Change

1.7 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2: That the agenda be adopted with the addition of Items “2 A - CAKE Club AGM”, “2 B - Chocolate Lovers Club AGM” and “2 C - Socialist Alternative Issues” after Item 2

Moved: Chair

CWD

Agenda Item 2: Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Motion 3: To confirm the previous minutes (1/11/12) as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Moved: Patrick Clearwater

Seconded: Tom Walker

CWD

Agenda Item 2A - CAKE Club AGM

There was discussion surrounding quorum and the reasons that the AGM was inquorate
Steph Field would like to allow them to amend their membership list
Decided that their grants could be suspended until then

Action: Steph Field to send attendance list

Formal decision is postponed until relevant item of business is reached

CAKE Representatives left

Agenda Item 2B - Chocolate Lovers Club AGM

Steph Field suggests that the club track down the attendees
Grants for O'Week were discussed – The club has two weeks to track down these members

Action: Steph Field to send attendance list to the club

Formal decision postponed until relevant item of business is reached

Chocolate Lovers Society Representative left

Procedural Motion: To insert additional point of business “2C - Heavy Metal Club Training Issue” above the current 2C, renumbering accordingly

Moved: Patrick Clearwater

CWD

Agenda Item 2C - Heavy Metal Club Training Issue

Nick missed the training due to a meeting with his supervisor
Has done Treasurers Training at other Universities
Other committee members of the club have attended the training
There was only one opportunity to attend due to the restructure of the committee very late in the year

Formal decision will be postponed until relevant item of business is reached

Heavy Metal Club Representative left

Agenda Item 2D - Socialist Alternative Issues

New correspondence circulated

Correspondence was read by the C&S Committee

Procedural Motion: That representatives from Socialist Alternative have a maximum of 10 minutes to speak to the correspondence

Moved: Steph Field

CWD

Phoebe Kelloway states that:

- Socialist Alternative have not been given a fair go by the C&S Committee
- The actions of the C&S Committee are politically motivated and based on anecdotal evidence
- The actions of the C&S Committee have been procedurally unfair
- The club denies that they have broken Union House Rules
- Apart from herself, none of the people mentioned in the security report were at the events in question

Jade Eckhaus states that:

- There was a lack of transparency towards the club
- There was an “evidence fishing expedition”
- That it is clear there has been a long-term witch-hunt
- That Student’s Council Members have asked them about a supposed vendetta against their club
- That there is not sufficient evidence for discipline

Procedural Motion: To move the meeting in camera with the exception of Goldie

Moved: Melinda Keys

CWD

Discussion around anecdotal allegations.

Questions for SA – Why Louise O’Shea is denied as a member.

Procedural Motion: To move the meeting out of camera

Moved: Quinn Oakley

CWD

Tom Hayes, Phoebe, Jade and Steph Price return

Chris – If Louise O’Shea is not a member then why did she represent your club to this committee?

Jade – Compares this association to that of John Howard being “associated” with the Liberal Club, yet the Liberal Club is not responsible when his actions are in breach of the UMSU Constitution.

Chris – Explains the procedure of disciplining the club. The decision will be made in camera and no further discussion will be allowed, the same as any other club.

Procedural Motion: To move the meeting in camera with the exception of Goldie

Moved: Chris Heath

CWD

Three options for discipline

- 1 – Disaffiliation
- 2 – Probation

3 - No Action

Discussion occurs around the documents tabled and the possible options.

The documents represent a substantial response, disappointing that it was so delayed and submitted an hour before this meeting.

Discussion around the level of evidence provided by both sides, decided that option 1 is untenable.

Motion 3: To withdraw Petitions 1, 3 & 4 from Meeting 17

Moved: Chris Heath

Seconded: Tom Walker

CWD

Further discussion about the evidence presented and the options available.

Motion 4: To place Socialist Alternative on Probation for 12 months under Regulation 6.1.n

Moved: Chris Heath

Seconded: Tom Walker

CARRIED, Melinda Keys abstains

Official decision of the committee is thus:

That the security reports of the incidents occurring are credible and merits action being taken where appropriate. On the basis of documents provided C&S Committee determines that the involvement of members and associates of Socialist Alternative does not warrant more severe action than probation.

