## MONSU CAULFIELD INC

Student Council 2024 Meeting SC 24.1 Held 26/03/2024 6pm via Level 2 Meeting Room

## **Minutes**

Present:	Oliver Yin, Eunseo Lee, Angela Leo, San-Nhi Chung, Theodore Susetio, Nadine Herbiantoro, Leo Jiang, Rachel Dang, Lizzy Lai, Jinny Kim, Qarisara Hussain, Ye Bin Kim
Other: (attendees who are not normally part of the meeting)	Max Newton (Acting GM)
Proxies: (those who are in attendance by proxy for someone else on council)	Nadine Herbiantoro for Mehika Agarwal  Angela Leo for Theodore Susetio (left the meeting at 7:00pm)
Apologies: (those who notified that they were not able to attend)	Mehika Agarwal
Absent: (those who were absent without notice)	

# Preamble

MONSU Caulfield acknowledges and pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging of the Boon Wurrung and Wurundjeri Peoples of the Kulin nation, the traditional owners of the land on which MONSU Caulfield operates.

Meeting Open	
Time opened:	6:09pm

Quorum: Reached at 6:01pm	
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# **Business Arising**

# 1. Esperanto's Financial Budget

## Discussion:

- The contribution is distributed between 2 staff
- The budget is very similar to the previous year

#### Motion SC 24.1-1:

MONSU Student Council resolves to pass Esperanto's Financial Budget for 2024.

Moved: Theo

Seconded: Nadine

For: All

Against: None Carried: Unanimous

# 2. MTCC Application

## **Discussion:**

- Their president mentioned that they're deeply connected to the tea culture of China and would like to share this appreciation with those on campus as well
- They want to educate the students who are interested on the tea culture
- They want to look for fellow students who also share the same passions as them and create a safe environment for them
- They have a potential sponsor lined up to assist them for future events as well
- Angela and Qarisara mentioned that since we're lacking a Chinese based club, despite the numerous number of Chinese students on campus, it would be a good idea for MTCC to be registered

## Motion SC 24.1-2:

MONSU Student Council resolves to approve Monash Tea Culture Club (MTCC)'s new club proposal and recognise them as a newly registered club. Moved: Theo

Seconded: Angela

For: All

Against: None Carried: Unanimous

#### 3. Election of OSS Officer

- Vrinda presented first
  - Very passionate person, but lacked experience in the portfolio
- Anubha presented second
  - Had a great understanding of MONSU and the potential events they wanted to run as an OSS officer
  - Had great relevant leadership experiences in the past which made them stand out a lot to the rest of council
  - Received unanimous vote for the position
- Agnes presented third
  - Had great ideas for the portfolio, it's clear that she's given it a serious thought
  - However, they lacked the necessarily experience in order to succeed in the role

#### Motion SC 24.1-3:

MONSU Student Council resolves to elect Anubha Tomar as the new OSS Officer at MONSU Caulfield. Moved: Angela

Seconded: Rachel

For: All

Against: None Carried: Unanimous

## 4. Election of Queer Officer

## **Discussion:**

- Queer officer application to be reopened after mid-sem break

# Motion SC 24.1-4:

MONSU Student Council revolves to elect a new Queer Officer during the next Council meeting and to reopen applications for the role from 08/04/2024 to 17/04/2024.

Moved: Qarisara

Seconded: San-Nhi

For: All

Against: None Carried: Unanimous

## 5. Election of Domestic First Year Representative

- Kathleen presented first
  - Wants to stay a part of MONSU for future opportunities in later years as she proceeds through her university years
- Samantha was absent from the interview process

- The majority of council voted to not proceed with the application due to a lack of necessary experiences

#### Motion SC 24.1-5:

MONSU Student Council resolves to reject all applicants for the position of Domestic First Year Representative, and to reopen applications of the position from 08/04/2024 to 17/04/2024 to be selected during the next council meeting.

Moved: Leo

Seconded: Oliver

For: All

**Against:** None **Carried:** Unanimous

## 6. Election of International First Year Representative

#### Discussion:

- Vinayika presented first
  - Led nonprofits in the past
  - Was a part of team which helped underprivileged students to help tutor their education
  - Received 0 votes
- Siddharth presented second
  - Was a student leader at Monash College last year
  - Previously was involved as a part of Ted Talk and was a speaker at their event
  - Received 2 votes
- Karin presented third
  - Attend the O-Week and O-Fest and loved speaking with the council members at the booths and thoroughly enjoyed her experience
  - Was a part of the student council since young, ranging from elementary school all the way to high school in different countries
  - Received 11 votes

