



## UCSA Executive Minutes

<b>Title</b>	Minutes of the 4th UCSA Executive Meeting of 2007
<b>Ref</b>	UEMM_04_07
<b>Date, Time</b>	Thursday 22 March, 2007, 5.30pm
<b>Present</b>	Belinda Bundy (Chair – UCSA President) Claire Piper (Vice President) Sophie Bundy (Financial Services Officer) Charlie Anderson (Communications) Libby Bevin (Projects Coordinator) James Harper (Equity and International) Hannah Hope (Welfare) Winston Howison (General) Amadeus Rainbow (Clubs and Societies) Andrew Riches (Education External) Nick Robb (Events) David Stevens (Education internal)
<b>Attending</b>	Kate Farrell (Minutes), Josh Clark, Joseph Randall, Victor Manawatu
<b>Apologies</b>	
<b>Agenda Items and Order of Business</b>	Belinda has an item to add in strict.  <i>The meeting opened at 5:35pm</i>  Belinda welcomed everyone to the meeting.
<b>Matters Arising</b>	Sustainability Forum information has been passed on to Winnie who is organising the next plan of action with Claire. The political debate is organised for the 14 <sup>th</sup> of May at 12 o'clock The venue is yet to be decided <b>AP: Andrew to book a venue.</b>
<b>Minutes from the 15th of March 2007.</b>	Claire makes a sentence change to the minutes regarding the segways on campus.

**31/2007**      **Moved CHAIR**  
**THAT** the Minutes from the meeting 15th March 2007 be accepted as true and accurate record.  
**Carried U**

**EAC**

Belinda speaks to this explaining that the Electoral Appeals Committee is the body that deals with the appeals after the elections where the Returning Officer may have made the wrong decision. It consists of two students and one life member. These positions were not appointed before the required date as Belinda was seeking the appropriate candidates to change the election culture. Therefore Belinda asks the Executive to approve the change in time and date to today.

**32/2007**      **Moved S BUNDY/HOWISON**  
**THAT** the date of the appointment of the electoral appeals committee be extended to 21 March 2007.  
**Carried U**

The positions will be Joel Gabites, Yau Hee Kho and Warren Poh. Belinda feels that they are all well equipped to effectively carry out their position.

**33/2007**      **Moved CHAIR**  
**THAT** Warren Poh, Yau Hee Kho and Joel Gabites be appointed as the Electoral Appeals Committee for 2007.  
**Carried U**

James asks about the terms of reference handbook and Belinda explains that the terms offered by the UCSA were unacceptable to the nominated person and therefore Belinda will negotiate with another possible person before discussing renegotiation.

**Employment  
Matter**

**34/2007**      **Moved CHAIR**  
**THAT** the Executive move into strict for reasons of employment sensitivity.  
**Carried U**

*Executive moves into strict 5.39pm*

**36/2007**      **Moved CHAIR**  
**THAT** the Executive move out of strict.  
**Carried U**

*Executive moves out of strict at 5.48pm*

**NZUSA  
Presidents'  
Address**

*Joey, Josh and Victor enter 5.50pm*

Introductions all round.

Joey addresses the Executive explaining that they are here to inform the executive about who they are and what the NZUSA does.

Joey begins with the history of the NZUSA which grew from a sporting society. When student politicians took over the meetings, they finally formed a national body. The NZUSA is a socially focused organisation, actively involved in all student issues including; fees, loans, allowances, access, and equality. Joey explains that from an NZUSA standpoint they see themselves as the hub for members with directive from there.

NZUSA is important for representation when lobbying political parties etc.

TMA is the Maori association. Belinda explains that they have an MoU similar to that between the UCSA and Te Akatoki.

Key Activities:

Lobbying- able to reach a national level and are focused and well researched.

Campaigns: a coordinated push which is currently focused on student allowances. Joey explains that they are progressively trying to get allowances for everyone participating in tertiary education.

Media: using strategy, timing, media cycle, and columns in student media. They can supply statements to their members for their use.

Training and Networking: member driven, keynote speakers, presidents training, community groups and campus tour.

Research: an annual income expenditure survey on students- only one in NZ.

Joey also explains that if the UCSA were to join that they would make up the second largest voting block.

Committees and Governance:

Provide representation and governance on SJS, CUAP, USNZ, and TEC.

Achievements: interest free student loans, support for allowances at TEC.

Claire questions whether they only got interest free student loans because they had the women's vote to use against government. Joey believes that they would have got it anyway.

UCSA and NZUSA:

Joey speaks to this explaining that they can provide a national voice, be specific to Canterbury's needs, government level action,

an educative body, support and training to executive, information to support campus activity (access to researcher), networked executive and representative groups.

Belinda points out that although the UCSA is not a member at the moment, the students are reaping the benefits.

Joey expands on this, saying that the executive misses out on the conferences, support (president especially), networking and connection.

Need to look and question whether the UCSA is actually representing all students on campus.

Amadeus asks what three arguments would convince students to vote in favour.

The presidents believe the three main advantages are; national representation, fee setting, and inclusive view- all the associations working together "Captain Planet".

The Executive thanks the Presidents for coming.  
In return they thank the UCSA for their time.

***Meeting closes 6.43pm***

**Declared true and accurate by  
Chair**

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**Date**

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**Witness**

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