Procedural Motion: To move the meeting out of camera

Moved: Tom Walker

CWD

Cassie Lutzko leaves at 3:57PM, proxies to Marie Kelly

Tom Hayes and the representatives from Socialist Alternative return

Chris outlines the decision

Phoebe Kelloway – Does this mean that Clubs which J Ali is involved with will get similar treatment? Any disciplinary action should be applied equally to her as all complaints have included her.

Patrick Clearwater – We will also be advising Union House Security that non-students who are involved in such incidents should be referred to the University and potentially excluded from campus.

Steph Price – What about J Ali, also a main protagonist

Steph Field – Clubs that she is involved with were not affiliated until last meeting and they have not been subject to any complaints. We address any such complaints when and if they are received.

Chris Heath – Explains probation

The representatives from Socialist Alternative depart 4:09PM

Agenda Item 3: Matters Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Income Tax

No action as yet

3.2 Recommendations to Students Council

3.2.1 Regulation Amendment 6.1.i&j, 1.c&d

Council was again inquorate, Council meeting tomorrow has some hope

3.3 Orientation

The ballot has been held and the clubs have been allocated. They are currently booking their events.

3.4 Mailboxes

Correspondence to Justin re: mailboxes was noted

3.5 Online Projects

No developments

3.6 City of Melbourne & Food Handling

Correspondence to Greta noted

3.7 Unicard System

Correspondence to Justin, no reply as yet

3.7.1 Deferred grants

Motion 4: That the joint grant for a card printer remain deferred

Moved: Patrick Clearwater

Seconded: Quinn Oakley

CWD

3.8 Resource Room

No developments as yet – MUSUL project

3.9 CMG Audit

No actual receipt, current Treasurer doesn't know about.
It was the last committee and they can't do it again.

NFA

Agenda Item 4: Petitions to discipline

4.1 Socialist Alternative

Dealt with

4.2 Klubo de Esperanto

Motion 5: To disaffiliate Klubo de Esperanto on grounds 6.1.a with relation to regulations in section 5.2 - Annual General Meeting

Moved: Chair

CWD

4.3.1 Inquorate AGMs & Incomplete Papers

Motion 6: To withdraw the petitions to suspend grants against:

Australia Youth Climate Coalition

Student Life

Infinite Images

Filipino Students Association

Computer Students Association

Oxfam Group

Australian Red Cross Club

Fotoholics

Chinese Culture Society

Environments Students Society
Australia-China Youth Association

Moved: Chair

CWD

Motion 7: To suspend the grants of the Friends Of Unnatural Llamas and Consistently Amazing Kitchen Endeavours on grounds 6.1.a (failing to fulfil obligations under the regulations) with relation to regulation in section 5.2 Annual General Meeting until the AGM paperwork is complete and quorate or a quorate SGM is held to ratify the decisions of the AGM, or 12 months.

Moved: Chair

CWD

4.3.2 Chocolate Lovers Society

Motion 8: To suspend the grants of the Chocolate Lovers Society on grounds 6.1.a (failing to fulfil obligations under the regulations) with relation to regulation in section 5.2 Annual General Meeting until a quorate SGM is held to ratify the decisions of the AGM, or 12 months.

Moved: Steph Field

Seconded: Marie Kelly

CWD

4.4 CAKE

Dealt with

4.5 Training not attended

All clubs that attended petition lapses

Heavy Metal Club

Legitimate excuse, they have people who know how to run the club.

Petition should lapse

23+ Club

Acting Treasurer has done training

Petition should lapse

MSLE

Legitimate Excuse

Petition should lapse

Fotoholics

Definitely there, though may not have been paying attention if he was on his phone

Petition should lapse

UNICEF

Petition should lapse

Motion 9: That the petitions against the Heavy Metal Club, 23+ Mature Age Students Club, the Melbourne School of Land and Environments Club, the Fotoholics Club, the UNICEF Club, the African Club, the China Rural Education Initiative, the Chinese Debating Group, the Coffee Appreciation For Enthusiasts Club, Habitat For Humanity and Thinking Cap be withdrawn.

