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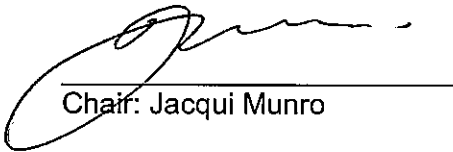
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## UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY UNION SECRETARIAT

The attached minutes have been accepted by the Clubs & Societies Committee by resolution as a true and accurate record of the events of the meeting held on the 7 June 2011.



Chair: Jacqui Munro

*19<sup>th</sup> July 2011*  
Date

**Meeting of the Clubs and Societies Committee  
3.00pm, 7 June 2011, Margaret Telfer Room,  
Manning House, Manning Road, University of Sydney.  
MINUTES**



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| Committee Members | Sibella Matthews (Chair), James Flynn (Deputy Chair), Cameron Creigh, Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne, Alfred Lee, Mina Nada, Sarah Nguyen, Gabriel Perrottet, James Sin.  |
| USU Staff         | Alistair Cowie (Director of Student Programs), Pamela Wade (Clubs and Societies Officer), Bryce Williams (Committee Secretary).   |
| Visitors          | Adam Foda, Agatha Yu, Aolifu Yu, Astha Rajvanshi, David Southwood, Dougal Robinson, Hannah Marin-Guzman, Hasitha Mahanama, James Caddy, Jasuanth Sareshkumar, Kieran Walton, Michael Li, Patrick Ditchfield, Sam Conigrave, Sanjaya Dissanayade, Tim Jackson, William Tian. |

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|                          | The Chair opened the meeting at 3.05pm.  |
|                          | 1. Apologies And Leaves Of Absence   |
| <b>C&amp;S<br/>86/11</b> | <b>Resolved that apologies be accepted from Alistair Cowie, Angela Vogiatzoglou, and Timothy Matthews.</b><br><br><b><i>Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne / Cameron Creigh</i></b>  |
|                          | 2. Minutes Of The Meeting Held 17 May 2011   |
| <b>C&amp;S<br/>87/11</b> | <b>Resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting held 17 May 2011 be accepted as a true and accurate record of proceedings.</b><br><br><b><i>Sarah Nguyen / Cameron Creigh</i></b>   |
| <b>C&amp;S<br/>88/11</b> | <b>Resolved that standing orders be suspended and that discussion move to agenda item 5. Other Business.</b><br><br><b><i>Cameron Creigh / Sarah Nguyen</i></b>  |
|                          | 5. Other Business<br><u>Chopsticks</u><br><br>Jasuanth Sareshkumar, representative of SU Australia-Chinese Cultural Appreciation Society, explained that there were two reasons why the club's O-Week funding had been rejected. He said that the club's membership list had not been properly uploaded because the timestamp did not register properly. The Society had also handed in their receipts list, but there were some exchange rate issues.<br><br>Aolifu Yu, representative of SU Australia-Chinese Cultural Appreciation Society, added that the receipts also needed to be translated, but that they were given permission by the C&S Office to hand in their receipts list late.<br><br>Cameron Creigh stated that it was well-known that receipts must be handed in, in English. |

Mr. Sureshkumar said that it was the first time that they were handing in receipts, and that it was purely an issue of time.

Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne asked what items the receipts related to.

Mr. Sureshkumar said that the receipts concerned a membership package folders and staplers.

Sibella Matthews, the Chair, noted that the expenses claimed were now reduced.

*James Flynn entered the meeting.*

Ms. Yu replied that the finances had been rectified by the new Treasurer, as Capital Expenditure funding had been mistakenly placed with O-Week funding.

Brewsical

Sarah Nguyen asked why the request for the society concerned an increase to \$8000, but the C&S Office had recommended an increase in the cap to \$6000.

Pamela Wade (Clubs and Societies Officer) responded that club cannot go directly from \$4000 to \$8000.

Cameron Creigh noted that he had prepared the request letter and declared a conflict of interest. He clarified that the club wanted to go straight to \$8000.

Patrick Ditchfield, Vice-President of SU Beer Brewing and Musical Appreciation Society (Brewsical), said that the Society had used up almost all of the allocated \$4000, through events such as the weekend warm-ups and James Squire beer-tasting events. He said that the Society was planning to organise a beer-tasting event at the Rocks and a beer brewing event next semester. He noted that the club had over 400 members and that attendance was growing from last year.

