

**Minutes**

# Committee: Council Meeting

# Location: Zoom

# Date: 26 October 2023

# Time: 6:30 pm

# Chair: Weihong Liang (W. L.)

# Minutes: Vivian Bai (V. B.)

# Attendance: Arash Araghi (A. A.), Benny Shen (B. S.), Dorothy Liu (D. L.), Frona Wan (F. W.), Hailey Sin (H. S.), Hillary Davis (H. D.), Justin Wu (J. W.), Lindsay McCabe (L. M.), Qian (Eileen) Yang (Q. Y.), Ray Zhou (R. Z.), Sabrina Chen (S. C.), Shangru Li (S. L.), Siran (Shirley) Li (Si. L.), Wei Lyu (W. Lyu), Xiaoqiao Zhao (X. Z.), Xingyan Zhou (X. Zhou.), Yao Yao (Y. Y.), Yitong Bao (Y. B.), Zheqi Ding (Z. D.)

# Staff: Nil

# Guests: Nil

# Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation as the traditional custodians of the land. We acknowledge that the land upon which we meet is stolen land, and that sovereignty was never ceded. We pay our respects to Elders past and present, and extend those respects to all First Nations persons here. This always was, and always will be, Aboriginal land.

# Governance & Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

# Apologies

# Jinjing Mao (J. M.), Lauren Lim (L. L.), Chaoyang Li (C. L.), Gemma Smart (G. S.), Qiuming Zhang (Q. Z.), Ke Liu (K. L.), Eva Midtgaard (E. M.)

# Proxies

# Jinjing Mao (J. M.) to Vivian Bai (V. B.)

# Lauren Lim (L. L.) to Arash Araghi (A. A.)

# Chaoyang Li (C. L.) to Justin Wu (J. W.)

# Gemma Smart (G. S.) to Lindsay McCabe (L. M.)

# Ke Liu (K. L.) to Hailey Sin (H. S.)

# Declaration of Conflicts of Interest (if any)

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# Starring of Items

# Councilors are invited to star any agenda items they would like to discuss. Recommendation: That the Council approves all unstarred items.

# Resignations (if relevant)

# Minutes and Reports of Meetings

# Minutes of previous month’s meetings

# Council, 21st September 2023

# Officer Reports

# Executive Reports

* + 1. PRESIDENT

Weihong Liang

* + 1. VICE PRESIDENT

Xinxin (Frona) Wan

* + 1. CO-SECRETARY

Sabrina Chen

Vivian Bai

* + 1. CO-TREASURERS

Zihao (Justin) Wu

Chaoyang Li

* + 1. EDUCATION OFFICER

Yinfeng (Benny) Shen

* + 1. CO-DIRECTOR OF STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Siran (Shirley) Li

Jinyi (Dorothy) Liu

# Equity Reports

* + 1. ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER OFFICER

Lindsay McCabe

* + 1. DISABILITY OFFICER [not submitted]

Gemma Smart

* + 1. HIGHER DEGREE BY RESEARCH (HDR) STUDENT OFFICER [not submitted]

Arash Araghi

* + 1. INTERNATIONAL STUDENT OFFICER

Xingyan Zhou

* + 1. QUEER OFFICER [not submitted]

Jules Rankin

* + 1. SATELLITE CAMPUS OFFICER

Jinjing Mao

* + 1. WOMEN’S OFFICER

Qiuming Zhang

# Other Officers’ Reports

* + 1. CO-COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OFFICERS

Ke Liu

Hailey Sin

* + 1. CARER’S OFFICER [not submitted]

Eva Midtgaard

# Business Arising from Reports

# Reports by Staff Members

# Staff report for October 2023

# Matters for Discussion

# Publishing a statement [proposed by Weihong Liang (W. L.)]

SUPRA would like to publish a statement regarding the recent issue in Gaza, prepared with the support and consultation of SUPRA staff and councillors.

# A. A. and L. M. have offered suggestions on how we should address this recent issue in Gaza. A. A. emphasised the importance of gaining a clear understanding of the situation before making any formal statements. L. M. inquired about whether USYD students have been affected by the situation and reiterated that "SUPRA is here to provide support."

Moved: H. S.

Second: V.B.

In favor: 15

Not in favor: 1

Abstention: 4  
B. S., C.L., K. L., W. Lyu, Y. Y., Z. D. did not vote.

Motion approved.

# Matters for Noting

# End of Award Night Award [proposed by Sabrina Chen (S. C.)]

*(Please find attached End of Award Night Award List.pdf for more details.)*

In regards to the award night and the announcement of award recipients, please note that the event is scheduled for October 27th, starting at 5 pm at the Courtyard Cafe.

# Minutes for SUPRA Strategic Planning Committee Meeting

*(Please find attached SPC meeting mins 23.10.docx for more details.)*

The meeting took place on 23rd November, addressing updates on the Universities Accord, the Fair Fares petition, and the Student Housing Crisis. Additionally, issues related to purpose-built student accommodation (PBSA), the Food Pantry, and the Student Consent Statement were discussed during the meeting. Finally, the 100+ Years of International Students working group will soon meet to debrief and plan a strategy for advocating on the issues raised.

# Other Business

# Nil