

Monash Student Council

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Meeting 05b/09 of the Monash Student Council held at 10:40am on Tuesday the 24th of November 2009 in Short Courses Studio 2.

Meeting opened at 10:51.

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
MAPS:	Clinton Cook

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

Apologies: Lauren O'Dwyer

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

Observers: Omar Hassan
Maig Ransom
David Elliot
Ben Convey

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 – MUST

Please see attachment #1.

Chris leaves at 10:53

Motion #1:

“That this MSC accepts the application for Special Projects from MUST, and authorises the expenditure of \$3,420 to fund ADFest.”

Lucy provides a run down of what ADFest is and does, where it's publicised and that everyone can access it. ADFest this year is much bigger than last year and was very successful in 2008.

David Elliot and Ben Convey enter at 11:02

Yvonne Virsik and Sam the MUST intern enter at 11:06

Greig says that he has a very positive outlook on ADFest, is excited to see it get so big and thinks this money would be very well spent. If the university wants to fund it then we should want to, too.

Omar asks whether the students who run workshops are getting paid. Yvonne says no, students will get the income from their workshops but do not get paid a definitive sum of money. The money from Special Projects is for professionals – we are paying them 30% of what they would normally get.

Hayley asks how many people turned up to the workshops last year. Yvonne says they were very well attended, it varies because students have class, but otherwise they were very well attended.

Yvonne explains that ADFest is definitely offsetting their costs with income.

Madeline says that she would like to see this budgeted for in a long term way. Yvonne says that it's only been run once before and the only way that we would be able to run this again is if MUST didn't have to cover all their costs (apart from Yvonne and Jason's wages). There are simply not enough time or human resources.

Grieg leaves at 11:12

Alistair asks whether MUST has contacted the performing arts clubs. Yvonne says that we have a number of relevant workshops and have been in a great deal of contact with the Shakespere Society. Yvonne has spent a long time talking to other clubs, such as MUMCo but communication is often difficult because clubs' responses are varied.

Gemma asks whether there is potential to secure funding from it from the university in the long term. Yvonne says that the university likes to fund their projects a little bit, but rarely fully, and was disappointed to hear that some people in the university withdrew the money that MUST expected.

MUST will be promoting ADFest as much as they have time to do. Time is unfortunately limited.

Yvonne and Sam leave at 11:15

Julian clarifies that we do identify as not-for-profit, but has not heard of DRG as such.

Lucy says that MUST can be very separate to the MSA, but MUST is very tightly run and although ADFest is largely powered by students Yvonne is also run off her feet. It will be difficult for ADFest to run again if we don't pass this.

Motion #1 is put

Moved: Lucy Hotchin

Seconded: Imogen Jackson

For: 13

Against: 0

Abstentions: 0

4. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 10:50am on Tuesday the 24th of March, 2009 in Short Courses Studio 2.

Meeting closed at 11:14.

**Special Projects Fund Application – MUST
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Attachment

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