

## STUDENT SENATE

Subject	<b>Student Senate Meeting 7/2020 (SS7)</b>
Chair	Marlee Bourke
Present	Representatives: Ainsley Lindsay, Ayush Dahiya, Declan Hanrahan, Lizzie Tongay, Fiona Archer, Gautam Pal, Geeta Naralasetty, Heba Abdelrahman, Janelle Moyes, Kyle Jackson, Laura Benney, Lucy Payne, Mehar Deepak Chaganti, Melanie Bellingham, Nadine Wilkinson, Rasika Singla, Sam McKeegan, Verana Hunter Raye.  Guests: Greg Jakob (Advisor), Tom Hodgson (Executive Officer), Diana Stevens (Careers), Liana Brennan (Careers)
Apologies	Jo van Son, Tanvi Mahajan, Olivia Carey, Senim Genc, Lachlan Francis
Venue	Online, Adobe Connect
Date	15 <sup>th</sup> September, 2020
Runtime	5:00pm – 7:30pm

### Meeting Actions

<b>7.1</b> Academic feedback workgroup (Fiona, Olivia) to update the Senate on their discussions with Ellen Sabo.	<b>New.</b>
<b>7.2</b> Greg to continue update the Senate on international student support during COVID.	<b>New.</b>
<b>7.3</b> Tom, Greg and Marlee to meet and assist Greg to nuance University messaging on transition to campus plans.	<b>New.</b>
<b>7.4</b> Tom to organise for Lucy Payne and Heather Marsh to meet and discuss the intimacy proposal and how Equity might further advise or assist.	<b>New.</b>
<b>7.5</b> Tom to set up Angela Harris of Careers as the staff contact for the Networking and Outreach Portfolio.	<b>New.</b>
<b>Action 6.1:</b> Greg to work with Facilities and work out how outcomes from student participation with Gippsland master planning are conveyed to the Senate.	<b>Closed.</b>
<b>Action 6.2:</b> Greg to discover progress of International Student Services (ISS) project to improve definitions and information on residence facilities for students and report to Senate.	<b>Closed.</b>
<b>Action 6.3:</b> Greg to discuss with Academic Workgroup if the Special Consideration parameters will be more flexible or nuanced for students with COVID-related issues.	<b>Closed.</b> Academic Board are implementing more flexible Special Consideration rules.
<b>Action 6.4:</b> Greg and Tom to provide, in Teams, the Senate with clear statements from the University about the SI grade and GPA opt-out.	<b>Closed.</b> There will be no SI Grade, but the GPA opt-out will be offered again.
<b>Action 6.5:</b> All representatives to assist in the promotion of Senate applications by providing some content for social media and speaking to students about the opportunity.	<b>Closed.</b>
<b>Action 6.6:</b> Tom to assist Ellen to set up a small workgroup on a student academic feedback mechanism.	<b>Closed.</b>
<b>Action 6.7:</b> Tom to set up a workshop for the interested members to discuss fee reduction.	<b>Closed.</b>

<b>Action 6.8:</b> Tom to update and rerelease advocacy flowchart with new complaints process included.	<b>Closed.</b>
<b>Action 5.1:</b> Greg to explore possibility of a virtual end of year exhibition for Arts students with DVCA and Lizzie Tongway.	<b>Closed.</b> There will be a virtual display. AA speaking with visual arts students about this.
<b>Action 5.4:</b> Lucy, Tom and Jo to workshop the Camp St proposal.	<b>Closed.</b> See action plan below.
<b>Action 5.6:</b> Olivia, Jo and Tom to workshop lecture timeframe proposal.	<b>Closed.</b> Folded into academic feedback workgroup.
<b>Action 5.7:</b> Representatives to discuss succession planning in Teams. Executive to develop strategy.	<b>Closed.</b> See Chair's update below.
<b>Action 5.10:</b> Ayush's CISA project.	<b>Tracking.</b> Senate agreed to empower Int. Student rep to liaise with CISA and Senate to become the affiliate body.
<b>Action 4.1:</b> Tom will work with the Residential Advisor to create a list of issues and give to Greg. The Senate will review progress at the next meeting.	<b>Closed.</b> Now tracking through Senate Residential portfolio.
<b>Action 3.5:</b> The Senate to consider the need for additional financial support and fee reduction once the new University financial support schemes have more chance to affect students.	<b>Closed.</b> Bundled into 7.2

## Proposal & Project Tracking

### Ballarat City Parking

Agreed actions	Who	Status
Organising meeting with Tom, Greg, Lucy and Keith Caldwell to discuss SMB parking permit, booking SMB carpark, lockers for Camp St lounge and a student unlockable changeroom for additional storage.	<b>Tom Hodgson</b>	<b>Due 25/9/2020</b>
Greg and Sam Henson to discuss raising discounted student parking with City of Ballarat.	<b>Greg Jakob</b>	<b>Due 2/10/2020</b>
Arrange to meet again to review progress and discuss Sam Henson's advice.	<b>Tom Hodgson</b>	<b>Due Senate Meeting 8: 20/10/2020</b>

### Facilities Consultation

Agreed actions	Status
Tom to invite Facilities to present to Senate annually around the May and Nov meetings. The update will cover current and planned works and identify projects Facilities should be consulting with students on.	<b>Due SS1 2021.</b>

### University Residences

Agreed actions	Status
Residence representatives to seek student feedback in late 2021 to gauge if students are satisfied with the clarity of offering prior to arriving on residences, particularly students accepting a place as part of a scholarship.	<b>Due SS6 2021.</b>

