

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE A.U.S.A. EXECUTIVE HELD ON MONDAY,  
25 JANUARY 2010 COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM IN THE EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS**

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**PRESENT:**

President (Chair), AVP, EVP, Treasurer, MSO (Tahitahi), Tamaki Rep, WRO, Epsom Rep, SF Chair (2), IAO (2), EAO (2), Grafton Rep (2), NAO (Chilmeran), MO (Blumgart), SO (Manson), CAO (Nair), SO (Carver) (arrived 6.15pm), CSO (Watts) (arrived 6.16pm), WO (arrived 6.25pm).

**APOLOGIES:**

MO (Brownlee).

**ABSENT:**

ISO, MSO (Moka), CSO (Topham), CAO (Kwan), NAO (Hall).

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Craig Robertson (Craccum), Stephen Bier, Ben Vordernegger.

**Meeting Opened:** 6.01pm

**Leave:**

E 1/10 CHAIR  
THAT Ed Brownlee (MO) be granted leave from this meeting as he is in Wellington at meetings.  
*Carried*

**Visitors Business:**

None.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

CHAIR  
THAT the Minutes of the Executive meeting held on 7 November 2009 be received and adopted as a true and correct record.

E 2/10 **Amendment**  
MCCRORY/NELDER  
THAT the Minutes of the Executive meeting held on 7 November 2009 be received and adopted as a true and correct record, pending amendments.  
*Carried*

E 3/10 **The motion as amended was put**  
*Carried*

**MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

- Alex Nelder was appointed Acting EVP for the last weeks of the year, but the motion is not recorded in the minutes.

6.04pm – Grafton Rep (Nelson) left the meeting.

6.05pm – SF Chair (Amir) and Grafton Rep (Riddell) left the meeting. Grafton Rep (Nelson) rejoined the meeting.

**Correspondence:**

E 4/10 CHAIR  
THAT the correspondence 1/10 to 9/10 be received AND THAT any correspondence from AUSA within these numbers be endorsed.  
*Carried*

6.07pm – SF Chair (Amir) and Grafton Rep (Riddell) rejoined the meeting.

### **Health and Safety:**

- The bathroom locks on the 4th floor toilets in the Student Union are broken. GM to report to BM.

### **Regular Reporting to the Executive:**

CHAIR  
E 5/10 THAT the President's report be received.  
Carried

CHAIR  
E 6/10 THAT the AVP's verbal report be received.

6.15pm – SO (Carver) arrived at the meeting.  
6.16pm – CSO (Watts) arrived at the meeting.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

#### • **NZUSA January Conference**

CHAIR  
THAT Elliott Blade, Joe McCrory, Alex Nelder, Fiona Feng, John Kingi, Arena Williams, Kerry Manson, Rupert Nelson, Soraiya Daud, Antonia Verstappen, Ed Brownlee, Nicole Boyce, and Sia Dabbour be AUSA delegates to the NZUSA January Conference 2010 in Wellington.

#### **Amendment**

MCCRORY/BLUMGART  
E 7/10 THAT "and Sia Dabbour" be deleted and "and Evan Blumgart" inserted.  
Carried

#### **The motion as amended was put**

E 8/10 Carried

- **Conference Arrangements** – AVP noted that there was some confusion about drivers, but that this would be best sorted outside the meeting. Contact forms would be distributed next meeting so AUSA has information for OSH and ACC purposes.
- **Reimbursement of Travel Expenses** – AVP noted the Conference Travel policy and explained that extraneous travel cannot be approved, but that given the circumstances of some people exceptions would be made. The expenses will be finalised and presented to Executive when complete to get an idea of the travel budget remaining.

#### • **Trust Appointments -**

CHAIR  
E 9/10 THAT Elliott Blade and Joe McCrory be appointed AUSA representatives on the AUSA Services Trust and Bacchid Ltd. Board for 2010. .  
Carried

CHAIR  
E 10/10 THAT Elliott Blade and Joe McCrory be appointed as AUSA representatives on the AUSA Media Trust for 2010.  
Carried

CHAIR  
E 11/10 THAT Joe McCrory and Fiona Feng be appointed as AUSA representatives on the AUSA Property Trust for 2010.  
Carried

CHAIR  
E 12/10 THAT Elliott Blade is confirmed as AUSA representative on the AUSA UBS Trust for 2010.  
Carried

CHAIR

THAT Joe McCrory be appointed as the AUSA representative on the John Weeks Memorial Trust for 2010.

**Amendment**

MCCRORY/BLUMGART

E 13/10 THAT "Joe McCrory" be deleted and "Alex Nelder" inserted.  
Carried

**The motion as amended was put**

E 14/10 Carried

CHAIR

E 15/10 THAT Joe McCrory replace David Do as the AUSA representative on the Summer Shakespeare Committee for 2010.  
Carried

- **Policy Alterations** – AVP explained that while policy is being updated overall, the Welfare Committee and Policy and Governance Committee procedures and policy need to be updated urgently to better reflect membership of this committee in practice.

