

AMWU
MINUTES VICTORIAN STATE COUNCIL
MARCH 31ST 2021

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT 251 QUEENSBERRY STREET, CARLTON SOUTH
COMMENCING AT 9:00am, WEDNESDAY 31ST 2021

President Bro. Stephen Wise presided and declared the meeting open at 9:05am

STATE COUNCILORS PRESENT:

Bro. T. Mavromatis	Bro. M. Green	Bro. A. Anderson	Bro. M. Terry	Bro. T. Piccolo
Bro. D. Rozario	Bro. P. McCartney	Bro. C. Ormsby	Bro. Z. Cimbora	Bro. R. Balantyne
Bro. S. Wise	Bro. P. Lavery	Bro. A. Thomas	Sis J. James	Bro. N. Mitchell
Bro. C. Brown	Bro. M. Cannon	Bro. L. Malgeri	Bro. J. Hefford	Bro. D. Andrews
Bro. P. Difelice	Bro. R. Kenna	Sis. K. O'Brien		

STATE COUNCILORS APOLOGIES:

	Bro. S. Brooks	Bro. E. Toro	Bro. P. Springer	Bro. D. Fairchild
Bro. V. Pepi	Sis. N. Nam	Bro. Mick. Bull	Bro. A. Kane	Bro. M. Kennedy

Observer and minute taker: Chris Noy

DECLARATION OF MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST

State Secretary Tony Mavromatis reminds State Council members of their obligations as "Officers" under the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 to disclose all material personal interests that may arise with their union role as an elected Official to representative bodies of the AMWU.

Declaration forms are available throughout these proceedings for those Officers requiring to make a new disclosure.

'State Council notes no Declarations were made for the March 31st 2021 State Council meeting'

Carried

'The minutes of the State Council meeting of the December 11th 2020 and February 17th 2021 be endorsed.'

Moved: Anthony Anderson

Seconded: Noel Mitchell

Carried

'The minutes of the State Admin meeting of the February 17th 2021 be endorsed.'

Moved: Anthony Anderson

Seconded: Jason Hefford

Carried

State Council welcomes the recent AMWU interns Brother Jai Wessell and Duncan Parkes to give a report to State Council and State Council welcomes Brother Allan Pearce as an observer.

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Vacancies

Manufacturing Vacancy State Conference

‘State Council resolves to appoint Brother Ashley Mabbitt to the vacant office of Rank and File Delegate to State Conference from the Manufacturing Membership Area for the remainder of the term. Council notes that Brother Ashley Mabbitt is a financial member of the AMWU from the Manufacturing Membership Area and is therefore eligible to fill the vacant office consistent with Rule. ‘

Manufacturing Vacancy National Conference

‘State Council resolves to appoint Brother Michael Green to the vacant office of Rank and File Delegate to National Conference from the Manufacturing Membership Area for the remainder of the term. Council notes that Brother Michael Green is a financial member of the AMWU from the Manufacturing Membership Area and is therefore eligible to fill the vacant office consistent with Rule. ‘

Vehicle Vacancy State Conference

‘State Council resolves to appoint Brother Faris Iedom to the vacant office of Rank and File Delegate to State Conference from the Vehicle Membership Area for the remainder of the term. Council notes that Brother Faris Iedom is a financial member of the AMWU from the Vehicle Membership Area and is therefore eligible to fill the vacant office consistent with Rule. ‘

Food Vacancy State Conference, National Conference and State Council

‘State Council resolves to appoint Brother Eric Toro to the vacant office of Rank and File Delegate to State Conference, National Conference and State Council from the Food Membership Area to replace Brother Ross Kenna on his resignation for the remainder of the term. Council notes that Brother Eric Toro is a financial member of the AMWU from the Food Membership Area and is therefore eligible to fill the vacant office consistent with Rule.’

