

Subject	Student Senate Meeting 6, 2025 (SS6)
To	All Student Senate representatives, officers, observers, and guests
Apologies	Prapti Bista
Date and time	6.00 pm, Tuesday 5 August 2025
Venue	Microsoft Teams
From	Thomas Burningham-Glover
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1. Acknowledgement of Country and Welcome – 6.00 pm

Chair / Deputy Chair

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the lands and waters wherever we are located. We pay our respects to Elders past and present and extend our respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and First Nations Peoples.

2. Ratification of prior minutes/ Actions (SS5) – 6.05 pm

Chair

Motion: That the Senate ratify the minutes of the meeting held 8 July 2025, as an accurate record.

The Senate reviewed the prior minutes and voted to ratify them.

3. Guest Speakers – 6.10 pm

Deputy Chair

- Catherine Wallace – Manager, Corporate Events – Student Representation at Corporation Events
- Victoria Strachan - Manager, Student Communications – New Academic Progression Webpage – 6.30 pm

The Senate thanks Catherine Wallace and Victoria Strachan for their presentation.

4. Senate Advisor Update – 6.50 pm

Leon/Cindy

5. Updates/ Actions from last Meeting – 6.55 pm

Chair / Deputy Chair

University Response:

- SS4 P2: Academics teaching subjects they did not write the criteria for / rubrics requiring updating or not clear by academics admission

"The Senate is satisfied with university response."

- SS4 P3: Review of B. Performing Arts students (Camp St campus) having to spend money for professional photography with no alternatives

"Response not yet received, response will be reviewed next meeting"

- SS4 P4: Review of timely return / communication about delay in results be returned to students via moodle

"The Senate is satisfied with university response."

- SS4 P5: Standardisation of Assignment Due Times to End of Day

"The Senate is satisfied with university response."

- SS5 P1: Hosting an online forum on International Student Wellbeing

"The Senate is satisfied with university response."

- SS5 P2: Review of Induction process for students living on Res at Mt. Helen Campus

"The Senate is satisfied with university response."

- SS5 P3: Consistent university-wide policy ensuring students have access to completed assessment rubrics

"The Senate is satisfied with university response."

6. New Items

- SS6 P1: Review and repair/replacement of Pool Table in Student Recreation Room upstairs in Albert Coates - 7.00 pm

Jase

Motion: 'That the Senate recommend repairing/replacement of Pool Table in Student Recreation Room upstairs in Albert Coates'.

- SS6 P2: Written correspondence to students on res at Mt. Helen regarding acceptable behaviour of verbal / physical interactions towards other students - 7.05 pm Jase

Motion: 'That the Senate recommend written correspondence to students on res at Mt. Helen regarding acceptable behaviour of verbal / physical interactions towards other students'.

- SS6 P3: To extend the reach and timeline of the student health services survey - 7.10 pm Anna-Selina

Motion: 'That the Senate recommend extending the reach and timeline of the student health services survey'.

- SS6 P4: Student Senate collaborate with Fedliving and Residential Wellbeing to promote the awareness and purpose of the Student Senate across the Mt Helen campus residences
- 7.15 pm Yakun

Motion: 'That the Senate recommend collaborating with Fedliving and Residential Wellbeing to promote the awareness and purpose of the Student Senate across the Mt Helen campus residences'.

- SS6 P5: That the Student Senate formally acknowledge, investigate, and address incidents of racial and verbal harassment in Fed Living residences, and recommend the implementation of safer protocols, training, and support systems for international and culturally diverse students
- 7.20 pm Prapti

Motion: 'That the Senate recommend formally acknowledging, investigating, and addressing incidents of racial and verbal harassment in Fed Living residences, and recommend the implementation of safer protocols, training, and support systems for international and culturally diverse students'.a

7. Other Business 7.25 pm

- Forums – Thomas
21st Aug – Chit Chat Chai – 1pm – 2pm – All Campuses
- Any other business

8. Next Meeting: Tuesday 9 September 2025, 6 pm – 8.30 pm

Appendix I: Senate membership as of 29 July 2025:

Elected Members	
Position Name and Number of Position	Representative
Ballarat and surrounds area (2 positions)	Vaibhav Vacant
Berwick area (1 position)	Kevin Alexander
Distance education/off campus (1 position)	Jase Squires
Equity, diversity and social inclusion advocate (1 position)	Janvi Abrol
Federation TAFE (1 position)	Vacant
First Nations (1 position)	Samuel Crane
Gippsland area (1 position)	Vacant
International (1 position)	Vacant
Metro Area Student Representative (1 position):	Vacant
Postgraduate (1 position)	Vacant
Institute of Health and Wellbeing (2 positions)	Anna-Selina Young Vacant
Institute of Education, Arts and the Community (2 positions)	Yakun Pei Vacant
Institute of Innovation, Science and Sustainability (2 positions)	Prapti Bista Zachary Tan
Ex-Officio Members	
Learning and Teaching Quality Committee HE Student Representative	Karuna Pandey