

# UNION CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

## 3rd Ordinary Meeting of the 112th Clubs and Societies Committee

5:30 PM  
Monday 6/02/2023  
**UQU Boardroom**  
UQ Union Complex, St. Lucia Campus

### 1. Credentials

The following were present.

#### Members

Barclay McGain  
Michael Walker  
Kylie Ho  
Tapenaga Reupena Jr  
  
Alexandra Knight (Via Zoom)

#### Observers

Sian Chadfeild  
Daniel Chancellor  
Lily Cooke  
Karsten Duvel  
Ryley Calvert  
Dylan Thomas  
Greta Simpson  
Josh Marsh  
Abraham ???

### 2. Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

Utkrist Paudyal Entered at 5:40 PM

*It was moved*

THAT THE MINUTES FROM THE 2<sup>nd</sup> ORDINARY MEETING OF THE 2023 CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

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### 3. Business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

Nil.

#### 4. Reports of the Elected Officers

##### i. Vice President Campus Culture (Clubs & Societies)

*It was moved*

THAT THE REPORT OF THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES VICE PRESIDENT BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED

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#### 5. Matters arising from the Reports of the Elected Officers

Nil.

#### 6. Business which has been proposed

- **UQ Counselling Students Association Ratification**

- The student association represented by Abraham advocated for the ratification of the association with the aim of providing professional and personal support to students. This support will include events, workshops, and guest speakers to aid in professional development and interpersonal skills. They received over 40 signatures of interest within the first hour of presenting to their cohort. However, the association wants to make it clear that it will not provide counselling services and differentiate itself from UQ Counselling.

Natasha Brettell Entered the meeting at 5:46 pm

*It was moved*

THAT UQ COUNSELLING STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION BE RATIFIED

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ACTION	C&S to notify the association of the committee's decision.
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- **UQ Metallurgy Education Society**

The Committee voiced concern about overlap with three other clubs, including CHESS and MAMA. To address these concerns, it was proposed to invite representatives from these three clubs for a discussion.

*It was moved*

THAT THE RATIFICATION UQ METALLURGY EDUCATION SOCIETY BE TABLED,  
WITH THE PROPOSAL TO INVITE RELATED CLUBS TO DISCUSS FURTHER

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ACTION	C&S to invite the relevant clubs to the next meeting.
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- **UQ Writing Society**

Concerns were raised about possible overlap with other clubs. However, no replies or concerns were received in response. To address these concerns, it was proposed to invite representatives from these clubs for further discussion.

*It was moved*

THAT THE RATIFICATION OF UQ WRITING SOCIETY BE TABLED,  
COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ELS AND WRITING SOCIETY WILL BE MADE

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ACTION	C&S to invite relevant clubs for further discussion.
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- **Rename UQ Music student society to UQ Musician Society**

*It was moved*

THAT UQ MUSIC STUDENT SOCIETY BE RENAMED TO UQ MUSICIAN SOCIETY

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- **UQ CAPS**

Zicheng, a representative for UQ CAPS joined the meeting via zoom at 6:10 pm.

It was reported that only 16 people from UQ CAPS were notified about the AGM, but Zicheng clarified that it was actually 40 people. The previous year's AGM was deemed invalid due to not meeting the requirement of the constitution, which states that notice must be given to each member 14 days prior. According to QPAY, UQ CAPS has 117 members, but Zicheng stated that the 'real' members are the committee members. To comply with the constitution, the Committee clarified that UQ CAPS will need to hold another AGM and notify all 117 members, but it was clarified that not every member needs to attend; they simply need to meet quorum as outlined in their constitution.

*It was moved*

THAT THE UQ CAPS 2022 AGM WAS DEEMED INVALID

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It was noted that the secretary of UQ CAPS was unavailable during the time of the meeting, leading to UQ CAPS being unaware of how to satisfy the requirements of the AGM.

*It was moved*

THAT UQCAPS ARE TO HOLD THEIR 2022 AGM WITHIN 30 DAYS OF CONTACT, AND THAT A MEMBER OF C&S COMMITTEE MUST ATTEND THE AGM

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- **UQ CSSA**

The 2022 President of UQCSSA, the 2023 Secretary, and the 2023 Vice President joined the meeting at 6:40 pm.

UQCSSA mentioned new evidence that was provided to TJ on February 6th regarding the notice of AGM. Questions were raised about members who received multiple notifications of AGM with different location addresses, as well as those who may not have received any notifications. The committee requested a list of members who were given notice of the AGM and the member list of the group chat to cross-reference with membership lists accessible by C&S, but UQCSSA expressed concerns about privacy in sharing the names of members.

