



Adelaide University Union Board Meeting Minutes

For the meeting on 23rd of January 2019

In the Board Room at 6:15pm

Present:	Apologies:
Oscar Ong (AUU President, Chair)	Jing Soong Goh
Hugh Sutton (AUU Vice President, Student Media Chair)	
Arabella Wauchope (Executive)	
Stella Woo (Clubs Committee Chair, Executive)	
Tamsin Anspach (Executive)	
Patrick Kennewell	
Patrick Stewart	Minutes Secretary:
Michael Physick (Observer)	Laura Coppola
Gary Sutherland (Observer)	Visitors:
Iacovos Digenis (Observer)	Leighton McDonald-Stuart, Kian Rafie-Ardestani, Angus Heaton, Henry Lodge

Meeting opened at 6:15pm.

1. Acknowledgment of Traditional Owners and Apologies

OO

We would like to Acknowledge that the land we meet on today is the traditional lands for the Kurna people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their Country. We also acknowledge the Kurna people as the traditional custodians of the Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kurna people today.

2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

OO

That all directors and officers in attendance declare that they have read and considered all papers within this agenda that require decision making and have no known conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest with respect to those matters.

3. Casual Vacancy Left by Xinwei Wang

OO

Recommendation:

That the Board resolves to fill the casual vacancy of a Student Elected Director, left by Xinwei Wang with Angus Heaton, who the Executive Officer has confirmed is the person to be appointed in accordance with Section 10 of the AUU Constitution. This appointment is effective immediately.

Patrick Stewart discussed the democratic arguments against filling a casual vacancy and also declared he will be abstaining from this vote.

Arabella Wauchope questioned the precedence of having a vacancy being filled by the 7th position.

Moved: Hugh Sutton

Seconded: Siqi (Jeffrey) Yang

Dissent: Patrick Stewart

Abstain: Patrick Stewart, Tamsin Anspach, Arabella Wauchope

CARRIED

4. Unstarred Agenda Items

OO

Recommendation:

That all unstarred items are approved.

Patrick Stewart requested to star all items in the agenda.

5. Minutes of Previous Meeting

OO

Recommendation:

That the Board accepts the minutes of the meeting of the 3rd December 2018 as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Siqi (Jeffrey) Yang

Seconded: Hugh Sutton

CARRIED

Recommendation:

That the Board amends the minutes of the meeting of the 12th June 2018 as recommended.

Oscar Ong confirmed that the minutes in the agenda is correct which Iacavos Digenis provided few hours before the meeting.

Iacavos Digenis argued that the ruling cannot be changed and stated Oscar Ong agreed with the previous minutes. The chair declared that Iacavos Digenis’s latter point was out of order.

Patrick Stewart raised a dissent on the chair’s ruling.

Moved: Patrick Stewart

FAILED

Oscar Ong asked for advice of Gary Sutherland. Oscar Ong agreed to the amendment of rescinding the previous motion instead.

Amendment:

That the Board rescinds the motion passed on the meeting of the 12th June 2018 which reads: That the AUU supports the NUS Education department’s “Books not Bombs” campaign, by promoting the “National Days of Action” (NDA) called by that department in the future. This promotion will include, at least, a social media post for each NDA and the inclusion of NDA promotion leaflets on AUU stalls in relevant periods

Moved: Hugh Sutton

Seconded: Siqi (Jeffrey) Yang

Dissent: Tamsin Anspach, Patrick Stewart

CARRIED

6. Matters Arising From Previous Minutes*

OO

Matters	Person Responsible	Status
That Oscar Ong meet with Ali Amin to discuss about academic board allocation status.	Oscar Ong	Completed
That Gary Sutherland add Hugh Sutton, Patrick Stewart and Tamsin Anspach to the online board induction.	Gary Sutherland	Completed

7. AUU President’s Report*

OO

Oscar Ong gave an update regarding the meeting with Ian Thompson. He stated that some medical clubs will now be allowed to participate in AHMS O’Week after speaking with Ian Thompson. Patrick Kennewell clarified that only faculty specific clubs can be at the AHMS and some clubs are still left out.

Oscar Ong and Patrick Stewart gave an update on the Strategic Plan Consultation.

8. Clubs Committee Chair’s Report*

SW

Stella Woo gave an update on the Clubs Committee and the first meeting held this year.

9. Student Media Chair's Report*

HS

Hugh Sutton gave an update on organising the first Student Media Committee's meeting.

10. Student Radio Name Change

OO

Recommendation:

That On Dit Radio be renamed Student Radio.

Patrick Stewart gave a background on the previous discussions surrounding Student Media and radio naming.

Oscar Ong stated that he consulted with the Marketing Manager and he is supportive of the name change.

Iacavos Digenis mentioned that there are merits to retaining the name On Dit Radio.

Hugh Sutton talked about the previous discussions regarding the name and thinks it should be brought to the next Student Media Committee.

Action: Hugh Sutton to raise this issue with the Student Media Committee.

11. Rules Concerning The Conduct of Annual Elections By-Elections and Referenda Reform

OO

Recommendation:

That the Board endorses the reform structure proposed.

Iacavos Digenis and Patrick Stewart discussed the merits of more board members being involved.

Oscar Ong discussed that this is the role of the executive and could insert the executive into the Draft Phase of the structure.

Arabella Wauchope discussed that the SRC should have an input in this process as the rules impact upon them too.

Gary Sutherland stated that it is the role of the AUU to enact and amend rules.

The structure is amended to:

Consultation Phase: The executive will receive input from three sources

1. Consultations with Election Tribunal
2. Consultations with the Returning Officer from the most recent elections
3. Consultations with Board Directors
4. Consultations with relevant sources

Draft Phase

1. The executive will consolidate all the information from consultations. The President will draft the proposed amendments to the rules.
2. The draft version will be sent to the Election Tribunal for review and formalise the wordings

Formalising Phase

1. The executive will comment on the draft and make further amendments if required
2. The amendments will be presented to the board

Oscar Ong agreed to amend the motion based on the structure proposed.

Amendment:

That the Board endorses the reform structure proposed as amended.

Moved: Siqi (Jeffrey) Yang
Seconded: Tamsin Anspach

CARRIED

12. Any Other Business

13. In-Camera Items*

OO

14. Close:

Meeting closed at 7:21pm.

Next Meeting: 18/02/2018

Close of Submissions: 11/02/2018

Persons Responsible for Agenda Items:

Oscar Ong (OO)
Stella Woo (SW)
Hugh Sutton (HS)