

UNION COUNCIL

MINUTES

From the 4th Ordinary Meeting of the 2014
UQ Union Council

6:00PM

Friday 30/05/2014

Holt Room

Level 4, Union Complex (Bld. 21C), St. Lucia Campus

a) Attendance

The following members were present:

- Paterson, Rachel
- Millroy, Joshua
- Johnston, Nathan
- Landgraf, Megan
- Anderson, India
- De Haan, Damien
- Keys-Macpherson, Padraig
- Bowman, Patrick
- Maxwell, Danika
- McLean, Laurence
- Morris, Brendan
- Andrews, Joshua
- Howden, Laura
- Cramp, Kathryn
- Chandler-Mather, Max
- Hopkins, Michael
- Manfield, Isabel
- Jensen, Kyle
- Ruffin, Archer
- Morris, Natalie
- McInnes, Ashleigh
- Lee, Richard
- Kakoniktis, Stephen

The Following Members were absent:

- Keenan, Joshua
- Falzon, Mathhias
- Bowman, Emma
- Ngoo, Alexander
- Gipps, Fiona
- Perey, Alexander
- Van Hoff, Jamie
- Scheel, Lotte
- Hutton, Julia
- Farago, Mark
- Compton, Matty
- Acutt, Amanda
- Paw, Ekta
- Johnston, Elinor
- Roestenburg, Nikki
- Rossignol, Tim
- Moses, Ivan
- Dalton, Alexander
- Rodgers, Jacqueline
- Ivans, Blair
- Coleborn, Jamie
- Keyte, Melanie
- Theunissen
- O'Hare, Timothy
- Budur, Christina
- Morgan, Georgina
- Nehring, Anneke
- Rankin, Emily
- Prasad, Jaya

Apologies were received from the following members:

- Acutt, Amanda
- Bowman, Emma
- Gipps, Fiona
- Hutton, Julia
- Johnston, Elinor
- Keenan, Joshua
- Paw, Ekta
- Perey, Alexander
- Prasad, Jaya
- Roestenburg, Nikki
- Scheel, Lotte
- Falzon, Mathhias
- Ngoo, Alexander

The following proxies were received:

- Emma Bowman to Patrick Bowman
- Fiona Gipps to Kurt Tucker
- Alexander Perey to Jared Peut
- Alexander Ngoo to Ashleigh Chandler
- Joshua Keenan to Jared Peut
- Mathhias Falzon to Ashleigh McInnes

The following applications for leave for the last meeting were received:

- Moses, Ivan
- Roestenburg, Nikki
- Rossignol, Tim

The following others were present:

- Watson, Kate
- Manning, Murray
- Krynicki, Cameron
- Duffy, Lachlan
- Ruane, Connor
- Smith, Nick
- Stokes, Alexandra
- Robertson, Thomas
- McCarthy, Aidan
- Yates, Molly
- Jones, Sidney
- Davies, Tom
- Medcraft, Lucas
- Quirk, Michael
- Harrington, Bridget
- Chandler, Ashleigh
- Peut, Jared
- Tucker, Kurt

It was moved

THAT APOLOGIES BE ACCEPTED AND LEAVE BE GRANTED TO ALL APPLICANTS
COUNCIL 103/93 MCLEAN/KEYS-MACPHERSON CARRIED

b) Elections

Nil.

c) Appeals From Decisions of Union Bodies

Nil.

d) Reports of Elected Officers

UQU Presidents report, UQU Secretary Report, UQU Campus Culture Report, and Environmental Officer Report started for discussion.

The reports of the elected officers were moved en bloc.

