



La Trobe University Student Union Council Meeting

Wednesday, 16th of February 2022

Council Meeting –

The first meeting of the La Trobe Student Union (LTSU) was held on Wednesday the 16th of February 2022 at 13:00 via Zoom link online.

Meeting opened by the chair at: 13:07

Meeting closed by the chair at: 14:00

Signed by Chair – 

Meeting Agenda –

1. **Acknowledgment of Country**
 2. **Procedural Matters**
 3. **Office Bearer Report**
 4. **LTSU Policy**
 5. **Next Meeting**
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1. **Acknowledgment of Country –**

On behalf of the LTSU Student Council members present, we would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today. We pay our respects to the Wurundjeripeople, the Elders past and present.

2. **Procedural Matters –**

2.1) Motion to Accept the Results of the Election and Affirm the LTSU President

Mover – *Joel Blanch*

Secunder – *Isabella Currie*

Action –

1. The Student Council accepts the results of the 2021 LTSU election.
2. The Council affirms Joel Blanch as the 2022 LTSU President.

Motion carries unanimously

2.2) Motion to Accept the Education Vice President's Leave of Absence

Mover – *Joel Blanch*

Secunder – *Isabella Currie*



Action –

1. The Student Council accepts the Leave of Absence submitted by Georgie Beatty.
2. The Council moves to appoint Eric Seychell to take on the responsibilities and role of the position of Education-VP until Georgie Beatty returns from leave.

Motional carries unanimously

2.3) Motion to Call an Annual General Meeting

Mover – Joel Blanch

Secunder – Isabella Currie

Action –

1. The Student Council moves to call an Annual General Meeting for the date of the 18th of March 2022 at 3pm.

Motion carries unanimously

2.4) Motion to Appoint Lukas Jamieson as Executive General Member

Mover – Joel Blanch

Secunder – Isabella Currie

Action –

1. The Student Council moves to appoint Lukas Jamieson as executive general member.

Motion carries with two abstentions

3. Office Bearer Reports –

- a. President (*Joel Blanch*) – Report presented and took questions
- b. General Secretary (*Skye Griffiths*) – Report taken as read
- c. Welfare-Vice President (*Ansh Verma*) – Report presented and took questions
- d. Postgraduate Officer (*Arya Kale*) – Report presented and took questions
- e. Education & Public Affairs Officers (*Lani Dumas & Ramy Aljalil*) – Report presented and took questions



Procedural Motion interrupting OB Reports

Mover – *Alicia Griffiths*

Secunder – *Rory Gee*

Action –

1. The Student Council moves to pause OB Reports and move to a vote on LTSU Policy [Agenda Item 4]

Motion carries

4. LTSU Policy –

4.1) Motion to award Jake McGuinness an LTSU Life Membership

Mover – *Joel Blanch*

Secunder – *Isabella Currie*

Action –

1. The Student Council moves to recognise Jake McGuinness's dedication to the LTSU in his role as past president, and his contribution in the campaign to save the Union.
2. The Student Council awards Jake McGuinness an LTSU Life Membership.

Motion carries with two abstentions

4.2) Motion to award Clare Elliott an LTSU Life Membership

Mover – *Joel Blanch*

Secunder – *Isabella Currie*

Action –

1. The Student Council moves to recognize Clare Elliot's service to the LTSU in 2021 and thank her for her tireless efforts in the campaign to save the Union.
2. The Student Council awards Clare Elliott an LTSU Life Membership.

Motion carries with two abstentions

4.3) Motion to Free all refugees and support the Campaign Against Racism and Fascism

Mover – *Rory Gee*

Secunder – *Alicia Griffiths*



Action –

1. The LTSU condemns both Labor and Liberal governments for their treatment of refugees and supports the demand to free all refugees.
 2. The LTSU promotes the Freedom Friday protests called by the Campaign Against Racism and Fascism.
 3. The LTSU will print leaflets and posters promoting the Freedom Friday protests.
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4.4) Motion to Support for Uni Students for Climate Justice Campaign

Mover – *Rory Gee*

Secunder – *Alicia Griffiths*

Action –

1. The LTSU endorses Uni Students for Climate Justice
 2. The LTSU promotes all Uni Students for Climate Justice events in 2022 via social media platforms, including the next Uni Students for Climate Justice demo on Friday the 25th March
 3. The LTSU will invest in printing leaflets and posters promoting the Uni Students for Climate Justice demonstration on Friday 25th March.
 4. The LTSU will organise buses in and out of the CBD to transport La Trobe contingents to the Uni Students for Climate Justice demonstration on Friday 25th March.
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4.5) Motion to Reject the Religious Discrimination Bill and Condemn the Labor Party

Mover – *Rory Gee*

Secunder – *Alicia Griffiths*

Action –

1. The LTSU condemns the religious discrimination bill in its entirety [sic], including in its various amended forms.
2. The LTSU condemns both Labor and Liberal
3. The LTSU commits itself to mobilising students when LGBTI rights are under attack again

Procedural Motion to hear and vote on LTSU Policy en bloc

Mover – *Skye Griffiths*

Secunder – *Isabelle Curie*

Action –

1. The Student Council moves hear the three motions moved by Rory Gee [4.3, 4.4, and 4.5] and vote en bloc.

Motion carries



Procedural Motion to move to a vote

Mover – *Aidan Smith*

Seconder – *Skye Griffiths*

Action –

1. The Student Council moves to proceed to a vote on motions 4.3, 4.4, and 4.5.

Motion carries with two abstentions

Motions 4.3, 4.4, and 4.5 do not carry

3. **Office Bearer Reports (cont.)** –

- a. Welfare Officers (*Fatma Turac & Jackson Orloff*) – Report presented and took questions
- b. Residential Officers (*Hamish Grundy & Georgia Ibrom*) – Report taken as read
- c. Social Justice Officer (*Eric Seychell*) – Absent, report submitted
- d. Women's Officer (*Nadine Medina*) – Absent and no report submitted
- e. Queer Officer (*Nicholas Ball*) – Report taken as read
- f. Disabilities Officer (*Monika Galovic*) – Report presented and took questions
- g. POC Officer (*Chloe Ye*) – Report taken as read
- h. Activities Officer (*Chelsea Nicholls*) – Report presented and took questions
- i. Club Officer (*Natasha Mottau*) – Absent and no report submitted
- j. Rabelais Editors (*Callum Burkitt & Lewis Kimpton Drake*) – Report presented and took questions

Motion to Accept Report backs carries unanimously



5. Next Meeting

The Second meeting of the La Trobe Student Union (LTSU) will be held on Wednesday the 16th of March 2022 at 13:00 via Zoom link online.