Mr. Ditchfield said that last year, the club had organised an Oktoberfest event which had been praised by Scott Brownless. He noted that Brewsical was one of the largest clubs in the C&S program and needed funding to continue holding minor and major events.

Ms. Matthews asked how an increase to \$6000 (as opposed to the \$8000 requested) in their cap would affect their planning.

*Mina Nada entered the meeting.*

Mr. Ditchfield replied that the Society would only be able to do 2 of the 4 planned activities.

Ms. Matthews expressed her reluctance at granting a direct extension to \$8000. She asked whether the Society was amenable to returning to the Committee to consider an extension to \$8000 when it was required.

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Mr. Ditchfield said that if the extension to \$8000 was not approved, the Society would be back to request the extension at a later time.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne asked whether the Society normally spends \$8000.

Mr. Ditchfield responded that the Society was only restarted in the second half of last year in the second semester.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne asked whether the need for an \$8000 cap will be recurrent.

Mr. Ditchfield replied affirmatively.

James Flynn asked what the Society's current level of funding was and asked whether the increase to \$6000 would be sufficient for the next few months.

Mr. Ditchfield replied that the Society had received approximately \$3800 in funding and that the increase to \$6000 would be sufficient for the next few months.

Ms. Wade asked if the Society had only conducted 3 events this year.

Mr. Ditchfield confirmed that they had conducted 3 events since the audit.

Ms. Wade noted that the Society had done a lot for the Union.

Conservative Club

Kieran Walton, President of the SU Conservative Club, explained that the Club had run a number of events following a successful sign-up period at O-Week. He said that the Club had organised welcome drinks, a trip to Canberra, a Schnitzel challenge, a theatre night and a pub crawl.

Mr. Walton noted that the Club's members include students that have a conservative persuasion. He said that the club was growing slowly and had good ideas for the second semester.

Ms. Matthews asked Mr. Walton to elaborate on the events that the club had conducted.

Mr. Walton explained that most of the Club's members had attended welcome drinks and that the Club's trip to Canberra coincided with budget week and included a breakfast with Senator Cory Bernardi. He said that the Schnitzel challenge was held at the Bavarian beer café and the Theatre night involved attending 'Man for All Seasons' while discussing the ethical issues that arose in the play.

Korean Students Association

Annette Lee, representative of the KSA, explained that this year, the Korean Societies, including KISHU and ACCA had come together (KESUS had remained separate). She noted that Kevin, the president of the society, had monthly meetings with Angela. She explained that the Association had sent out weekly newsletters, had established associations with outside organisations and had contacted the mainstream media.

Ms. Lee explained that the society works with KESUS, which represents Korean economics and business students and KLSS, which represents Korean law students. She said that students from those faculties were sent to those societies first to sign up, with the remainder signing up at KSA.

Ms. Lee said that the cultural dimension of the Society had been strengthened by the integration of KIMCHI into the KSA. She said that two cultural subcommittees had been implemented with the vice-president of KIMCHI.

Ms. Nguyen asked about the status of KIMCHI.

Ms. Wade replied that they were no longer registered.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne asked Ms. Lee to explain the arrangement regarding the passing of members between clubs.

Ms. Lee explained that when people came to sign up, they would send them to KLSS or KESUS first if they were from that faculty, and vice-versa.

#### Musical Society

James Caddy, Treasurer of the SU Musical Society, explained that the Society was appealing the refusal of three funding applications. He acknowledged that he was personally at fault for the errors with the applications. He explained that due to his involvement in a rehearsal on the 18<sup>th</sup> of May, the post-event and pre-event forms had slipped his mind. He said that he had handed in the post-event forms.

Ms. Matthews asked what the entire amount the Society was claiming amounted to.

Mr. Caddy replied that the final amount had not yet been determined as the school venue takes a while to generate receipts.

Mr. Flynn asked about the size of the Society's budget.

Mr. Caddy replied that concerts are budgeted around \$8000-9000, but that not that much Union funding is involved.

