

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE A.U.S.A. EXECUTIVE HELD ON MONDAY,  
16 MAY 2011 COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM IN THE EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS**

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**PRESENT:**

President (Chair), AVP, EVP, Treasurer, CSO, Grafton Rep, NAO, SO, SF Chair (2), Tamaki Rep (2), WRO (2), CAO (Govindasamy), IAO (Smith), WO (Carter), Epsom Rep (arrived at 6.21pm), ISO (arrived at 6.21pm), PISO (Baice) (arrived at 6.21pm).

**APOLOGIES:**

EAO, MO, IAO (Haines), WO (Bookman).

**ABSENT:**

MSO (2), CAO (Amir), PISO (Fesili).

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Tom O'Connor (AUSA GM & Minute Taker), Angela Smith, Jia Luo.

**Meeting Opened:** 6.05pm

**Visitors Business:**

• **Slutwalk Aotearoa**

CHAIR

E 297/11 THAT Angela Smith be granted speaking rights for this item of business.

Carried U

Angela Smith introduced Slutwalk Aotearoa, being held on 25 June 2011. Angela provided a brief summary of the event and its origin.

**STANDING ITEMS:**

**Leave:**

CHAIR

E 298/11 THAT the IAO (Haines) be granted leave from this meeting due to assignments.

Carried Against: SF Chair

**Minutes Of The Previous Meeting:**

CHAIR

E 299/11 THAT the Minutes of the Executive meeting held on 9 May 2011 be received and adopted as a true and correct record.

Carried U

**Matters Arising From Previous Minutes:**

- Cable for computers in the Executive Offices is being investigated; there is a difficulty as there are few live ports available. AVP continues to investigate.

**Correspondence:**

CHAIR

E 300/11 THAT the correspondence 41/11 to 43/11 be received AND THAT any correspondence from AUSA within these numbers be endorsed.

Carried U

**Health and Safety:**

- Tamaki Rep (Verstappen) raised the issue of the poor street lighting on Princes Street towards Wellesley Street, leaving students walking on the Albert Park side vulnerable. The President noted that a letter to the Council would be written.

### **Consideration of the Agenda:**

- The Chair, by leave, moved some items on the Agenda and admitted 5 motions without notice and 8 items without notice.

### **WORK REPORTS:**

- CHAIR  
 E 301/11 THAT the President's report be received and noted.  
Carried U
- T. LIM/DOHERTY  
 E 302/11 THAT the Treasurer's report be received and noted, noting lateness due to workload.  
Carried U
- WILLIAMS/CARTER  
 E 303/11 THAT the EVP's report be received and noted, noting lateness due to an administrative error.  
Carried U

6.20pm – SO left the meeting.

6.21pm – SO returned to the meeting.

6.21pm – ISO, PISO (Baice), Epsom Rep arrived at the meeting.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

#### **Items For Noting:**

- **Portfolio Reports**

- YIM/DOHERTY  
 E 304/11 THAT the SO's First Quarter Report be received and noted.  
Carried U

- **International Affairs Committee**

- SMITH/DOHERTY  
 E 305/11 THAT the minutes of the International Affairs Committee meeting held on 25 March 2011 be received and noted.  
Carried U

#### **Items for Discussion:**

- **IDAHO** – WROs introduced the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia.  
 CHANG/LEITHEISER  
 E 306/11 THAT AUSA supports IDAHO, International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia and will release the attached press statement to this effect.  
Carried U

*Note:* The President noted the proximity to the event may diminish the effectiveness of a release. The decision was made to work on this further offline.

- **Slutwalk Aotearoa** – WROs elaborated on the discussion held in Visitors' Business.

- CHANG/SMITH  
 E 307/11 THAT AUSA does not condone the blaming of victims of sexual and physical abuse and therefore supports Slutwalk Aotearoa and in particular the Auckland Chapter and will assist them in the promotion of their protest.  
Carried U

- **Womenspace Improvements** – WROs introduced the intended improvements.

E 308/11 CHANG/WILLIAMS  
THAT the WROs be allocated \$75 from 69306 (Women's Affairs) for the purchase of materials to improve Womenspace.  
Carried U

*Note:* Materials for cushions and other sewing consumables are to be purchased with labour being donated for free.

- **Drink Spike Testing** – WROs to introduce.

E 309/11 CHANG/WILLIAMS  
THAT the WROs be allocated \$100 from 69306 (Women's Affairs) for the purchase of 100 sample drink spike testing coasters.  
Carried U

*Note:* If this is successful there will be an opportunity for the WROs to acquire up to 500 AUSA branded coasters.

- **International No Diet Day** – WROs to introduce.

E 310/11 CHANG/WILLIAMS  
THAT the WROs be reimbursed \$73.70 from 69306 (Women's Affairs) for catering and materials used for the International No Diet Day event.  
Carried U

6.49pm – NAO left the meeting.

6.50pm – NAO returned to the meeting.

