



## Minutes from the UCSA Executive Meeting

<b>Title</b>	Minutes of the 8 <sup>th</sup> UCSA Executive Meeting of 2008
<b>Ref</b>	UEMM_08_08
<b>Date, Time</b>	Thursday 01 May, 2008, 5.30pm
<b>Present</b>	Michael Goldstein (President) Amadeus Rainbow (Vice President) Dave Winter (Finance Officer) Kyle Chaning-Pearce (Activity and Promotions) James Dann (Education External) Nicholas Ko (Equity, International and T-Col) Hayley Mowat (Welfare and UCSA Events) Justin Soong (Communications) Simon Plant (Clubs and Societies) Sam Willyams (Sustainability) Liz Wiltshire (Internal Education)
<b>Attending</b>	Kate Farrell (Minutes)
<b>Apologies</b>	Micah Keall-Grant (Education Campaigns)
<b>Agenda Items and Order of Business</b>	Minutes from the Meeting 01 May 2008 Apologies Action Points President's Report Club Grants Clubs Affiliation Returning Officer 15/30 Points General Business

*The meeting opens at 5.57pm*

As this meeting was part of the OXFAM Biggest Coffee break there was a presentation at the beginning

### **Minutes from the Previous Meeting:**

**059/2008**      **Moved CHAIR**  
**THAT** the Minutes from the meeting 01 may 2008 be accepted  
as a true and accurate record  
**Carried U**

### **Presidents Report:**

The President's report was tabled. In noting key points, Michael is taking leave for a couple of weeks for which he apologises but he will be getting admitted to the bar.

When Michael invites any questions he explains that the situation with Te Akatoki should be moving forward now that Mary has resigned. Michael briefly updates James on the funding arrangements. There is a brief discussion on the Smoke-free panel, which Michael notes is stacked which is problematic given the breath of UC.

**060/2008**      **Moved SOONG/RAINBOW**  
*THAT the President's Report is received*  
**Carried U**

### **Finance Officer's Report:**

Dave speaks to this explaining that they need to approve the payment of the second NZUSA instalment and the bill from Sheffield for Management Board recruitment. As there is no further discussion,

**061/2008**      **Moved WINTER/PLANT**  
*THAT the NZUSA and Sheffield invoices are approved for payment*  
**Carried U**

### **Clubs Grants:**

**062/2008**      **Moved PLANT/MOWAT**  
*THAT the Executive accept the Gold Grant Application for U Can Dance*  
**Carried U**  
**Abstention: A. Rainbow**

**063/2008**      **Moved PLANT/CHANING-PIERCE**  
*THAT the Executive accepts the Standard Grant Application for the University of Canterbury Climbing Club*  
**Carried U**

**064/2008**      **Moved WINTER/WILLYAMS**  
*THAT the Executive accepts the Standard Grant Application for The Gentlemen's Club*  
**Carried U**  
**Abstentions: S. Plant, K Channing-Peirce,**

**065/2008**      **Moved CHAIR**  
*THAT the Executive accepts the Gold Grant Application for the University of Canterbury Touch Club*  
**Carried U**

**066/2008**      **Moved CHAIR**  
*THAT the Executive accepts the Gold Grant Application for the University of Canterbury Rugby League Club*  
**Carried U**

**Clubs Affiliation:**

**067/2008**      **Moved PLANT/WILTSHIRE**  
**THAT** LAWSOC, Post-Grad Society, MuSoc, and the  
Mediation Club be granted re-affiliation to the USCA  
**Carried U**

**Returning Officer:**

Michael speaks to this recapping that the Returning Officers was appointed then ratified by the Exec via email and this needs to be officially recorded.

**068/2008**      **Moved CHAIR**  
**THAT** the Executive ratifies the appointment of William Corke  
as the Returning Officer for the Bi Election  
**Carried U**  
**Abstentions:** J. Dann

The next issue is the remuneration for the Returning Officer. Michael explains that there was roughly 10-12 hours spent on the Bi-Election. It is agreed that it is best to delegate authority for this so long as it is not an extravagant amount.

**069/2008**      **Moved CHAIR**  
**THAT** delegate authority Dave Winter and Amadeus Rainbow  
assess the hours and pay Corky subject to his feedback  
**Carried U**  
**Abstentions:** J. Dann

**15/30 Points:**

Goldy speaks to this and explains that the big driver for making all courses either 15 or 30 points is that it is clearer for students to work out their course requirements. This will have significant financial implications and the simple nature for students is turning into a nightmare. There is general concern from the Exec as the amount of points are indicative of how hard the course is or how much time is required to be spent on a course. It makes it easier to cross credit papers between disciplines but it is felt that this is not a significant enough reason to warrant the change. It is agreed that the Exec will get an explanation from the academic committee and form an informed submission to the Academic Board on the issue.

**AP: Contact Jan Cameron for an explanation and develop a counter agreement**

10.1 Billion Dollar Debt day:

Goldy speaks to this and has locked it in for next Friday. To explain, it highlights the student debt issue as it is still rising. There is a general discussion on how the campaign should take for and it is agreed that it should be on Thursday night and consider the budget at the same time.

**070/2008**      **Moved Chair**  
**THAT** the Executive moves into strict for reasons of legal  
sensitive

**Carried U**

*The Executive moves into strict at 7.01pm*

**071/2008**

**Moved CHAIR**

**THAT** the Executive moves out of strict  
**Carried U**

*The Executive moves out of strict at 7.09pm*

**General Business:**

Dave speaks to the Flu Jabs explaining that due to the original success, Roy came to the party for another 400 shots. Fiona has been doing all the work over and above and Dave thinks they should thank her with a small gift; there is agreement from the Executive for this. The jabs will be in the paper tomorrow as Dave has met with Rebecca Todd from the Press.

Quiz Night:

Dave went last Thursday as a one-man band he explains that there were eight teams there and he thinks it is important to have an Exec team there to get involved.

International:

Nicholas explains that there was focus groups run with the international students and the paper provided explains the outcome. The most important issue is the international council, which would deal directly with international students to make sure they are being looked after.

**072/2008**

**Moved CHAIR**

**THAT** the Executive endorses an international council to be set up, to be chaired by our international student representative and staff to feed to the UCSA in an advisory capacity  
**Carried U**

*The meeting closes at 7.31*