Minutes of the 1st Extraordinary Meeting

of the 111th Clubs & Societies Committee

Monday 20th December 2021 at 2:00 PM

Chair: Rheanna Norris

The Chair declared the meeting open at 2.07 PM and made acknowledgement of the traditional owners and custodians of the land and wished to pay respect to their elders past, present and emerging.

1. Attendance

I. Members Present:

- Rheanna Norris (Chair)
- Jessica Mills
- Ajay Chungath
- James Hohl
- Josephine Zhang
- Bradley Plant

II. Apologies and Leave

Nil

III. Proxies

• Finn Larson to Hughston Parle

Others Present:

- Jaafar Jabur
- Cara Rowe
- Emily Ryan
- Prasidhi Pillai (minutes)

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Amendment

It was moved

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE 11^{TH} ORDINARY MEETING OF THE CLUBS & SOCIETIES COMMITTEE BE ACCEPTED

C&S 111/01 PLANT/PARLE CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

Nil

4. Reports of Elected Officers

Nil

5. Matters arising from the Reports of the Elected Officers

Nil

6. Business which has been proposed

Nil

I. Affiliations

Chinese Student and Scholars Association

It was noted by the committee that only 23 out of the minimum required 30 attendees appeared on the zoom call as they had been requested to have their cameras on. Concerns were also raised about the eligibility and ineligibility of members to be able to vote as indicated on the minutes. The committee asked that the CSSA executive provide an answer to the above before they were able to proceed with affiliating them.

It was moved

THAT THE CHINESE STUDENT AND SCHOLARS ASSOCIATION BE TABLED UNTIL EXECUTIVE COULD ADVISE ABOUT THE NUMBER OF ATTENDEES AND CAMERAS ON FOR THE DURATION OF THE MEETING.

111/02 NORRIS/HOHL CARRIED

UQ Radiologist Group

The committee reviewed the documents provided and noted that the attendees list was as requested, and everything was complete and in order.

It was moved

THAT UQ RADIOLOGIST GROUP BE AFFILIATED AS A UQU CLUB.

111/03 NORRIS/MILLS CARRIED

UQ Oncology

The committee reviewed the documents provided and everything was in order.

It was moved

THAT UQ ONCOLOGY BE AFFILIATED AS A UQU CLUB.

111/04 NORRIS/CHUNGATH CARRIED

Cooking and Food Culture Exchange Club

The C&S manager updated the committee with the current situation regarding the club. Emily advised that they had received a support letter from student services which posed questions from the previous committee. Will and Veronica joined the meeting to answer the questions the committee had. The committee asked how the group was currently funded and it was established that the potential club was a group of volunteers who worked at the 'Summer in Queensland' program under Student Services. The committee pointed out that since the club is associated with Student Services, they should ask UQ for funding opposed to the not for profit.

It was moved

THAT THE COOKING AND FOOD CULTURE EXCHANGE CLUB BE CARRIED AS A UQ UNION CLUB

111/05 NORRIS/PLANT NOT CARRIED

Josephine Zhang entered the meeting at 2:30pm

II. Disaffiliations

The C&S manager advised that we received some voluntary and nonvoluntary dis affiliations.

It was moved

THAT THE SOCIOLOGY COMMUNITY, DRONE AND RC CLUB, ACOUSTIC SOCIETY AND SPORTS WITH INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA BE VOLUNTARILY DISAFFILIATED DUE TO A LACK OF INTEREST FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

111/06 NORRIS/MILLS CARRIED

An observer of the meeting noted MARS had submitted hard copies of the documents. The manager advised that only two of the six documents had been provided and this was insufficient. An extension until the end of the year was granted.

It was moved

THAT FISHING CLUB, CHINESE DEBATING ASSOCIATION, BIG BAND, COMEDY AND IMPROV CLUB, ENACTUS, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, SOCIETY FOR CONSERVATION BIOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY STUDENT SOCIETY, SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS AND VOLUNTEER ECO STUDENTS ABROAD, BE DISAFFILIATED DUE TO NOT SUBMITTING AGM DOCUMENTS

111/07 NORRIS/CHUNGATH CARRIED

It was moved

THAT MECHATRONICS AND ROBOTICS CLUB BE EXCLUDED FROM THE DISAFFILIATION LIST WHILST AWAITING CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING AGM DOCUMENTS

111/08 NORRIS/MILLS CARRIED

Ratifications

UQ CYBER SQUAD

The club representative, Rowan Evans advised that their focus as a club is on cyber security. He explained that they have been functioning as an informal club, have a few sponsors however need a bank account to receive funding. He advised that they have significant support from the school and have been holding events with 25-30 members for approximately a year now.

The committee noted that a third of the signatures were from the Computing Society. Rowan explained that the Computing Society deals with solving problems, however Cyber Squads focus was on hacking, breaking into systems and understanding the cybercrime perspective. He advised that they want to compete with other Universities.

Rowan enquired about whether an extension for an IGM would be required given the time of year. It was established that the usual thirty business days would suffice. Bradley also pointed out that if this period exceeds 30 days, then they would not have a bank account available for market day.

The C&S manager advised that consistency is required with regards to holding IGMS and that we have been clear throughout 2021 that they must be held in person unless extenuating circumstances prevail, and this will be assessed on a case by case basis.

It was moved

THAT THE UQ CYBER SQUAD BE RATIFIED

111/09 PARLE/ HOHL CARRIED

8. General Business

Model Constitution

The C&S Manager advised that she would like to update the format of the Model Constitution and minor changes made. It was also noted that the application form is also out of date and no longer used as the method is now via an online form. Emily advised that she would share a copy of the Word document (constitution) with the group to make any comments on her revised edition. The committee will review it again at the next meeting before presenting to Council.

It was moved

THAT THE COMMITTEE REVIEW THE UPDATED MODEL CONSTITUTION PRIOR TO THE NEXT MEETING WITH THE INTENTION OF PASSING ANY CHANGES AT THE FOLLOWING MEETING

110/10 PARLE/NORRIS CARRIED

Quarterly meetings

The C&S manager raised the suggestion for the committee to consider. Having seen and spoken to other universities, several conduct a bi-annual or quarterly intake for applications thus freeing up other time to review other items such as club governance, incentives, and improvements within the department. The committee said they would have a think about it, investigate other universities' processes and discuss the pros and cons at the next meeting.

It was moved

THAT THE C&S COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER AFFILIATIONS AND RATIFICATIONS ON A QUARTERLY BASIS UNLESS THE COMMITTEE REGARDS THE DISCUSSION AS AN EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCE PENDING FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITIES

110/11 PARLE/NORRIS TABLED

The C&S manager advised the committee that she would like to investigate whether there was a remaining budget within the C&S portfolio and if so, whether it could be used somehow during the down time.

The Chair closed the meeting at 3.37 PM.

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Chairperson