

# AGENDA

## Urgent SSU Council Meeting

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2020



Item	Meeting Details	Time: 3:36pm
	Venue: <Zoom> Chair: Param Mahal (President) Minute-taker: Artemis Capa (General Secretary)	
1	<b>Welcome &amp; Meeting Open</b> Meeting open 3:30 pm. Council will observe one minute's silence for contemplation.	
1.1	<b>Acknowledgement of the Traditional Owners</b> The Swinburne Student Union respectfully acknowledges the traditional custodians of this land on which we meet, the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation. We acknowledge that we meet on stolen land and that the sovereignty of this land was never ceded. The Union honours their elders past and present and acknowledges that this always was and always will be Aboriginal land.	
1.2	<b>Attendance</b> Attendance: Param Mahal (President), Artemis Capa (General Secretary), Budveen Hewabaddage (Welfare Officer), Ailish Murphy -Mckay (Communications Officer) James Atkins (Activities Officer), Tara Anastasia (Hawthorn Campus Chair), Isobel O'Dwyer (Women's Representative), Alexander Edwards (Queer Representative), Patrick Taylor (Indigenous Representative) Varun Kale (Ethnoculture Representative), Rakesha Bandara (International Representative), Shравan Devraj (Post-Graduate Representative), Muhammed Abubakar (General Representative), Benjamin Schade (General Representative) Fergus Clancy (General Representative)	
	<b>Apologies:</b> Joshua Daniel (Health & Disability Representative), Varun Mohan (Education Officer), Matthew Posetti (Executive Officer)	
	Observers:	
	Absent without apology:	
1.3	<b>Acceptance of Apologies</b> <b>MOTION (, ):</b> <b>Action</b> Council Accepts the following apologies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Varun Mohan (Education Officer)</li> <li>• Joshua Daniel (Health &amp; Disability Representative),</li> </ul> <b>Moved:</b> Varun Kale <b>Seconded:</b> Alex Edwards	CU
1.4	<b>Conflict of Interest Disclosure:</b>	

2	<b>Matters for Decision</b>	
2.1	<p><b>SSU Annual General Meeting</b></p> <p><b>Preamble:</b></p> <p>The SSU is required to hold an AGM every year in Semester 1 and present their audit report. This year has been exceptional and our regulating body (CAV) has been accommodating and provided the SSU with an extension to delay the AGM until a time it can be held. As the possibility of this happening within Semester 2 has diminished, we still have an obligation to hold the AGM and release our financial report. The SSU can fulfil its constitutional requirements by holding the physical meeting on campus and streaming it live to our members.</p> <p><b>Action:</b></p> <p>The Council sets the 2020 SSU Annual General Meeting to be held on 6 September 2020 and directs the President to ensure all the necessary steps are taken to ensure it's completion.</p> <p><b>Mover:</b> Param Mahal <b>Seconder:</b> Artemis Capa</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CU</b></p>	
2.2	<p><b>Swinburne Student Union Positions</b></p> <p><b>Preamble</b> This attached document sets out the positions available for nomination.</p> <p><b>Action:</b></p> <p>That the SSU adopt the attached schedule 'Positions Table 2020' as the positions for election at the annual elections.</p> <p><b>Mover:</b> Param Mahal (President) <b>Seconder:</b> Artemis Capa (General Secretary)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CU</b></p>	
2.3	<p><b>Honorarium Amendment</b></p> <p><b>Preamble:</b></p> <p>The proposed position of Environment Representative needs to have it's honorarium set out in accordance with our rules. The honorarium of other positions do not require amendment since they were last set in 2019.</p> <p><b>Action:</b></p> <p>That the SSU set the annual honorarium for the following positions as follows: Environment Representative: \$4,000 That annual honorarium for all other positions remain at the current amount.</p> <p><b>Moved:</b> Param Mahal (President) <b>Seconded:</b> Artemis Capa (General Secretary)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CU</b></p>	
2.4	<p><b>Election Regulations 2020</b></p> <p><b>Preamble:</b></p> <p>Election Regulations require annual oversight and revision to insure flexibility and relevancy. This year that oversight is required even more so due to the lockdown. Physical Elections in the current circumstances are illegal and not in the interest of the welfare of our members. The SSU Constitution allows members to vote remotely via postal ballot if they have genuine reasons to be unable to attend in person. The current pandemic and lockdown should be seen as genuine reason to permit all members to vote via a postal ballot. This attached document sets out the regulations for the 2020 SSU Elections.</p>	

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	<p><b>Action :</b> That the SSU recognizes that the current lockdown regulations and health concerns are a genuine reason to allow it's members to vote via a postal ballot and adopts the attached document titled 'Election Regulations 2020' as its election regulations. <b>Moved:</b> Param Mahal (President) <b>Seconded:</b> Artemis Capa (General Secretary)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CU</b></p>	
4.2	Meeting Close	<b>4:01pm</b>