Mr. Flynn asked what Mr. Caddy had done to rectify his inability to submit forms on time.

Mr. Caddy responded that this was the first time that he had forgotten to submit the forms.

Cameron Creigh asked why Mr. Caddy waits until the 10<sup>th</sup> business day to hand in the forms.

Mr. Caddy replied that it was a matter of established routine.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne asked what the capacity of the Club was to absorb the rejection.

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Mr. Caddy said that the Club had \$4000 in the bank, but was not well-off, as events were costly to run.

Leprechaun Society

Tim Jackson, President of SU The Leprechaun Society, explained that the Society was brand new, but recruited 300 members at O-Week, and had obtained sponsorship from the Irish Shop and the Lansdowne Hotel. He said that the Society had conducted meeting drinks on Wednesday, with 50-60 participants, had organised a St. Patrick's Day event at Manning Bar, and had organised 2-Up events.

Mr. Jackson said that the Society had sold 40 T-shirts, with 60 left to sell, and that it had received a lot of publicity, including on Triple J and in the Sun-Herald. He said that the Society would continue to run its own events, including a 'Halfway to Paddy's' event and a cruise. He noted that the Society now had over 420 members and more than \$2800 in the bank.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne asked whether the Society had done anything beyond drinking.

Mr. Jackson replied that the Society was considering organising Gaelic football and Irish trivia events.

Mr. Flynn asked what the highest and average attendance was at the Society's events.

Mr. Jackson replied that 130 people had attended the St. Patrick's Day event, while approximately 30-50 people attend on average.

James Sin asked how the Society manages the reputational risk to the Union, as it arguably condones members' consumption of alcohol.

Mr. Jackson replied that the Society had been received quite well.

Mr. Sin asked what proportion of Union funding went towards alcohol.

Mr. Flynn said that Mr. Jackson didn't need to answer that question and noted that many other societies spend funding on alcohol.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne noted that for other societies, alcohol was supplementary.

Mr. Flynn asked whether the Society had a safe and effective drinking policy.

Ms. Matthews asked whether Mr. Flynn meant a safe and responsible drinking policy.

Mr. Jackson said that the Society had been effective in bridging college students and the wider University population.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne asked what proportion of the Society were college students.

Mr. Jackson said that about one third of the members were from college.

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what structure the club had to ensure personal development.

Ms. Yu responded that the club was more 'niche' in its focus on action-projects. She said that other societies were more information-focused. She said that each executive is attached to one group, to guide the group. She noted that she had talked to people at Deloitte Fast-track about possible mentorship roles.

James Sin asked why the same projects could not be delivered by the Young Entrepreneurs Society (YES) or the Commerce Society.

Ms. Yu replied that the Commerce Society had not made up its mind about the role of such projects. She acknowledged that it was possible for ComSoc to conduct projects, but that the results would be better if it was run by a specialised society. She noted that ComSoc was very career-driven and that she did not want to exclude students from other faculties. She noted that students were not necessarily passionate about business and that Project Edge could help those students interested in the arts or in charity work.

Mr. Sin noted that half the executive had been replaced.

Ms. Yu replied that only one executive member, Thomas, the Secretary, had been replaced.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne asked why the club was better at developing personal skills than other societies. He asked how the club could manage a whole range of different projects.

Ms. Yu replied that transferable skills were being developed. She noted that the Business School could benefit from the club's activities. She explained that the club could manage different projects by focusing on certain types, and tailoring projects to their member's interests.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne questioned the need for a personal development society, when personal development can occur through many different societies.

Ms. Yu replied that in ComSoc, personal development is treated as a part of career development and that it needed more focus in order to promote learning.

Ms. Nguyen asked about how the club would maintain a consistent membership flow, what the membership fee was being used for and how the club could ensure client/member satisfaction.

Michael Lee, Vice-President of Project Edge, noted that the club was hoping to plan a speed-dating event, where members could test their abilities to sell themselves.

Ms. Yu said that the club would initially run workshops with entrepreneurs, which were not restricted to members, thus expanding the awareness of the club and attracting new members.



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Ms. Yu said that the fees were being used as a back-up fund for workshops. She explained that evaluations would be conducted near the end of projects, at a Pitch Festival, to ask participants as well as their peers about the success of the project.

