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USU Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting held: 28 August 2025
Time: 9.00 – 11.30am
Location: Level 5 Meeting room and via Zoom

Committee Members	Position	Attendance
Phan Vu (PV)	Chair and President	Present
Georgia Zhang (GZ)	Vice President	Present
James Dwyer (JD)	Honorary Treasurer	Present
Ethan Floyd (EF)	Honorary Secretary	Present – from 9.15
Shirley Zhang (SZ)	Director	Present – from 9.10
Michelle Choy (MC)	Director	Present
Sally Liu (SL)	Director	Present – online / not present – 10.30 – 11.15
Noah Rancan (NR)	Director	Present
Annika Wang (AWa)	Director	Present – from 9.30
Layla Wang (LW)	Director	Present
Archie Wolifson (AWo)	Director	Present
Michael Bromley (MB)	Senate Appointed Director	Present
Tiffany Donnelly (TD)	Senate Appointed Director	Absent
Bryson Constable	Immediate Past President	Present

USU Staff	Position	In Attendance
Janina Jancu (JJ)	CEO	Present
Jane Coles (JC)	Director of Marketing	Present - online
Nicole De Freitas (NdF)	Director of People and Culture	Present - online
Steven Moore (SM)	Director of Operations	Present – online
Kelsey Rimmer (KR)	Director of Student Experience	Present - online
Samantha Robinson (SR)	Director of Partnerships	Present - online

Michelle Liang (ML)	Acting Director of Finance	Present - online
Laura Camilletti (LC)	Governance Officer	Present

1. **Opening and Acknowledgement of Country**
   The meeting opened at 9am.

2. **Attendance and Apologies**
   No apologies were received in advance. Senate Appointed Director, Tiffany Donnelly was absent.

3. **Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest**
   No new conflicts of interest were declared.

4. **Previous minutes and actions arising**

4.1 The Board approved the previous public minutes of the meeting held on 24 July 2025 subject to minor amendments.

Honi Soit entered the meeting.

5. **Finance Report and Risk Register**

- The July 2025 financial results were spoken to; noting a deficit against the Q2 reforecast.
- Outlet revenue has been lower than expected this month, however it has been offset by sales at Footbridge, HostCo and staff savings.
- The Board noted the risk register update and endorsed the next steps.

6. **Executive Reports**

6.1 Honorary Secretary Report

- 15 new club applications were considered at the recent Clubs and Societies Committee meeting. With thanks to Board Directors Layla Wang and Michelle Choy for joining the meeting as observers. All Board Directors are invited to join the next meeting (4 September).
- PULP issue 22 was well received and the editorial process for issue 23 is now complete.

6.2 Honorary Treasurer Report

- Investment Policy Governance changes have been approved, with thanks to the Board. It has been a successful month with the canteen lite initiative progressing.

6.3 Vice President Report

- With thanks to the Committee Chairs and Deputy Chairs for submitting their committee reports. An email will be sent out next week regarding the planning of the 2026 Student Safety Conference.

6.4 President Report

- The Board noted the update on incorporation; a review of the constitutional amendments submitted by the University is scheduled for Tuesday. The next steps include, (a) meetings with OGC to discuss future proposals and the transfer of assets, (b) collation of information for due diligence purposes, including the contracts register, requested by G&T.

- SUPRA have called for a unified effort from all student organisations to promote the campaign for fare equity, the USU will continue to engage to support the new petition.

7. Verbal Portfolio Updates

The following verbal portfolio updates from Board Directors were noted:

- Layla Wang – development of the ESG strategy with Director of Marketing, Jane Coles. A student sustainability ambassador programme to be launched in 2026. Equity textbook exchange discussed.

- Annika Wang – Positive reports from the recent advisory meeting.

- Archie Wolifson – WGM Australian Championships included a full contingent of 10/11 teams. Great turn out. Finance updates included in the Honorary Treasurer Report and separate finance items on the agenda.

8. Open Question Time

Honi Soit opened question time, the following points were raised and noted:

1. Red Zone Report update. There has been no further update from the USU on this matter as the options on how to progress the investigation are still being determined by the Executive.
2. The Pro Palestine proposal has been sent to the Student Group but no response has been received yet.
3. Renaming of USU Facilities. Ethan Floyd provided an update on what was discussed and approved during the IN CAMERA section of the meeting; notably the approval of the renaming proposals. It was highlighted that consent will be requested from the families before approval is sought at university level.

9. Any Other Business

There was no any other business.

Meeting closed at 11.41am.