

Annual Meeting of the 110th Union Council

December 13 2021

5:30PM

Innes Room, Level 4, Union Complex

Meeting declared open at 5:46pm

(a) Credentials

Councillors

Michael Walker
Jordan Mark
Samuel Adams
Myah McGinity
Anastasia Georgiou
Ella Gutteridge
Darcy Creighton
Ji Davis
Thomas Stephen

Elected Officers

Emily Scott
Emily Searle
Ryan Jover
Lisa Pham
Liam Heseltine
Ti Parker
Richard Lee

Others

Alex Smock
Bradley Plant
Cara Rowe
Christopher Stewart
Jack Barton
Natasha Brettell
Rowan Evans

Proxies

Elise Northcote to Jordan Mark
David McGovern to Samuel Adams
Kyle Clunies-Ross to Anastasia Georgiou
Tim Heffernan to Ti Parker
Julia Bejleri to Darcy Creighton
Kurt Munckton to Darcy Creighton
Annie Bartley to Bradley Plant
Gabby Callow to Bradley Plant

b) Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

It was moved

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE 10TH ORDINARY MEETING OF THE 110TH UNION COUNCIL
BE CONFIRMED

110/213

DAVIS/WALKER

CARRIED

c) Business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

Online AGM's

The Chair brought forth the motion tabled from the previous meeting, to vote on whether or not the previous decision on the previous vote was valid.

Student Rowan Evans dissented in the Chair. Cr Adams moved that the student no longer be heard.

Rowan Evans argued that the original vote should not be allowed to stand and instead the motion should be reconsidered. Rather than vote on whether the vote should not be allowed, the original

motion should be reconsidered in the context of this full meeting. The Chair agreed to consideration of the original motion.

It was moved

UNION COUNCIL INTERPRETS THE MEANING OF “PRESENT” IN THE UQU REGULATIONS REGARDING SGM’S AND AGM’S OF CLUBS AND SOCIETIES TO ALLOW FOR ONLINE ATTENDANCE OF AGM’S. CLUBS AND SOCIETIES ARE THUS PERMITTED TO HAVE ONLINE OR PARTIALLY ONLINE GENERAL MEETINGS, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN THEIR CONSTITUTION.

110/214

ROWE/JOVER

CARRIED

d) Reports of Elected Officers

The Treasurer’s and President’s reports were starred.

President’s Report

The President said that there was not much to update since the last meeting. The Terms of Engagement were signed on November 30. The Don Watson Union complex designs were presented to the University, and the University included these in its own design brief that was sent to the Union last week, which is a positive development. This included potentially saving the current Schonell Theatre.

Vice President Emily Searle said that the University had said they would provide a Schonell update last Friday, but this has not yet occurred.

It was moved

THAT THE PRESIDENT’S ANNUAL REPORT TO UNION COUNCIL BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

110/215

DAVIS/SCOTT

CARRIED

It was moved

THAT THE UNION SECRETARY’S ANNUAL REPORT TO UNION COUNCIL BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

110/216

DAVIS/JOVER

CARRIED

e) Annual Financial Statements

The Treasurer spoke to the financial statements that had been circulated to members of Union Council.

It was moved

THAT THE TREASURER’S REPORT AND THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

110/217

DAVIS/PHAM

CARRIED

f) Independent Auditor’s Report

The Treasurer spoke to the purpose and the content of the Independent Auditor’s Report and recommended the reappointment of Bentley’s as the Union’s independent auditor.

It was moved

THAT THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

110/218

DAVIS/PHAM

CARRIED

g) Appointment of the Independent Auditor

It was moved

THAT BENTLEY'S BE APPOINTED AS THE UQ UNION'S INDEPENDENT AUDITOR FOR 2021

110/219

DAVIS/PHAM

CARRIED

h) Returning Officer's Report

The Union Secretary asked if Councillors had any questions regarding the report.

It was moved

THAT THE RETURNING OFFICER'S REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

110/220

DAVIS/JOVER

CARRIED

i) Question Time

Nil

j) Business which has been proposed

The Union Secretary sought leave of Union Council to have the proposals considered without referral to Rules Committee, as the Committee's last meeting of the year was inquorate. Leave was granted by Union Council.

