

UNION CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

10th Ordinary Meeting of the 112th Clubs and Societies Committee

12:00 PM

Friday 20/10/2023

UQU Boardroom

UQ Union Complex, St. Lucia Campus

Meeting opened at 12.07 PM

1. Credentials

The following were present.

Members

Josephine Christensen
Utkrist Paudyal
Natasha Brettel
Tapenaga Reupena Jr
Barclay McGain
Michael Walker

Observers

Clint Wooler
Jaafar Jabur
Alex Smock
Bradley Plant

2. Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

It was moved

THAT THE MINUTES FROM THE 9th ORDINARY MEETING OF THE 2023 CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

C&S 112/140	POLATAVIO-REUPENA /CHRISTENSEN	CARRIED
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3. Reports of the Elected Officers

Polatavia-Reupena updated the committee on Clubbies progress

It was moved

THAT THE REPORT OF THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES VICE PRESIDENT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

C&S 112/141	P-R/CHRISTENSEN	CARRIED
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5. Matters arising from the Reports of the Elected Officers

If any / Nil

6. Business which has been proposed

QPAY Discussion

Clint Wooler:

Clint addressed the committee on the QPAY contract extension and complaints. Clint spoke on the effectiveness of QPAY as a mechanism for compliance to gather information from receipts and for tracking historical data. Clubs can decide what payment service they want as the Union only signed a contract for UQU related events.

Members of the committee spoke on the need for more support for C&S by the Union. Requested another year extension of QPAY. Functionality tends to be good outside of large events, however, the fees are high.

Smock entered at 12:13pm

Walker entered at 12:15pm

McGain entered at 12:15pm

Wooler left at 12:29pm

I. Club Ratifications

i. Cosy Gamers Club

Cosy Gamers Club presented to the committee. Discussion was had on the animosity of the Discord based community. Cosy Gamers Club responded that there is a record of the members details.

It was moved

THAT Cosy Gamers Club BE RATIFIED

C&S 112/142	P-R /WALKER	CARRIED
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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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ii. Chinese Debating Association (online)

Representatives of The Chinese Debating Association attended the meeting via technology and presented to the committee. Committee members asked questions around the ability of other Chinese clubs to cater for the Association's aims and objectives. The representatives explained that their aims and objectives were different to existing Chinese Clubs and Societies and couldn't be covered by them.

The representatives left the meeting. A discussion was held.

It was moved

THAT Chinese Debating Association BE RATIFIED

C&S 112/143	P-R/CHRISTENSEN	CARRIED
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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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iii. Telugu club UQTELS

Representatives of the Telugu Club (UQTELS) attended the meeting and presented to the committee. The representatives left the meeting, and discussion was had on the precedent of very specific language groups being affiliated.

The committee decided that it was important to affiliate these clubs.

It was moved

THAT UQTELS BE RATIFIED

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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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iv. Bakeology

Representatives of UQ Bakeology attended and presented to the committee. The committee highlighted the importance of safe food management to the club, noting concerns about insurance and liability.

The representatives left the meeting and the committee discussed the application.

It was moved

THAT Bakeology BE RATIFIED

C&S 112/145	P-R/WALKER	CARRIED
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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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v. The Frisbee Club did not attend.

It was moved

THAT Frisbee Club BE RATIFIED

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vi. Internal Medicine Club

The Representatives of the Internal Medicine Club attended the meeting via technology and presented their concerns to the committee. Discussion was had on the issue surrounding a course specific hobby/interest group. It was discussed that this club was more appropriately categorised as a faculty club. It was agreed that a medical club for non-medical students was confusing.

The representatives left the meeting and the committee held discussion about the club itself. Plant noted that when he served on the C&S Committee, the committee did not provide prospective clubs with the reasons for their non-affiliation. The Committee discussed the point, but agreed it was important for transparency to provide clubs with a reason they were not affiliated.

Discussion returned to the application at hand, and it was decided the application did not merit ratification at this time.

It was moved

THAT Internal Medicine Club BE RATIFIED

C&S 112/147	P-R/CHRISTENSEN	NOT CARRIED
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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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II. Club Affiliations

There were no club affiliations proposed.

