

UNION CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

1st Extraordinary Meeting of the 112th
Clubs and Societies Committee

5:30 PM
Monday 27/02/2023
UQU Boardroom
UQ Union Complex, St. Lucia Campus

1. Credentials

The following were present.

Members

Michael Walker
Utkrist Paudyal
Alexandra Knight (Via Zoom)
Kylie Ho (via Zoom)

Observers

Matthew Johnson
Eduardo Sperone
Vikram Anandharaja
Benjamin Kirkwood
Kathleen Cox
Georgii Khartcyzov

2. Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

nil

3. Business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

5:15pm – Discussion regarding the upcoming agenda items for the evening.

5:33pm Meeting officially opened

5:33pm Michael gave Acknowledgement of Country

5.34pm Barclay and Natasha entered the room

Ratification of the UQ Writing Club

Eduardo and Vikram representing the proposed UQ Writing Club. A committee member asked about them registering as postgrad on their application, to which they clarified they weren't. Concerns were raised that UQEELS had similar aims and objectives to the proposed Writing Club. Eduardo and Vikram replied with their understanding that UQEELS acted more as a literature reading group, where as the UQ Writing Club would act as a writing group. It was pointed out Jacaranda as part of UQEELS' aims, Eduardo clarified they were primarily interested in being a writing group, not a publishing one. The committee cross referenced members between the proposed Writing Club and the established UQEELS, which found no repeats from the sample of five names taken. Returning to the aims issue, Vikram at request

stated they'd be doing writing workshops and activity-based events. Vikram further clarified they were interested in teaching how to write, followed by Eduardo also stating they'd be covering a variety of mediums.

Michael brought Barclay and Natasha up to date on the discussion with Writing Club, satisfied that there were only issues with similarities of the aims and objectives between the proposed UQ Writing Club and UQEELS.

5:45pm Michael Walker moved a motion to ratify UQ Writing Society.

It was moved

THAT THE UQ WRITING SOCIETY BE RATIFIED AS A UQ UNION CLUB/SOCIETY

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5:45pm Metallurgy Society Ratification

Metallurgy Society; ChESS Society and EUS entered the conversation regarding the ratification of Metallurgy Society.

The committee identified there were already several clubs covering this field. The Metallurgy representative, Georgii explained that metallurgy numbers had fallen in both MAMA and ChESS and was concerned that there was not a society that attracted enough students to metallurgy. A member expressed they felt there was too much overlap with other clubs that covered metallurgy, including MAMA who's name included metallurgy. Further expressed there were concerns about the support of metallurgy students, they should contact the relevant clubs. Georgii disagreed, suggesting that their proposed club had completely different aims and objectives, and wished to target different students. Georgii also clarified they are already an existing society that already ran events, but were not affiliated with the UQ Union which they felt caused struggles with sponsorship due to their informal existence.

Kathleen noted that the Metallurgy Society's barbeque event had the several of the same sponsors as MAMA and ChESS. A member voiced that the current club was already small and adding another club with similar aims would stretch that even further. Georgii disagreed, advising that were considered to be separate from mining.

Concerns were expressed about the longevity of the society considering Georgii had expressed concerns of the shrinking size of their field. Georgii replied that they hoped to attract more students to the field. Benjiman felt he understood where Georgii was coming from since MAMA was a 'resource focused club' but concurred on not wishing to dilute the club further. Also acknowledged that there had been issues in helping encourage metallurgy, which Michael proposed a potential Metallurgy Officer being introduced to help there.

Erin Blyth entered the meeting at 6:01pm

Georgii, Kathleen, Benjiman exit the meeting at 6:02pm

McGain asked it to be noted that *for a future meeting that it was to be discussed the idea of different forms of union affiliation for prospective clubs.*

Alex and Kylie left the meeting 6:05pm

It was moved

THAT METALLURGY SOCIETY BE RATIFIED AS A UQU UNION CLUB/SOCIETY

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6:09pm Reports of the Elected Officers

- a) Vice President Campus Culture (Clubs & Societies), read out by Michael Walker on behalf of TJ.

It was moved

THAT THE C&S COMMITTEE ACCPET TJ's REPORT

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6:13pm Michael moved a motion of condolence for TJ's phone seconded by Natasha Brettel, carried.

It was moved

THAT THE C&S COMMITTEE EXPRESSED CONDOLENCE FOR TJ'S PHONE

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4. Business which has been proposed

- i. Affiliations

Nil

- ii. Ratifications

UQ Immersive Mystery Game Club

A member noted that it appears that the club fulfills a unique role, where their aim was to 'input scripts from diverse cultures, translate and localize them into English version'. A member mentioned they felt their events were vague.

It was moved

THAT UQ IMMERSIVE MYSTERY GAMES CLUB BE RATIFIED AS A UQU UNION CLUB/SOCIETY

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UQ Tango Club

It was explained that the Department had been in touch with UQ Tango to ask if they had been in touch with UQ Dance who does Tango already and had not received a reply. The committee felt their aims weren't clearly worded.

