

## MONSU CAULFIELD INC

Student Council 2026

Meeting **SC 26.6**

*Held 20/07/2026 via Ramler Room + Zoom*

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| <b>Meeting Open</b> |        |
| Time Opened:        | 5:20PM |
| Quorum:             | 5:20PM |

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| <b>Present:</b>   | Mehika Agarwal, Bailey Parrot, Heinrich Ferari, Mary Swarnika Noyel Nerio, Shefali Rohit, Nicole Tan, Ethan (Han) Wong, Shreedevi Iyengar, Darin Sashenka Julain Wewita, Evelyn Chau, Amber Wong, Kyra Goh, David McCleery, Anna Andrasi |
| <b>Other:</b>     | Rebecca Murphy, Amy Burrridge                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Apologies:</b> | Gwyneth Lee (proxy Shreedevi Iyengar), Dyan Perera (proxy Mary Swarnika Noyel Nerio), Evelyn Kong (proxy Amber Wong), ZiChong (Leo) Yu (proxy Shreedevi Iyengar)                                                                         |
| <b>Absent:</b>    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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| <b>Preamble</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <p>MONSU Caulfield acknowledges and pays respects to the traditional custodians of the Boon Wurrung and Wurrundjeri Peoples of the Kulin Nation and people on whose unceded lands we live, learn and work from today.</p> <p>May we also give thanks to Elders both past and present as it is their knowledge and experiences that holds the key to success for future generations.</p> |

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| <b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b> |                      |
| <b>1. Previous Minutes</b>             |                      |
| <b>Motion SC 26.6-1</b>                | Moved: Shefali Rohit |

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| MONSU Caulfield Student Council resolves to pass the minutes of SC 26.5 and SCE 26.4 as a true and accurate recording of proceedings. | Seconded: Shreedevi Iyengar                |
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| <b>Business Arising</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                            |
| <b>1. 2026 Student Council Meeting Schedule</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                            |
| Discussion: Bailey presented the most suitable time for Student Council Meetings based on members' availability, where 16/18 council members could attend. This was Wednesdays at 5:00PM. This would fall on <b>August 26, September 30, and October 28</b> . Bailey enquired as to the flexibility of the unavailable members to attend. All council members accepted this as the most appropriate day to meet. |                                            |
| <b>Motion SC 26.6-2</b><br><br>MONSU Caulfield Student Council resolves to establish the time and date of MONSU Caulfield Student Council Meetings for Semester 2, 2026 as the last Wednesday of the month at 5:00PM in the Ramler Room, Building S.                                                                                                                                                             | Moved: Mary Swarnika Noyel Nerio           |
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| <b>2. Honorariums</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                            |
| Discussion: N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                            |
| <b>Motion SC 26.6-3</b><br><br>MONSU Caulfield Student Council resolves to pass honorariums for all Student Representatives for the period of July 2026.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Moved: Mary Swarnika Noyel Nerio           |
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| <b>Confidential Business</b> |
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| <b>General Business</b>                                                |
| Discussion of Proposed Portfolio Framework for General Representatives |

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| Notes:                            | <p>General Representatives currently don't have clear portfolios. The proposed model explores a range of portfolios that General Representatives can choose from. These are 'Support Programs and Education Support,' 'Community and Engagement,' and 'Welfare Support.' Each role will have a defined position, description, responsibilities, and expected initiatives. If approved, the General Representatives would then be given an honorarium. The General Representative title will not change. Allocation of these portfolios would be approved by the council at the first Student Council meeting of the year. Rebecca suggested that having more than 3 portfolio options would be better for longevity, to suit fluctuating needs of the council. There were concerns from the council that this would leave gaps in the council if nobody wanted to take on a certain role. Swan suggested that if there were more role options, the council could collectively choose 3 portfolios that would be most needed, and then General Representatives could select from the chosen 3. Mehika expressed concern that incoming/new councils may be unaware of what portfolios may be necessary, which is why they proposed 3 options. Rebecca said that other portfolios could just be a matter of supporting another portfolio. Shreedevi enquired about the specific purpose of the Community and Engagement role. Amy explained this role specifically looks at community building, with crew and within the council, but will define the role to prevent overlap. David approves of the proposal, and thinks having guidance would have been helpful as someone who came into the General Representative role with little knowledge of what it involved. Having a portfolio to choose from would be appreciated and helpful. Mehika added that having these portfolios does not limit anyone from engaging in initiatives outside of this portfolio. Swan suggested the name of the first portfolio could be amended to 'Programs and Education Support.' Heinrich asked whether current portfolios needed to be refined to limit overlap. Amy explained that in her time at MONSU, Education and Welfare are the main departments that have needed some assistance, and she hasn't seen a need for other portfolios. There were no suggestions for other portfolios aside from the 3 currently proposed. Feedback and changes will be discussed by Mehika and Amy. An updated proposal will be emailed to council members in the next week. If approved, the portfolio choices will need to be published prior to election nominations opening, allowing candidates to better understand this role. Therefore this must be passed prior to election information being published, finalised by August 17th.</p> |
| Achieving a Successful Semester 2 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Notes:                            | <p>Semester 2 is very busy, and our council only has a few months left in office. Rebecca emphasised the importance of respect and teamwork during the upcoming busy period. Honest communication is important, and if you have something going on in your personal life please talk to each other and communicate this, and be respectful of what people are sharing.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

| Upcoming Events Briefing |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Notes:                   | Evelyn Chau discussed MIISON, a network that represents international students across all Monash campuses. She is collaborating on an international movie night on August 21st at Clayton. This is a trial for this kind of joint event. If successful, there will be more collaborative events in the future. Assistance at the event from representatives would be appreciated. Heinrich presented information about o-week and o-fest. O-week will have the clubs + societies hub inside, in K1.01 and K1.02, instead of outside on the deck. Tours will also be running. O-fest will also have clubs + societies, free food, games, music, sponsors, showbags, activities & activations. These will be outside on the deck. 4 different MONSU portfolios will be showcasing their portfolios at allocated booths, and a mega mid-week meet will be held on Wednesday of week 1. |

| Papers Provided for Information:                        |
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| <b>Item 1:</b> SC 26.5 Minutes                          |
| <b>Item 2:</b> SCE 26.4 Minutes                         |
| <b>Item 3:</b> General Representative Proposal for 2027 |

| Date and location of next meeting |                             |
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| Date:                             | Wednesday 26 August, 5:00PM |
| Location:                         | Ramler Room, Building S     |

| Meeting Close |        |
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| Time closed:  | 6:15PM |

| Minutes authorised by                                                               |                                                                                      |
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| <b>Mehika Agarwal, President</b> | <b>Bailey Parrot, Vice President</b> |
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