

Minutes of the USASA Board Meeting

Tuesday 15 October 2019

Jeffery Smart Building JS6-13

PRESENT

Board:	Grace Dixon Nida Baig Bridget Barletta Noah Beckmann Laurena Byers Arunika Dutta Ned Feary Julie Ma Harsh Rana Puthearothsopor Tan	President & Meeting Chair Post Graduate Representative City West Campus Representative (by telephone) Mawson Lakes Campus Representative Mount Gambier Campus Representative (by telephone) Magill Campus Co-Representative City West Undergraduate Representative City East Campus Co-Representative (from 7.12 pm) International Students Representative City East Campus Co-Representative
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In attendance:	Nick Anderson Richard Irons Bridget Laffy Arthur Siow Sandy Davis	Finance Advisor Director Student and Academic Services Student Representative Support Officer Legal Advisor Minute Taker
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APOLOGIES	Daniel Randell Wenona Reddaway-Worth Kate Riggall	USASA CEO Whyalla Campus Student Representative Magill Campus Co-Representative
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Absent	Christine Doolan Thanusshan Packiyarajah	Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Student Representative Mawson Lakes Undergraduate Representative
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The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 6.02 pm.

1. MEETING OPENING

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

The Board of USASA acknowledges that it meets on the land of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains and pays respect to their elders past and present. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land and acknowledge that these are of continuing importance to the Kaurna people living today.

1.2 Leave Requests

1.2.1 Kate Riggall – leave request accepted.

Wenona Reddaway-Worth – leave request accepted.

1.2.2 Thanusshan Packiyarajah has advised the Chair today of his absence, due to an interstate job interview. He is to submit a retrospective leave request for consideration at the next meeting.

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1.2.3 Julie Ma had advised that she would be arriving late.

1.2.4 Christine Doolan was absent without notice.

1.3 Conflicts of Interest – nil.

1.4 Previous Minutes

1.4.1 Confirmation

Motion: That the minutes of the Board Meeting of 17 September 2019 be accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.

All were in favour and the Motion was carried.

J Ma joined the meeting.

1.4.2 Action Log – noted.

Proposal to integrate internships into Engineering

An outcome had been achieved independent of the working group. Thanusshan Packiyarajah to report on this to the next meeting.

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2. MATTERS FOR DECISION

2.1 Grad Australia

The proposal was discussed, including the following points: funding could be allocated from contingency budget lines, the payment / pricing model (by employers and universities), comparison to other university employment sites and general employment web sites. Noting that the proposed trial can be cancelled at any time, Ned Feary undertook to investigate alternative products and report to the next meeting.

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Motion: That the Board approve a one year trial with Prosple / GradAustralia, as set out on pp 9 and 10 of the Board papers and in the proposal document circulated with the Board papers.

All were in favour and the motion was carried.

3. MATTERS FOR NOTING

3.1 President's Report – taken as read.

3.2 CEO's Report – taken as read.

3.3 Board Members' Reports – Each report was noted and taken as read.

Noah Beckmann added that the Mawson Lakes library redevelopment is proceeding, with student input expected.

Harsh Rana noted with satisfaction the resolution of graduation issues for 25 students.

3.4 Committee Meeting Minutes

3.4.1 Diversity, Equity & Access Committee – 3 October Minutes noted.

3.4.2 Finance Committee – 12 September Minutes noted.

3.4.3 Governance Committee – 17 September Minutes noted.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – Nil.

5. MEETING CLOSE

5.1 Next meeting – 19 November 2019 at 6.00 pm

5.2 Meeting Close – 6.40 pm