

## Minutes of the USASA Board Meeting

Tuesday 15 December 2020

JS6-13 and via Zoom

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### PRESENT

Board:	Noah Beckmann Lauren Baum Jenny Chen Arunika Dutta Ned Feary Rhys Peden Tim Pham Daniel Randell Jaisree Ravichandran Lekshmi Shylaja Joshua Steele Diane Wilkins Arthur Siow Nick Anderson	President & Meeting Chair Mount Gambier Campus Representative City East Undergraduate Representative Magill Campus Undergraduate Representative City West Undergraduate Representative Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Student Representative City East Campus Representative USASA CEO Mawson Lakes Campus Representative Post Graduate Representative Mawson Lakes Campus Undergraduate Representative Whyalla Campus Student Representative Legal Advisor Finance Advisor
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In attendance:	Bridget Laffy Richard Irons Sandy Davis	Coordinator: Governance and Student Leadership Director: Student and Academic Services Minute Taker
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<b>Apology</b>	Melinda Ho	International Student Representative
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The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 4.10 pm.

### 1. MEETING OPENING

#### 1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

The USASA Board acknowledges that it meets on the land of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains and on the lands of others who are attending from locations beyond the Adelaide Plains, and pays respect to their elders, past, present and emerging. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land and acknowledge that these are of continuing importance to Aboriginal People living today.

#### 1.2 Leave Requests

Motion: That Melinda Ho's leave request for the Board meeting on 15 December 2020 be accepted.  
All were in favour and the Motion was carried.

#### 1.3 Conflicts of Interest – Nil.

#### 1.4 Previous Minutes

#### 1.4.1 Confirmation

Motion: That the minutes of the Board Meeting of 17 November 2020 be accepted as an accurate record.

All were in favour and the Motion was carried.

#### 1.4.2 Action Log

1.4.2.1 Board handover process – in progress, with the last handover planned for 17 December.

## 2. MATTERS FOR NOTING

2.1 **President's Report** – taken as read.

2.2 **CEO's Report** – taken as read.

### 2.3 Finance Report

The Finance Report was noted. Daniel Randell advised that \$100,000 has been returned to PVC:SEE for the hardship fund, which means a forecast year end surplus of approximately \$60,000. Funds from the Government Cash Flow Bonus will be used to start next year.

Noah Beckman advised reported that the 2021 SSAF agreement has been signed.

2.4 **Board Members' Reports** – Reports were noted and taken as read from Lauren Baum, Jenny Chen, Rhys Peden and Diane Wilkins.

Lauren Baum added that the two Mount Gambier student engagement leaders are to continue next year, under the management of the Regional Manager.

Lekshmi Shylaja reported that both her projects have been carried forward to next year, having been delayed by COVID-19.

Ned Feary's report has been submitted, but not received. Tim Phan, Joshua Steele, Arunika Dutta and Jaisree Ravichandran have all submitted late reports.

Jaisree and Arunika were congratulated on their forthcoming graduations.

### 2.5 Committee Meeting Minutes

2.5.1 Education Committee – 30 November 2020 Minutes noted.

2.5.2 Governance Committee – 17 November 2020 Minutes noted. Rhys Peden will upload a corrected version, but there are no substantial changes.

### 2.6 2020 Election Report

The report was noted, with growth of the currently unrepresented Online electorate noted as requiring consideration next year. Bridget Laffy observed that candidate conduct had been good.

## 3. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – Nil.

## 4. MEETING CLOSE

4.1 **Next meeting** – Tuesday 19 January 2021

4.2 **Meeting Close** – 4.20 pm