

# Monash Student Council

## Confirmed Minutes

Meeting 20/08 of the Monash Student Council held at 4pm on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2008 in Short Courses.

*Meeting opened at 4:19.*

### 1. Attendance:

President:	Mat Hilakari	(chair)
Secretary:	Julian Campbell	(minutes)
Treasurer:	Yuliya Mik	Absent
Education (Public):	Mark Baker	Proxy to Gemma Buckley, Greig Friday
Education (Academic):	Dash Jayasuriya	Proxy to Lauren O'Dwyer
Activities:	Sarah Cousins	
Welfare:	Adam Taranto	
Environment:	Lana Kagan	
Women's:	Ephiny Gale	
Female Queer:	Allegra Lofgren	Absent
Male Queer:	Owen Smith	
C&S:	Simon Singer	
MUISS:	Chris Li	
MAPS:		
General Representative:	Tegan Dobbie	Apology
General Representative:	<i>Simon Singer</i>	Proxy to Alex Roe
General Representative:	Maeva Veerapen	Absent
General Representative:	Jeremy Healsmith	Absent
General Representative:	Dara Conduit	Absent
Indigenous:	Billy Gray	Absent
Observers:	Ali Majokah Madeline Schultz Greig Friday Imogen Jackson Steph Hall Chris Salmon Lynton Gunn	

### 2. Acknowledgment of traditional owners of land

This MSC acknowledges and pays respect to the people of the Kulin nations as the original and ongoing owners and custodians of this land. The MSA commits itself to actively fight alongside Indigenous peoples for reconciliation and justice for all Indigenous Australians.

### 3. Confirmation of agenda order

Mr Campbell asks that non-attendance of members of council be put on the agenda.

### 4. Summary of exec financial motions

No exec motions to sight.

### 5. Confirmation of previous minutes

Not completed as yet.

**6. Matters arising from previous minutes**

None arising.

**7. Annual Reports**

As per the following motion:

**Motion from MSC 19/08:**

*"That this MSC sets the final due date for annual reports for 5pm, November 25, with officebearers who do not submit to have pay suspended until such time as their report is accepted by MSC. Officebearers must also submit a one-page report for publication in the organisation's official annual report, for publication in mid-2009.*

*Moved through the chair.*

*For: 11*

*Against: 0*

*Abstentions: 1*

*MOTION CARRIED*

Pay will be suspended until an annual report is received from the following Office Bearers:

Owen Smith

Allegra Lofgren

James Mentor

This agenda item is to note pay will be suspended as of tomorrow morning. The Welfare officebearers explained legitimate reasons for not submitting the annual report by the required deadline and are granted an extension.

**8. Hiring Policy**

**Motion #1:**

"That this MSC opens an open subcommittee on hiring policy", with Julian Campbell to act as chair of this committee."

Moved through the chair.

For: 10

Against: 0

Abstentions: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Much of the policy was out of date, and has been re-written by Robert Main.

Julian will send out notice over the GEMA to join this committee. Please sign up to the GEMA email address, either at front desk, or email Rachel Chua.

**9. Publications**

**Motion #2 (tabled):**

"That this MSC authorise up to the amount listed for the following publications:

\*Orientation and Clubs Guide \$10,862.50 (much of this will be recouped, as the Clubs Guide is included in this quote and will be recouped from C&S)

\*Culture Card Handbook \$1287.00

- \*Wall Planner \$3938
- \*Culture Card Discount book \$1039.50
- \*Posters \$1160.50

And directs the incoming Treasurer to work with the finance manager to maximise recovery of costs.”  
Moved: Julian Campbell  
Seconded: Simon Singer

The Culture Card Handbook is to be given to prospective buyers of the culture card, while the discount book is for those who have already got the card.

**Motion #2 is put.**

For: 10  
Against: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

**10. Ratification of Executive Minutes**



The MSC Executive is currently unable to meet quorum due to its members being non-contactable. Mr. Alexander is in France, Ms. Mik is on sick leave and Mr. Healsmith cannot be contacted. It is therefore necessary to ratify inquorate minutes at MSC, as the Executive does for inquorate meetings of other MSA bodies.

Attachment 01/20 -  
Exec Minutes 45/08

The ratification of these minutes are made more urgent as we need to authorise the hiring of a number of staff.

**Motion #3 (tabled):**

“That this MSC ratifies the minutes of Executive 45/08.”  
Moved through the chair.

Mr Hilakari outlines what was dealt with as part of this meeting.

**Motion #3 is put.**

For: 10  
Against: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

**11. Attendance of members of council**

MSC has had problems achieving quorum in recent weeks. Mr Healsmith and Ms Conduit have been poor attendees, with Mr Healsmith being contacted on multiple occasions and failing to answer his phone. On consultation of the Constitution, it is found that an absolute majority is required to remove them after failing to attend for three consecutive meetings. Removal of Council members will result in a lower quorum requirement, thereby increasing the chances of reaching quorum at the last meeting of council on December 22.

**Motion #4:**

“That this MSC resolves to relieve Dara Conduit and Jeremy Healsmith of their duties as General Representatives of MSC, as per section 45.1(e)(i) of the MSA Constitution.”  
Moved through the chair.

For: 11  
Against: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
MOTION CARRIED.

Mr Campbell is directed to contact Ms Conduit and Mr Healsmith to advise them of their removal.

This now means that a vote for the position of General Representative on Executive needs to occur to replace Mr Healsmith. Mr Singer is the only General Representative in attendance, while Ms Veerapen and Ms Dobbie are contacted via phone.

**Motion #5:**

“That Tegan Dobbie be appointed to the position of General Representative on MSC, in place of Jeremy Healsmith.”

Moved: Simon Singer  
Seconded: Alex Roe

For: 1  
Against: 0  
Abstentions: 10  
MOTION CARRIED.

**12. Annual Reports**



Att 02/20 - Activities  
- Sarah Cousins



Att 03/20 - Activities  
- Michael Keane



Att 04/20 - Ed Ac -  
Dash Jayasuriya



Att 05/20 - Ed Pub -  
Mark Baker



Att 06/20 - ESJC -  
Lana Kagan



Att 07/20 - Pres -  
Mat Hilakari



Att 08/20 - Sec -  
Julian Campbell



Att 09/20 - Women's  
- Ephiny Gale

Council notes the tabling of the Annual Reports.

**13. General Business**

**Motion #6:**

“That the MSA endorses the rally called by the ACTU on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December demanding that the ALP shutdown the ABCC and completely repeal all other aspects of Howard’s anti-union legislation, including VSU.”

Moved through the chair.

For: 5  
Against: 0  
Abstentions: 5  
MOTION CARRIED

**14. Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held at 2pm on Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of December, 2008 in Wholefoods.

*Meeting closed at 4:53pm.*