

## Minutes of the USASA Board Meeting

Monday 20 March 2018

6.00pm Jeffrey Smart Building JS6013

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- Attendees:**
- Jordan Mumford, President
  - Kate Riggall, Postgrad Rep
  - Abid Billah, International Student Rep
  - Qihua Zheng, CW Rep
  - Natansh Modi, CE Rep
  - Sneha Manimurugan, MLK Rep
  - Grace Dixon, MLK Rep
  - Surabhi Shubhraj, Magill Rep
  - Ryan Colsey, Magill Rep
  - Kemal Brkic, Whyalla Rep
  - Pamela Spek
  - Bridget Barletta
  - Timothy Pham
- Daniel Randell, General Manager  
Bridget Laffy, Student Representative Support Officer  
Nick Anderson, Financial Adviser
- UniSA Observers:** Allan Tabor, Director, SAS
- Apologies:** Arthur Siow, Legal Adviser
- By Invitation:** Laura-Anne Bull (PVC:SEE)  
Shweta Mariwala (EO)

**Minute Secretary:** Suz Heaton

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The President declared the meeting open at 6.01pm.

### 1. Meeting Opening

#### 1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

The Board of USASA respects the Kurna and Barngarla Peoples' spiritual relationship with their country and that today we meet on the land of the Kurna people and recognise the Kurna 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.

## 1.2. Guest Speaker

Guest Speaker Laura-Anne Bull (PVC:SEE) and Shweta Mariwala (EO) entered the meeting at 6.00pm to provide a presentation and discuss initiatives regarding student engagement throughout the University and with particular regard to the University's response to the results of the 2017 survey about sexual violence at universities.

ACTION: Members to review information and web site and provide feedback by 4 April 2018

Members to direct any further questions to the President.

Bridget to Coordinate Board members to review the training and provide feedback.

*Laura-Anne Bull (PVC:SEE) and Shweta Mariwala (EO) left the meeting at 6.38pm.*

## 1.2 Apologies/Leave Requests

There were no apologies to note.

## 1.3 Conflicts of Interest

Surabhi Shubhraj advised she had a conflict of interest in relation to item as she had been elected as President of the Women's Collective Club to connect with women on campus.

The President reminded Members and Officers in attendance of their requirement to declare that they have read and considered all papers within this Agenda and 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 Confirmation – 6 February 2017 Minutes

Item 1.4.1 Should read Minutes of the December 2017 meeting

Item 2.2: Reads that Jordan was the President should read Kayla was the President

Motion: That the minutes of the February 2018 Board meeting conducted on 6 February 2018 were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.

Moved: Jordan Mumford

Seconded: Grace Dixon

All were in favour and the Motion was carried.

### **1.4.2 Action Log**

#### **2.4 Appointment of Vice President**

Refer to Item 2.2

#### **2.5 Appointment of Mount Gambier Representative**

Bridget advised this was still in progress.

#### **3.5 NUS Report Back**

Refer to Item 4.6

## **2. Matters for Decision**

### **2.1 Magill Toasties Activation (RC)**

Ryan C provided a brief overview of the purpose of the paper is for funding to be granted to the Magill Representatives to host a fortnightly mid-morning pop-up option on campus. The proposed name of this would be Toastie Tuesdays and this would occur ten times in the calendar year; four in SP2 and six in SP5.

#### **Recommendation**

That the board approves funding for up to \$300 to hold the Toastie Tuesday activations as set out in his proposal.

Motion: That the Board approve up to \$300 to hold the Toastie Tuesday as outlined

Moved Jordan Mumford

Seconded: Pam Spek

Daniel further advised that there was a new process around approvals for food activations and running food events but that it was unlikely to affect this activation.

### **2.2 Committee Appointments (JM)**

The President advised there were currently seven USASA Sub-Committees :

- Clubs
- Finance
- Welfare
- International
- Education
- Women's
- Governance

## Recommendation

That the members of the USASA Board who were not present during the February 2018 USASA Board meeting nominate to join committees if they wish. Therefore, the following members elected for the following sub committees:

-	International Sub Committee	Abid Tim Qihua
-	Welfare	Pam Tim
	Governance	Kate Tim Bridget Pam
	Club Committee	Tim
	Women's Committee	Kate Bridget Pam

IT was also noted that Ryan had resigned from Governance Committee.

### 2.3 Vice President Appointment (JM)

The President advised that the USASA Student Board should nominate a Returning Officer and the voting members should elect a Vice-President.

