

PUBLIC

SPECIAL MEETING: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

HELD ON: Friday 8 September 2023

TIME: 1:00 to 3:00pm

LOCATION: Cullen Room or Online via Zoom:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Nazanin (Naz) Sharifi	President, Chair
Madhullikaa (Madhu) Singh	Vice President
Nicholas (Nick) Dower	Honorary Treasurer
Onor Nottle	Honorary Secretary
Bryson Constable	Director
Benjamin (Ben) Hines	Director
Julia Lim	Director
Grace Porter	Director
Sargun Saluja	Director
Grace Wallman	Director
Alex Poirier	Director
David Wright	Senate-Appointed Director
Alyssa White	Senate-Appointed Director
Cole Scott-Curwood	Immediate Past President

USU STAFF

Mesterovic

Andrew Mills	Chief Executive Officer & Board Secretary
Michelle Tonge	CFO/Director of Corporate Services
Carole McElligott	Governance Coordinator/Asst. Board Secretary
GUESTS	
Bipasha Chakraborty and Luke	Honi Soit

1. Opening

1.1. Welcome and Acknowledgement to Country

The meeting opened 1:15pm.

The President made an acknowledgement to Country.

1.2. Apologies and Leaves of Absence

The Board **NOTED** attendance as follows:

Present: Nazanin Sharifi, Madhullikaa Singh, Nicholas Dower, Julia Lim, Grace Porter, Ben Hines – arrived at 1.20pm, Bryson Constable, Sargun Saluja – departed at 2.10pm, Alex Poirier and Onor Nottle – arrived at 1.38pm.

Online attendance: Cole Scott-Curwood – departed at 2.10pm, Grace Wallman and David Wright – arrived at 1.25pm.

Guests: Bipasha Chakraborty and Luke Mesterovic, Honi Soit – arrived at 1.20pm and departed at 1.26pm.

Apology: Alyssa White

2. Conflicts of Interest

• Alex Poirier is campaigning on behalf of 'Artists for Yes'.

3 Public Business – out of Camera session

Meeting Administration (Out of Camera)

3.1 Public Minutes of the Previous Meeting 25 August 2023. Refer attached

RESOLUTION		RB#54/23
It was RESOLVED that the Board of Directors approved the public minutes of the previous meeting, 25 August 2023, subject to:-		
The change of 'delegate' to 'candidate' in Conflicts of Interest which identified several Board directors who are campaigning to be elected to SRC and NUS.		
The name of Bryson Constable is corrected in the Conflicts of Interest agenda item.		
Proposed: Nazanin (Naz) Sharifi	Seconded: Grace Wallman	Carried

3.2 Review Public Action Items from Out of Camera Sessions. Refer attached.

Andrew noted that the Public Action Items are completed or are in the process of being completed. A review of these Action Items will take place in the Ordinary September meeting.

3.3 Endorsement of Circular Resolutions

Nil

4. Motions on Notice / Matters for Decision / Matter for Noting

4.1 Motion on Notice

The Chair moved agenda item 8.1, 'USU Statement on the Voice to Parliament' to the start of the Board meeting to allow for the 'public' part of the agenda to be available to Honi Soit to attend.

Naz thanked the Board directors for their input, together with other stakeholders who had contributed to the statement.

RESOLUTION		RB#55/23
It was RESOLVED that the Board of Directors approved the 'USU Statement on the Voice to Parliament', subject to grammatical corrections in the paper.		
Proposed: Nazanin (Naz) Sharifi	Seconded: Julia Lim	Carried

4.2 Matters for Decision

Nil

4.3 Matters for Noting

Nil

Open Question Time

Honi Soit departed at 1.26pm and will provide feedback to Naz on the statement, if necessary.

5 Confidential Meeting Administration – In Camera

The reason to move into camera is to discuss confidential, tenancies and employee matters.

RESOLUTION		RB#56/23
It was RESOLVED that the Board of Directors move 'in camera'.		
Proposed: Nazanin (Naz) Sharifi	Seconded: Grace Porter	Carried

5.1

RESOLUTION		RB#57/23
It was RESOLVED that the Board of Directors approved the confidential minutes of the previous meeting, 25 August 2023, subject to the amendments in approval of the public minutes.		
Proposed: Nazanin (Naz) Sharifi	Seconded: Bryson Constable	

6.1

RESOLUTION		RB#58/23
It was RESOLVED that the Board of Directors approved management's recommendation that it is in the best interests of the USU to now initiate bargaining for a new Enterprise Agreement, following endorsement by the P&C Committee.		
Proposed: Nazanin (Naz) Sharifi	Seconded: Onor Nottle	Carried

6.2

RESOLUTION		RB#59/23
It was RESOLVED that the Board of Directors approved management's recommendation to CAPEX for office changes.		
Proposed: Nazanin (Naz) Sharifi	Seconded: Alex Poirier	Carried

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RESOLUTION		RB#60/23
It was RESOLVED that the Board of Directors move 'out of camera'.		
Proposed: Nazanin (Naz) Sharifi	Seconded: Onor Nottle	Carried

9 Next Meeting of the Board of Directors

Date: 29 September 1.00pm – 3.30pm

10 Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 2.39pm.