It was moved

THAT UQ TANGO BE RATIFIED AS A UQU UNION CLUB/SOCIETY

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Business Analytics Networking Association (BANA)

The C&S manager provided context about the club, that they had been rejected at the initial meeting, then ratified and hadn't conducted an IGM within the time period and were apply twelve months later.

It was moved

THAT BANA BE TABLED UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING

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6:28pm UQ Society of Lifestyle Medicine

Michael moved motion to table, seconded by Natasha. Carried.

Further discussion was had on issues had.

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iii. Disaffiliations

nil

iv. Other Business which has been proposed

- **6:31pm Clubs with less than minimum number of members**
- Ratification of UQ Thai Club

Emily raised there had been some minor issues with Thai Club's re-ratification and whether these were to be overlooked. Barclay felt that they should have re-ratification, as it did not look good for them to be disaffiliated without a valid issue from the eyes of the average student. Michael concurred on re-ratification, but did raised there had been previous concerns on improper due process on reaffiliation. Michael further felt that should reviewing their aims and objectives, which all felt it was fine.

6:35pm Michael moved that the Thai Club to be ratified, seconded by Barclay. Carried.

It was moved

THAT THE THAI CLUB TO BE RATIFIED

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• **6:36pm Film Appreciation Society – T3**

Concerns were raised regarding FAS whereby the President had nominated his wife and daughter to be the Secretary and Treasurer of the club. There was discussion around niche clubs and issues that can arise when they are affiliated without them being able to demonstrate sustainability.

Michael brought discussion back on point and noted that there were no rules against family holding the T3 and to check their constitution. Michael also states they should make sure that their AGM made quorum and an eye kept on their membership list numbers. Upon review of their constitution they had amended the constitution to include non-members holding T3 positions at the AGM.

6:48pm Santiago Rodrigues entered the meeting

It was moved

THAT THE UQ FILM APPRECIATION SOCIETY BE TABLED UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING

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Emily noted upon review Film Appreciation Society she has stumbled upon the fact Motion Picture club have changed their name to Film Production Club without approval from the committee. Conveniently, the club were there to speak to the one-minute videos (below) and was agreed to discuss both issues.

6:55pm 1-minute videos

Santiago Rodrigues representing the UQ Motion Picture Club explained that the Motion Picture Club desired to go to various clubs to make one-minute videos. Paudyal explained that he had invited the club to speak and he'd like C&S to support the initiative.

When asked about payment, Santiago stated he hoped for funding as it would be nice to buy more equipment for the club.

Michael clarified that the Committee itself couldn't provide money, but grants would be opening later into the year. There was some discussion regarding rules involving copyright and other legal matters, such as filming on the Great Court etc. Michael inquired to the capacity of the club to film and how many could be done. Santiago suggested that concur that it could be done over the year.

It was moved

THAT THE C&S COMMITTEE SUPPORT THE ONE MINUTE VIDEOS PROJECT IN PRINCIPLE AND FIND OUT DETAILS FROM THE UQU MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS TEAM IN THE MEANTIME

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Discussion returned to the name change of UQ Motion Picture Club to UQ Film Production Society. Santiago stated that the change had not occurred on any official documentation yet. The committee requested the MPC attend the next meeting to discuss a formal name change.

Grant – Formula, Grant by application, grant card system

A committee member enquired why the C&S Committee wasn't involved in the development of the grant by application. Emily stated she was of the understanding that there were certain areas that the committee were fully involved in and other areas where they were provided information but not involved in the development of. It was discussed that while finance as listed in the regulations, it is the oversight, not the development of all financial related documents and information. It was agreed that there is no documentation outlining where responsibilities start and stop. The member further expressed issues with transparency and communication between the Committee and the wider Union. the Chair quoted the relevant clauses from R7 of the UQU Regulations. Michael raised that they should return to this issue after they've raised the relevant documents.

It was moved

THAT DISCUSSION ON GRANTS BY APPLICATION BE TABLED UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING

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It was moved

THAT THE C&S COMMITTEE REQUEST THE UQ UNION TREASURER AND CAMPUS CULTURE VP APPEAR AT THE NEXTING MEETING

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The committee moved to the confidential agenda item.

It was moved

THAT THE C&S COMMITTEE MOVE IN CAMERA

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It was moved

THAT ERIN BLYTH, MATTHEW JOHNSON AND EMILY RYAN BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN THE MEETING

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It was moved

THAT THE MEETING BE MOVED OUT OF CAMERA

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Clubbies

The C&S manager asked advice on whether the committee were happy to hold the Clubs Award night at Brisbane Convention Centre again. The committee agreed it was a excellent location.

Action: TJ to contact and book the location

7:45pm Emily Ryan left the meeting

7:50pm Alex entered the meeting, via zoom

5. General Business Organisational Issues within C&S

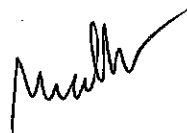
General discussion was had on organisation between the C&S Committee and TJ, the UQU C&S VP.

Michael noted that there will be a further extraordinary meeting to address the LNS situation, prior to the next council.

8:21pm Alex left the meeting

8:22pm Erin and Matthew left the meeting

The Chair declared the meeting to be closed at 8:35pm.

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