The committee requested evidence to show that the 2022 AGM was valid, and if UQCSSA was unable to provide this evidence, they would need to hold another AGM. The committee suggested strategies for UQCSSA to ensure all members have been notified of the AGM.

The discussion with the UQCSSA executive ended at 7:10 PM.

The committee then began a discussion on whether UQCSSA's 2022 AGM was invalid and suggested that a member of the C&S committee attend the AGM to ensure guidelines are followed.

*It was moved*

THAT THE 2022 AGM FOR CSSA WAS DEEMED INVALID

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*It was moved*

THAT UQCSSA HOLD THEIR AGM WITHIN 30 DAYS AND TO REMIND EXECUTIVE TO NOT COUNT ZOOM MEMBERS AS CONTRIBUTING TO QUORUM OR VOTING, AND THAT A MEMBER OF C&S COMMITTEE MUST ATTEND THE AGM

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- **UQ Menzies Disaffiliation**

President Karsten Duvel and Secretary Lily Cooke joined the meeting of the C&S committee at 7:18 PM.

Duvel the Committee for being slow in resolving other matters in the past, not related to the current matter at hand. He stated that the letter proves that no money is missing and argued that LNS was not running the ball in question, it only had its branding on it. Duvel referred to comments in the previous meeting regarding the proof of misappropriation of funds and it was stated that the Committee would provide the information to the C&S VP, who would forward it on.

It was clarified that the PR sent out claimed that only the C&S Committee disaffiliated the club, but they had not been disaffiliated overall, as the UQU is the final arbiter of disaffiliation. Cooke expressed concerns about the wording in the statement, and the wording was clarified and accepted, but questions were raised about the wording in the statements made by Senator McGrath and the UQLNS Facebook page due to discrepancies in the information provided and the statements put out by McGrath and the Menzies Facebook page.

It was requested that the McGrath and UQ Menzies statements, as well as other bodies who put out statements regarding disaffiliation, be amended to reflect the actual decision made by the C&S Committee. Duvel requested that the committee refers to the Menzies society as the updated name. Questions were raised about SGM documents regarding the lack of documentation for the 2021 SGM that changed the club's name.

Duvel gauged the committee on the letter provided, especially the financials of the club. The Committee referred to a letter from the C&S officer of the QUT guild 2023 and mentioned that no liberal club has been affiliated since 2021 due to inactivity and non-compliance (lack of financial and meeting documentation). It was also mentioned that the QUTLNC was allegedly charging members via QPay despite not holding any meetings, elections, or events, and there were concerns about where the membership money was going. The QUTLNC's guild bank was deactivated and all money at the time of disaffiliation was returned to the guild.

It was asked for the QUTLNC, which is not affiliated with QUT, to provide bank statements to justify this

Alexandra Knight left the meeting at 7:45 PM.

It was requested for the UQLNS to email Tobias Moore to provide financial details to the current UQLNS executive to forward onto the C&S committee. Cooke requested all the evidence mentioned in previous meetings so they could respond point by point.

Cooke and Duvel left the meeting at 8:00 PM.

A statement was requested from Stella, a member of the Bond University liberal club, regarding the ball. Discussions were made to investigate the financial audits from 2021 and 2022. Discussions were also made about whether the UQLNS should have a stall on Market Day.

*It is moved*

THAT THE UQ MENZIES BANK ACCOUNTS ARE FROZEN AND TO NOTIFY THAT THEY WILL NOT HAVE A MARKET DAY STALL ON FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>, ANY ATTEMPTS TO HOLD A MARKET DAY STALL WILL BE VIEWED AS NON-COMPLIANCE TO C&S COMMITTEE.

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## **7. General Business**

### **Model Constitution**

At 8:30 pm, James Hohl joined the meeting.

The discussions started on updating the Model Constitution to ensure that new clubs are not adding things that contradict Schedule 17. Minor changes were summarised to James' version of the Model Constitution. A new measure of a quorum was proposed for general meetings in the Model Constitution. Concerns were raised about the accessibility and readability of the changes made.

At 8:50 pm, Ricky Lee presented the amended statement to the C&S Committee and guests regarding the disaffiliation of the UQ Menzies Society. It was decided that the C&S committee would provide the Menzies Society with the amended media release and request that they release their own statement first.

James Hohl left the meeting at 9:05 pm.

**Meeting closed at 9:22PM**

