

USASA Board Meeting Minutes
10 October 2016, 6.30pm
Jeffery Smart Building, JS6

Attendees: Carey Moore (President), Izik Nehow (Vice President), Nick Li, Valérie Baya, Sophie Murray, Joshua Schneider, Luke Rogers, Tom Browne, Lisa Bennetts, Christopher Ghan (arrived at 6.40pm), Kayla Dickeson, Kemal Brkic, Tammy Masters, Luis Gardeazabal; Acting General Manager Jason Bilberry (Policy & Research Officer)

Advisors: Nick Anderson, Arthur Siow
UniSA Observers: Peter Prest (proxy for Allan Tabor)
Minute Secretary: Michelle Battams

The President declared the meeting open at 6.30pm.

1. Meeting Opening

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

The Board of USASA respects the Kaurna and Barngarla Peoples' spiritual relationship with their country and that today we meet on the land of the Kaurna people, and recognise the Kaurna people as the custodians on the land where we meet. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land and acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to these people living today. We recognise the land from which Kemal travels is the land of the Barngarla people and acknowledge they are the custodians of that country.

1.2 Apologies

The President advised that he had received formal apologies from Nick Li and Sophie Murray. The President also advised that Lisa Bennetts will be resigning from the Board. The resignation will be made official upon written receipt of Lisa's resignation to the President.

1.3 Conflicts of Interest

The President asked Board members if any member had a conflict of interest with any business on the agenda of this meeting. As there were no conflicts of interest advised, the President stated: 'That all Members and officers in attendance declare that they have read and considered all papers within this agenda that require decision making and have no known conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest with respect to those matters.'

1.4 Previous Minutes

1.4.1 Josh Schneider moved that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted. The motion was seconded by Tom Browne. The motion was carried unanimously.

2. Matters for Discussion

2.1 O'Week Feedback - Tracy Fisher & Rebekka Rechten

The presentation was given following contact from Kayla and canvasses a number of ideas for O'Week and monthly events. The Board were encouraged to attend a planning session on 1 November at 5pm, venue to be confirmed.

A number of USASA driven events are proposed for 2017: Unitopia, small monthly activations, one larger event, national campus band competition, Examinaid, art prize. Allowances have been made for these activities but they are not locked in at this stage and feedback from the Board is welcome. USASA are aiming to get activities locked in by November 2016. Monthly events proposed include:

- Lifestyle series – to assist students to live within their means, partnership with sponsors (opportunities to get sponsorship).

- March – how to make friends
- April – food (coincide with Tasting Australia)
- May - wine tasting
- June – room styling
- July mid-term break
- August – art prize (coincide with SALA)
- September – connect with sporting event (AFL Grand final etc)
- October – Fashion (Adelaide Fashion Week).

Other ideas are monthly markets, pop up bar and food trucks, international festival, kickstart uni party, uni ball (expensive to run).

SP2 orientation

A number of positives came from SPS 2016 Orientation arising from effective USASA branding and consistency across all events and a focus on core USASA services.

Snapshot of SP2 Orientation 2017 which will have a tailored approach at each university – entertainment, sports, Adelaide Fringe elements. Increase engagement with students, increase chill out zones, partner with expo providers, registration to allow students flexibility in planning the day, different branding for undergraduate and post graduate students.

Peter Prest suggested a launch around the opening of the Great Hall in 2017

Valerie suggested that USASA consider recommendations made in Board Members' reports. Valerie also advised that she may have a chef contact to pass on to USASA.

Tracy asked if any Board members were attending the wellness steering meeting. No members indicated they were.

3. Matters for Noting/Information (unless starred)

The President asked those members who did not submit a report for September to include one with their October report.

3.1 Finance Report

3.2 General Manager's Report

3.3 Board Members Reports

3.4 Committee Reports

3.4.1 Governance Committee

4. Any other business

4.1 Formal enquiries

The President advised that despite a presentation given to the Board at the August meeting expressing the urgency of getting student representation on formal enquiries, there are student requests going unfilled, which is not a positive representation of the Board. The President reminded members that this is a major component of Board members' roles and carries much importance.

The President advised that there are imminent enquiries with spots to be filled and sought representatives for a hearing to be held the next day. No Board members nominated. The President advised that he would attend these enquiries but this is not ideal as it may

be seen as a conflict, but it is preferable to there being no Board representative in attendance.

4.2 Jason Bilberry

The President advised the Board that Jason Bilberry, the Policy and Research Officer is leaving USASA and this is his last meeting of the Board. The President gave his thanks and noted that Jason was a valuable addition to the Board. Jason thanked the Board and highlighted the benefit he gained from his role on the Board.

4.3 Brekky Bar

Izik Nehow queried if there was a response from the university about the proposed \$60k funding for the brekky bar. It was advised that the decision is pending.

5. Closure

5.1 Next meeting

The next meeting of the USASA Board will be held on 14 November 2016 at 6.30pm.

5.2 Meeting close

The meeting closed at 7.15pm.