#### Motion SC 24.1-6:

MONSU Student Council resolves to elect Karin Sayama as the new International First Year Representative at MONSU Caulfield Moved: Lizzy

Seconded: Rachel

For: All

Against: None Carried: Unanimous

## 7. Election of General Representative

#### Discussion:

- Nayla presented first

- Has been helping out MONSU for a very long time already
- Was a Monash Tax helper last year
- Has RSA, mental health, first-aid certificates
- Received 1 vote
- Natalie presented second
  - Has been a part of MONSU Crew and has helped out with many events previously
  - Received 4 votes
- Nam (Kevin) presented third
  - Have been involved with previous events held by MONSU
  - Received 8 votes

Motion SC 24.1-7:	Moved: Leo
MONSU Student Council resolves to elect Nam Anh as the new General Representative at MONSU Caulfield	Seconded: Nadine
	For: All
	Against: None
	Carried: Unanimous

#### 8. Summer Executive Honorariums

- Eunseo mentions that certain council members have not been as active for the month of March
- Eunseo would like all rep reports moving forward to be categorised by weeks to help other council members better identify what events every member has done throughout the weeks
- Angela reminded everyone that in order to receive the full honorarium, every council member needs to dedicate a reasonable amount of hours each week towards their own portfolio and MONSU
- Rachel reiterates the fact that Sam has had to help out with Mid-Week Meet in the past few weeks due to the lack of initiative from the council members
- Angela stated that Breakfast Club typically receives support from crew members, rather than council members
- It was mentioned that the Marketing Officer and the Clubs Officer's contribution towards the council was less than expected, and as a result, the potential of halving their honorariums was raised
- Oliver mentioned that this should be a learning opportunity as it's the first month of council and that the honorariums shouldn't be cut as a result
- After hearing their personal stories, the council has decided to honour every council member's honorariums as full

## Motion SC 24.1-8:

MONSU Student Council resolves to pass student honorariums for the period of February to March.

Moved: Nadine

Seconded: Qarisara

For: All

**Against:** None **Carried:** Unanimous

#### 9. Amendment of the Constitution

#### **Discussion:**

- Oliver mentioned that the constitution is in need of a change especially after the events which had occurred last year
- It was quoted from Holding Redlich that it would cost approximately \$20,000 for the process

## Motion SC 24.1-9:

MONSU Student Council resolves to amend the MONSU Caulfield Constitution under Holding Redlich's guidance. Moved: Rachel

Seconded: Leo

For: All

Against: None Carried: Unanimous

## 10. MONSU Banking Part 1

## **Discussion:**

- Max mentions that the finance are all controlled by the financial accountant to prevent any fraud from occurring within the organisation
- After the census date conclusion, the university has announced that our SSAF funding has been increased to \$1.4 million

## Motion SC 24.1-10:

MONSU Student Council resolves to create 3 new Commonwealth Bank Term Deposit Accounts to invest existing money held in the MONSU Savings Account No.10359681. The Commonwealth Bank Term Deposit Accounts are for 3 months, 6 months and 12 months. Funds being withdrawn from these accounts require 2 signatures.

Moved: Angela

Seconded: Theo

For: All

Against: None Carried: Unanimous

## 11. MONSU Banking Part 2

 Max mentions that the different investment accounts are necessary for different portfolios to help keep track of all of MONSU's finances

## Motion SC 24.1-11:

MONSU Student Council resolves to approve 3 new Commonwealth Bank Investment Accounts to be opened, using funds from existing MONSU CBA Account 063-301 10359681. The Commonwealth Bank Term Deposit Accounts are for 3 months, 6 months and 12 months. Funds being withdrawn from these accounts require 2 signatories.

Moved: Leo

Seconded: Theo

For: All

**Against:** None

Carried: Unanimous

# 12. MONSU Banking Part 3

#### **Discussion:**

- Max mentions that the signatures are important for security measure

#### Motion SC 24.1-12:

MONSU Student Council resolves to approve the following as signatories for the accounts specified below:

Sharina Mach (Workshop Manager)
Max Newton (Acting GM)

Anne Dennehy (Advantage Bookkeeping) Eunseo Lee (President of MONSU Caulfield Inc.)

Boyi Yin (Vice President and Secretary MONSU Caulfield Inc.)

To be added as authorising signatories to the following accounts:

MONSU Caulfield CBA CommBiz facilities, including accounts:

063-301 Account: 10359673 MONSU Caulfield Inc (Operating Account) 063-301 Account: 10359681 MONSU Caulfield Inc (Savings Account)

063-301 Account 10361669 MONSU Clubs

account (All Club Funds)

063-301 Account 10361650 MONSU Clubs

savings

Moved: Theo

Seconded: Nadine

For: All

Against: None

Carried: Unanimous

Issuing cheques requires two signatories. All other signatories are to be removed.

