

Monash Student Council
6/19

CONFIRMED MINUTES

Meeting 6/19 of the Monash Student Council is to be held in the Room 141 in the Learning and Teaching Building at 1:08PM on Thursday the 30th of May.

1. Attendance

President	Henry Fox	(Chair)
Treasurer:	Helena Kalfas	
Secretary:	Jett Fogarty	(Minutes)
Education (Public Affairs):	David Power	
Education (Academic Affairs):	Joseph Friedman	
Activities:	Declan Dempster	
CLA:	Shannon Brown	
Welfare:	James MacDonald	
Indigenous:	Steph Ward	
Environment & Social Justice:	Jessica Garcia	
Women's:	Meghan Wright	
Queer:	Peter Bui	
Disabilities & Carers:	Ella Johnson	
People of Colour:	Jenny Tran	
MUISS:	Not in attendance	
MAPS:	Not in attendance	
Clubs & Societies:	Joshua Hanegbi	
Radio Monash:	Robert Bowman	
General Representative:	Hadi Saab	
General Representative:	Parker Brown	
General Representative:	Chloe Yeats	
General Representative:	Magdalena Haversham	
General Representative:	Marie Iliadis	

Observers:

2. Acknowledgment of traditional owners of land

This MSC acknowledges and pays respect to the people of the Kulin nations as the original and ongoing owners and custodians of this land. The MSA commits itself to actively fight alongside Indigenous peoples for reconciliation and justice for all Indigenous Australians.

2. Confirmation of agenda order

3. Confirmation of previous minutes

See: MSC 5/19 Minutes (Attached to email)

Motion #1:

That this MSC accepts the minutes of MSC 5/19 as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved: David Power

Seconded: Helena Kalfas

For: 15

Abstentions: 4

Against: 0

MOTION CARRIED

4. Office Bearer and Divisional Reports

a. President 6/19	Attachment 1
b. Treasurer 6/19	Attachment 2
c. Secretary 6/19	Attachment 3
d. Activities 6/19	Attachment 5
e. Creative Live Arts 6/19	Attachment 6
f. Education (Public Affairs) 3/19	Not submitted
g. Education (Public Affairs) 5/19	Not submitted
h. Lots Wife 4/19	Attachment 7
i. MAPS 5/19	Not submitted
j. MUISS 5/19	Not submitted
k. Radio Monash 5/19	Not submitted

Motion #2:

That this MSC accepts the submitted office bearer and divisional reports en bloc.

Moved: Declan Dempster **Seconded:** Jenny Tran

For: 20

Against: 0

Abstentions: 0

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion #3:

“That this MSC notes that Education (Public Affairs), MAPS, MUISS and Radio Monash are in breach of the MSA Regulations for Office-Bearers and Members of MSA Bodies, for failing to submit their reports on two consecutive occasions. In accordance with 17.4.3 of the regulations, this MSC directs the above listed persons to submit their reports to the next MSC.”

Moved: Jett Fogarty

Seconded: Steph Ward

For: 20

Against: 0

Abstentions: 0

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Climate change

Marie noted that the motion reflected how she felt on the matter and she didn't need to elaborate further, except to say that it was important to stand up for the issue of climate change in light of the recent election result.

James noted his support for the motion but asked for a source in respect to the Sahara Desert claim in the motion.

Marie referred the question to Beth.

Beth raised that she has provided amendment to the motion.

Jett noted that we would address the amendment later.

Henry directed Beth to provide a source.

Beth admitted she didn't have a source on her and suggested we address it later.

James requested a source to provide to the MSC

Beth suggested he look it up.

James replied he had and had checked that the motion was wrong.

Henry suggested we just remove the statistic as it did not greatly effect the motion.

Marie agreed this would be a good idea.

Henry noted that this would be amended but also noted more amendments were to be put forward.

Henry then asked Beth for her amendments.

Jett instructed the council that Jess Garcia had preference over Beth as she was a voting member.

Henry informed the council that Jess had put forward a motion that was substantially similar to the one submitted by Marie and as per the standing orders, Marie's was accepted over Jess' however Jess was welcome to amend.

Jess agreed the statistic was wrong. She suggested we amend the motion to support Fossil Free at Monash, noting their role in climate activism on campus.

