

MINUTES

SSU Council Meeting

Monday 24th January 2022



Item	Meeting Details	Time:
	Venue: <Zoom> Chair: Nidzam Shah Hussain (President) Minute-taker: Kishaun Aloysius (Education Officer)	3:00pm
1	Welcome & Meeting Open Meeting open. Council will observe one minute's silence for contemplation.	
1.1	Acknowledgement of the Traditional Owners 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, present and emerging and acknowledges that this always was and always will be Aboriginal land.	
1.2	Attendance Attendance: Nidzam Shah Hussain (President) Kishaun Aloysius (Education Officer) Patrick Taylor (Welfare Officer) David Novanovski (Hawthorn Campus Coordinator) Alex Edwards (PAVE Representative) Parth Bhavsar (Postgraduate Representative) Hezal Patel (Women's Representative) Shruti Bhirud (Ethnocultural Representative) Darnell Stallbaum (First Nations Representative) Alex Min Kyaw (Environmental Representative) Anthony Bogli (Queer Representative) Emily Duffus (Health & Accessibility Representative) Abdul Azeez Mohamad Askeen (International Representative) Daniel Nicholson (General Representative) Kipp Stratmann (General Representative) Josh Gilligan (General Manager)	
	Apologies: Isobel O'Dwyer (General Secretary) Aaryan Pujara (Activities Officer) Nikitha Neelakantan (Communication Officer) James Atkins (General Representative)	
	Observers:	
	Absent without apology:	
1.3	Acceptance of Apologies: Action: Council accepts the following apologies: Isobel O'Dwyer (General Secretary) Aaryan Pujara (Activities Officer)	

	<p>Nikitha Neelakantan (Communication Officer) James Atkins (General Representative)</p> <p>Moved: Seconded:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried/Failed</p>	
1.4	Conflict of Interest Disclosure:	
1.5	<p>Confirm the Previous Minutes</p> <p>Action:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To confirm as a Council that the minutes of the December Council meetings minutes are correct. To authorise the staff to publish the December minutes on our website. <p>Moved: Seconded:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried/Failed</p>	
	Matters for Decision	
2.1	<p>Business Conducted via Circular</p> <p>Preamble: The Council by an absolute majority had approved the expenditure of \$15,000 from the cash reserves as part of the ongoing efforts for Stage 1 of the Hammer & Swine redevelopment proposal. Business was conducted via an internal circular motion on 11th Jan 2022. For the sake of the transparency of our organisation and our service to the students we represent, we must ensure that the minutes accurately reflects this order of business.</p> <p>Action:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To ratify as a Council that the business conducted via circular is correct. <p>Moved: Nidzam Shah Hussain (President) Seconded: Hezal Patel (Women's Representative)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried/Failed</p>	
2.2	<p>Auditor Appointment</p> <p>Preamble: The SSU is required to hold an Audit every year and present it to all members at our Annual General Meeting (AGM). The SSU has previously engaged Collins & Co Certified Practicing Accountants to conduct the audit. The General Manager has advised that Collins & Co are available and willing to undertake the 2021 audit for the SSU.</p> <p>Action:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Council authorises the President and General Manager to engage Ryk Eksteen (or delegate) from Collins & Co Certified Practicing Accountants to conduct the Annual Audit and generate the Special Purpose Financial Report for SSU's 2021 financial operations. <p>Moved: Nidzam Shah Hussain (President) Seconded: Kishaun Aloysius (Education Officer)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried/Failed</p>	
3	Matters for Discussion	
3.1	President & Chair's Report	
3.2	General Secretary & Financial Report	
3.3	Education Officer Report	
3.4	Welfare Officer Report	

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3.5	Activities Officer Report	
3.6	Communications Officer Report	
3.7	General Manager Report	
	Other Matters for Discussion	
4	Meeting Finalization	
4.1	Review Actions to be Taken	
4.2	Meeting Close	