It was moved

THAT THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/94 JOHNSTON/MANFIELD CARRIED

THAT THE UNION SECRETARY'S REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/95 MILLROY/MANFIELD CARRIED

THAT THE TREASURER'S REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/96 MILLROY/MANFIELD CARRIED

THAT THE REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT (STUDENT RIGHTS) BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/97 MILLROY/MANFIELD CARRIED

THAT THE REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT (GENDER AND SEXUALITY) BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/98 MILLROY/MANFIELD CARRIED

e) Matters Arising from the Reports of Elected Officers

Discussion on president's report regarding renovations on UQU for loading dock, EBA negotiations

Discussion on secretary's report regarding UQU renovations

Discussion regarding campus culture State of Origin and World Cup broadcast in the great court and the cost of the mariachi band for cultural fiesta

Discussion regarding the environmental office's report effects of meat-free Monday events on the meat industry

Procedural motion to move to next item of business

NOT CARRIED

Procedural motion that the debate be adjourned

CARRIED

f) Question Time

Question directed to the treasurer regarding the progress of the college grant funding

UQU treasurer elaborated on the progress of the college grant funding and the progress of obtaining legal advice

Discussion regarding the expenditure of legal advice by the UQU executive

Question directed to the UQU president regarding UQU funding for NUS events

Discussion regarding expenditure of UQU resources on NUS run events

Question directed to UQU executive regarding concerns with the new federal budget

UQU president responded on main issues in the budget adversely affecting university students

Question directed at UQU executive regarding the UQU debate night and can just anyone debate not someone from a different political persuasion

UQU President responded that anyone can debate and encourages anyone to become involved

Discussion regarding who has swipe card access to the UQU office (top nine executives, max Chandler-Mather (semper editor), Laurence McLean, Isabel Manfield, Julia Hutton (environment Officer), Archer Ruffin (international officer).

A question directed to the UQU executive regarding the federal budget and what effects it will have on already disadvantaged students

UQU President reiterated the unfair financial detriment placed upon students from the budget

Procedural motion to extend question time for an additional 15 minutes

CARRIED

Question directed to the UQU secretary regarding pre-set council and election dates

The UQU Secretary responded giving dates on council dates and an approximate date for the annual elections

Question to the UQU Executive regarding student safety

UQU president explained safety measures put in place for the protection of students

Discussion regarding student safety on campus and a recommendation of implementing a survey

Discussion regarding student parking at St Lucia campus

Procedural motion to extend question time for an additional 15 minutes

CARRIED

The meeting was moved in camera.

The meeting was moved ex camera.

Discussion regarding UQ legal advocate

The meeting was moved in camera.

The meeting was moved ex camera.

g) Confirmation of Minutes from the Previous Meeting

It was moved

THAT THE MINUTES FROM THE 3RD COUNCIL MEETING WERE ACCEPTED AND APPROVED

COUNCIL 103/99

TUCKER/MORRIS

CARRIED

h) Business Arising From the Minutes

Nil.

i) Reports of Other Union Bodies

The reports of other union bodies were moved en bloc.

It was moved

THAT THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/100 MANFIELD/MCLEAN CARRIED

THAT THE QUEER COLLECTIVE REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/101 MANFIELD/MCLEAN CARRIED

THAT THE WOMEN'S COLLECTIVE REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/102 MANFIELD/MCLEAN CARRIED

THAT THE STUDENT'S RIGHTS ACTION GROUP REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/103 MANFIELD/MCLEAN CARRIED

THAT THE CAMPUS CULTURE ACTION GROUP REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/104 MANFIELD/MCLEAN CARRIED

THAT THE ENVIRONMENT COLLECTIVE REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/105 MANFIELD/MCLEAN CARRIED

THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/106 MANFIELD/MCLEAN CARRIED

THAT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

COUNCIL 103/107 MANFIELD/MCLEAN CARRIED

j) Business Which has Been Proposed

Regulatory Amendments

Discussion regarding the Abilities Collective as an affiliated collective of UQU

Procedural motion to put the motion to a vote

CARRIED

The regulatory amendments to include the abilities collective were moved en bloc.

