MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE A.U.S.A. EXECUTIVE HELD ON MONDAY, 6 MARCH 2006 COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM IN THE “EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS”, LEVEL 2, SAC BUILDING

PRESENT:
President (Chair), AVP, EVP, Treasurer, CAO (2), CSO, EAO, IAO, MO (Jess), MSO (Kahu), NAO (2), PISO, SO, Tam Rep, SRC, WO, WRO (Allanah).

APOLOGIES:
James Obern, CSO (lateness), OSO (Ho – lateness), MSO (Simon).

ABSENT:

IN ATTENDANCE:
ETTSA President, Karamia Muller, Conor Roberts (NZUSA Co-President).

Meeting Opened: 6.02pm

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

   CHAIR
   E 78/06 THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on 27 February 2006 be received and adopted as a true and correct record pending amendments.
   
   Carried

   CHAIR
   E 77/06 THAT the Minutes of the emergency meeting held on 2 March 2006 be received and adopted as a true and correct record pending amendments.
   
   Carried

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

   • MO is investigating further bFM-Craccum linkages.
   • MSO was mentioned in Craccum for getting onto the board of USNZ.
   • An announcement for the Tamaki by-election.
   • No movement on access issues raised at last meeting.
   • More reports have been received on NZUSA workshops from Executive members.
   • AVP reported on assistance she received for the café pricing survey, and with the President also reported on the Bacchid Board meeting.
   • Concerns were raised over the length of the bus ticket queue – however there was little to be done due to high staffing costs and low margins on the sale of bus tickets.

3. Tabled Items:

   • Education Committee – The EVP outlined the arrangements of the Education Committee, members to the committee will be appointed at a future SRC.

4. General Business:

   • Portfolio Plans
   
   CHAIR
   E 78/06 THAT the Cultural Affairs Officers’ Semester 1 Portfolio Plan be received.
Carried

CHAIR
E 79/06 THAT the Welfare Officer’s Semester 1 Portfolio Plan be received.
Carried

CHAIR
E 80/06 THAT the National Affairs Officers’ Semester 1 Portfolio Plan be received.
Carried

CHAIR
E 81/06 THAT the Sports Officer’s Semester 1 Portfolio Plan be received.
Carried

CHAIR
E 82/06 THAT the Media Officers’ Semester 1 Portfolio Plan be received.
Carried

5. Correspondence

CHAIR
E 83/06 THAT the correspondence 151/05 to 154/05 be received AND THAT any correspondence from AUSA within these numbers be endorsed.
Carried

Abstention: EAO, SO.

5. Health and Safety

• There was a fire drill today in the Student Union buildings.
• IAO raised safety concerns over the hand rail barrier on the smokers’ balcony at Shadows, concerned about the relatively low height of the handrail. AVP advised this was an issue to raise with Bacchid. She did report that they will be raising the stage and stage ceiling in Shadows.

Discussion:

• Lost Property Sale – The WO outlined that the sale would be on this Thursday, and he circulated a roster for Executive members who wished to help out.
• Membership Drive – Executive members would help sign up students at halls of residence this week on Tuesday and Wednesday. These halls included O’Rorke Hall, Grafton Hall of Residence, International House, and 14 Whitaker Place. EVP to co-ordinate.
• Campaign Committee – meet Friday at 2pm.
• Policy and Governance Committee – to meet after this week.
• International Women’s Day – this Wednesday. WRO to co-ordinate. She requested assistance to help with a lecture drop advertising the day, and also to help assemble the gerbera flowers to be handed out on the day.
• Interest Free Loans on 1 April – Organising events to mark the occasion was referred onto the Campaigns Committee.
• NZUSA Report – Conor Roberts, Co-President of the New Zealand University Students’ Association, gave a briefing on the latest developments in NZUSA, and also detailed the campus tour the NZUSA Executive were undertaking to increase awareness and meet with constituent and no-constituent organisations. He said the focus this year is for NZUSA to help bring the tertiary sector together on the focus of better public funding for tertiary institutions, and also stressed ongoing progress in increasing access to student allowances. The AVP is currently compiling feedback from AUSA Executive on NZUSA conference.
• Staffing Issues – The AVP briefed the Executive on staffing issues, including the General Manager. She also received a letter of resignation from the Events Assistant, Bethanie Maples.

MILLS/GOLDIE
E 84/06 THAT Bethanie Maples be thanked for her contribution to AUSA.
Carried with acclamation
• **University Travel Planning Workshop** – The MO described her report on the Transport workshop she attended. She described some of the long-term solutions floated at the workshop, such as a train station at Carlaw Park by 2016 and an underground inner city railway line by 2030. The EAO expressed interest in working more on this issue. There was also discussion on getting an AUSA representative onto the steering committee. The EVP raised the issue of the new business school increasing foot traffic once it opened. The President assured the meeting that the University is aware of the issue and looking for solutions. The traffic problem was referred to Ali to bring up at SRC.

7.15pm – WO left the meeting. NAO (Stephen) appointed interim Secretary for the duration of David Do’s absence.

CHAIR

E 85/06 \hspace{0.5cm} THAT the IAO be granted leave for three meetings while he is away in Asia. \hspace{1cm} Carried

• **SJS Survivor** – The EAO called on the Executive to support the SJS Survivor Competition in the Quad.

• **Craccum Feedback** – The MO asked for people to send her feedback on Craccum.

• **JafaTV Party** – The DVD wrap-up party is to be held at a future date at Xavier’s house.

• **Feedback** – The MO was noted by the meeting for her “phat” lecture speaking. The President expressed his desire for more feedback from the Executive and students in general.

**Date of Next Meeting:** \hspace{0.5cm} 6pm on Monday, 13 March 2006 in the Executive Chambers

**Meeting Closed at:** \hspace{0.5cm} 7.55pm

Signed as a true and correct record

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Dan Bidois, President, CHAIR