

Board of Directors  
Meeting No 15/17

A meeting of the Union Board of Directors was held on Thursday 30 November 2017.  
Meeting opened at 4:08 in the Board Room, Mezzanine Level, No 15 Moore Street, Acton.

**PRESENT**

Ms Jemma Cavanagh  
Mr Francis Claessens  
Mr Scott Joblin

Deputy Chair  
Elected  
PARSA representative

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr Suranga Abeygunasekera

General Manager

**MINUTES**

**1. FORMAL MATTERS**

**1.1 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Ms Belinda Farrelly, Mr Tom Lindenmayer, Mr Nathan Kerwood, Mr Dominic Kasah, Ms Agatha Court, Mr Tom Nock and Mr Lewis Pope.

**1.2 Directors' Interest**

No new Directors' Interest were declared

**1.3 Minutes of Board Meeting No 14/2017**

The board noted the minutes of Board Meeting No 14/2017 held on 26 October 2017.  
- to be accepted at Board meeting no 1/2018

**1.4 Matters Arising from the Minutes**

There were no open action items.  
There were no further items to discuss

**1.5 Chair's Report: Open discussion Items**

Apologies for not being able to make it to today's board meeting.

Firstly, it is with great sadness that I acknowledge the passing of Union employee Kylie Wharton. Kylie has been an important part of the administrative management of the ANU Union, and was close to many on the board. Suranga will inform the board of any ceremonies to celebrate her life.

Secondly, the union has continued to proceed in finalising our future arrangements. Suranga and I recently finalised and signed a Deed of Settlement with the university, effectively ending our formal litigation with the university. In addition, we have signed a Disclosure Statement for the new space, with a lease to follow.

Over the next few months, the union needs to continue to remain focused, with many more tasks to do. In the upcoming period, we will need to finalise our building plans and food options for the new space, whilst also considering marketing and student engagement.

I will ask Suranga to provide an updated timeline to the board of these events.

The Board noted the Chair's report.

**1.6 Chairs Report: Confidential Items:**

No confidential items were discussed.

**1.7 Other Confidential Items**

Other confidential items were discussed.

**2. General Manager's Report**

ANU Union – Scheduled Board meetings & important dates 2018

- Thursday the 22nd February

\*\* Monday the 19th – Thursday the 22nd of March: Union elections \*\* Audited financials for 2017 to be signed off on/before Monday 26th March

- Thursday 29th March (*Last board meeting for 2017 board of directors*)

- Thursday 26th April (*First meeting of the 2018 board of directors*)

- Thursday 31st May (AGM)

- Thursday 28th June

- Thursday 26th July

- Thursday 30th August

- Thursday 27th September

- Thursday 25th October (OGM)

- Thursday 29th November

The Board noted the General Manager's report.

**3. Management Reports: Finances**

The Board discussed the finances as of 31 October 2017.

**4. Finance Committee Report**

No meeting was held

**5. Social Committee Report**

No meeting was held

**6. Strategic Planning Committee Report**

No meeting was held

**8. General Business**

Given that attendance has been low for the past two meetings, the board agreed that a list of meetings that board members have attended should be compiled and circulated by the GM.

The board discussed the importance of holding a strategic planning meeting in the next two weeks. It was agreed that all directors should advise their availability so as to maximise attendance.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 4:35pm.

