



YouX
Board Meeting Minutes
March 2023

For the meeting on 22nd of March 2023

In the Board Room at 5:30pm

Present:	
Luke Allen (YouX President)	Georgia Thomas (SRC President)
Felix Eldridge (Vice President)	Gary Sutherland
Jacob Allen (Executive)	
Merlin Wang (Executive)	Apologies:
Grace Franco (Executive) (Zoom)	
Oscar Zi Shao Ong	Absentee:
John Arputharaj	
Emily Deng (Zoom)	Minutes Secretary:
Nix Herriot (Zoom)	Billy Zimmermann
Liam Johns	
Ruby Stewart	
Michael Physick	
Louise Jackson (On Dit editor)	

Meeting opened at 5:30pm.

1. Acknowledgment of Traditional Owners and Apologies LA

We would like to Acknowledge that the land we meet on today is the traditional lands of the Kaurna people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their Country. We also acknowledge the Kaurna 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 LA

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. Unstarred Agenda Items

LA

Felix wanted to star number 9 concerning the Unibar Tender.

Georgia requested that her President's report (Item 7) be starred. Luke informed her that non-board directors cannot star items. Grace offered to star item 7 for Georgia.

Grace starred item 10 concerning the Breakfast Club.

Recommendation:

That all unstarred items are approved.

Moved: Felix Eldridge

CARRIED

Seconded: John Arputharaj

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

LA

Recommendation:

That the Board accepts the minutes of the meeting on the 22nd of February 2023 as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED as a result of item 3.

Merlin joined the meeting at 5:34pm.

5. YouX President's Report*

LA

The chair was passed to Felix at 5:34pm.

Luke delivered his report noting recurring meetings with Gary. He additionally discussed O'Week and thanked all the directors who volunteered.

Discussing membership numbers, Luke highlighted that numbers of recruitment were lower than expected. Gary highlighted that budget-wise they would have liked if numbers were closer to 60,000 but rather sit at 58,000.

Luke spoke about the success of the YouX movie night despite the Ed Sheeran Concert that night.

Touching on the Better medical gap fee, Luke highlighted that it is a legislative issue. He invited anyone to take up this issue on lobbying for change.

Ruby questioned whether all issues he has discussed with Gary are in the report. Luke said that all important issues were included. Gary added that most issues raised are procedural. Gary used his own leave as an example.

Ruby also raised that she and Grace were not approached about volunteering on the YouX Stall. She said that the stall looked like a bit of a boy's club. Luke said that was not his intention and would reach out to her in the future and that there would be further opportunities for volunteering in the future.

Grace asked if, regarding the Better Medical issue, he had reached out to lobby, Luke replied that he had not. Georgia followed up the question to ask why not. Luke he said that he is open to working with SRC to lobby the Government.

The chair was passed to Luke at 5:39pm.

6. EO Report Summary

GS

Gary noted that from January and through O-Week, YouX had not experienced any injuries.

On budgets, Gary highlighted that as of January expenditure was within \$348 of budgeted amount.

Gary highlighted that MSL has been employed to develop an app for YouX.

He notes that YouX have almost hit their 2023 projected income from sponsorships.

He noted that in December/January, 23 grants were processed totalling \$5300.

Luke asked about updates regarding the App. Gary replied that the app had been put on the back burner due to O-Week and other things, occupying the time of YouX staff. He said that Victoria will be working on it soon.

Luke asked if the app will be expensive. Gary stated his preference to use a student developer or buy something off the shelf but said that MSL are a reputable company who provide websites for more than 100 Universities.

Felix inquired about the profit figures from his report. Gary said that in the early part of the year there were not a lot of costs before O'Week. He said the appearance of a large surplus is due to the University giving quarterly cheques to YouX rather than monthly. Grace asked a further question regarding where YouX will be at the end of the year. Gary replied that YouX is expecting a \$90,000 loss by the end of the year.

Grace asked a further question about the General's floor space now it is closed. Gary said that it will be returned back to the university as part of the lease agreement. He said that the University is paying for a review of all commercial operations on level 4 of the hub. They are undergoing a review that was supposed to be completed by September 2022 but is yet to start.