The President advised that Pam Spek would like to nominate as the Vice President and the President asked if any other Members would like to nominate. Natansh Modi advised he would like to nominate. As such, the nomination was taken to a vote with the following resolution:

The President requested that Bridget Laffy be appointed at the Returning Officer.

Moved: Jorden Mumford

Seconded: Grace Dixon

All were in favour and the motion was carried.

Bridget Laffy conducted the election with assistance from Nick Anderson Pam Spek be appointed as Vice President.

### 2.4 AGM Date Selection (DR)

The Board is required to set a date for the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Motion: That the AGM be held on 17 April 2018 at the City West Campus.

Moved: Ryan C

Seconded: Pam Spek

All were in favour and the motion was carried.

### **2.5 Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SS)**

The Women's Committee proposes "Accept Differences and Respect Choice" activation space and suggests to initiate a positive discussion about body image advocating for women's welfare in four Metropolitan campuses. There is a need to encourage a cultural shift away from victim blaming and the campaign could engage with students to raise awareness and empower students through our differences.

Daniel questioned why this activation was being done by a Committee of the Board rather than a Club as this does not sit within the TOR of the Board.

After discussion Surabhi withdrew the proposal and no action was taken.

## **3. Matter for Discussion**

### **3.1 Sexual Assault Survey Response Actions (KR)**

Kate advised last year the university created a Sexual Assault Policy Review Project Group and Steering Group to address the findings of the National Report on Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment at Australian Universities. This group is reviewing UniSA policies and procedures, implementing training at all levels of the university, creating a dedicated sexual assault counselling position and developing content to communicate to students about these actions as well as to encourage cultural change around this issue.

The President added that it was very important for all Board members to undertake the training to be held with regard to Sexual Harassment so that the University could get their feedback before it was rolled out to other students.

### **3.2 NAAA Invitation (DR)**

The National Alliance for Action on Alcohol (NAAA) has made an approach to the Vice Chancellor David Lloyd for the University of South Australia to join the NAAA. As a key student service provider at the University it has been identified that for any membership of the University to the NAAA to be effective there would need to be some alignment or agreement from USASA, potentially to the extent of USASA becoming a member also.

After discussing the paper provided by Daniel it was agreed that the way in which the Uni currently deal with events involving alcohol through correct policies and processes and ensure all activities are safe and responsible.

### **3.3 SSAF Report (DR)**

Daniel provide an update on the Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF), including actual SSAF expenditure in 2017 and how SSAF has been allocated in 2018.

All members to refer questions, if any, to Daniel and he will take them back to the Board for discussion.

#### **4. Matters for Noting**

##### **4.1 President's Report**

The Presidents Report was noted and taken as read.

##### **4.2 General Managers Report**

The General Managers Report was noted and taken as read.

##### **4.3 Finance Report**

The Finance Report was noted and taken as read.

##### **4.4 Board Members' Reports**

All Board Members Reports were noted and taken as read

##### **4.5 Committee Meeting Minutes**

###### **4.5.1 Clubs Committee 27 February**

The Clubs Committee Report was noted and taken as read.

###### **4.5.2 Education Committee 27 February**

The Education Committee Report was noted and taken as read.

###### **4.5.3 Finance Committee 6 March**

The Finance Committee Report was noted and taken as read.

###### **4.5.4 Governance Committee 5 March**

The Governance Committee Report was noted and taken as read.

The President requested all Members to ensure that reports are kept specific to USASA activities.

#### **4.6 NUS President's Summit Report Back (JM)**

The NUS President's Summit Report was noted and taken as read

#### **4.7 Mt Gambier By-Election Timeline (BL)**

The board notes the Mt Gambier Election timeline.

### **5. Any Other Business**

The President advised that he had been advised that an "Antipodean Nazi Youth Group" had been concentrating on Uni Campuses and were displaying disgusting material.

The President had liaised with the President of FUSA and the President of the Adelaide Uni SRC University Representatives and had drafted a media response which he read out to the Board for their feedback.

It was agreed that the name of the group would be omitted so that they wouldn't receive publicity, and that The President would liaise with Arthur Siow to ensure the content was appropriate prior to releasing. It was also noted that the President would re-word the release to suggest the taking down of posters 'carefully'.

### **5. Meeting Closure**

#### **5.1 Next meeting**

The next meeting will be held at 6.00pm on Tuesday, 17 April 2018.

#### **5.2 Meeting Closed**

The President declared the meeting closed at 7.49pm