MINUTES OF THE AUSA EXECUTIVE MEETING: 11/01/2023



Zoom | 12.00PM - 2.00PM

PRESENT: Alan Shaker (Presient, AUSA), Amol Kumar (Treasurer-Secretary, AUSA), Qun Ma (WVP, AUSA), Mahek Nagar (ISO, AUSA), Kelly Em (PGO, AUSA), Atakura Hunia (MSO, AUSA), Kauri Tangohau (MSO, AUSA), Varsha Ravi (EVP, AUSA) & Theo van de Klundert (QRO, AUSA).

IN ATTENDANCE: Gareth Jones (GM, AUSA)

LATE: Folau Tu'inukuafe (EnVP, AUSA) arrived 12.55pm.

APOLOGIES: David Tuifua (PISO, AUSA).

MEETING COMMENCED AT 12.00PM.

1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS (TIME & DURATION)

1.1. Welcome and Introductions.

The Chair welcomed attendees, a Karakia was given by GM

1.2. Approval of leave.

Folau Tu'inukuafe (EnVP, AUSA) to be joining later due to class.

David Tuifua (PISO, AUSA) has sent apologies.

CHAIR/QRO

THAT the EnVP & PISO be granted leave from this meeting.

Carried Unanimously

1.3. Declarations of Interest.

No declarations of interest.

2. PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1. Matters Arising.

Update on actions from the last executive meeting.

> Health and Safety walkthrough of spaces.

 The walkthrough of AUSA spaces was to be conducted on the week of 12/12/2022 -18/12/2022. This has been pushed back. A H&S meeting is to be scheduled by the Treasurer-Secretary and a walkthrough of spaces will be conducted.

> AB board and Executive dinner.

- Dinner pushed back to February 1st. Organisation is taking place.
- The Tuakana Programme is also being organised.
- First AB meeting to be scheduled for the end of the month.

> Social Media

WRO suggested to chair that a sister page be created relating to Women's Space.
 Chair to still talk to marketing and events managers about this. To be done when they return from leave.

➤ Budget

 Budget was approved last meeting. Small changes to be made over next few weeks based on updated income data.

2.2. Approval of Minutes.

Chair/MSO(Kauri)

Agreed that the AUSA Executive minutes of the previous AUSA executive meeting held on 15/12/2022 be adopted as a true and accurate record.

Carried Unanimously

3. STANDING AGENDA ITEM: HEALTH AND SAFETY

> Treasurer-Secretary to set up a meeting with H&S committee to do a walk through of spaces. (Action)

- Chair asks Exec to push H&S concerns to himself or GM.
- ➤ With a rise in covid cases, chair has decided RAT test kits will be made more readily available around the house. These have been ordered and are on the way.
- > Chair requests blinds and windows be locked and closed when the Exec office is empty. This is to protect equipment.
- ➤ PGO asks if we are aware if the university will go online with a rise in covid cases. Main concern is this will impact our events. Chair states that he sits on H&S board with the Vice-Chancellor and has heard no news. Chair mentions that Events Manager will also have plans incase of lockdowns.
- > The Treasurer-Secretary reminds all to keep the fridge clean.
- ➤ QRO mentions they are cleaning Queer space and Exec is free to take whatever.

4. STANDING AGENDA ITEM: ADVISORY BOARD

- ➤ AB dinner to be planned by the Treasurer-Secretary. Will be on 1st of February. (Action)
- > Tuakana-Tenna mentoring programme to kick off over next month. (Action)
- > First AB meeting is coming up at the end of January. Will be once every 6 weeks after. Scheduled by Treasurer-Secretary. (Action)

5. STANDING AGENDA ITEM: SOCIAL MEDIA

Agenda item skipped as we wait for EnVP to arrive.

EnVP arrived at 12.55pm.

- ➤ EnVP reminds everyone about creating a 15 second 'meet the executive' TikTok. Each Exec member should record themselves answering questions from the EnVP's email. To be recorded in portrait orientation and uploaded into a google drive folder. (Action)
- Discussion to occur with the marketing manager about cleaning up the AUSA IG account.
 (Action)
- ➤ QRO asks if they can use social media for Queer related initiatives. Chair and EnVP says yes we want to promote our causes. Discussion needed with events and marketing managers. (Action)
- Chair to have a discussion with events and marketing managers to create a form for social media post requests. (Action)

6. STANDING AGENDA ITEM :GENERAL MANAGER'S UPDATE

- ➤ GM states that overall things are going well, and staff are coming back to office. Last year AUSA did well and we want to keep it going.
- ➤ GM states that 95b fm's request for funds was granted.
 - Initially asked for 250k which was denied.
 - Exec asked 95b fm to sell assets and raise funds which they did through alumni.
 - 95b fm has returned and asked for 50k
 - A 30k cash injection has been approved and will be transferred ASAP. (Action)
 - Given on conditions of:
 - Monthly Reporting
 - Invitation to GM and Chair to attend 95b fm meetings.
 - 10k worth of advertising.
 - Time Slots for Exec to be on air.
 - An additional 20k will be injected if 95b fm continues to operate efficiently.

- NZ on air has agreed to provide and match AUSA's cash injections.
- QRO asks if funds are for debt or OPEX. GM replies OPEX.

CHAIR/QRO

THAT the AUSA Executive approve the resolution to provide 95bFm with the support of \$30,000, subject to the caveats discussed

Carried Unanimously

7. OPERATIONS PLAN

- > Chair commends VP's on their hard work on operations plans.
- > Chair hopes to finalise the operations plan by Friday 13th January or latest next week.
- > The operations plan will be referred to over the year and will be shared with the Vice-chancellor and other relevant parties.

8. BALL

- > Chair reminds all we are moving forward with the ball as decided last meeting.
- ➤ Marketing manager has pencilled Shed10
- Chair, GM and EnVP will meet with Louise Jackson from Campus life to try to get funding.
 - Concerned that campus life may offer funding on various conditions.
 - AUSA must remain in control of the ball.
- > A ball subcommittee is to be created. (Action)
- > ISO reminds all that ticket prices may be too expensive for international students.
 - Chair reminds all that all the exec will have input when deciding prices.

9. STUDENT COUNCIL TRAINING

- > EVP asks the exec for their full presence and commitment this upcoming weekend. This is our opportunity to form strong bonds with each other and student council members.
- > Student Council members are our strongest allies and we need to form good bonds quickly to have a successful year.

10. RETREAT

- > Retreat pushed to the weekend of 11th and 12th of March (week 2 of university).
- More details to come over the next few weeks.

11. REPORTING

- > Chair notes that formal monthly reports on the second Friday of each month.
 - Reports will be compiled and sent to staff for transparency.
- Pairings between SLT and Officers will be sent out this week for informal fortnightly reports.
 (Action)
 - Informal reporting will allow transparency between the executive.
- > Treasurer-Secretary reminds all to upload reports in google docs, word or pdf format only.

12. REMINDERS & OTHER MATTERS

- ➤ QRO brings up that pride month is upcoming. Wanting support from the Executive for the Big Gay Out parade. The Executive is in support.
- MSO's wanting everyone to learn a Karakia. Executive in support. (Action)

13. **NEXT MEETING (ENDING TIME)**

The next Executive meeting will be held on Wednesday 25th Jan 2023, 12.00pm in The AUSA meeting room.

Meeting closed at 1.13pm

SIGNED AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD

Alan Shaker (Chair), President of AUSA

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