Moved: Chair

CWD

Motion 10: That the grants of the Cantonese Students Association, Masters of Urban Planning Students Society, the Melbourne University Property Students Society, Students Playing Go and the Korean Christian Group be suspended for 12 months or until compulsory training has been attended on grounds 6.1.p

Moved: Tom Walker

Seconded: Marie Kelly

CWD

Motion 11: To officially direct all clubs with non-compliant training to attend the first available training sessions in 2013

Moved: Marie Kelly

Seconded: Tom Hayes

CWD

Agenda Item 5: Reports

5.1 Officers

Verbal report – meeting papers, running the office and AGM processing

Motion 12: To accept the Officers Report

Moved: Tom Walker

Seconded: Tom Hayes

CWD

5.2 Committee

Patrick did cover sheets

Agenda Item 6: Correspondence

6.1 Justin Bare

Considered

6.2 Greta Haywood

Considered

6.3 Socialist Alternative

Dealt with

6.4 Geomatics Society Grounds Booking

Motion 13: To rescind Motion 15 as it pertains to the Geomatics Society from Meeting 19

Moved: Patrick Clearwater

Seconded: Chris Heath

CWD

Motion 14: To retrospectively approve the Geomatics Society grant from the last round of grant approvals

Moved: Patrick Clearwater

Seconded: Chris Heath

CWD

Agenda Item 7: Payments

7.1 Training

Motion 15: To approve the Training payments (\$450 to SmallPrint and \$1600 to South West Training Services) from budget line 03 60 605 3161 en bloc

Moved: Chair

CWD

7.2 Start up payments

Motion 16: To approve start up payments of \$100 each from budget line 03 60 605 3839 to the following clubs:

Solidarity Students Club

Campus Refugee Rights Club

New Zealand Students Society

Poker Club
Mechatronics Society
Exploring Cultures Through Food
Music Interest Club

Moved: Chair
CWD

Agenda Item 8: New Clubs

8.1 Recommendations for affiliation

8.1.1 Apollo Health Music Society

Motion 17: To affiliate the Apollo Health Music Society to UMSU

Moved: Tom Walker Seconded: Tom Hayes
CWD

8.1.2 Classics & Archaeology Students Society

Motion 18: To affiliate the Classics & Archaeology Students Society to UMSU

Moved: Patrick Clearwater Seconded: Marie Kelly
CWD

8.1.2 Amnesty International

Motion 19: To affiliate the Amnesty International Club to UMSU

Moved: Chair
CWD

8.2 Almost Professional Printmakers League

Deferred until complete paperwork

8.3 Mauritian Students Society

Deferred until complete paperwork

Agenda Item 9: AGM Processing

Petition 1: To suspend the grants of the Club of Kites, the Pakistani Club and the Society for Creative Anachronism for 12 months or until they provide AGM documents

Petitioners: Tom Walker, Chris Heath

Agenda Item 10: Other Business

10.1 Book Club

Motion 20: To allow the requested changes to the Book Club grant

Moved: Tom Walker Seconded: Patrick Clearwater
CWD

10.2 Heavy Metal Club grant alterations

Motion 21: To allow the requested changes to the Heavy Metal Club grant

Moved: Tom Walker Seconded: Tom Hayes
CWD

10.3 Graduate Careers Fair

Motion 22: To send out 100 words in the next bulletin, as negotiated by the Officers

Moved: Patrick Clearwater Seconded: Chris Heath

CWD

10.4 Handover Meeting

Motion 23: To approve up to \$1000 for the handover committee meeting from Special Projects (03 60 605 3839)

Moved: Patrick Clearwater

Seconded: Chris Heath

CWD

Agenda Item 11: Next Meeting

To be confirmed – will be after Steph Field returns from holiday on the 12th of December

Agenda Item 12: Close

Quinn Oakley declares the meeting closed at 4:45 PM