



La Trobe University Student Union Council Meeting

Wednesday, 16th of March 2022

Council Meeting –

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

Meeting opened by the chair at: 13:04

Meeting closed by the chair at: 13:58

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 Wurundjeri people, the Elders past and present.

2. Procedural Matters –

2.1) Motion to fill the Council Vacancy

Mover – *Joel Blanch*

Secunder – *Skye Griffiths*

Action –

1. The Council accepts the resignation of Felix Cousins.
2. The Council moves to appoint Phillip Tantanis to fill the council vacancy left by Felix Cousin's resignation.

Motion carries unanimously

3. Office Bearer Reports –

- a. President (*Joel Blanch*) – Report presented and took questions
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- b. General Secretary (*Skye Griffiths*) – Report presented and took questions
- c. Welfare-Vice President (*Ansh Verma*) – Report taken as read
- d. Education-Vice President (*Eric Seychell*) – Report presented and took questions
- e. Postgraduate Officer (*Arya Kale*) – No Report
- f. Education & Public Affairs Officers (*Lani Dumas & Ramy Aljalil*) – Report presented and took questions
- g. Welfare Officer (*Fatma Turac*) – Report presented and took questions
- h. Residential Officers (*Hamish Grundy & Georgia Ibrom*) – Report presented and took questions
- i. Social Justice Officer (*Eric Seychell*) – Report taken as read
- j. Women’s Officer (*Nadine Medina*) – Report presented and took questions
- k. Queer Officer (*Nicholas Ball*) – Report presented and took questions
- l. Disabilities Officer (*Monika Galovic*) – Report taken as read
- m. POC Officer (*Chloe Ye*) – Report taken as read
- n. Activities Officer (*Chelsea Nicholls*) – No Report
- o. Club Officer (*Natasha Mottau*) – No Report
- p. Rabelais Editors (*Callum Burkitt & Lewis Kimpton Drake*) – Report presented and took questions

4. LTSU Policy –

4.1) Motion for the LTSU to make meaningful commitments to tackle environmental destruction and climate change

Mover – *Joel Blanch*

Seconder – *Eric Seychell*

Action –

1. The LTSU acknowledges the serious and immediate threat climate change poses.
2. The LTSU acknowledges the real and important role of protests and rallies in fighting for action on climate change.



3. The LTSU commits to materially supporting climate change protests and action based on the recommendation of the Social Justice officer, and by a final decision of the LTSU executive.

Procedural Motion to amend 4.1

Mover – *Alicia Griffiths*

Seconder – *Rory Gee*

Action –

1. The Student Council moves to amend LTSU Policy 5.1 to remove Action point 3.

Motion fails

Motion carries unanimously

4.2) Motion to show Solidarity with the Adelaide University SRC and stand up against attacks on Student Unionism

Mover – *Joel Blanch*

Seconder – *Eric Seychell*

Action –

1. The LTSU condemns the attacks on Student Unionism at Adelaide University
2. The LTSU reposts the Adelaide University Student Representative Council's Facebook post
 - a. <https://www.facebook.com/adelaidesrc/posts/255109323461311>

Motion carries unanimously

4.3) Motion to Support the March 25th Global Climate Strike hosted by Uni Students for Climate Justice

Mover – *Alicia Griffiths*

Seconder – *Rory Gee*

Action –

1. The LTSU will promote the Uni Students for Climate Justice global climate strike happening on March 25th. Promotion of the climate strike includes sending an email to all students and posting on all forms of LTSU social media
2. The LTSU will provide funds to cover the costs of printing leaflets and posters for the March 25th climate strike
3. The LTSU councillors will commit to putting up posters and leafleting students for the March 25th climate strike

Motion fails



5. Next Meeting

The Third meeting of the La Trobe Student Union (LTSU) will be held on Wednesday the 20th of April 2022 at 13:00 via Zoom link online.