

USASA

Board Meeting Agenda

15 March 2016, 6.30pm

City West Campus JS6-13

Attendees: Carey Moore (President), Izik Nehow (Vice President), Nick Li, Valérie Baya, Jue Wang (via Skype), Mark Meegan, Luke Rogers, Tom Browne, Lisa Bennetts, Christopher Ghan (arrived 5 minutes into the meeting), Kayla Dickeson, Kemal Brkic, Tammy Masters (via Flinders Web), Daniel Randell (General Manager), Jason Bilberry (Policy & Research Officer)

Advisors: Nick Anderson, Arthur Siow

UniSA Observers: Allan Tabor, Director: SAS

Invited Guest: Catherine Klimes, Manager, Careers & Employability, Student Engagement Unit

Minute Secretary: Michelle Battams

The Chair declared the meeting open at 6.41pm.

1. Meeting Opening

1.1. Acknowledgement of Country

The Board of USASA respects the Kaurna, Boandik and Barngarla peoples' spiritual relationship with their country. 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 acknowledge the diversity of Aboriginal people, past and present.

1.2. Apologies

The President noted the apology of Sophie Murray.

1.3. Previous Minutes

1.3.1. Confirmation of previous minutes

The motion was moved by Luke Rogers and seconded by Izik Nehow to accept the minutes of the previous meeting held on 8 February 2016 as a true and accurate record. Motion carried unanimously.

1.3.2. Matters Arising/Action log

The updates to the following items on the action log were noted:

- 4.1 Finance Report. The Finance Report is in the finance committee minutes attached to this agenda.
- 5.2 Goal Setting Meetings. Ongoing.

2. Special Presentation - Catherine Klimes, Manager, Careers & Employability, Student Engagement Unit

The President welcomed Catherine to the meeting to provide information to students about the careers and employability program in the student engagement unit.

3. Matters for Decision

3.1. Formal Apology for February Meeting - Nick Li

The President moved a motion that the Board accept the apology of Nick Li for the February meeting. The motion was seconded by Lisa Bennetts. Motion carried unanimously.

3.2. Funding for Memorial Seat - Kemal Brkic

The motion was moved by Kemal Brkic and seconded by Carey Moore for the Board to provide funding of \$2,500 towards a memorial seat at the Whyalla Campus. The motion was defeated with three for, six against and one abstaining.

3.3. Include Whyalla in Wall Calendar & Diary regarding UniTopia

The motion was moved by the President and seconded by Nick Li to include Whyalla and Mount Gambier events on the UniTopia calendar and diary. The motion was carried unanimously.

3.4. Marriage Equality Endorsement

The motion was moved by Izik Nehow and seconded by Lisa Bennetts for the Board to demonstrate their support for marriage equality in Australia as outlined in the agenda paper. The motion was carried unanimously.

3.5. International Students Committee Terms of Reference

The Board AGREED that Arthur Siow will work with Valérie Baya on the terms of reference for resubmission to the Board. The issue was tabled.

4. Matters for Noting/Information (unless starred)

4.1. President's Report

The Board NOTED the President's report.

4.2. General Manager's Report**

The Board NOTED the General Manager's report with the additional information.

4.3. Board Members Reports

The Board NOTED all Board Member's reports.

4.4. Committee Reports

The Board NOTED all Committee reports, with the exception of those **.

4.4.1 Finance Committee**

The motion was moved by the President and seconded by Izik Nehow that the Board accept YTD financials to the end February 2016. The motion was carried unanimously.

*Subject to final audit that board approved financial audits.

The motion was moved by the President and seconded by Kemal Brkic that the Board NOTE that the approval of funding for Trees for Whyalla of \$5,000 was contained in the financial reports. The motion was carried unanimously.

4.4.2. International Students Committee

4.4.3. Clubs Committee

4.4.4. Education & Welfare

4.4.5. Women's Committee

4.4.6. Election Regulations Committee**

The Board NOTED the Governance Committee Report with amendments.

4.5. State of Higher Education

The Board NOTED the State of Higher Education report.

5. Any other business

Board members' representation

The President advised that Board members are dealing with human beings, staff members and external organisations. The President reminded Board members to be polite and not to inappropriately interact with staff members, to use appropriate language and be mindful that you are representing the Board.

The President encourage Board members to engage in volunteer activities on campus, such as volunteering at the Brekky Bar and the USASA counter, and during Examination Aid in June, as a good chance to meet student constituents and count towards activity reports.

Whyalla activity

Kemal Brkic invited Board members to join Whyalla students on 1 April 2016 at Point Lowly for a camp out at a cost of \$10pp, partners and families welcome.

Proposed Standing Orders

Izik Nehow advised the Board that he is drafting standing orders he will submit to the next Board meeting. The orders will incorporate procedural rules, speaking lists etc.

Sub Committees Standardisation

Daniel Randell advised that there is a need to standardise one uniform approach to the management of sub committees. Convenors should remember that the sub committees are professional and should take into account the availability of all board members, and be arranged for a set time of each month, being mindful of all members' availability.

Student Engagement Consultation

Nick Li advised the Board about an email from the Student Engagement Centre outlining consultation commencing this week. The consultation will form the blueprint for how the university engage students going forward. Nick strongly encouraged Board members to attend. The rsvp has been extended to Thursday afternoon.

6. Closure

6.1. The next meeting will be held Monday, 11 April 2016, 6.30pm

6.2. Meeting closed at 8.36pm.

The President extended a thank you to all participants.