Cameron Creigh asked about the composition of the club.

Ms. Yu replied that most of the members were law students, but that a number of engineering students had expressed interest.

Mr. Creigh asked whether the club had been in contact with SULLS.

Ms. Yu responded that they had not, but could look into it.

Sri Lankan Society

Hasitha Mahanama, representative of the Sri Lankan Society noted that the Society's membership was growing. He explained that the Society was to be a focal point, where people could exchange ideas, promote unity and diversity and send a special message to the University to promote a multicultural approach.

Mr. Mahanama said that the Society's inaugural barbeque had been attended by 47 members and had been self-funded. He noted that there were approximately 250-300 Sri Lankan students and staff on campus.

Mina Nada asked about the ethnic make-up of the Society's executive.

Sanjaya Dissanayake, representative of the Sri Lankan Society, said that 2 Tamils, 1 Muslim and 1 Burgher, all of Sri Lankan origin, were on the executive. He said that ethnicity was not important, however. He noted that some of the events, including Sri Lankan New Year, Christmas and Buddhist celebrations were relevant for only some of the ethnic groups.

Mr. Nada asked whether the constitution guaranteed representativeness.

Mr. Mahanama replied affirmatively.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne asked whether the group had reached out to non-Sri Lankans interested in Sri Lanka.

Mr. Dissanayake noted that some members were not Sri Lankan. He said that marketing to non-Sri Lankans would be conducted through a website to be developed.

Ms. Mahanama said that among Sri Lankans on campus, 100 have Australian citizenship.

Triathlon Club

William Tian, President of the Triathlon Club, explained that after his first run in April, he was eager to continue his newfound passion. He noted that the C&S program does not include a society that encompasses any of the three disciplines, except for BikeSoc. He said that the Club should be inclusive for students, particularly cost-wise. He said that the Club's aim was to help people achieve their goals through social training sessions (for

example, a Bondi-Coogee run, and swims in Victoria Park).

Mr. Tian said that 2 training sessions would be allocated for each discipline each week, with a social event afterward. He noted the reasons that people participate in triathlons, including health benefits and achieving life goals.

Mr. Creigh asked whether 6 training sessions a week would be sustainable.

Mr. Tian replied affirmatively, and noted that some of the members were considering doing Ironman events.

Mr. Creigh asked if there was any additional cost for members to attend training.

Mr. Tian said that membership was free, to be inclusive, but the Club was seeking sponsorship for entry into the Victoria Park pool and to subsidise entry into triathlons. He noted that Union funding would only go toward social events.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne noted that Sydney University Sports and Fitness had indicated that clubs needed to be competitive for their program.

Mr. Tian said that SUSF did not have an external club, as the triathlon discipline had been enveloped by the SUSF Athletics Society. He noted that SUSF had a competitive focus and that participation was expensive in order to pay coaches. He noted that the Triathlon Club was focused on participation and inclusiveness.

Mr. Sin asked what the gender composition of the executive was.

Mr. Tian replied that one female was on the executive, but that the Club was marketed to both sexes.

Mr. Nada asked whether the Club would face geographic issues.

Mr. Tian replied that most trainings were centred around the University. He said that it was the broader aim of the Club to partner people in area groups and encourage them to run in their area.

#### YopSoc

Sarah Nguyen declared a conflict of interest as Vice-President of the Politics Society.

Dougal Robinson, President of YopSoc, explained that the Society emerged from a website established by four students, two from the University of Sydney, who had a history of mediating debates. He said that the Society planned to conduct two styles of events: student run, Q&A style debates as well as book-club style discussions.

David Southwood, Secretary of YopSoc, said that the Society was self-sustaining. He explained that the website had been running for 8 months and had 1000 active online users. He said that the Society would fit in as a unique society, developing grassroots debates between different clubs and societies and promoting interaction between participants in the C&S

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program.

Mr. Flynn noted that many students intended to do what YopSoc was doing, including Clubs and the SRC.

Mr. Southwood replied that most Clubs and Societies were caught up in their own mandate, and that a fundamental part of the program was getting clubs and societies involved with each other.

Mr. Robinson said that debates would cover topical issues from local to global and that they would appeal to different people.

