

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE A.U.S.A. EXECUTIVE HELD ON MONDAY,  
12 OCTOBER 2009 COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM IN THE EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS**

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**PRESENT:**

President (Chair), AVP, EVP, Grafton Rep, WO, IAO, Tamaki Rep, EAO (Christenson), SO (Howie), ISO, WRO, SF Chair (Amir), Treasurer (arrived 6.05pm), CAO (arrived 6.05pm), EAO (Stoltz) (arrived 6.07pm), NAO (Hall) (arrived 6.30pm).

**APOLOGIES:**

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**ABSENT:**

MSO, CSO, Epsom Rep, PISO.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Craccum Editor (2), Sophia Blair (NZUSA Co-President 2009), David Do (NZUSA Co-President-Elect 2010).

**Meeting Opened:** 6.02pm

**Minutes:**

CHAIR  
*E 348/09* THAT the AVP act as Minute Secretary this week in the absence of the GM.  
*Carried*

**Leave:**

CHAIR  
*E 349/09* THAT the Media Officer be granted leave from this meeting as he has a test.  
*Carried*

**Visitors Business:**

- **Sophia Blair (NZUSA Co-President)** – VSM and AUSA.  
CHAIR  
*E 350/09* THAT Sophia Blair be granted speaking rights for this meeting.  
*Carried*
  
- CHAIR  
*E 351/09* THAT David Do be granted speaking rights for this meeting.  
*Carried*

Sophia spoke about AUSA's response to VSM. The Bill is in Select Committee until April, and is the fourth time such a bill has come up. First two were voted out at Select Committee and the third was the National-New Zealand First compromise. A paper was presented to the Executive.

Generally -

- National actually passed the last amendment to the Act so adjusting status quo is amending their own policy
- The only thing open to AUSA members alone at the moment is Lockers
- Looking for 50-70 submissions per association.
- A different campaign to other campuses – VSM has already affected what we can do. A lot has been lost or downsized since 1999.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

CHAIR  
*E 352/09* THAT the Minutes of the Executive meeting held on 5 October 2009 be received and adopted as a true and correct record.

Carried

**MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

- Letter not yet sent – IAO and President.

**Correspondence:**

CHAIR  
E 353/09 THAT the correspondence 99/09 to 102/09 be received AND THAT any correspondence from AUSA within these numbers be endorsed.

**Health and Safety:**

- No items this week.

**Regular Reporting to the Executive:**

CHAIR  
E 354/09 THAT the President's report be received.  
Carried

*Note:* The President noted a meeting with Alan Peachey with Andre D'Cruz, a meeting with the AVP, a meeting with Kris Sproull, a meeting with Brendan Mosely, a press release, column in Craccum and shows on bFM.

CHAIR  
E 355/09 THAT the EVP's report be received.  
Carried

*Note:* The EVP noted Academic Programmes, Education, and Student Affairs. MP Carol Beaumont and Jerome Mika from the EPMU met students about jobs and unions. Recent EVP cases included: the University computer policy review, Reduced internet charges, AUSSE results evaluations, IPENZ practical component for engineering students, Departmental reviews, CHEMMAT 221 issues, and TLQ tomorrow (more AUSSE).

6.40pm: The EVP left the meeting.

CHAIR  
E 356/09 THAT the Treasurer's report be received.  
Carried

*Note:* The Treasurer noted a Student Central meeting on Cash Handling procedures, and reviewed the Cash Receipts and Cash Payments policy with the AVP and relevant staff.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- **Annual Report/Semester Two Reports** – AVP spoke about the requirement of a decent report from Executive this year, and noted the 300-400-word requirement from each member of Executive. A deadline will be set later.
- **Transition Documents** – As part of the end of year process the AVP noted a decent handover document would need to be written and left for successors, even if a member of Executive is returning in the same or different role next year.
- **Stand Up** – IAO spoke about Wednesday night at 6pm - the film 8 about the 8 UN Millennium development goals will be in room 1401 at the Engineering School.
- **NZUSA Co-President 2010 Candidate**

MCCRORY/AMIR  
E 357/09 THAT Freya Eng's CV for NZUSA Co-President be noted.  
Carried

**Freya Eng** (on phone):

"I am a competent candidate, and will work well with David Do... my experience with campaigns will be vital".

Q: *Can you work with David?*

A: Yes, I know him well and I think our styles will mesh, because they are different in a complementary way. I have good inter personal skills.

Q: *Have you had experience with campaigns, 2010 will be a big campaign year for NZUSA?*

A: I have been EVP and Campaigns Co-ordinator at VUWSA and have had successes in this sector, particularly departmental cuts to Film Studies and Women's' Studies. We won one and lost one, so I know about different styles of campaigning.

Q: *What other goals would NZUSA take, beyond fees, loans, and allowances?*

A: VSM is the specific goal, but I think the best outline of what we should be doing is in the NZUSA Constitution, particularly education issues and peripheral student issues where we could be doing more.

Q: *What will you do with regard to VSM?*

A: It's clear we need to lobby the Select Committee, I am a competent leader and I can help direct this along with David, and lend a hand where needed. I can set a direction.

6.50pm – SO (Howie) left the meeting.

- **Sexual Abuse Counselling Funding Cuts** – WRO noted there will be a protest march next Monday at 12pm leaving from the band rotunda in Albert Park.
- **Student Forum at Tamaki and TSA AGM** - Tamaki Rep noted these items again and suggested those without transport can catch the free bus that leaves outside the library.
- **Craccum Deadlines** – Craccum Editors Matt and Val asked that Exec content be submitted as early as possible next week as it is the last Craccum of the year and deadlines are tight. Content should be sent to Nick directly rather than Tommy Carver. The AVP noted that if no one asked about this next week, he would punch Tommy Carver on the arm when he saw him next.
- **Council Fee Setting**– President is organising the stunt for this with the AVP. It will be something to do with ice.
- **Copenhagen Youth Conference** – with Engineers without Borders. Facebook invite this evening, it is being held 6.30 on Wednesday at the Conference Centre lecture theatre in Architecture Department.
- **Last Student Forum of the Year** – SF Chair suggested a Hawaiian theme, or failing that another giant sandwich which are eternally popular.

**Date of Next Meeting:** 6pm on Tuesday 20 October 2009 in Shadows Tavern

**Meeting Closed at:** 7.06pm

**Signed as a true and correct record**

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**Darcy Peacock, President, CHAIR**