Grace clarified whether YouX will be able to provide a submission. Gary replied that once the review has started, they will reach out to YouX to work with them.

Merlin asked if the University were to lease the space, would YouX or the University receive the money. Gary replied that the space is university owned so they would take any money generated.

Felix wanted clarification on whether he had heard Gary right that YouX will receive a \$90,000 loss in 2023. Gary said that is correct and is what was budgeted last year in August by the board. Gary said that vending is going really well but that memberships are slightly down, resulting in the budget being where he expected.

Grace asked what the 23 grants were to. Gary replied that they all went to clubs.

Georgia asked about the 90k loss. She inquired that where the windfall from sponsorship money is going. Gary replied that as YouX is in a high cash position, we are able to run a loss.

Liam asked if the \$90,000 loss was in par with other years. Gary replied that this is standard and even lower than some years using 2022 as example of a \$150,000 loss.

7. SRC President's Report

GT

Luke went to Grace as she starred the item 7.

Grace asked a question of what the SRC was doing about representation at Roseworthy and Waite. Georgia replied that there are currently applications for Roseworthy Officer and that the SRC has gone out to Roseworthy to hear issues from students.

She also highlighted that Lani Bushnell on the SRC is able to provide a Roseworthy perspective. She highlighted that at the last meeting the SRC approved a reach out to Roseworthy including a bar tab to consult students. Georgia said if successful she will do another at Waite.

Luke asked whether the SRC is able to raise issues with the University and what the process is for raising issues questioning efficiency and how to improve the system. Georgia replied that the Uni is a bit of a maze but that she is able to navigate it. Luke questioned what will happen after she is gone. Georgia replied that she would like if there was someone in Uni management who is able to fill in a role to assist the SRC. Michael replied that he meets regularly with the SRC.

Merlin highlighted the lack of SRC presence at Roseworthy and whether the SRC has considered putting up posters promoting services. Georgia suggested that these campuses are not engaged enough and that she would like to work with Merlin as a Waite student to increase awareness.

Georgia made a statement that the SRC and Student Media were not advertised adequately well enough at O'Week. She highlighted that the book distributed to new

members lacked both the SRC and Student media. She says she is hopeful that this won't happen in the future and that she will reach to Kieran. She said that the SRC's success is pinned to their reach with students. Luke inquired to the legitimacy of this claim. Georgia replied that she can provide evidence to Luke, elaborating that neither the booklet for new members or in the material for Roseworthy O'Night, the SRC was not mentioned.

Ruby asked what the reception was like at the Roseworthy O'Night was to YouX and the SRC. Georgia replied that YouX and SRC are not well known and often perceived as corporate bodies. She said that especially at Roseworthy where there are a lot of external sponsors, it is not obvious that YouX is a student run organisation.

Merlin added that YouX's presence at Roseworthy is very low. He said that he has had a discussion with the manager of the shop who told him that students are not interested in engaging with YouX or buying membership. He says that YouX and the SRC should commit to having more events at Waite and Roseworthy.

Gary added that per capita, Roseworthy students get more than North Terrace students.

Georgia said that we should still expand services as it a key object of the constitution.

Liam said that from talking with Roseworthy students, many of them see YouX membership as a scam due to poor services provided to students.

Michael added that it has not happened in 15 years but having a meeting of the Board or SRC is a great way of engaging the campus. He notes that it increases knowledge of the campus with directors as well as benefits for students on the campus.

8. Clubs Committee Chair Report*

JA

John began his report by saying that clubs have been very active. He said that despite the heat, 90 clubs turned out to O'Week and that the heat did not deter volunteers from coming out.

He said that 5-6 clubs have put in EOI's for the next meeting showing strong interest.

He also highlighted the welcome drinks which attracted 60 people and helped engage clubs.

Georgia questioned regarding the Elder Conservatorium clubs regarding the Elder Con charging club upwards of \$1500 a year to use their space. She said that it would be good to look into as YouX has access to a lot of space. Luke asked if Michael had any further info. Michael asked Georgia if the facilities were specialist or general. Georgia said it was a combination, adding it would be a win for clubs if YouX can negotiate something to benefit the Elder Con clubs.