Mr. Nada asked whether there was potential for synergy with the Tuesday Talks program. He explained that the program seeks to encourage debate and comic discussion around topical issues.

Mr. Robinson said that YopSoc were trying to foster debate, without taking a position.

Mr. Nada replied that the Union's goals were the same.

Mr. Robinson said that they wanted to talk about public figures outside the University context and try and get students involved.

Mr. Southwood noted that the sustainability of the Society would be assured as members of relevant clubs and societies would get involved.

*Alfred Lee entered the meeting.*

Mr. Nada asked what percentage of their users were from the University of Sydney and were Union members.

Mr. Robinson replied that they had 640 facebook likes and 380 members, but were not sure how much were from the University of Sydney or Access members, but that University of Sydney students were the largest group represented.

Mr. Flynn noted that the program supports clubs that support Union members. He asked how they would delineate events for Access members and for the wider community.

Mr. Southwood said that the Society would contribute to other clubs events. He said that a nominal attendance fee could be charged to delineate Access and non-Access members.

Mr. Robinson noted that for a debate on Israel and Palestine, at least three societies would be involved.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne expressed his concern about the implications of the Society's symbiotic relationship with its website and the 'external control' provisions in the Regulations. He asked why PolSoc could not run student-led discussions.

Mr. Southwood said that the website was about engaging with others and

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hosting a wider discussion. He noted that the Society's executive and the website administrators did not need to coincide. He said that it was important to hear authority figures talk as in PolSoc events, but that it was also important to have a unique approach to student-led discussions.

Mr. Creigh asked about the discretion for reducing the Society's \$5 membership fees.

Mr. Southwood said that the Club was seeking to be self-funded, but also wanted it to be open to everyone. The discretion was included to minimise barriers to entry.

Ms. Matthews expressed her concern about the Society's external control and the use of C&S funding.

Mr. Robinson replied that pending the Committee's approval, funding would be used for activities and not for the website.

Mr. Southwood said that the Society was willing to undertake every measure necessary to ensure transparency.

Ms. Matthews asked what students can get beyond the Union's Debating program.

Mr. Southwood replied that the Society promoted free access to debates, where people can get together in a controlled setting, including low-key events.

Mr. Robinson explained that the informal events were useful as many people who were not extroverted still wanted to share their opinions.

Mr. Southwood noted that other opportunities existed around student elections.

**C&S  
90/11**

**Resolved to extend the meeting by thirty minutes.**

***Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne / Cameron Creigh***

Project Edge

Ms. Matthews asked whether the Committee's concerns from the last application had been alleviated.

Mr. Nada replied that the aim of the club had become more vague.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne said that the club seemed the same as before, just with a different branding.

**C&S  
91/11**

**Resolved to reject the New Club Application of SU Project Edge.**

***Sarah Nguyen / Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne***

Sri Lankan Society

Mr. Nada noted the Committee's past experience with cultural clubs. He suggested that possible issues in the future could arise and that constitutional entrenchments were required to prevent conflict.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne said that it was a positive sign that the three groups were represented on the executive.

Mr. Creigh asked whether it would be an issue next year.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne said that it would be difficult to predict.

Ms. Wade noted that such a condition would be difficult to specify.

Ms. Matthews said that the Committee could flag it as an issue to be aware of in the future.

**C&S  
92/11**

**Resolved to accept Recommendation 2 of the New Club Applications Report:**

**SU Sri Lankan Society: That the application be approved.**

***Cameron Creigh / Sarah Nguyen***

Triathlon

Ms. Matthews expressed her concern that the Club would turn into a competitive club.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne said that there was a broader issue about the Union's engagement with social sporting clubs, for example the Croquet Club, Cricket Club and Hacky Sack Clubs.

Mr. Flynn noted that the Waratah's Club had been shut down, and that the Committee should act consistently.

Ms. Wade said that she had spoken with Sydney University Sport and Fitness and they were not interested in more sporting clubs. She said that SUSF work differently and only want elite and competitive clubs.

Mr. Creigh said that the acceptance of the club could lead to an opening of the floodgates.

Mr. Lee said that there was a competitive distinction between clubs like the Hacky Sack Club and the Triathlon Club.