MCCRORY/NAIR

E 16/10 THAT the amended Welfare Committee Terms of Reference, Financial Assistance Policy and Financial Assistance Grants Eligibility Criteria be received and adopted by the Executive.  
Carried

MCCRORY/CARVER

E 17/10 THAT the amended AUSA Policy Committee Terms of Reference be received and adopted by the Executive.  
Carried

6.25pm – WO arrived at the meeting.

- **Standing Committees** – AUSA Disciplinary, Welfare, Policy and Governance.

- Disciplinary Committee – one (1) vacancy.

NELDER/BLUMGART

E 18/10 THAT Kerry Manson be appointed to the Executive vacancy on the AUSA Disciplinary Committee.  
Carried

- Welfare Committee – two (2) vacancies.

NELSON/MITCHELL-LOWE

E 19/10 THAT Tom Carver and Nicole Boyce be appointed to the Executive vacancies on the AUSA Welfare Committee.  
Carried

- Policy and Governance – four (4) vacancies.

MCCRORY/MCLEAN

E 20/10 THAT Arena Williams, Michael Lai, Soraiya Daud, and Natalie Mitchell-Lowe be appointed to the Executive vacancies on the AUSA Policy and Governance Committee.  
Carried

- **Adjournment**

CHAIR

E 21/10 THAT the meeting do adjourn for five minutes.  
Carried

- **Returning Officer –**

CHAIR

E 22/10 THAT Tom O'Connor be appointed AUSA Returning Officer for 2010.  
Carried

- **Annual Plan** - Date to be set for completion of the 2010 Annual Plan and the 2010-2014 Strategic Plan. After discussion Executive agreed that March would be the date for the Annual Plan and June the date for the Strategic Plan.
- **2010 Budget** –  
FENG/BLUMGART  
THAT Finance Committee convenes at 12pm on February 2 to recommend a 2010 Budget to Executive, for adoption at the Executive Meeting of February 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Amendment**

MCCRORY/NAIR

E 23/10 THAT “12pm” be deleted and “3pm” inserted.  
Carried

**The motion as amended was put**

E 24/10 Carried

- **AUSA Submission to the Maori Affairs Select Committee Inquiry into the Tobacco Industry** – Rupert Nelson and Craig Riddell explained they were seeking Executive endorsement of a prepared submission, which was distributed at the meeting.

7.20pm – **The Chair was passed to the AVP.**

Manson – disagreed with point 1.

Williams – wary of endorsing it, personally agreed with the motion but wary of how it would be reported.

Carver – a lot of people voted in the referendum. Self-determination is the key.

Verstappen – we are here to represent student opinions and 2:1 they don't want smoking on campus.

Daud – avoid contention by taking out the first point in the submission. The second point is valid.

Kingi – had issue with the fourth point.

Daud- there is a deficit of 900 million on health spending in NZ.

Riddell – some points aren't controversial.

CHAIR

E 25/10 THAT the meeting do adjourn for five minutes of caucusing.  
Carried

NELSON/VERSTAPPEN

E 26/10 THAT AUSA endorses and adopts the draft submission to the Maori Affairs Select Committee Inquiry into the Tobacco Industry, omitting point 1.  
Carried For: Epsom Rep, EAO, Tamaki Rep, Grafton Rep, WRO, NAO, MO, Treasurer, EVP, President  
Against: MSO, SF Chair, SO, CAO, WO.  
Abstentions: IAO, CSO.

**Motion to Foreshadow**

KINGI/TAHITAHAI

THAT AUSA endorse and adopt the draft submission to the Maori Affairs Select Committee Inquiry into the Tobacco Industry, omitting point 1 and 4 and replacing with “THAT AUSA support a decrease in smoking, through a range of measures which could include, but would not be limited to, increased taxation on tobacco”.

Lapsed

7.30pm – **The Chair was passed to the President.**

- **Womenspace Working Bee** – WRO noted that 6 and 7 February is the date of repainting the Womenspace hallway. BM has been notified.
- **Marijuana Reform Awareness** – Gilaad Amir noted that there would be another protest in the quad during the first semester. AVP noted the event must be clearly advertised as a protest if it was held. Gilaad agreed that it would be decided at Student Forum
- **Strict Committee** –

CHAIR

E 27/10 THAT Executive enter a committee of the whole and that strangers be excluded.  
Carried

- **Seminars** – EVP and Treasurer explained the plan for education seminars in O Week, to be themed around the topic of “What the University won’t tell you”. It was suggested that the Cap and Gown Lounge be the best venue as O Week events will be in the Quad.
- **Training Dates** – CAO (Nair) requested that it be noted that the CAOs were not notified of the training dates. The President apologised for the mistake.

**Date of Next Meeting:** 6pm Monday 8 February 2010, in Executive Chambers

**Meeting Closed at:** 7.55pm

**Signed as a true and correct record**

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**Elliott Blade, President, CHAIR**

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**Joe McCrory, AVP, CHAIR**