THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY UNION INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING No 03/2015

A meeting of the Union Board of Directors was held on Wednesday 22 April 2015 at 4.08 pm in the Board Room.

PRESENT:

Mr Joshua Orchard	Chair
Ms Megan Lane	Deputy Chair
Ms Alice Dawkins	Elected

Ms Alice DawkinsElectedMr Josh BolithoElectedMs Jillian MolloyElectedMs Ashleigh GriffithsElectedMr Tom LingafelterElected

Ms Belinda Farrelly Executive Director
Mr Ben Niles PARSA Rep

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr Allan Harkins	Business Manager
Ms Kylie Wharton	Minutes Secretary

Mr Michael Pettersson Observer

Ms Maeldalena Easterbrook Woroni observer

Mr James Waugh
Mr Chris Wilson
Observer
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MINUTES

1. FORMAL MATTERS

1.1 Apologies

Apologies were received from Ms Alice Dawkins, Mr Steve O'Connor, and Mr Ben Gill.

1.2 Directors' Interest

Mr Tom Lingafelter declared his interest as a representative on the ANUSA Board.

1.3 Confidential Items

1.3.1 Rent arrears

- 1.3.2 EOI for the Computer Shop space
- 1.3.3 Chairs Bonus and Deputy Chair's Bonus
- 1.3.4 Business Managers Bonus
- 1.3.5 ACAT

Observers were asked to leave the room for this agenda item.

1.4 Matters Arising from the Minutes

It was noted that in the minutes from the March meeting the Board Motion numbers had been doubled up. This will be rectified by the Office Manager. Ms Belinda Farrelly asked for clarification that nothing had been posted to Facebook regarding the amendments to the constitution as stated there would be in the previous meeting.

1.5 Minutes of Board Meetings No 02/2015

The Board resolves to accept the minutes of Board Meeting No 02/2015 held on Wednesday 18 March 2015.

Motion accepted.

(BM 16/2015 M Lane/ J Bolitho)

2. REPORTS

2.1 Chair

The Chairperson discussed his and the Deputy Chair's report on the state of the Union. A brief summary was discussed including

- The need to increase profits in order to put it back into the business to assist the students
- Increasing the awareness of the union
- The redevelopment of Union Court which is likely to begin in 2017 but as we do not have much information planning for this is made very difficult. A strategic planning team will be required to discuss options
- Union finances we are currently solvent and will possibly have enough resources to become another body if needed.
- We require more ideas to engage the student body and help the businesses the union owns.

The board moves that all recommendations suggested in the state of the union report be discussed by the relevant committees and any recommendations not relevant to those committees be discussed by the board as a whole.

Motion approved

(BM17 J Bolitho/ J Molloy)

2.2 Business Manager

- The Business Manager welcomed all new board members to the board.
- A copy of the year to date financials sent to all board members. If any members have any questions please speak to the Business Manager for clarification.
- A meeting date for the AGM needs to be proposed as well as dates for the Board meetings for the rest of the year. The Business Manager will send an email with suggested dates for board approval
- The Business Manager recommends that all Board members embark on some form of governance training as early as possible in their term to ensure they have a basic understanding of their role and responsibilities as directors of the board
- The Business Manager strongly suggests that a strategic planning committee is formed due to the current redevelopment process being undertaken by the university. The union needs to have a seat at the table to ensure our voice is heard.
- The Business Manager advised the board that when he was employed by a previous Board it was decided that the position title for the role would be that of Business Manager. However, in the current constitution the role is referred to as the General Manager of the Union and there are a number of functions and delegations that are attached to the position title.

The Board moves to change the Business manager's title back to General Manager in writing and by agreement with no other changes to terms and conditions.

Motion approved

(BM 18 J Bolitho/T Lingafelter)

The board noted the Business Manager's report

3. MANAGEMENT REPORTS (FINANCE)

The board discussed the finances as of 31 March 2015.

The financial statements dated 31 March 2015 will be sent to all Board members for approval via email

(BM19/2015 J Orchard/ M Lane)

4. Electoral Arbiter's motion recommendation

The motion recommendation from the electoral arbiter has been noted by the board and will be taken to the committees and then taken to the board with further recommendations

5. Election of executive committees

Josh Orchard has withdrawn from the position of Chair and Megan Lane has withdrawn from the position of Deputy Chair.

Nominations were called for the Chairperson position

One nomination received from Megan Lane which was seconded by Josh Bolitho

As only one nomination was received Megan Lane was declared the Chairperson of the ANU Student Union

Nominations were called for the Deputy Chair position

Two nominations were received one from Josh Bolitho which was seconded by Josh Orchard and one from Ben Niles for Tom Lingafelter who declined the nomination.

As only one nomination was received Josh Bolitho was declared the Deputy Chair of the ANU Student Union

Nominations were called for the Chairperson position of the Social Sub Committee

One nomination received from Jillian Molloy which was seconded by Josh Bolitho

As only one nomination was received Jillian Molloy was declared the Chairperson of the Social Sub Committee.

Nominations were called for the Chairperson position of the Finance Sub Committee

One nomination received from Josh Bolitho which was seconded by Jillian Molloy

As only one nomination was received Josh Bolitho was declared the Chairperson of the Finance Sub Committee.

The Board moves to create a Strategic Planning Committee and a Constitutional Review Committee.

Motion approved

(BM20/15) T Lingafelter/ A Griffiths)

Nominations were called for the Chairperson position of the Strategic Planning Committee

One nomination received from Megan Lane which was seconded by Ashley Griffiths

As only one nomination was received Megan Lane was declared the Chairperson of the Strategic Planning Committee.

Nominations were called for the Chairperson position of the Constitutional Review Committee

One nomination received from Jillian Molloy which was seconded by Josh Bolitho

As only one nomination was received Jillian Molloy was declared the Chairperson of the Constitutional Review Committee.

6. General Business

Acknowledgement of the ANU election 2015 report by the electoral commission to be discussed at next meeting

Meeting dates and time options to be circulated.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 6.28 pm