Ms. Matthews said that the distinction was based on whether SUSF would accept the Club. As they would not accept the club, the Union should be a vehicle for the Club.

Gabriel Perrottet noted the Club's social aspect.

Ms. Wade noted that competition in events was not compulsory and that members could just train with the Club.

Mr. Lee noted that all sporting clubs have a social aspect. He suggested that a stronger schedule and plans were required.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne said that such a requirement would place a high threshold on acceptance of clubs.

Mr. Lee said that a practical idea of how the Club would operate was required.

Ms. Wade replied that as that Club has just held its IGM, it had not conducted many activities.

Mr. Lee noted that the inclusion of six executive members promoted the sustainability of the club.

Ms. Wade noted that the Club would have a 6 month probationary period if it was approved.

Mr. Sin said that the schedule for 6 trainings a week could still be social, as people could attend one or two trainings a week. He noted the significant equity issues involved, and suggested that a social sports club such as this one should be available for members.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne noted that sport was more expensive than other activities.

**C&S  
93/11**

**Resolved to approve the New Club Application of the SU Triathlon Club.**

***James Sin / Gabriel Perrottet***

***Abstentions: Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne***

YopSoc

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne said that the Society's objectives were mostly covered by a variety of different, already existing means, including journals. He noted that the weakness relating to student-led discussions should be resolved through the Political Society.

Mr. Nada noted that having an associated society could facilitate the success of the Tuesday Talks program. Future consultation could extend beyond the convenor's role.

Mr. Flynn noted the large overlap between the Union's mandate and the Club's mandate. He applauded the executives' enthusiasm, but said that many other mechanisms were available. He said that clubs needed to remain relatively niche.

Ms. Matthews noted that the Committee needed to establish specific reasons behind their decision on the application.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne said that the Union was a nebulous concept.

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Mr. Flynn noted that two traditional reasons are given to reject applications – overlap with existing clubs and external influence.

Mr. Creigh expressed his concern about the long-term sustainability of the club.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne noted that the existence of the Club was contingent on the website's existence.

Mr. Lee asked how long the website had existed.

Mr. Robinson replied that the website had existed for 8 months.

Mr. Flynn suggested that the Committee give directions to the Society's executive, in order to encourage their enthusiasm, but direct them to discuss their ideas with Student Programs staff.

Ms. Matthews expressed her support for Mr. Flynn's comments and suggested that there were avenues to pursue their ideas within the Union, but just not as a society.

Mr. Lee said that the Club resembled the 180Degrees Society a few years ago. He suggested that the Club seek external sponsors and funding.

Resolved to accept Recommendation 4 of the New Club Applications Report:

**C&S  
94/11**

**SU Yopinion Society: That the application be rejected as the society is not unique.**

***Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne / Cameron Creigh***

**C&S  
95/11**

**Resolved that standing orders be suspended and that discussion move to agenda item 5. Other Business.**

***Sarah Nguyen / James Sin***

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**5. Other Business**

**Animal Welfare**

Pamela Wade (Clubs and Societies Officer) said that the Society had explained an issue regarding the funding form, but the reason for rejection concerned their failure to update their membership list.

Sarah Nguyen asked whether this was the Society's first rejection.

Ms. Wade replied affirmatively.

**C&S  
96/11**

**Resolved to allow the appeal of the SU Animal Welfare Society against an O-Week Funding rejection.**

***Cameron Creigh / James Sin***

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Chopsticks

Cameron Creigh asked whether the Society was a 'repeat offender'.

Sibella Matthews, the Chair, said that members of the current executive were not 'repeat offenders'.

Ms. Wade said that past executives had not had issues.

**C&S  
97/11**      **Resolved to allow the appeal of the SU Australia-Chinese Cultural Appreciation Society (Chopsticks) against an O-Week Funding rejection.**

***Sarah Nguyen / Cameron Creigh***

Beat the System

Ms. Nguyen asked whether the application should be postponed.

Mr. Creigh noted that they had met all of the requirements.

Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne said that an issue remained regarding financial management.

Ms. Wade said that the club's financial management was much improved and that they had secured deals in respect of postering and tech fees. She noted that the club's future budget was not yet complete.

