

## Minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Meeting of the UQU

### Clubs and Societies Committee 2020

Thursday 27 August 2020 at 11:00am

Chair: Annabel Genest

The 5<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Meeting of the 109<sup>th</sup> Clubs and Societies Committee opened at 11:09am

#### 1. Attendance

##### I. Members Present

- Annabel Bartley
- Annabel Genest (Chair)
- Bradley Plant
- Coen Harnischfeger
- Georgina Pashley
- Raphael Wixted

##### II. Apologies and Leave

- Thomas Choo

##### III. Proxies:

Nil

##### IV. Others Present:

- Emily Ryan
- Karen Da Silva (Minutes)

*It was moved*

THAT THE ATTENDANCE FOR THIS MEETING BE ACCEPTED.

C&S 109/33

WIXTED/BARTLEY

CARRIED

#### 2. Confirmation of the Minutes from the previous meeting

*It was moved*

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE 3<sup>RD</sup> ORDINARY MEETING OF THE UQU CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE HELD ON 22 MAY 2020 2020 BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED.

C&S 109/34

WIXTED/PLANT

CARRIED

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE 4<sup>TH</sup> ORDINARY MEETING OF THE UQU CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE HELD ON 23 JULY 2020 BE ACCEPTED AND CONFIRMED.

C&S 109/35

WIXTED/PLANT

CARRIED

### 3. Business Arising from the Minutes

*Nil.*

### 4. Reports of Elected officers

The Vice President Campus Culture Clubs and Societies reported:

- On-campus C&S days did not attract a lot of engagement and had low foot traffic, however 70 clubs indicated they wanted a Market Day opportunity.
- Grants: C&S Department were reviewing grants by application.
- Events: Improved approval process with enhanced communication with P&F.
- QPay system: The department is at the final stages of negotiations for a database management system to keep track of document collection (Affiliation, AGM, Audits, etc.), and will be in place by the start of next year.
- The fencing of areas in the Great Court for C&S events was queried. It was noted that the fences appeared unwelcoming and that events outside Union Complex had to meet appropriate Public Health Regulations and were required to be fenced.

*It was moved*

THAT THE REPORT OF THE ELECTED OFFICER, VICE PRESIDENT CAMPUS CULTURE (CLUBS AND SOCIETIES) BE ACCEPTED.

C&S 109/36

WIXTED/HARNISCHFEGER

CARRIED

### 5. Matters Arising from the Reports

*Nil.*

### 6. Business which has been proposed

#### i. Clubs for ratification

#### UQ Football Society

Leon Natus presented an overview of the society:

Approximately 40 people responded to a call to play social soccer. The aims of the Society include promoting soccer (socially) and soccer related activities, and promoting fitness within the UQ community. (It was noted that the Backyard Sports Association had similar aims). The organising of social games at UQ was not yet decided and the scale of competition would depend on the membership numbers. Leon stated that the intent of the Society was more social with a *kick it out* outlook.

Name of society: The name was similar to the UQ Sport Football Club. For distinction, a change of name to the UQ Social Football (or Soccer) Society was suggested

*It was moved*

THAT THE UQ FOOTBALL SOCIETY BE RATIFIED AS A UQU CLUB WITH ALLOWANCE TO CHANGE THE NAME AT THE IGM.

C&S 109/37

BARTLEY/WIXTED

CARRIED

### **UQ Karaoke Club**

The aims of the Club highlighted networking in a good and wholesome fun environment. It was noted that a survey had recorded interest of 60 other members.

*It was moved*

THAT THE UQ KARAOKE CLUB BE RATIFIED AS A UQU CLUB.

C&S 109/38

PASHLEY/HARNISCHFEGER

CARRIED

### **University of Queensland Menzies Society**

University of Queensland Menzies Society was noted as the new name for the UQ Liberal National Students. The improved aims and objectives of the society were also noted.

Ethan Van Roo Douglas attended on behalf of the Society.

It was noted that:

- The name of the society had changed from a previous Expression of Interest.
- The membership was the same as previously submitted.
- The constitution will be based on the model constitution with the appropriate concessions necessary for a political club.
- This club will have official endorsement from external bodies.
- LNC was not affiliated with the LNP.

Note: At the time of disaffiliation in February, the committee agreed that there was not to be a successor for at least another calendar year.

A short discussion about the funds and donations of the previous LNC was raised; however, it was agreed that this was a separate issue.

*It was moved*

THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND MENZIES SOCIETY BE RATIFIED AS A UQU CLUB

C&S 109/39

BARTLEY/PLANT

CARRIED

### **UQ Biotechnology Club**

The Club was ratified in February 2020. They are keen to hold an IGM as the time lapse due to COVID-19 was over a month since ratification.

*It was moved*

THAT THE UQ BIOTECHNOLOGY CLUB BE RE RATIFIED.

C&S 109/40

HARNISCHFEGER/PASHLEY

CARRIED

## **ii. Change of name**

*Nil.*

## **7. Other Business**

### **i. AGMs/IGMs via Zoom**

The option for AGMs and IGMs to be held via Zoom in the current situation was discussed. Moderation of meetings and online RO voting were seen as potential issues. The committee stated that IGMs and AGM's must be recorded and those that are not will be invalid.

### **ii. Clubbies Awards**

An event in the Red Room to be organised (to replace the traditional Clubbies Awards annual event). Ideas invited for potential awards.

**ACTION: ALL**

### **iii. Council motion re: C&S Authorising Grant Applications**

A motion to distribute C&S grants by membership and not by application was tabled (and was to be referred to this Committee) at the Union Council meeting on 24 August.

Plant, speaking on behalf of a number of clubs who stated that clubs had three avenues of funding: grants, memberships and sponsorships and that grant money added value to memberships and should be distributed based on membership. They said that this year, in Semester 2, no one had received memberships and only \$300 per club.

Further, Plant argued that the regulations state that C&S Committee has authority to grant monies.

In response it was explained that the grant by application supports quality over quantity and that clubs who run no events per year should not receive the same amount as clubs that run over 100 events. It was estimated that between 25%-40% of clubs are currently inactive and as such, should not receive funding as the grants by application is a transparent process.

Wixted said that while Plant many not agree with the process, it is not about what is popular, but rather what benefits the whole of C&S, thus being quality events.

Emily explained that Plant and HMNS would actually benefit from the process, not be disadvantaged.

2020 has proven to be an unusual year; Semester 1 was ok but Semester 2 is not.

Grants applications are approved by C&S department; a process not supported by Plant. Clubs lost money on market day to get more memberships in order to get more grants but grants are only available by application. Plant stated he had no issue of some grant money by application but no one has received money on memberships.

*Bartley leaves the meeting.*

The motion is scheduled to go back to the next Union Council meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12:12pm.