

# Minutes

## SSU Council Meeting



Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Item	Meeting Details	Time: 2:33pm
	Venue: <Zoom> Chair: Param Mahal (President) Minute-taker: Artemis Capa (General Secretary)	
1	<b>Welcome &amp; Meeting Open</b> Meeting open 2:30 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), Varun Mohan (Education Officer) James Atkins (Activities Officer) Isobel O'Dwyer (Women's Officer) Tara Anastasia (Hawthorn Campus Chair), Patrick Taylor (Indigenous Representative) Chanakya Sanjappa (Postgraduate Representative), Lili He (International Representative) Alex Edwards (Queer Representative), Josh Daniel (Health & Disability Representative), Varun Kale (Ethnoculture Representative), Muhammed Abubakar (General Representative), Benjamin Schade (General Representative) Matthew Posetti (Executive Officer)	
	Apologies: Fergus Clancy (General Representative),	
	Observers:	
	Absent without apology:	
1.3	<b>Acceptance of Apologies</b> <b>MOTION (, ):</b> <b>Action:</b> Council Accepts the following apologies: Fergus Clancy (General Representative),  <b>Moved: Varun. M</b> <b>Seconded: Varun. K</b>	<b>Carried Unanimously</b>
1.4	<b>Conflict of Interest Disclosure:</b>	

1.5	<p><b>Confirmation of Agenda and Previous Minutes</b></p> <p><b>Action</b></p> <p>1. That the minutes for the Council meeting on 20.04.2020 be accepted as a true and accurate record and published on the Union's website.</p> <p><b>Moved: Tara. A</b> <b>Seconded: Alex. E</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Carried Unanimously</b></p>	
2	<b>Matters for Decision</b>	
2.1	<p><b>Budget Amendments</b></p> <p><b>Preamble</b></p> <p>The most recent budget for the SSU was passed in 2019, with a projected surplus of \$23,336.77. The year 2020 has been exceptional due to the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic. The Union's activity has drastically changed in response and the current budget has no way to reflect this change. Our revenue streams have changed and we have adopted additional services such as the Free Feeds program, that are not reflected in our current budget.</p> <p><b>Action</b></p> <p>1. The Council adopts the proposed new 2020 budget prepared by the financial standing Committee and Secretariat. 2. The Council directs the Financial Standing Committee and Secretariat to track the budget for the remainder of the year and report back with any new projections and recommendations.</p> <p><b>Moved: Param Mahal (President)</b> <b>Seconded: Artemis Capa (General Secretary)</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Carried Unanimously</b></p>	
3	<b>Matters for Discussion</b>	
3.1	President & Chair's Report	
3.2	General Secretary & Financial Report	
3.3	Education Officer Report	
3.4	Welfare Officer Report	
3.5	Activities Officer Report	
3.6	Communications Report	
3.7	Executive Officer Report	
3.8	Audit + AGM	
3.9	Other Updates	
4	<b>Meeting Finalization</b>	
4.1	Review Actions to be Taken	
4.2	Meeting Close	<b>3:22</b>

**Next Council Meeting: 22nd June 2020 - 2:30pm**