**C&S  
98/11**      **Resolved to accept Recommendation 3 of the Other Business Report:  
SU Beat The System: That the annual funding cap be increased to  
\$6000.**

***Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne / Cameron Creigh***

Brewsical

**C&S  
99/11**      **Resolved to accept Recommendation 4 of the Other Business Report:  
SU Beer Brewing and Musical Appreciation Society (Brewsical): That  
the annual funding cap be increased to \$6000.**

***Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne / Sarah Nguyen***

***Abstentions: Cameron Creigh***

Conservative Club

**C&S  
100/11**      **Resolved to lift the probationary status of SU Conservative Club.**

***Gabriel Perrottet / Cameron Creigh***

KSA

**C&S  
101/11**      **Resolved to lift the probationary status of SU Korean Students  
Association.**

***Gabriel Perrottet / Sarah Nguyen***



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Musical Society

Ms. Nguyen asked whether the failures were successive.

Mr. Creigh replied that they had occurred on the one day.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne noted his sympathy, but expressed concern about the sloppy practices of the Society.

Ms. Wade noted that the Society did not have a great record in regards to its administration.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne noted that the exact amount was still to be determined. He said that there should be more discretion in terms of penalties and sanctions against clubs.

James Flynn said that the Society does some very positive work, but they need to be bound to conduct themselves better in the future. He expressed his desire to punish the club, but noted the good events that they organise.

James Sin said that no issues of liquidity would arise if the matter was deferred.

**C&S  
102/11**

**Resolved that the appeal of SU Musical Society, against a funding rejection for two late Pre-Event forms and a late Post Event form, *lie on the table.***

***James Sin / Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne***

Power and Energy and Resources

Ms. Matthews noted that the club had effectively dropped off the face of the earth.

Mr. Creigh said that he was aware that the President of the club had no intention to continue the club.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne suggested that the club should be given the opportunity to continue, if only on the basis of procedural fairness.

**C&S  
103/11**

**Resolved to extend the probationary registration of SU Power Energy and Resources for six months, with the proviso that the core executive of the Club meet with the C&S Office.**

***Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne / Sarah Nguyen***

Men in Nursing

**C&S  
104/11**

**Resolved to lift the probationary status of SU Society for Men in Nursing.**

***Cameron Creigh / Mina Nada***

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Leprechaun Society

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne expressed his concern that the Society was just a drinking club.

Ms. Nguyen noted that the Society's peak attendance occurred on St. Patrick's Day.

Mr. de Silva Wijeyeratne said that it was important for clubs to go beyond the lowest common denominator.

Mr. Nada noted the benefits in facilitating college and non-college student interaction.

Mr. Flynn noted that other clubs did not face as much scrutiny as this club, and that the club had a mandate from its members.

Ms. Matthews said that C&S could provide adequate oversight and that the Society could be trusted, given the absence of any incidents.

**C&S  
105/11**      **Resolved to lift the probationary status of SU The Leprechaun Society.**

*Cameron Creigh / Gabriel Perrottet*

*Abstentions: James Sin, Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne*

Vets Beyond Borders

Ms. Matthews said that issues remained regarding membership and the lack of funded events. She suggested that the Chapter required further guidance.

**C&S  
106/11**      **Resolved to extend the probationary registration of SU Vets Beyond Borders Student Chapter for six months.**

*Sarah Nguyen / Cameron Creigh*

**C&S  
107/11**      **Resolved to extend the meeting by thirty minutes.**

*Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne / Cameron Creigh*

**C&S  
108/11**      **Resolved that standing orders be suspended and that discussion move to agenda item 3. Business Arising From the Minutes.**

*Cameron Creigh / Alfred Lee*

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3. Business Arising from the Minutes

Sibella Matthews, the Chair, said that she had looked into the forum, which will take place at the start of next semester.

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**4.1 Clubs and Societies Manager's Report**

Pamela Wade (Clubs and Societies Officer) tabled the Clubs and Societies Managers Report.

Sibella Matthews, the Chair, noted that the Committee was not an appropriate forum for questions and answers on specific matters on the report.

Ms. Wade spoke to the report. She said that the C&S Office was in discussion with the Director of Student Programs and those involved in relation to the appropriate measures to take in respect of the SU Liberal Club.