It was moved

THAT R33.1 BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE ABILITIES COLLECTIVE
COUNCIL 103/108 WATSON/HARRINGTON CARRIED

THAT R52.1 BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE ABILITIES COLLECTIVE
COUNCIL 103/109 WATSON/HARRINGTON CARRIED

THAT R58.1 BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE ABILITIES COLLECTIVE
COUNCIL 103/110 WATSON/HARRINGTON CARRIED

THAT R37.2 BE ALTERED TO REMOVE REFERENCE TO “STUDENTS WITH A
DISABILITY”
COUNCIL 103/111 WATSON/HARRINGTON CARRIED

THAT THE WORD “DISABILITY” BE DELETED FROM R37.3
COUNCIL 103/112 WATSON/HARRINGTON CARRIED

THAT R51 BE INSERTED INTO THE SECTION OF THE REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO
UNION BODIES AND READ AS FOLLOWS:

“R51 ABILITIES COLLECTIVE

51.1 MEMBERS OF THE ABILITIES COLLECTIVE ARE:

- A) VICE PRESIDENT (STUDENT RIGHTS) (NON-VOTING)
- B) ALL STUDENTS WHO IDENTIFY AS BEING (DIS)ABLED (VOTING)

51.2 THE CHAIR OF THE ABILITIES COLLECTIVE HAS OVERALL
RESPONSIBILITY FOR CALLING MEETINGS OF THE ABILITIES COLLECTIVE
AND GIVING NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF THE ABILITIES COLLECTIVE.

51.3 THE ABILITIES COLLECTIVE IS DELGATED GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY THE
ABILITIES DEPARTMENT OF THE UNION AND FOR OVERSEEING THE AFFAIRS
OF THE UNION PERTAINING TO STUDENTS WHO IDENTIFY AS HAVING A
(DIS)ABILITY.

51.4 THE ABILITIES COLLECTIVE SHALL BE SPECIFICALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR:

- A) REPRESENTING AND FURTHERING THE INTERESTS OF STUDENTS WITH A
(DIS)ABILITY, AND ACTING AS THE MEANS FOR THE EXPRESSION
OF STUDENTS WITH A DISABILITY’S CONCERNS;

- B) FACILITATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF STANDING RESOLUTIONS ON POLICY;
- C) DEVELOPING CAMPAIGNS BASED ON THE STANDING RESOLUTIONS ON POLICY;
- D) DIRECTING THE VICE PRESIDENT (STUDENT RIGHTS) IN THE CONDUCT OF THEIR DUTIES AS THEY RELATE TO THE ABILITIES DEPARTMENT.

51.5 THE QUORUM FOR THE ABILITIES COLECTIVE SHALL BE THREE”

COUNCIL 103/113 WATSON/HARRINGTON CARRIED

THAT THE NUMBERING OF ALL OTHER REGULATIONS BE ADJUSTED AS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN CONSISTENCY THROUGHOUT THE REGULATIONS

COUNCIL 103/114 WATSON/HARRINGTON CARRIED

Other Motions on Notice

Discussion of the appointment of student representatives to university committees

Procedural motion to put the motion to a vote

CARRIED

It was moved

THAT THE PRESIDENT BE DIRECTED TO

- A) WITHDRAW APPOINTMENTS MADE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND BODIES; AND
- B) MEET WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE LIFT AND FRESH ELECTORAL GROUPS WITHIN 72 HOURS TO APPORTION THESE APPOINTMENTS IN LINE WITH THE NUMBER OF VOTING COUNCILORS EACH ELECTORAL GROUP HOLDS.

THE APPORTIONMENT METHOD WILL BE AS FOLLOWS.

