

## **Minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Meeting of the 2021 Clubs & Societies Committee**

**Wednesday 17 August 2021 at 12PM**

**Chair: Matthew Pereira**

The Chair declared the meeting open at 12.30 PM

### **1. Attendance**

#### **i. Members Present:**

- Benjamin Kozij
- Matthew Pereira
- Brad Plant
- Jaafar Jabur
- Bradley Stone
- Kurt Tucker
- Raphael Wixted

#### **ii. Apologies and Leave**

#### **iii. Proxies**

- Bradley Stone (proxy for Raphael Wixted)

#### **iv. Others Present**

- Emily Ryan
- Geraldine Janes (minutes)
- James Hohl

### **2. Requests for starring/approval or noting of the items not starred en bloc**

### **3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

It was moved

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE 7<sup>TH</sup> ORDINARY MEETING OF THE CLUBS & SOCIETIES COMMITTEE BE ACCEPTED

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PEREIRA/KOZIJ

CARRIED

### **4. Business arising from the previous meeting**

Kurt Tucker reiterated his view that the committee needed to be more selective in what clubs the committee ratified given resources were becoming tighter.

Bradley Stone raised that the committee should be nominating a club to receive any remaining funds from societies when the committee motions to disaffiliate them. The C&S Manager agreed to distribute a list of recently disaffiliated clubs before the next meeting.

Discussion of the Political Science and International Relations, Towards International Medical Equality, Chinese Association of Postgraduate Scholars and Action Aid was moved to later in the meeting.

## **5. Reports of Elected Officers**

Ben reported that numbers appeared to be on trend to previous years at St Lucia however Gatton numbers were low due to a clash with classes. Some clubs at the St Lucia market day were disappointed due to their marquee set up in an inaccessible position.

It was moved

THAT THE REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT'S (CAMPUS CULTURE) REPORT BE  
ACCEPTED

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PEREIRA/KOZIJ

CARRIED

## **6. Business which has been proposed**

### **i. Affiliations**

Nil

### **ii. Disaffiliations**

## **Towards International Medical Equality**

The conversation regarding TIME continued from the previous meeting having done some investigation about funding allocations over the past years. The club has not received MSB funding for the last two years however have received an oversupply of membership funding due to claiming inaccurate membership numbers. The 2018/2019 audit total expenses of \$16,000 - half of which was spent on charity. It was agreed that while this is considerate, it does not contribute to their membership or the student experience. They are an incorporated association, and their holding balance is approximately \$10.7k. The committee discussed that while they have received significant funding over the past number of years in membership grant, the current executive is not completely responsible for an error that had begun prior. The Union has also not picked up on the administrative errors for multiple years and thus the committee felt full repayment would not be fair. Emily agreed to source the specific amount funded so the committee could make a decision of whether a repayment was necessary. If TIME are willing to refund this amount, the committee agreed they should remain affiliated. It was noted that they are still due to hold an SGM and once the committee receive those minutes, they should proceed with their AGM assuming the refund agreed to.

It was moved

THAT TIME REPAY A PARTIAL AMOUNT OF THEIR UQU GRANT FUNDING RECEIVED  
SINCE 2014

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PEREIRA/KOZIJ

CARRIED

## **K NATION NAME CHANGE**

The club proposes to change their name to KPOP. Brad Plant moved that their club invalid due to insufficient members – only eight people were shown attending their last general meeting held online.

It was moved

THAT THE RECENT KNATION GENERAL MEETING BE INVALIDATED DUE TO LACK OF PROOF OF QUORUM

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STONE/TUCKER

CARRIED

It was moved

THE C&S COMMITTEE REAFFIRM ITS POLICY THAT ALL CLUBS AND SOCIETIES MUST HOLD ANY GENERAL MEETINGS AS PHYSICAL MEETINGS ON CAMPUS IN PERSON UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN THEIR CONSTITUTION. ANY FUTURE GENERAL MEETINGS WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE RULED INVALID UNLESS APPROVED BY THE C&S COMMITTEE.

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KOZIJ/PLANT

CARRIED

Should Brisbane go into another lockdown, the C&S Committee would reconsider its position.

### **iii. Ratifications**

#### **POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SOCIETY**

It was moved

THAT THE POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SOCIETY BE RATIFIED

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PEREIRA/WIXTED

NOT CARRIED

#### **PUBLIC SPEAKING CLUB**

The club representative said that public speaking is something everyone uses it in all aspects of employment - similar to Toast Masters. The clubs' intention is to run projects that need to be filled; run fortnightly meetings and an opportunity to write structured speeches as opposed to impromptu speeches. The club will also write a curriculum on tips and tricks in public speaking and link to curriculum outside of the club. Other aspects of the club will be to invite guest speakers. The aim of the club would be to improve public speaking rather than provide a competitive aspect.

It was moved

THAT THE PUBLIC SPEAKING CLUB BE RATIFIED AS A UQU CLUB

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TUCKER/STONE

CARRIED

### **iv. Clubs Review**

#### **CHOCOLATE APPRECIATION SOCIETY**

The President of the Chocolate Appreciation Society attended the meeting following being disaffiliated at he previous meeting. The committee advised that 2019 constitution was amended at an inquorate general meeting deeming it invalid. As such, the 2020 annual general meeting was not valid under the old

constitution. Kurt reported that the club received Union funding last year however did not appear to have held any event. The President advised that they had held a movie night. The committee advised that the appeal period had lapsed however they were welcome to welcome to reapply via the application process. The club will need to submit a new affiliation request with a compelling argument and what they will need to do different and require 30 signatures within six months and will be scrutinised. Assets stay with club but after over six months get distributed.

### **ACTION AID**

The C&S manager asked the committee to review Action Aid as they were tabled at the previous meeting. To remove any doubt, the motion was moved again that Action Aid be disaffiliated due to no evidence in their audit or bank statements that their 35 members had paid membership fees in 2020, in violation of R158.1j and R161.1.

THAT ACTION AID BE DISAFFILIATED

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JABUR/TUCKER

CARRIED

### **v. Clubbies 2021**

A discussion about Clubbies took place due to the assumption that the Schonell would not be available. Emily advised she was getting quotes from both the UQ centre and an external supplier if we'd like to be under a clear marquee on the Great Court of similar location. Once the quote come back, the committee will be make a decision on what they would prefer.

The committee reviewed the Clubbies Nomination questions and provided feedback to the C&S manager.

## **7. General Business**

Kurt raised that in previous years student executives had received an allowance to support them attending events throughout the year. This had been an oversight this year and no funds had been allocated leaving the Campus Culture VP's in particular out of pocket. Kurt advised that this would not come from the C&S budget but rather the Council budget and he would raise it at the next meeting.

It is motioned

THAT THE C&S COMMITTEE AGREES THAT EACH OF THER CAMPUS CULTURE VP's BE PROVIDED AN ALLOWANCE UP TO \$1000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ATTENDING C&S EVENTS IN 2021 AS HAS BEEN EXISTING PRACTICE IN THE PREVIOUS TWO YEARS.

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TUCKER/PEREIRA

CARRIED

There being no general business, the Chair closed the meeting at 2.30PM

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Matthew George Pereira  
Chairperson