Alfred Lee asked if the regulations stipulate that any member can join a club.

Ms. Wade replied affirmatively, but noted that while members could not be refused if they met the requirements, members had to attend three ordinary meetings before the AGM to get voting rights. She said that all membership of the Club had been suspended at that stage. She noted that it was important to get the entire executive together to get everyone on the same page. She said that the C&S Office were writing to all members to confirm their membership.

Ms. Wade congratulated the Malaysian Club for their large event. She noted that the C&S Office had moved and that a housewarming was scheduled for week two of next semester.

**C&S  
109/11**

**Resolved to accept the Clubs and Societies Manager's Report.**

***James Sin / Cameron Creigh***

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**4.3 Constitutional Amendments**

**Accounting and Auditing Society**

Pamela Wade (Clubs and Societies Officer) explained that issues remained regarding membership fees, subcommittee names and advertising of meetings.

*Alistair Cowie entered the meeting.*

James Sin expressed his concern that committees were being renamed into executives, without election.

Sibella Matthews, the Chair, asked whether this was no longer an issue, as the election process had been amended.

Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne said that the issue concerned the labelling of 'general executives' which were appointed, as executive members.

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**C&S  
110/11** Resolved to amend and accept Recommendation 1 of the  
Constitutional Amendments Report:

**SU Accounting and Auditing Society:** That the constitutional amendments be approved pending the signature of the President be received, that the issues regarding the provision of adequate notice and democratic process be addressed, *and the name of the general executive positions be changed.*

*James Sin / Sarah Nguyen*

**C&S  
111/11** Biomedical Engineers  
Resolved to accept Recommendation 2 of the Constitutional  
Amendments Report:

**SU Association of Biomedical Engineers:** That the constitutional amendments to the Membership Fee and Executive roles are approved pending the club state a single AGM month to meet USU C&S Model Constitutional requirements.

*Cameron Creigh / Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne*

KLSS

Ms. Wade noted the recommendation to reject the name change, as the University of Sydney does not like the contraction 'USYD'. She noted that Society had now become deregistered as the AGM was not validly held.

**C&S  
112/11** Resolved to amend and accept Recommendation 3 of the  
Constitutional Amendments Report:

**SU Korean Law Students at the University of Sydney:** That the amendment to the society's name be rejected. That the constitutional amendments to the Executive roles and clauses regarding candidature and elections be approved pending the removal of the additional 'Members' category as this form of membership does not exist, *and the acceptance of the amendments at a validly held Annual General Meeting.*

*Sarah Nguyen / Cameron Creigh*

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4.4 Capital Expenditure Requests

**C&S  
113/11** Resolved to amend and accept Recommendation 1 of the Capital  
Expenditure Requests Report:

**SU Christian Students Uniting:** That the Capital Expenditure request for \$468.15 be accepted, *on the proviso that the club use the banner with the gazebo.*

*Cameron Creigh / Alfred Lee*

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| <b>C&amp;S<br/>114/11</b> | <b>Resolved to move the meeting <i>in camera</i>.</b><br><br><b><i>Cameron Creigh / Alfred Lee</i></b>  |
| <b>C&amp;S<br/>115/11</b> | <b>Resolved to suspend the SU Liberal Club from the C&amp;S Program,<br/>pending an investigation by the Director of Student Programs and the<br/>Chair of the C&amp;S Committee.</b><br><br><b><i>Gabriel Perrottet / Anshu de Silva Wijeyeratne</i></b> |
| <b>C&amp;S<br/>116/11</b> | <b>Resolved that the confidential minutes of the previous meeting held 17<br/>May 2011 be accepted as a true and accurate record of proceedings.</b><br><br><b><i>Cameron Creigh / Sarah Nguyen</i></b>   |
| <b>C&amp;S<br/>117/11</b> | <b>Resolved to move the meeting <i>out of camera</i>.</b><br><br><b><i>Cameron Creigh / Sarah Nguyen</i></b>  |

5. Other Business  
There was no additional other business.

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6. Date of the Next Meeting  
– Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July, 3pm, The Loggia.

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7. Close of Meeting  
The Chair closed the meeting at 5.23pm.

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