Amendment of R67

Union Secretary Jover moved amendment to say "add the following" rather than "to the following"

Student Cara Rowe spoke to the purpose of the proposal, which was to reduce the amount of feeder tickets, which had seen significant proliferation at the last Union election, whilst still allowing individuals the opportunity to be legitimately nominated by more than one electoral group.

Cara Rowe also moved that the number of allowed electoral groups for positions listed in part (b) be raised from one to two. Cr Gutteridge spoke to this and said that raising the number of electoral groups allowed for a candidate in this section was in the view of Student Action a fair compromise.

Rowan Evans argued that (b) should be abolished entirely due to redundancy.

It was moved

THAT R67 OF THE UNION REGULATIONS BE AMENDED TO ADD THE FOLLOWING:

67.3 NO CANDIDATE:

(A) NOMINATING FOR THE POSITION OF COUNCILLOR MAY APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS A MEMBER OF MORE THAN THREE ELECTORAL GROUPS

(B) NOMINATING FOR THE POSITION OF PRESIDENT, UNION SECRETARY, TREASURER, VICE PRESIDENT (STUDENT RIGHTS), VICE PRESIDENT (CAMPUS CULTURE) OR VICE PRESIDENT (GENDER & SEXUALITY) MAY APPEAR ON THE BALLOT OF MORE THAN TWO ELECTORAL GROUPS

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JOVER/ROWE

CARRIED

Amendment of R7

The mover deferred to the seconder to speak.

Cara Rowe stated that term limits were consistent with other Union bodies and that this was bringing C&S Committee in line with other Union bodies. She also noted that the regulation change could not be applied retroactively, and as such current members of the C&S Committee who are serving more than the term limit would not be impacted.

There was a call for a recorded vote.

Samuel Adams *For*
Annabel Bartley proxied to Bradley Plant *Against*
Julia Bejleri proxied to Darcy Creighton *Abstain*
Gabby Callow proxied to Bradley Plant *For*
Darcy Creighton *Abstain*
Kyle Clunies-Ross proxied to Anastasia Georgiou *For*
Anastasia Georgiou *For*
Ella Gutteridge *Abstain*
Tim Heffernan proxied to Ti Parker *Abstain*
Jordan Mark *For*
Myah McGinity *For*
David McGovern proxied to Samuel Adams *For*
Elise Northcote proxied to Jordan Mark *For*
Kurt Munckton proxied to Darcy Creighton *Abstain*
Thomas Stephen *For*
Michael Walker *For*

It was moved

THAT R7 OF THE REGULATIONS BE AMENDED TO THE FOLLOWING:

- 7.1 THE MEMBERS OF THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE ARE:
- a) VICE-PRESIDENT (CAMPUS CULTURE) (VOTING); AND
 - b) SIX STUDENTS ELECTED BY THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM STUDENTS WHO WERE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY OR TREASURER OF UQU-AFFILIATED CLUBS OR SOCIETIES FOR THE TERM IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY (VOTING)
- 7.2 ONLY ONE (1) ELIGIBLE NOMINEE TO THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE IS PERMITTED PER CLUB OR SOCIETY
- 7.3 NO STUDENT MAY SERVE ON THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE FOR MORE THAN TWO TERMS.
- 7.4 THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE IS DELEGATED GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERSEEING THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES DEPARTMENT
- 7.5 WITHOUT LIMITING R7.2, THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE IS SPECIFICALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR:
- (a) DEVELOPING STANDING RESOLUTIONS ON POLICY ON MATTERS AFFECTING AFFILIATED BODIES;
 - (b) ALLOCATING LOANS AND SUBSIDIES TO AFFILIATED BODIES;
 - (c) DIRECTING THE VICE-PRESIDENT (CAMPUS CULTURE) IN THE CONDUCT OF THEIR DUTIES WITH RESPECT TO AFFILIATED BODIES; AND
 - (d) DISCIPLINING AFFILIATED BODIES

k) General Business

Nil

The meeting was declared closed at 6:47PM

APPROVED