PRESENT:
President (Chair), AVP, EVP, CAO (2), CSO, MO, OSO, SO (Oscar), SRC (Darcy), WRO, ETTSA (arrived 6.20pm).

APOLOGIES:
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ABSENT:
 EAO, NAO, PISO, MSO.

IN ATTENDANCE:
Fiona Feng – 2009 Treasurer (arrived 6.25pm). Tom O’Connor (AUSA GM & Minute Taker)

Meeting Opened: 6.01pm

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:
CHAIR
E 343/08 THAT the Minutes of the Executive meeting held on 1 December 2008 be received and adopted as a true and correct record. 
Carried

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:
• None

Correspondence:
CHAIR
E 344/08 THAT the correspondence 272/08 to 278/08 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 345/08 THAT the President’s report be received. 
Carried

CHAIR
E 346/08 THAT the AVP’s report be received.
Carried

Items for Discussion:
• Draft 2009 Budget – For discussion and adoption.
CHAIR
E 347/08 THAT the AUSA Executive endorse the draft 2009 Budget and forward it to the 2009 Executive with its recommendation for adoption.
Carried
Note: Some slight changes to last week’s Budget: Platform Magazine rounded up to $4,000, $6,000 for microwaves and bench for student use in the Food Hall Atrium to come out of Budget Line 65800.

CHAIR

E 348/08 THAT the Repairs and Maintenance (Furniture and Equipment) budget line allocation for 2009 be used to cover the construction of a bench with microwaves and hot water, near the Main Café (A/c 65800).

Carried

6.20pm – The Chair was passed to the EVP.

• Appointments to the SARB and OSS – The EVP gave a brief explanation of the committees and task force, Outdoor Summer Shakespeare and their relationship with AUSA.

CHAIR

E 349/08 THAT David Do and Darcy Peacock be appointed to the Summer Shakespeare Committee.

Carried

Student Allowance Review Board explanation was given. There were 3 candidates for this position for the 2009 year: Fiona Feng, Joe McCrory and David Do. Each left the Executive Chambers and were invited back to present the reasons why they should be selected to represent the AUSA on the Committee.

Fiona gave a brief explanation of why she would like to be appointed to the Review Board.

Joe believes a vice-president should be on the Review Board, as he has a good working knowledge of the allowances and the issues around them.

David has been on the Student Allowance Review Board for one year and knows what is required.

General discussion was held on the candidates.

CHAIR

E 350/08 THAT David Do and Joe McCrory be endorsed for the Student Allowance Review Board for 2009.

Carried

6.30pm – The Chair was handed back to the President.

• Environmental Action Plan

ELLISON/BLAIR


Carried

Note: Clarity desirable on division between long-term and short-term priorities, and between the practical and the aspirational.

Items for Noting

• Portfolio Reports

CHAIR

E 352/08 THAT the Media Officer’s Semester 2 report be received.

Carried

Note: Amy gave a brief summary of the report.

CHAIR

E 353/08 THAT the Welfare Officer’s Semester 2 report be received.

Carried

CHAIR

E 354/08 THAT the Environmental Affairs Officers’ Semester 2 report be received.

Carried
CHAIR
E 355/08 THAT the National Affairs Officers’ Semester 2 report be received.
Carried
Note: Positive comment from the EVP on the performance of the NAOs. More support desired from President and Officers.

CHAIR
E 356/08 THAT the Overseas Students Officer’s Semester 2 report be received.
Carried
Note: Laura gave a brief report. Hard to get buy-in from students.

CHAIR
E 357/08 THAT the Cultural Affairs Officers’ Semester 2 report be received.
Carried
Note: Sonali and Azim gave a brief report.

CHAIR
E 358/08 THAT the Sports Officers’ Semester 2 report be received.
Carried
Note: Oscar commented on the events of the year such as the Blues awards (referred to as one of the best ever), the Clubs Ball and University Games. Next year’s games will be spread out and more difficult to manage. The Games in 2009 are in the Easter Holidays.

• President’s Mixbag of Ideas – David summarised things that he would like to have done in addition to the things he had done this year (a wish list).
• President’s Final Words to Executive – “This year has been an excellent year. For the President, it is 4 years on the AUSA Executive coming to an end and I have been privileged to work for you and with you. You have all been an excellent team. We have been a unified and committed Executive who have worked together for students. Thanks to the staff and also the General Manager for his good management of staff and systems, with the changes of frontline staff presenting a better image of AUSA.”

The EVP thanked the President for his efforts, as well as the guidance, leadership, and institutional knowledge he has given.

BLAIR/HORTON
E 359/08 THAT we thank David formally for his hard work.
Carried with acclamation

The meeting ended with a waiata of Tutira Mai Nga Iwi.

Executive End of Year Dinner - Aroi Thai - 7.30pm

Date of Next Meeting: January 2009
Meeting Closed at: 7.02pm

Signed as a true and correct record

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David Do, President, CHAIR