Jett asked Marie if this was agreeable to her as the mover of the motion.

Marie agreed to Jess' amendments.

Henry asked if there was anything more to the motion Jess wanted to Ad

Jess said the motion was great in its current form but suggested we amend it to call on the government to tell the truth in respect to climate change and to define a just transition.

Henry asked if Jess would like put those amendments to the directives.

Jett asked if this was agreeable to Marie.

Marie said it was agreeable.

Henry read the new amendments suggested by Jess.

Marie asked for clarification on the standing orders.

Jett explained the motion could be amended without a vote if it was agreeable to Marie.

Marie understood this and agreed.

Henry read the amended motions directives and called for debate on the amended motion.

Beth raised the fact she had distributed an amendment and had submitted it to the chair and asked for mover and seconder.

Henry asked what Beth specifically sought to amend in this motion, or if she wanted to amend the entire motion.

Beth has pointed out that the amendment/motion she distributed contains both.

Jett asked if Beth had spoken to the mover of the motion to see if she was amendable to the motion.

Beth noted she had.

Meg asked to read the motion out.

Jett informed the council that it would not be read out as it did not have a seconder or mover. Jett asked Marie if she was amenable to the motion.

Marie said that she had taken it into consideration but decided she did not want to include the amendments put forward to her because of its substance.

Jett noted Marie's position and asked if there was a mover or seconder for Beth's amendment/motion.

Henry pointed out that everyone had a copy of the amendment and that no one wanted to move or second it and as such Beth's motion will not be put to the council.

Henry put the motion to a vote.

Jasmine noted that debate had not ended and began to speak to the motion put forward by Beth.

Jasmine put a direct question to the mover of a motion in respect to the political affiliation of tickets in MSA Elections.

Henry sought clarification on the question.

Henry ruled the motion was not substantive to the mover of the question and ruled the question out of order.

Shannon Brown spoke to the motion and spoke against the amendments attempted to be put forward by Beth.

Jasmine directed a question in respect to the motion to Shannon.

Henry ruled the question out of order as Shannon did not move the motion.

Marie said she had addressed the question.

Henry concurred and called for any more substantive questions.

Declan directed a question to Jess in respect to clarification on the Green New Deal

Jess explained the Green New Deal.

Beth explained that Marie's motion was written originally by Beth and Marie had amended it and began to speak to her unaccepted motion.

Henry declared Beth's speaking time over and moved to Marie. Marie spoke to her motion and noted that the attempted amendments put by Beth were not helpful. She also noted that we all agreed on the motion and this was grandstanding.

Henry called for substantial questions.

Robert spoke to Marie's motion and noted that Beth's actions were counter-productive

Henry called for substantial questions.

Meg (Observer) proceeded to explain why the Australian Labor Party lost the 2019 federal election.

Henry called for substantial questions.

Jasmine proceeded to attack Marie.

Henry called for substantial questions.

Oscar asked why the ESJ Officers did not support Beth's failed attempt to amend the motion.

Jess spoke in support of her motion as she saw it as more effective than Beth's failed attempt to amend the motion.

Henry moved to a vote.

Beth interrupted and explained why her motion failed as it was not supported by any current members of the MSC

Henry sought to clarify if she meant that the motion was not supported by the elected representatives of the Monash Student Body.

Beth agreed that she did mean that and proceeded to speak to her failed attempt at amendments to the motion. She then proceeded to speak to why the MSA was a right-wing cover-up of climate change.

Henry stopped Beth's speaking time and asked the council if they would like to join the 'cover-up'.

Meg (Observer) noted that she would like to join the cover-up

David Power wanted it noted that he is not a member of the Greens.

Jett proceeded to respond to claims put forward by Meg (Observer), Jasmine and Beth.

Henry moved the motion a vote.

Jasmine interrupted

Beth interrupted

Meg (Observer) proceeded to attack David Power

Henry noted David Power had nothing to do with this power.

Meg (Observer), Jasmine and Beth proceeded to refuse to talk speaking.

Henry named Meg (Observer) a first, second and third time.

Meg (Observer) was asked to leave the room and refused.

Henry named Jasmine a first, second and third time.

Jasmine was asked to leave the room and refused.