### Professional Year

Agreed actions	Status
Greg to update the Senate if there are plans for a professional year scheme as part of 2022 planning, particularly for IT, accounting, and engineering students.	<b>Due SS6 2021.</b>

### Industrial Year

Agreed actions	Status
Careers staff to provide an update on the implementation of the recommendations generated by the industry engagement audit.	<b>Due SS3 2021.</b>
Liana Brennan to report on desktop audit of existing industrial engagement opportunities, identifying gaps.	<b>Complete, report given at SS67.</b>

### Prayer Room and Multi-Faith Advisory Committee

Agreed actions	Who?	Status
Liaise with Multicultural Services and Equity, and draft Multi-Faith Advisory Committee terms of reference.	Tom Hodgson and Jo van Son.	<b>Due SS8.</b>
Call for applications and launch Multi-Faith Advisory Committee.	Tom Hodgson and Heba Abdelrahman.	<b>Due SS1, 2021.</b>

## Meeting Minutes

**Marlee Bourke**, Chair, opened the meeting at 5:00pm and gave an acknowledgement to country.

Motion raised to adopt minutes for SS6. Motion passed.

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*Resolution SS7/1: That the Senate ratify the minutes for meeting SS6 as a true and accurate record of their meeting.*

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### University update: Greg Jakob

**Greg Jakob**, Advisor, updated the Senate on the shifting COVID restrictions around the country and their impact on University return-to-campus planning.

Greg flagged that he'd require assistance from the Senate to understand what the University should be covering in communications with students, making sure the right message gets to the right students at the right time.

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**Action 7.3:** Tom, Greg and Marlee to meet and assist Greg to nuance University messaging on transition to campus plans.

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Greg shared his positive impressions of the new Vice-Chancellor.

### 2021 SSAF Schedule: Greg Jackob

Greg introduced his proposal to adjust SSAF fees. **See SS7.R2.**

Greg advised the Senate to offer further feedback in Microsoft Teams, and that he would bring a formal proposal regarding the change in SSAF to the next meeting.

### Industry Engagement Audit: Liana Brennan and Diana Stevens

Liana and Diana introduced the report of their audit. **See SS7.R3.**

Representatives agreed that there were gaps in the promotion of industry engagement opportunities, meaning many interested students failed to understand the opportunity and apply in time.

### Senate Executive Update: Tom Hodgson

Tom asked the representatives to offer ideas for training and PD opportunities in Teams to help inform his planning of their Jan/Feb training session.

### Arts Academy Intimacy Proposal: Lucy Payne

Lucy moved the proposal, Lizzie Tongway seconded.

Lucy spoke for her proposal. **See SS7.R4.**

The motion was passed unanimously.

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**Resolution SS7/2:** That the Senate support the proposal to recommend the University review and develop ways in which student safety and wellbeing can be improved in relation to the teaching, rehearsal and performance of intimate scenes at Camp Street campus.

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**Action 7.4:** Tom to organise for Lucy Payne and Heather Marsh to meet and discuss the intimacy proposal and how Equity might further advise or assist.

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## Portfolio and Member Reports

See **SS7.R5** and **SS7.R6**.

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**Action 7.5:** Tom to set up Angela Harris of Careers as the staff contact for the Networking and Outreach Portfolio.

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## Other Business

Greg Jakob informed the Senate he'd received very positive feedback from different staff across the University about the value of the Senate's input in recent months. He thanked them for their work across a number of different issues, their leadership, clarity of focus, and the fundamental role they were playing in making substantial improvements for students.

The Chair, Marlee Bourke, declared the meeting closed at 7:02pm.

## APPENDIX I: SENATE MEMBERSHIP

As of September 21<sup>st</sup>.

Name	Representative for
Althea Alpitsis	TAFE Board
Ayush Dahiya	Mt Helen Campus (HE)
Beau Frichot	Gippsland Campus
Bijay Neupane	Brisbane Campus
Declan Hanrahan	School of Business Board (incoming)
Lizzie Tongway (Portfolio Chair)	SMB Campus
Fiona Archer (Portfolio Chair)	School of Health and Life Sciences (UG)
Gautam Pal (Portfolio Chair)	International Students
Geeta Naralasetty	Academic Board
Harvinder Singh	School of Nursing & Healthcare Professions Board
Heba Adelrahman	Distance & Online
Janelle Moyes	Distance & Online
Jennifer Davis	Learning & Teaching Committee
Kyle Jackson	Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander
Lachlan Francis	School of Education Board (outgoing)
Laura Benney	School of Education Board (incoming)
Lucy Payne	Camp St Performing Arts
Marlee Bourke (Chair)	School of Arts Board
Chaganti Deepak	School of SEIT Board
Melanie Bellingham	School of Business Board (outgoing)
Nadine Wilkinson	Gippsland Campus
Olivia Carey	Sustainability
Rasika Singla	Mt Helen Campus (HE)
Sam McKeegan (Portfolio Chair)	Sports
Sanjampreet Kaur	Clubs and Societies
Senim Genc	Postgraduate
Tanvi Mahajan	Berwick Campus
Verana Hunter-Raye (Vice-Chair)	Western Campuses (HE)

### Student Representative Vacancies

- Berwick Campus
- Horsham Campus (TAFE/VET/VCAL)
- SMB Campus (1 of 2 filled)
- Camp St (Visual Arts)
- FedCollege
- Mt Helen Campus (TAFE)
- Equity, Diversity and Social Inclusion
- School of Health and Life Sciences (PG)