- **Club President's Forum** – CSO gave a brief introduction and explanation regarding the Club Presidents Forum to be held at 6.30pm on 25 May 2011 in the Cap and Gown Lounge. Food will be provided.

- **Womenspace Access** – WROs noted that they were unhappy with the current policy which prevents people who are not women visiting their office and examining the leaflets and fliers on display in the hallway.

E 311/11 CHANG/GOVINDASAMY  
THAT E 52/03 be rescinded.  
Carried U

E 312/11 CHANG/DURBIN  
THAT the corridor in Womenspace be considered part of Womenspace with exceptions for people visiting the Women's Rights Officers on official business.  
Carried U

*Note:* The General Manager noted that there was unused space for fliers and pamphlets in Student Central that they were welcome to utilise as well.

### **Reports, Memorandums, Other Documents:**

- **Student Forum Minutes**

E 313/11 DOHERTY/VERSTAPPEN  
THAT the minutes of the Student Forum meeting held on 6 April 2011 be received and the recommendations therein adopted.  
Carried U

E 314/11 DOHERTY/DURBIN  
THAT the minutes of the Student Forum meeting held on 27 April 2011 be received and the recommendations therein adopted.  
Carried U

*Note:* The meeting was inquorate and therefore no recommendations could be adopted.

- **Portfolio First Quarter Reports**

LEITHEISER/CARTER  
E 315/11 THAT the ISO's First Quarter Report be received and noted.  
Carried U

**Motions Without Notice:**

• **Leave**

CHAIR  
E 316/11 THAT the WRO (Chang) be granted leave from the next Executive meeting due to family commitments.  
Carried U

7.05pm – WO (Carter) left the meeting.  
7.06pm – WO (Carter) returned to the meeting.

CHAIR  
E 317/11 THAT the MO be granted leave from this meeting due to a Supervisor meeting.  
Carried U

• **Budget Event** – NAO introduced.

CASTLES\DOHERTY  
E 318/11 THAT the NAO be allocated \$100.00 from 69303 (National/International Affairs) for the purposes of holding a budget event on 19 May.  
Carried U

**Items Without Notice:**

- **SRVC Update** – The President asked for a brief update on Student Representative/Vice-Chancellor Committee meeting earlier that day.
- **TEU Escalation**– President attended the TEU meeting. They have indicated some possible form of action if they make no progress with the University which could involve various kinds of strike action. There was a general discussion regarding these actions and how they may impact on students.

7.10pm – WO (Carter) left the meeting.

- **Portfolio Officers and Guests** – Tamaki Rep (Verstappen) noted problems again in Executive Offices with non-executive personnel being in the room unsupervised. The Building Manager and Custodial team will challenge and remove any non-executive students.
- **Tamaki Cocktail Party** – Tamaki Rep (Verstappen) reminded the Executive that the Tamaki Cocktail Party at The Engineer bar was this Friday and tickets can be purchased in Student Central.
- **Preliminary Budget and Actuals Report** – The Treasurer presented an update on the Student Governance budget lines and congratulated a number of portfolios on their control of their lines. More detail would be forthcoming after some corrections and updates were made.
- **Unsatisfactory Progress** – EVP updated the Executive on the “Unsatisfactory Progress” changes to university policy. Those that fail half course for 2 semesters then again in the next semester are at risk of being ejected from the University. This effects approximately 1.3% of EFTS.

WILLIAMS/VERSTAPPEN  
E 319/11 THAT AUSA endorse the changes to the unsatisfactory progress regulations on the basis that more is done to assist students who are at.  
Carried U

7.29pm – PISO (Baice) left the meeting.  
7.32pm – NAO left the meeting.  
7.33pm – CSO left the meeting.

7.33pm – NAO returned to the meeting.

- **TEU Industrial Action Escalation** – The President explained the TEU pay dispute etc and how it may affect the students in the abstract, most students are in support of the TEU decision process. A discussion was had regarding the effects of various actions possibly being taken by the TEU.

7.34pm – **President passed the Chair to the AVP for the remainder of the item under SO 3(vii) and 15(v).**

7.55pm – SF Chair (2) left the meeting.

E 320/11 MCCRORY/CASTLES  
THAT AUSA refrain from an endorsement of industrial action as such and instead work with the TEU to communicate effectively with students the effects of any disruption to teaching, learning, and research.  
Carried Abstention: EVP

8.03pm – Tamaki Rep (C. Lim) left the meeting.

8.05pm – **President resumed the Chair.**

8.08pm – EVP left the meeting.

- **Info Commons Computer Booking System** – CAO (Govindasamy) noted that the booking system in the Kate Edger Information Commons can be very frustrating. Varied views and opinions were raised. AVP noted that he was meeting with the ITSPC rep and would bring this up.

8.13pm – EVP returned to the meeting.

**Date of Next Meeting:** 6pm on Monday, 23 May 2011 in the Executive Chambers.

**Meeting Closed at:** 8.15pm

**Signed as a true and correct record**

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Joe McCrory, President, CHAIR

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Sam Durbin, AVP, CHAIR