# 13. Queer Lounge Expense Report

## **Discussion:**

- Qarisara mentions that the Queer lounge has been neglected in the past and is due for an upgrade on some of their equipment
- With the new equipments it would improve the environment to be more vibrant which would appear more inviting to students

## Motion SC 24.1-13:

MONSU Student Council resolves to allocate \$150 towards Queer Lounge's equipment and to reimburse the expense during the next council meeting.

Moved: Nadine

Seconded: San-Nhi

For: All

Against: None

Carried: Unanimous

# 14. Women Lounge Expense Report

#### **Discussion:**

Very similar for the Queer lounge, in need of an upgrade

# Motion SC 24.1-14:

MONSU Student Council resolves to allocate \$200 towards Women Lounge's equipment and to reimburse the expense during the next council meeting.

Moved: Qarisara

Seconded: Lizzy

For: All

Against: None Carried: Unanimous

## 15. Dinner Expense

#### Discussion:

## Motion SC 24.1-15:

MONSU Student Council resolves to allocate a budget towards covering the Council's dinner expenses for the first Council meeting of the year SC 24.1.

Moved: Oliver

Seconded: Leo

For: All

**Against:** None **Carried:** Unanimous

Minutes of the Previous Council and Exec	utive Meeting	
16. Previous Minutes		
Discussion:		
Motion SC 24.1-16:	Moved: Oliver	
MONSU Student Council resolves to accept the minutes recorded for SCSE 23-24.1, SCSE 23-24.2.1, SCE 24.1 and SCE 24.2.	Seconded: Angela	
	For: All Against: None Carried: Unanimous	

# **Confidential Business**

**Item 1:** N/A

General Business		
Item 1: Explaining the Council Meeting dates moving forward (rotating between Tuesdays and Fridays)		
Notes:	The VP will be sending out dates of notice to all council meeting for the remainder of semester 1	
Item 2: Honorarium raise		
Notes:	Oliver mentioned that everyone's honorariums will receive a 7% raise to help combat the current cost of living crisis	
Item 3: Gathering potential education proposals to benefit students		
Notes:	<ul> <li>Angela and Theordore want to mainly focus on the short term extension and want to try to gather is students are okay with it only being 2 days</li> <li>Angela wants all council members to actively seek</li> </ul>	

	feedback from other student's opinions on how they can be supported academically
Item 4: Ways to represent	t MONSU Caulfield
Notes:	<ul> <li>Leo will be looking into making lanyards with name tags to worn across all MONSU events in times where t-shirts may not be accessible</li> </ul>
Item 5: Around the Groun	ds
Notes:	<ul> <li>Qarisara is renovating the Queer lounge, Safe &amp; Sexy planning</li> <li>Rachel &amp; San-Nhi are planning for a flee market, helping out with movie night, also exploring the possibility of a petting zoo event</li> <li>Leo is helping out with Women's social media</li> <li>Nadine is running the Women's social media, also revamping the Women's lounge, Safe &amp; Sexy planning</li> <li>Lizzy has been assisting clubs with necessary support, also helping with increasing number of clubs registered, wants to start workshops for the positives of starting a new club</li> <li>Angela has been working with the APC panel very closely, promoting engagement with Breakfast Club, working on short term extension policies, wanting to start educational campaigns</li> <li>Oliver is working on the amendment of the constitution, also wanting to partner with the SDC to see what areas council members can develop in</li> </ul>
Item 6: Update on Buildin	g S from the VCSPAF
Notes:	<ul> <li>Eunseo made it clear that the whole purpose of these meetings is to improve the campus life of all students</li> <li>Changes can be in regards to refurbishing of buildings and updating amenities</li> </ul>

Papers Provided for Information:	
Item 1	Esperanto Financial Budget for Motion SC 24.1-1
Item 2	Registered Club Application Form for Motion SC 24.1-2
Item 3	MONSU Caulfield Constitution Amendment Proposal for Motion SC 24.1-9
Item 4	Queer Lounge Expenses Report for Motion SC 24.1-13

Item 5	Women Lounge Expenses Report for Motion SC 24.1-14
Item 6	SCSE 23-24.1
Item 7	SCSE 23-24.2.1
Item 8	SCE 24.1
Item 9	SCE 24.2
Item 10	Rep Reports Combined

Date of next meeting:	26/04/2024 6pm
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Meeting Close	
Time closed:	10:21pm

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**Eunseo Lee, President** 

Oliver Yin, Vice President