

Monash Student Council

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Meeting 05a/09 of the Monash Student Council held at 10:30am on Tuesday the 24th of November 2009 in Short Courses Studio 2.

Meeting opened at 10:37.

1. Attendance:

President:	Julian Campbell	
Secretary:	Ephiny Gale	(minutes)
Treasurer:	Sarah Cousins	(chair)
Education (Academic):	Hayley Svenson	(proxy for Lauren O'Dwyer)
Education (Public):	Gemma Buckley	
Activities:	Chris Salmon	
Welfare:	Lucy Hotchin	
Environment:	Imogen Jackson	
Women's:	Madeline Schultz	
Male Queer:	Greig Friday	

C&S: Alastair Thomas

General Representative:	Robbie Philpott	
General Representative:	Dominic Guanine	(proxy for Adam Taranto)
General Representative:	Lisa Dalle-Torre	

Apologies: Lauren O'Dwyer

Absent: Naja McFadden
Daniel Evelyn
E-Thing Gee
Steph Hall
Clinton Cook

Observers: Omar Hassan
Maig Ransom

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. Special Projects Fund Application – Education Public

Please see attachment #1.

Motion #1:

“That this MSC accepts the application for Special Projects from Education Public Affairs, and authorises the expenditure of \$340 to use on the NDA.”

Gemma explains that this money is to pay for the bus to get us from here to Melbourne uni, and also for stickers so that they could stick stickers on the posters this year. The NDA is expensive and they have a lot of events that they would like to expand from previous years in second semester. The NDA is central and doesn't just benefit one department. There are many universities that spend a great

deal of money on it and where it is completely centrally funded. Ed Pub is co-ordinating this but it benefits everyone.

Omar adds that it is great to mention that the Women's and Queer departments are getting involved in the NDA with their blocs this year.

Central approved money for buses for the NDA last year.

Lisa asks how tight the Special Projects Fund is. There is \$17,000 for first semester and none has been spent so far.

Alistair asks whether they expect to fill the bus. Gemma is confident that they can fill one bus, which is why they made the decision to get one instead of two. Even if they don't fill the bus, it's important to show solidarity with this event.

Lisa asks what efforts have been made to publicise the bus. Gemma explains that they have run numerous stalls, done poster runs, lecture bashes, publicised through Facebook and email and through the recent Speak Out. A lot of different groups such as clubs have also put this through their email lists.

Madeline asks where coach quote 3 is. Gemma explains that the company has told her "\$300," but has failed to send her the written quote that she's asked for yet. She is happy to circulate them later. She has also recently received a written quote that was lower than the phone quote she was quoted, and thus there is a quote lower than the \$280 she previously thought was the cheapest.

Sarah moves the motion through the chair.

For: 13

Absent: 0

Abstentions: 0

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4. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 10:40am on Tuesday the 22nd of March, 2009 in an unconfirmed location.

Meeting closed at 10:51.

Special Projects Fund Application – Education Public 01/05a	Attachment
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Application for ‘Special Projects fund’

Date: 17th of March

MSA Department: Education Public Affairs Department

Contact –

Name: Gemma Buckley

Number: 0438 968 613

Brief description of project: This project is the National Day of Action. This is a demonstration that takes place every year in each capital city to demand reform to the higher education sector. This year the campaign has three pillars: Scrap VSU, No Deregulation and Fair Income Support. Each of these aims are ones that the MSA has either shown support for in the past or will campaign around in the future. We believe that it is incredibly important that the MSA support this campaign and this event and in fact we believe that the NDA should and does represent the interests of the MSA and students as a whole and not just our department.

Amount requested: \$340.00 incl. GST

Checklist:

- Includes a brief outline of how it meets ALL the listed requirements
- Includes all relevant quotes (minimum 3) or detailed budget
- Includes any further relevant documentation
- Includes a potential budget

How do you meet Requirements

- This project benefits Monash Clayton students by:

Campaigning around issues that negatively affect all students. If the National Day of Action and the surrounding campaign is successful, it has a huge potential to benefit students, probably more so than anything else we do all year.

- How will this application extend current projects within the department beyond current capacity; Help set up new programs within the department; or be of benefit to the broader MSA rather than department specific:

This money will help extend the project as it will allow us to have more students attend. This is important as it allows us to take more students to the event and the NDA relies on numbers to be successful.

- Does this project comply with:
 - MSA constitution;
 - Relevant MSA policies; or
 - Any relevant decisions made by Monash Student Council.

It does comply with the constitution.

If not, please provide a brief explanation.

- The Department is unable to fund the project out of their own budget because:

We have a limited budget and this is only one part of one event that we run in a year. Moreover, we believe that this project is one that should be and does represent the interest of the MSA as a whole and our department is simply a vessel for it to occur. We also hope to extend the projects we undertake in second semester and this will not be able to occur should we have to put too much money in to running the NDA.

Please attach your proposed budget, quotes and any other relevant documentation here.

These are bus quotes from over the phone for one bus at 12:00pm from the Robert Blackwood Hall to Melbourne Uni:

Quinces-

57 seats \$308.00 incl GST

Ventura-

57 seats \$280.00 incl. GST

Victoria Bus Concepts-

49 seats \$350.00 excl. GST

Mees-

57 seats \$440 incl. GST

As for the Sticker Paper, that was purchased through a preferred supplier and is under 500 dollars anyway.

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From: Gillian Baker <Gillian@mees.com.au>
To: gemma.buckley@adm.monash.edu.au
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 2009 14:20:03 +1100
Subject: Coach quote

Hi Gemma,

Thank you for the opportunity to quote on your coach transfers from Monash University in Clayton to Melbourne University in Melbourne.

Your quote for a 57 seat coach, leaving at 12:00pm for a one-way transfer on the 25th of March is as follows:

\$242 inclusive of GST

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries or would like to book this in,

Kind Regards,

Gillian

Coach quote 2:

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Coach quote 3 to be tabled during the meeting.