Henry named Beth a first, second and third time.

Beth was asked to leave the room and refused.

As per the standing orders the meeting was adjourned at 1.48PM.

As per the standing orders the meeting could not resume and Motion #4 was deferred to the next sitting Monash Student Council Meeting.

As per the standing orders Beth Jackson, Jasmine Duff and Meg Hill are prohibited from attending the next sitting Monash Student Council Meeting.

Motion #4: Climate Change Motion

DEFERRED TO NEXT MSC

Preamble:

We as student representatives at Monash University, declare a climate emergency.

In a dire report last year, the IPCC declared that we have 12 years to limit the impact of climate change. The future of the planet and life as we know it depends on what measures we take in the next decade.

A climate disaster is imminent. The Sahara desert advances 20km south every year threatening the millions of people who live in the Sahel with the realities of drought, erosion and famine. To the south, deforestation plagues these regions of equatorial Africa as well as Indonesia and the Amazon; areas that are also crucial hot-spots for the absorption of atmospheric carbon due to their location and density of vegetation. In Australia, last year the Great Barrier Reef suffered its worst bleaching event in history and rural Australia suffered from drought. Fires have raged across Europe and North America and storms, cyclones and hurricanes worldwide are becoming more intense and more frequent.

Around the world, the pressure and necessity for action is rising. Last year's IPCC report indicated that the 2016 Paris Climate Agreement would not be adequate and was unlikely to be realised as politicians continue to help big businesses secure lucrative contracts for non-renewable energy. Coal remains the primary source of energy in Australia, largely due to support from the federal Liberal government.

The need to transition to renewable energy is imminent. We implore the federal government and all state governments to transition away from non-renewable energy sources and cease support for the construction of new coalmines. We urge that this just transition prioritise reskilling and retraining workers in the affected regions to mitigate the impact on employment.

We recognise the efforts of activists and groups to raise awareness and fight against climate change and stand in solidarity with people around the world fighting for the future of our planet.

Motion:

That this The MSA declares a Climate Emergency;

* The MSA condemns the government's inaction and negligence towards climate change;

* The MSA commends all groups and activists who have been fighting for the planet, such as the high school strikers, efforts to cease coalmine construction and the attendees at the recent Extinction Rebellion actions around the country;

* MSA office bearers and representatives are encouraged to attend and promote future actions, protests and meetings tackling the climate emergency and promote awareness and resources regarding the dire need for action.

Moved: _____ **Seconded:** _____

For: _____

Against: _____

Abstentions: _____

MOTION DEFERRED

6. General Business

Next meeting at 1pm on Thursday 4th July in the Conference Room.

Attachment 1:


PRESIDENT REPORT

Key Activities

- Met with and discussed potential cross campus collaboration with MSO counterparts at other campuses
- Continuing to provide support and guidance to Office Bearer team, connecting them with relevant bodies within the university.
- Working towards a federated infrastructure for undergraduate MSOs
- Finalising a funding agreement with the MPA
- Working closely with the Buildings and Property division and the state government on the delivery of articulated buses for the 601 route.
- Advocacy to the Deputy Vice Chancellor (education) on an overhaul of academic policy, with a particular focus on the delivery of high quality, relevant practice exams
- Connecting various university departments with various student groups to ensure the student perspective is applied in all levels of university decision making
- Advocating to the Respect Now Always Committee on the investigation and potential implementation of in person training programs as an extension of the compulsory Respect at Monash online module
- Working alongside the Women's office in investigating options for in person training programs for male identifying students
- Working alongside the welfare office to lobby the university for further funding for welfare initiatives
- Working alongside Clubs and Societies to deliver further training to clubs leaders, upskilling volunteers and allowing them to better deliver for their members
- Working alongside Clubs and Societies to deliver a series of collaborative club/MSA tutoring workshops
- Representation on a range of issues to range of Monash stakeholders
- Advocating to BPD on the delivery of snooze lounges
- Investigating campus centre service restructure options
- Coordinating planning for semester 2 with departments
- Investigating Vygo offering cross campus tutoring solutions
- Working alongside residential students on the advocacy and the role of representative bodies in MRS
- Investigating the delivery of psychiatric care on campus

Attachment 2:

TREASURER REPORT

 <p>msa monash student association</p>	<p>HELENA KALFAS TREASURER Report to MSC 6/19</p>
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KEY ACTIVITIES

- Day to day financial management of the organisation
- Presented at Retention Workshop
- Ensuring every department has an up to date budget
- Fortnightly meetings with office bearer departments
- Ensuring streamlined financial processes
- Maintaining transparent and accurate financial processes
- Assisting with department projects

GOALS

Goal	Progress (Complete/Ongoing/ Incomplete)	Comments
Office bearer support	Ongoing	
Assisting in the execution of new departmental projects	Ongoing	
Interviews for Finance Officer	COMPLETE	
Ensuring streamlined and effective financial processes	Ongoing	
Budget Process	COMPLETE	

Attachment 3:

SECRETARY REPORT

MSC 6/19

KEY ACTIVITIES

- Producing MSC agendas and minutes
- Producing agendas and minutes for executive meetings
- Producing MSC report
- Setting up and attending regular fortnightly meetings with departments
- Setting up and attending regular executive meetings
- Office bearer management
- Office bearer support
- Uploading confirmed MSC minutes to the MSA website

GOALS

Goal	Progress (Complete/Ongoing/Incomplete)	Comments
Uploading confirmed MSC minutes to the MSA website	Complete	
Producing MSC agendas and minutes	Complete	
Setting up regular meetings with departments	Complete	

Setting up regular meetings with the executive	Complete	
Office bearer management and support	Ongoing	

Attachment 4:

CREATIVE LIVE ARTS REPORT

MSC 4/19

The Creative and Live Arts department have been busy organising our events for semester two.

Meetings regarding Wednesday Sessions are well underway, our main topic of conversation being venues. Wet weather venues are being organised as a backup for days where they cannot be outside. Most weeks will be in the main dining hall, but some weeks may be in graduation marquees. This requires liaising with CCD, who are helping us lock these venues in. Our suggestions for the semester have been sent to our booking agent, who is currently looking into availability and price.

Week 12 is a busy week for us, as we have our Swing Dance event, hosted in collaboration with Monash Dance Sport, Monash Jazz Orchestra and Monash Big Band. This is a free event for students with live music, free food and free drinks. We will also be providing technical support, and have put plenty of work into the marketing. This collaboration has been very successful, and we have just sent an email around to all clubs to gauge interest in collaborations for semester 2.

Over the next few weeks we will be locking in all our events for semester 2, including a new type of event for casual music and a chill out space utilising the graduation marquees. This idea will be fleshed out into the coming fortnight and will hopefully involve club collaborations.

Attachment 5:

LOTS WIFE REPORT

MSC 4/19

Key Activities

- Edition 3
Edition 3 was launched successfully. Got good feedback and generated some discussion and controversy with the federal election material.
- End of Semester Celebration
It's been noted that there's been a lack of community activities within LW, so we're trying to generate a bit more spirit there, we'll have a gathering at Sir John's in week 12, Semester 1. Then hopefully have a launch party for edition 4 next semester.
- Edition 4
Work has started to publish edition 4. Process is much better and more efficient as everyone gets used to how things work.

Goals

Goal	Progress (Complete/Ongoing/Incomplete)	Comments
#1 Publish Edition 2	Complete	
#2 Publish Edition 3	Complete	
#3 Field and collate for edition 4	Ongoing	Will be published first week of Sem 2.
#4 Clean Office	Ongoing	Need to buy supplies for this, unless we can find some around?

#5 Organise more social events	Ongoing	Lack of events so far, have 1 end of sem celebration in week 12, sem 1. Trying to get another one in week 1, sem 2.
#6 Do review for edition 3	Ongoing	
#7 Organise timetable for office hours and weekly meetings for sem 2	Incomplete	Need timetables
#8 Follow up payment for advertising from RNA	Ongoing	
#9 source more varying work for edition 4	Ongoing	Previous 3 editions have been a bit homogenous, trying to get some more variety

Budget Expenditure

Nothing yet, but these are what we expect to spend in the next month:

Date	Description	Amount	Comments
week 10, past	Edition 3 printing	\$7,700	1,500 copies
29/05	Food at Sir John's	\$150	for end of sem celebration