MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE A.U.S.A. EXECUTIVE HELD ON MONDAY, 8 MARCH 2010 COMMENCING AT 6.30 PM IN THE EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

PRESENT:
President (Chair), AVP, EVP, Treasurer, MSO (Tahitahi), WRO, WO, Tamaki Rep, ETTSA President, IAO (2), Grafton Rep (2), SF Chair (2), SO (2), EAO (2), PISO (H. Watts), NAO (Hall), CSO (Topham), MO (Blumgart) (arrived 6.35pm).

APOLOGIES:
None

ABSENT:
MSO (Moka), CAO (2), CSO (K. Watts), MO (Brownlee), NAO (Chilmeran), PISO (Tiria).

IN ATTENDANCE:
Tom O'Connor (AUSA GM & Minute Taker), David Do (NZUSA Co-President), Pene Delaney (NZUSA Co-President), Jacqui Poutu (Te Mana Akonga Kaituhono) Craig Robertson (Craccum Reporter), Stephen Bier.

Meeting Opened: 6.31pm

Visitors Business:
• NZUSA Co-Presidents David Do and Pene Delaney – Tertiary Sector Update

CHAIR
E 70/10 THAT David Do and Pene Delaney have speaking rights at this meeting.

Carried

A brief explanation of the background and purpose of NZUSA was given to the Executive unable to attend January Conference. Pene and David are currently on a campus tour around all the associations. The Douglas VSM Bill was discussed, NZUSA have taken the proactive approach with the “Save our Services” (SOS) campaign. The key focus is to inform students and what this would mean to them, and lobbying the National Party about why they should not vote for the bill. Submissions are required by 31 March 2010.

Other issues included building relations with other bodies in the tertiary sector, TEU, CTU etc. NZUSA are active on changes to the sector that have been signalled. Student Loan access and Fee Maxima are likely to be under threat. The Budget should reveal the full extent of reform.

WILLIAMS/RIDDELL
E 71/10 THAT Pene and David be thanked for their insight and dashing good looks.

Carried
Against: EVP
Abstention: NAO

Leave:
None

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:
CHAIR
E 72/10 THAT the Minutes of the Executive meeting held on 1 March 2010 be received and adopted as a true and correct record.

Carried

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:
• TVNZ “Breakfast” filming - to be discussed later in President's report.
• ISO by-election - to be discussed in General Business.

Correspondence:

CHAIR
E 73/10 THAT the correspondence 17/10 to 19/10 be received AND THAT any correspondence from AUSA within these numbers be endorsed.
Carried

Health and Safety:

• Nothing to report.

Regular Reporting to the Executive:

CHAIR
E 74/10 THAT the President’s report be received.
Carried

CHAIR
Tabled THAT the AVP’s report be received.

Note: The AVP discussed what was raised at today’s meeting on University Council in lieu of a report this week.

7.08pm – The MSO left the meeting.
7.17pm – The MSO returned to the meeting.

CHAIR
E 75/10 THAT the General Manager’s report be received.
Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

• Online Course Evaluations – Explanation given by EVP regarding Cecil based course evaluation forms. Teaching and Learning Quality Committee are receptive to the idea. EVP noted that online course evaluations have unlimited potential for rating the course. EVP asked what Executive would like to see as feedback? It was proposed that 5 people meet in his office for ideas for the sub-committee after Student Forum next week. SO (Manson), WRO, Treasurer, and IAO (2) volunteered for the meeting.

• Club Financial Helpdesk - Treasurer discussed the concept. Fiona will devote several hours each week to help clubs with financial issues, fundraising, grants and so on. Times will be announced later. It was discussed that Student Central may be a good base for the helpdesk – this was to be cleared with the GM.

• Finance Committee

CHAIR
E 76/10 THAT the Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 8 March 2010 be received and the recommendations therein adopted.
Carried

• Welfare Committee

CHAIR
E 77/10 THAT the Minutes of the Welfare Committee meeting held on 22 February 2010 be received and noted.
Carried

CHAIR
E 78/10 THAT the Minutes of the Welfare Committee meeting held on 26 February 2010 be received and noted.
Carried
THAT the Minutes of the Welfare Committee meeting held on 3 March 2010 be received and noted.

Carried

- **Portfolio Plans** – AVP informed Executive that these needed to be submitted by 5pm on the 12th of March. It was agreed that the Tamaki Rep Plan could be accepted late. The NAO (Hall) noted that they needed access to their emails.

- **NZUSA Delegate Reports** – AVP noted that some are still outstanding, and it was acknowledged that next week those with outstanding reports would be invoiced for costs.

- **“Reclaim the Night” ASB Account** – WRO noted that she had regained access to the 1999 ASB account for the Reclaim The Night Committee. It was suggested that the committee be reformed to spend the money on the event.

- **“Mariem Hassan” IAO Event** – IAO noted this is being held March 9 at 7.30pm in the Library basement, B10.

- **Roger Douglas column in Craccum** – WRO noted that the Craccum layout suggests Roger Douglas is connected to AUSA in some way. It was agreed that this should be raised with CAB instead of being raised at Executive.

8.50pm – The IAO (Boyce) left the meeting.

- **Grafton Membership Drive** – Packs were stored in the AUMSA common room, and when they ran out Craig had to get more from the Quad. 3 days were good but visibility was poor and there wasn’t much promotion. There were roughly 700 signups at Grafton, and they will be there tomorrow.

  CHAIR

  THAT the Grafton Reps be thanked for their work on the Grafton membership drive.

  Carried

**Date of Next Meeting:** 6pm on Monday, 15 March 2010 in the Executive Chambers

**Meeting Closed at:** 8.58pm

Signed as a true and correct record

Elliott Blade, President, CHAIR