- A) ALL UQU NOMINATED STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE POSITIONS ON THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND BODIES WILL BE DEEMED VACANT;
- B) THE PRESIDENT (OR THEIR NOMINEE) WILL SELECT A POSITION TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO;
- C) THE LIFT REPRESENTATIVE WILL SELECT A POSITION THEY MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO
- D) THE FRESH REPRESENTATIVE WILL SELECT A POSITION THEY WISH TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO;
- E) THE PRESIDENT (OR THEIR NOMINEE) WILL SELECT A POSITION THEY WISH TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO;

- F) THE LIFT REPRESENTATIVE WILL SELECT A POSITION THEY WISH TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO;
- G) STEPS B) TO F) WILL BE REPEATED UNTIL ALL POSITIONS ARE FILLED;
- H) WITHIN 72 HOURS THE LIFT AND FRESH REPRESENTATIVES WILL INFORM THE PRESIDENT OF ALL THE CANDIDATES THEY WISH TO APPOINT TO THEIR SELECTED POSITIONS;
- I) WITHIN 24 HOURS THE PRESIDENT WILL NOTIFY THE RELEVANT UNIVERSITY PARTIES OF UQU STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES
- J) SHOULD ANY FURTHER POSITIONS ARISE, THE PROCESS WILL CONTINUE WHERE IT LEFT OFF

COUNCIL 103/115

LANDGRAF/KEENAN

NOT CARRIED

Motions from the Floor

Discussion regarding not being accredited to the NUS and UQU campaigning in conjunction with its events

It was moved

THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND UNION IMMEDIATELY CEASES FROM PROVIDING AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE NUS INCLUDING TENTS, FLYERS , SHIRTS ETC. OR ANY COBRANDING OF NUS AND UQU LOGOS UNTIL A TIME THAT UQU IS ACCREDITED TO THE NATIONAL UNION FOR STUDENTS

COUNCIL 103/116

TUCKER/MORRIS

NOT CARRIED

Discussion regarding ability to reach students to conduct the safety survey

It was moved

THAT A SURVEY BE GENERATED AND BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE ENTIRE UQ STUDENT BODY BY THIS WEDNESDAY TO GATHER DATA AND INFORMATION REGARDING SAFETY ON CAMPUS

COUNCIL 103/117

LANDGRAF/PEUT

CARRIED

Discussion regarding not being accredited to the NUS and UQU campaigning in conjunction with its events

Discussion regarding the effects the Federal Government Reforms will have on students

Procedural motion that the motion be put to a vote

CARRIED

It was moved

THAT THE UQ UNION COUNCIL NOTES ITS OBJECTIONS AND CONCERNS TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S TERTIARY SECTOR REFORMS SPECIFICALLY FIRSTLY THE DEREGULATION OF FEES, SECONDLY THE CHANGE OF THE HECS INTEREST RATE TO A CAPPED 6% LEVEL, THREE A 20% CUT TO COMMONWEALTH SUPPORTED PLACES AND THE SECONDARY RIGHT TO UQ MANAGEMENT TO EXPRESS ITS CONCERNS

COUNCIL 103/118

MILLROY/PATERSON

CARRIED

Recorded Votes 103/118

Science Councillors

1. Isabel Manfield – In Favour
2. Megan Landgraf – In Favour
3. Jamie Van Hoff – Absent

SBS Councillors

1. Pdraig Keys-Macpherson – In Favour
2. Alex Perey (Jared Peut Proxy) – Abstain

Arts Councillors

1. India Anderson – In Favour
2. Ashleigh Mcinnes – In Favour

Health Sciences Councillors

1. Emma Bowman (Patrick Bowman Proxy) – In Favour
2. Alexander Ngoo (Ashleigh Chandler Proxy) – Abstain
3. Fiona Gipps (Kurt Tucker Proxy) – Abstain

EAIT Councillors

1. Laurence McLean – In Favour
2. Mathhias Falzon (Ashleigh Mcinnes Proxy) – Abstain

BEL Councillors

1. Danika Maxwell – In Favour
2. Brendan Morris – Abstain
3. Joshua Keenan (Jared Peut Proxy) – Abstain

k) Notice of Business to be Proposed

Nil. *The meeting was declared closed at 9:18PM.*