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## Board Meeting Minutes on February 2024

For the meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup> of February 2023

YouX Board Room starting at 5:30pm

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Apologies:</b>
Merlin Wang	
Jacob David Allen	
Tom Zhai	
Adeline Chi May Tang	<b>Absentee:</b>
Quyen Ngoc Le Phan	Sage Jupe
Michael Physick	Kyan Jenkins
Kathryn Howes	
Aiden Zeyang Wang	<b>Minutes Secretary:</b>
Ruby Stewart	Owen Ong Zi Xyan
Liam Johns	

**Meeting opened at 5:38pm.**



## 1. Acknowledgment of Traditional Owners and Apologies

MW

*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

MW

*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

MW

### **Recommendation:**

That all unstarred items are approved since there is no unstarred items.

**Moved:** Merlin Wang

**Seconded:** Tom Zhai

**CARRIED**

## 4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

MW

### **Recommendation:**

*The Board accepts the minutes of the meeting on the 13<sup>rd</sup> of February 2024 as a true and accurate record.*

**Moved:** Merlin Wang

**Seconded:** Tom Zhai

**Dissent:** Ruby, Liam

**CARRIED**

### **Discussion**

*Billy raised a concern regarding the attendance records, noting discrepancies that affected the quorum. He pointed out that several individuals were marked as absent even though they had been present for a portion of the meeting, which could impact the validity of quorum and the ability to proceed with agenda items.*

*Merlin responded:*

*"According to the YouX Standing Order, specifically clause 13.2.4 and clause 13.3 clearly states that if any director who arrives more than 30 minutes after the start of the meeting or leaves before the last 30 minutes without notice is not considered 'present' for the full meeting. Additionally, clause 13.3 states that if a director is absent or fails to stay within 30 minutes required to maintain quorum, they must inform the President at least seven days before the submission deadline of the next meeting to provide a valid reason for their absence. Failure to comply with these orders results in the individuals being counted as absent for quorum purposes.*

## **5. YouX President's Report\***

**MW**

*Merlin Wang tabled his YouX President report, thanking staff and volunteers for their work during O week, highlighting the influx of new members joining YouX memberships.*

### **Discussion**

*Ruby questioned why she, Liam, Kyan, Sage, and Nix were not invited to participate in the store or event.*

*Merlin replied that there was no shop for this event; only SRC members, student media, students care, and some volunteers were present.*

## **6. SRC President's Report**

**ZW**

Aiden tabled his SRC president report, mentioning his participation in international student welcomes, the successful lazy breakfast event sponsored by the SRC, and the repeal of the SRC election regulation.

### **Discussion**

*Billy questioned how the regulation could be repealed by an absolute majority if the first SRC meeting was scheduled for Friday.*

*Aiden clarified that the repeal was executed through a circular resolution process. He stated that emails were sent to all SRC members and that they obtained the necessary support to overturn the regulation and the necessity for prompt action for compliance reasons.*

## **7. EO's Report**

**KH**

*Kathryn tabled her EO's report, noting a positive start with increased memberships from O'week and sponsorships.*

**Discussion:**

*Jacob asked for a comparison with last year's figures.*

*Kathryn confirmed both memberships and sponsorships were increased comparing to the previous year.*

*Michael brought up the food pantry, and Kathryn indicated that Aiden was working on it.*

**8. Clubs Policy Amendment**

*Billy raised objections to the proposed amendment, criticizing its lack of clarity and potential negative impact on meeting quorums. He suggested reevaluating the committee structure to include more voting club officers to improve meeting attendance.*

*A club representative replied on Billy concerned, arguing that the amendment could shift decision-making power from the clubs to the board, potentially undermining the representative structure of club committees.*

*Liam, expressing frustration over the meeting's schedule, repeatedly used inappropriate language, despite Merlin Wang's warnings. Kathryn intervened to calm the situation. Merlin stated that any further swearing from Liam would result in him being asked to leave.*

*Merlin then referenced resolutions recorded in the meeting minutes from around 2021 to 2022, suggesting that the president from that year provide their input.*

*Oscar confirmed that it has been normal practice for the chair to hold a casting vote and emphasized that it is ultimately up to the board to decide if it wishes to break this precedence.*

**Moved:** Merlin Wang  
**Seconded:** Tom Zhai  
**Dissent:** Ruby, Liam

**Carried**

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**9. In-Camera Items\***

**MW**

Meeting moved to In-Camera at 6:25 pm

**10. Close:**

Meeting closed at 6:39 pm.

**Next Meeting:**

28/3/2024

**Close of Submissions:**

21/3/2024

**Persons Responsible for Agenda Items:**

Merlin Wang (MW)

Aiden Zeyang Wang (ZW)

Kathryn Howes (KH)

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