



Adelaide University Union Board Meeting Minutes

For the meeting on 9th June 2021

Boardroom at 6pm

Present:	
Chuyue (Angela) Qin (President)	Kearin Hausler (Observer)
Isaac Trumble (Vice-President, Student Media Committee Chair)	Grace Atta (Observer)
Stella Woo (Zoom)	Lakeisha Watkins (Observer)
Yoong Aun (Andrew) Lai (Executive, Clubs Committee Chair)	
Oscar Zi Shao Ong (Executive)	
Yi-Ruei (Esther) Hung (Executive)	Apologies:
Billy Zimmermann	
Matt Monti	Absence:
Ivan Jankovic (Zoom)	
Gary Sutherland (Observer)	Minutes Secretary:
Michael Physick (Observer)	Goh Jing Soong

Meeting started at 6:09pm.

1. Acknowledgment of Traditional Owners and Apologies

CQ

We would like to Acknowledge that the land we meet on today is the traditional lands for the Kurna people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their Country. We also acknowledge the Kurna people as the traditional custodians of the Adelaide region

and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kaurna people today.

2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

CQ

That all directors and officers in attendance declare that they have read and considered all papers within this agenda that require decision making and have no known conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest with respect to those matters.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

CQ

Recommendation:

That the Board accepts the minutes of the meeting of 12th May as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Isaac Trumble

Seconded: Yoong Aun (Andrew) Lai

CARRIED

4. AUU President's Report

CQ

The Chair was passed to Isaac Trumble at 6:10pm.

Chuyue (Angela) Qin delivered her report.

Grace Atta entered the meeting via Zoom at 6.13pm.

The Chair was passed to Chuyue (Angela) Qin at 6:14pm.

Kearin Hausler provided a further update on rebranding. Billy Zimmermann asked why it was not included in the agenda as an item, which Kearin Hausler replied that the material was only delivered by the company today.

Kearin Hausler provided an overview of the timeframe of rebranding and highlighted the current stage, which is brand application. He went through the stages so far, including a presentation to the board, a brand survey to union members, and a brand workshop including students, representatives, and staff. He briefly went through the revised "brand manifesto", which summarises the essence of services provided by AUU. The planning should be finished in early September, and the full rollout of rebranding might finalise in 2022. Kearin mentioned that a change of name has been decided.

Chuyue (Angela) Qin raised that these documents are commercial in confidence and should not be shared widely.

Billy Zimmermann asked the logistic in changing the name and said that the name AUU has historical value as student unions are a body of students fighting for student rights.

Kearin Hausler said that it will be a complicated procedure and the AUU name is registered.

Gary Sutherland suggested that the easiest choice would be to not change the trading name but use another name as a sub-brand.

Billy Zimmermann expressed disagreement over changing the name, citing respect to the student unionism. Oscar Zi Shao Ong explained that student unionism is represented in the SRC instead of AUU, and this is precisely one of the reasons why the AUU needs rebranding. He questioned why Billy Zimmermann has never brought these issues up, either during the initial presentation or throughout updates from Gary Sutherland.

Billy Zimmermann said that he had to miss the presentation, and claimed that the rebranding was never an item to discuss on the agenda. He expressed his feeling of a lack of collaborative consultation process since he was unable to provide feedback.

Oscar Zi Shao Ong and Isaac Trumble disagreed, citing the previous issue arising from the previous meeting for Gary Sutherland to provide update on rebranding, the presentation, the survey, and the workshop.

Kearin Hausler acknowledged Billy Zimmermann's concerns and reaffirmed that it would be too complicated to actually change the name of the AUU. However, this should be viewed as an opportunity to connect with students in a different way, like many other unions across Australia. He encouraged all board members to discuss the project with him at any time, and that there will be opportunities to contribute in future stages.

Michael Physick left the room at 6:50pm.

Kearin Hausler left the room at 6:51pm.

Ivan Jankovic entered the meeting via Zoom at 6.51pm.

5. SRC President's Report

OO

Oscar Zi Shao Ong went over his report.

Billy Zimmermann commended Oscar Zi Shao Ong for his work on ProctorU. He asked about gap fees for the university clinic given their change of ownership. Oscar Zi Shao Ong replied that no gap fee will be charged for Medicare card holder, but international students under Allianz Care will be charged at the moment. He is in conversation with the new management on this.

6. Clubs Committee Chair's Report

YL

Yoong Aun (Andrew) Lai delivered his report.

Billy Zimmermann asked about justification of removal of observers in the last clubs committee meeting. Yoong Aun (Andrew) Lai clarified that the original invitation to observers was not sent on his behalf. This is unprofessional and disrespectful to him as the chair, hence he refused the observers from joining the meeting. He emphasised that as the chair of the meeting, he should be able to control the attendees and choose who he invites to the meeting.

Billy Zimmermann said that he has a right to attend as a director of the board. Chuyue (Angela) Qin raised that despite this, it is courtesy to inform the chair of the meeting of your intention instead of simply turning up.

Oscar Zi Shao Ong said that from his experience, observers are not allowed in the clubs committee meetings, but the minutes are available. This is because it is inappropriate to allow observers in discussions such as new club EOI or grants application. He raised an example that for new infrastructure in university, all students are affected and therefore should be allowed to attend, but items such as grants of a particular club is only relevant to the club, hence it is inappropriate for observers to attend.

Yoong Aun (Andrew) Lai further commented that clubs meet-ups is available for all club presidents, and for discussions such as grant guideline changes, all clubs will be invited.

Chuyue (Angela) Qin concluded that given the precedence and the nature of the chair, Yoong Aun (Andrew) Lai's conduct is proper.

Chuyue (Angela) Qin proposed a motion:

Recommendation:

That the board reassures the authority of clubs committee chair in managing all affairs of the Clubs Committee, including but not limited to running meetings.

Moved: Oscar Zi Shao Ong

Seconded: Isaac Trumble

Billy Zimmermann and Matt Monti dissented the motion.

CARRIED

Billy Zimmermann mentioned that the board discussed and passed a motion that was not moved in the clubs committee in previous meeting.

Chuyue (Angela) Qin said that the board can still consider a motion that has been discussed but not moved in the clubs committee, and that the motion has changed after the discussion.

7. Revised Financial Policy Schedule 1

GS

Recommendation:

Regarding the power granted in clause 21 of the AUU Constitution, this Board resolves to:

Amend:

“Schedule 1: Delegation of Authority” of the “Finance Policy” in accordance with the submitted document, (“Schedule 1:Delegation of Authority, V5.0)

and authorises the EO to alter the Master Copy accordingly.

Moved: Isaac Trumble

Seconded: Yoong Aun (Andrew) Lai

CARRIED

8. Any Other Business

Ivan Jankovic asked a few questions over club grants on Zoom. Chuyue (Angela) Qin directed his to send an email for they have to search for the actual figures.

9. In-Camera Items

CQ

The Board moved in-camera at 7:18pm.

The Board moved ex-camera at 7:28pm.

10. Close:

Meeting closed at 7:28pm.

Next Meeting:

6pm 14th July

Close of Submissions:

7th July

Persons Responsible for Agenda Items:

Chuyue (Angela) Qin (CQ)

Oscar Zi Shao Ong (OO)

Yoong Aun (Andrew) Lai (YL)

Gary Sutherland (GS)