Jacob asked that if clubs paying for O'Week stall is the same thing. John replied that the club booking fee was nominal and just went to recuperating the cost of power and O'Week generally.

9. Unibar Tender Inquiry

LA

Luke raised this motion and noted he added it is one of his aims to reclaim the Unibar. He wants to look into the state of the tender with the Unibar.

Gary said that he saw this and has already sent it to the relevant people.

Considering this, Luke amended his motion to add an urgency.

Recommendation:

That the Board actions Gary to investigate when Unibar is going to tender and report findings to the board for further discussion before the close of submissions for the next meeting.

Moved: Jacob Allen

CARRIED

Seconded: Felix Eldridge

10. SRC Motion Regarding Breakfast Club

Luke said that they are just going to discuss the motion rather than move the motion.

Georgia said that per the constitution she has a right to move the motion and discuss it.

Felix directed Luke's attention to Section 8 of the Standing orders. On seeing this, Luke agreed that Georgia can move the motion.

Georgia introduced her motion stating that for several years there has been discussion on expanding breakfast club. She said that there is the demand and talked about speaking with a student at O'Week that is enrolled in trimesters and is unable to access breakfast club due to it only running for semester students.

Georgia also highlighted that Breakfast club is supposed to operate at Roseworthy and Waite but there is no information on it on the YouX website. She says that after speaking with students at Roseworthy, none of them have recollection of a breakfast service ever at the campus.

She also highlighted poor advertising on the Website and said she has had discussions with Kieran.

Georgia said that the breakfast club is one of the most critical services YouX offers, claiming that expanding it would hit 4 out of 5 objects of AUU Constitution. She also said that it connects students with other YouX services like Student Care more broadly.

She said that there are some things which YouX could cut to accommodate this opportunity to properly service and engage the student community.

Merlin enquired about what services she would like to cut to accommodate an expansion. She answered that she would love to go into detail but the budget is incamera. She highlighted the ongoing appeal to the Ombudsman regarding an FOI request which she believes is an unnecessary waste of money and not assisting students.

Liam asked Luke whether during SSAF negotiations, there was active lobbying to increase funding for breakfast club. Michael replied that the negotiations are a percentage and that University funding does not fund specific things.

Felix asked Gary if we have any rough estimations on how this will affect the budget. He replied that take the \$70,000 YouX spends on Breakfast club, divide it by 4 and multiply that by 5.

Luke noted that we have the biggest budget ever for breakfast club and that the board care about the service. Luke states that it is important to know where we are at in terms of numbers. He directs Gary look into if we can afford this service on seeing the March figures. He said that right now, we do not have the knowledge to approve.

Gary said that Ann from Student Care is the key contact for this motion. Gary said that he does not think changing the cashflow at the end of March to redirect it to a large budget item is prudent. He suggests the Board establish a subcommittee to look into this. Georgia states that the SRC has already discussed this and brought this motion forward, negating a need for a subcommittee.

On Luke's advice to look into this, Grace drafts an amendment to the original motion compelling the Executive Officer to look into breakfast club expansion.

Some discussion happened on the timeframe this should happen. Grace suggested it be presented at the next board meeting to protest from Gary.

Grace's wording was amenable to Georgia.

10. Breakfast Club

Recommendation:

The YouX Board actions the EO to Investigate:

1. The expansion of YouX Breakfast Club program from four days a week to five days a week.
2. The expansion of YouX Breakfast Club program to cover trimester timetables.
3. The provision of mobile Breakfast Club programs at the Waite and Roseworthy campuses and report accordingly.

Moved: Grace Franco

CARRIED

Seconded: Liam Johns

11. Any Other Business*

12. In-Camera Items*

LA

There were no in camera items for this meeting.

Meeting was closed at 6:51pm.

10. Close:

Next Meeting:

26/04/2023

Close of Submissions:

COB 19/04/2023

Persons Responsible for Agenda Items:

Luke Allen (LA)

Gary Sutherland

Georgia Thomas (GT)

John Arputharaj (JA)