III. Club Disaffiliations

- i. Middle Eastern Cultural Club (annual return and ABN)

The Committee briefly discussed the club, noting that clubs have been provided with plenty of warning about applying for an ABN.

It was moved

THAT Middle Eastern Cultural Club (annual return and ABN) BE DISAFFILIATED

C&S 112/148	P-R/WALKER	CARRIED
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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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- ii. AIML Society (AR and ABN)

The Committee briefly discussed the society, noting that clubs have been provided with plenty of warning about applying for an ABN.

It was moved

THAT AIML Society (AR and ABN) BE DISAFFILIATED

C&S 112/149	P-R/WALKER	CARRIED
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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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iii. Blockchain (ABN)

The Committee briefly discussed the club, noting that clubs have been provided with plenty of warning about applying for an ABN.

It was moved

THAT Blockchain (ABN) BE DISAFFILIATED

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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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iv. Thongs (ABN)

The Committee briefly discussed the club, noting that clubs have been provided with plenty of warning about applying for an ABN.

It was moved

THAT Thongs (ABN) BE DISAFFILIATED

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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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v. PRESS (ABN)

The Committee briefly discussed the club, noting that clubs have been provided with plenty of warning about applying for an ABN.

It was moved

THAT PRESS (ABN) BE DISAFFILIATED

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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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vi. Effective Altruism (ABN)

The Committee briefly discussed the club, noting that clubs have been provided with plenty of warning about applying for an ABN.

It was moved

THAT Effective Altruism (ABN) BE DISAFFILIATED

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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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vii Sikh Society (ABN)

The Committee briefly discussed the club, noting that clubs have been provided with plenty of warning about applying for an ABN.

It was moved

THAT Sikh Society (ABN) BE DISAFFILIATED

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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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viii Travellers' Society (ABN)

Polatavia-Reupena noted that the Society had been in touch with the department and added that the club had applied for ABN several months ago.

ix Vet Tech Association

Discussion was had by the committee about the status of the club's application for an ABN.

It was moved

THAT Vet Tech Association BE DISAFFILIATED

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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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x. Design Society (AR)

The Committee briefly discussed the club, noting that clubs have been provided with plenty of warning about submitting a valid Annual Return.

It was moved

THAT Design Society (AR) BE DISAFFILIATED

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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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xi. Society of Fine Arts (AR)

The Committee briefly discussed the club, noting that clubs have been provided with plenty of warning about submitting a valid Annual Return.

It was moved

THAT Society of Fine Arts (AR) BE DISAFFILIATED

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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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xii. Chile Association (AR)

The Committee briefly discussed the club, noting that clubs have been provided with plenty of warning about submitting a valid Annual Return.

It was moved

THAT Chile Association (AR) BE DISAFFILIATED

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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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Other Business which has been proposed

Name Changes:

- i. The Association of Filipinos and Filipino-Australians of the University of Queensland name change

Discussion was had on the proposed name change of the Association to The Filipino-Australian Student Association of the University of Queensland.

It was moved

THAT THE ASSOCIATION BE RENAMED

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- ii. SASS name change

Discussion was had on the proposed name change of SASS to Science Students Society. The committee agreed that the club needs a revamp of what they are.

It was moved

THAT SASS BE RENAMED

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Grant by Applications

i. Anthropology

It was agreed that Anthropology be granted \$2850.

ii. Filoz

It was agreed that Filoz be granted \$125.

iii. JX

It was agreed that JX be granted \$950.

iv. SSS

It was agreed that SSS be granted \$318.

7. General Business

i. Discussion was had on Club Constitutions.

ii. UQ Country Club – Ryan McDonald

McDonald was unable to attend the meeting, however did provide a letter noting his concerns about the Committee's previous decision. Discussion was had on the insurance issues that may arise with travel after a drinking event. It was discussed that travel is not the unions responsibility and club members would have to meet at the event. The committee voted in favour of allowing the UQ country club to reapply.

Meeting closed at 2:55 PM

