

HELD	Union Hall, Student Union Building, Thursday 13 th May, 1pm
EXECUTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT	Max Hardy (Chair), Bridie Hood, Seamus Brady, Caitlin Dunham, Craig Carey, Alan Young, Fraser Pearce, Alice Pan, Kurt Sharpe, Zack Dorner
APOLOGISES	James Sleep
MINUTES RECORDED BY	Bridie Hood
MEETING OPENED	A quorum count was called and over 100 members were confirmed present at 1.25pm

1. Welcome

DISCUSSION	Max welcomed all students to the IGM for 2010.
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2. 2009 IGM Minutes

RESOLUTION	<p>THAT the minutes of the 2009 IGM be accepted as a true and accurate record.</p> <p>Max Hardy/Bridie Hood CARRIED</p>
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3. 2009 Annual Report and Audited Balance Sheets

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Max presented the annual report and audited balance sheets to members for acceptance • The report was primarily written by Jasmine Freemantle (VUWSA President 2009) with the help of Seamus Brady and Max Hardy • A member queried Max about the change in categorations of the balance sheet from previous years. There was some dispute about whether or not these had actually changed • Max reiterated that this was not the full financial accounts, but just a balance sheet, therefore this may be the reason for the confusion
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RESOLUTION	<p>THAT the 2009 Annual General Report and Audited Balance Sheets be accepted.</p> <p>Max Hardy/Caitlin Dunham CARRIED</p>
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4. Constitutional Amendments

PROPOSED MOTION	<p>THAT Sustainability be added as a goal of the Association and included within Executive job descriptions.</p> <p>Motion proposed by Zachary Dorner Seconded: Seamus Brady <i>The floor is opened for discussion</i></p>
DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zachary spoke to this motion believing that there was currently a large gap missing within the VUWSA Constitution. ‘Environmental challenges are paramount for this century’ and VUWSA should be taking steps forward to ensure that the Association is environment mentally sustainable and ensure that it becomes a core part of how VUWSA operates • A member question what practical effects would come from this constitutional amendment • Zack noted that there has been an Environment Officer at VUWSA for the last 5 years, therefore students has seen the need to be environmentally savvy. This is also a generally long term goal and VUWSA needs to start planning for it now. • Another member question what consultation there had been with students on the issue • Zack had consulted with environment-minded students and the Constitutional Motion had been advertised as per the VUWSA Constitution, two weeks prior to the meeting • Max also noted that the motion was published in Salient for discussion, on the VUWSA notice board and has been widely advertised across the campuses
RESOLUTION	<p>THAT sustainability be added as a goal of the Association and included within Executive job descriptions.</p> <p>Zachary Dorner/Seamus Brady CARRIED</p>

5. General Business

a) Mining of Schedule 4 land

PROPOSED MOTION	<p>THAT VUWSA actively oppose the proposed mining of schedule 4 land</p> <p>Motion proposed by Zachary Dorner Seconded: Caitlin Dunham <i>The floor is opened for discussion</i></p>
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DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zack spoke to this motion. This motion is about VUWSA taking a position regarding the government wishing to mine some of the most beautiful land in NZ. • A member speaks against this motion stating that the best way to approach mining should be on a case by case basis • Following this there is a lengthy discussion about the pros and cons of mining
POINT OF ORDER	<p>THAT the motion now be put.</p> <p>Max Hardy</p>
PROPOSED MOTION	<p>THAT VUWSA actively oppose the proposed mining of schedule 4 land</p> <p>Zachary Dorner/ Caitlin Dunham</p> <p>CARRIED</p>

b) Whaling

PROPOSED MOTION	<p>THAT VUWSA opposes all forms of whaling.</p> <p>Motion proposed by Zachary Dorner Seconded: Craig Carey <i>The floor is opened for discussion</i></p>
DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zack spoke to this motion. The vast majority of New Zealanders are against whaling, in particular students • Another discussion continues between members • One member points out that we should not be trying to come up with government policy, but we should be debating issues that really affect students
POINT OF ORDER	<p>THAT the motion now be put.</p> <p>Caitlin Dunham</p>
PROPOSED MOTION	<p>THAT VUWSA opposes all forms of whaling.</p> <p>Zachary Dorner/ Craig Carey</p>
POINT OF ORDER	<p>A hand count is called for.</p> <p>Seamus Brady</p>
PROPOSED MOTION	<p>The motion is carried.</p>

c) Police on Campus

PROPOSED MOTION	<p>THAT VUWSA does not oppose Police on Campus</p> <p>Motion proposed by Max Hardy Seconded: Caitlin Dunham <i>The floor is opened for discussion</i></p>
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DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Max spoke to this motion. Max spoke to this motion saying that times have changed and the police are no longer seen as a huge threat to the general student population. The police do a lot of good by being able to be on campus and run clinics • There were both positive and negative arguments put forward to this motion
POINT OF ORDER	<p>THAT the motion now be put.</p> <p>Caitlin Dunham</p>
PROPOSED MOTION	<p>THAT VUWSA opposes all forms of whaling.</p> <p>Max Hardy/ Caitlin Dunham</p>

d) Questions for the Executive

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A member questioned to Max why VUWSA submitted against the Education (Freedom of Association) Amendment Bill • Max commented that official VUWSA policy, based on the 1999 referendum, states that VUWSA is in favour of retaining universal student membership.
POINT OF ORDER	<p>THAT the member's question has already been adequate answered</p> <p>Caitlin Dunham</p>

MEETING CLOSED	1.55pm
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