Food Vacancy State Admin

‘State Council resolves to appoint Brother Paul Lavery to the vacant office of Rank and File Delegate to State Admin from the Food Membership Area to replace Brother Ross Kenna on his resignation for the remainder of the term. Council notes that Brother Paul Lavery is a

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financial member of the AMWU from the Food Membership Area and is therefore eligible to fill the vacant office consistent with Rule. ‘

Vehicle Vacancy National Conference

‘State Council resolves to appoint Brother Anthony Anderson to the vacant office of Rank and File Delegate to National Conference from the Vehicle Membership Area for the remainder of the term. Council notes that Brother Anthony Anderson is a financial member of the AMWU from the Vehicle Membership Area and is therefore eligible to fill the vacant office consistent with Rule. ‘

Print Vacancy State Council

‘State Council resolves to appoint Brother Paul McCartney to the vacant office of Rank and File Delegate to State Council from the Print Membership Area for the remainder of the term. Council notes that Brother Paul McCartney is a financial member of the AMWU from Print Membership Area and is therefore eligible to fill the vacant office consistent with Rule.’

Recommendation: ‘State Council notes and endorses the appointments to the Vacant positions listed’

Moved: Tony Pioccolo

Seconded: Daniel Andrews

Carried

STATE SECRETARY’S REPORT

- **AMWU Office Renovations—See National Council Attachment 1**
- **Julian Assange—See State Conference Attachment 2**
- **Delegate Forum 12th May 2021—See Attachment 3**
- **State Conference 28th & 29th July 2021 (Call for Resolutions)**
- **Visy Food Cans member going through hardship as reported on and endorsed at the November 26th 2020 State Admin meeting, to provide goods to the value of \$990.00 for a fundraising raffle, an update will be provided at the June 9th State Council meeting.**
- **Branch Plan**
- **Covid –19, Staff return to office 19th April 2021**

Recommendation: ‘State Council notes and supports the State Secretary State Council report’

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Moved: Noel Mitchell
Seconded: Anthony Anderson

Carried

ACCOUNTS

Item 1 **Gordon Legal**

Invoice received from Gordon Legal for RE: CPC Autocaps redundancy deed, for the AMWU total costs \$2965.11 for work performed between 2-17-21 and 2-24-21 Invoice number: 4812

Recommendation: ‘State Council endorses the payment for Gordon Legal for RE: CPC Autocaps redundancy deed, for the AMWU total costs \$2965.11 for work performed between 17-02-21 and 24-2-21 Invoice number: 4812’

Moved: Noel Mitchell
Seconded: Dominic Rozario

Carried

Item 2 **Gordon Legal**

Invoice received from Gordon Legal for RE: IVO Application for the AMWU total costs \$1,466.44 for work performed between 2-10-20 and 25-02-21 Invoice number: 4779.

Recommendation: ‘State Council endorses the payment for Gordon Legal for RE: IVO Application for the AMWU total costs \$1,466.44 for work performed between 2-10-20 and 25-02-21 Invoice number: 4779’

Moved: Tony Piccolo
Seconded: Dominic Rozario

Carried

DELEGATIONS

Item 1 **Fixed term appointments**

Brother Chris Spindler’s 12-month fixed term appointment is to continue for another 12 months, subject to budget and finance.

Recommendation: ‘State Council notes Brother Chris Spindler’s 12-month fixed term appointment is to continue for another 12 months, subject to

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budget and finance.

Moved: Noel Mitchell
Seconded: Daniel Andrews

Carried

GIFT REGISTER 2020

No gift declarations were given for this meeting

Moved and Seconded:

'State Council notes there were no Gift Declarations made for March 31st 2021 State Council.'

Carried

Sponsorship/Donations

AMWU/Casey Comets sponsorship

(Letter from the President of Casey Comets Football Club)

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Morning Tony,

On behalf of Casey Comets Football Club, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the AMWU for the generous support and sponsorship that has been provided to our Club.

As the Club president, I am pleased to report that the AMWU support helped us achieve more than we could have anticipated in 2019 and any ongoing support would enable us to continue providing support in this most difficult year following on from the repercussions of COVID-19 and the lockdowns during 2020.

We were delighted that as a direct result from your previous sponsorship that we were able to offer financial support to several players that may not have had the opportunity to access community competitive sport. We were confident that we could expand on this support by assisting with obtaining employment for young players who would have difficulties in sourcing employment opportunities and are pleased that we successfully achieved this. This initiative is very close to our hearts as we feel a great deal of responsibility to our diverse community demographic which is a fundamental belief of the Club's values.

We were also able to support our female teams and are pleased to report that our Women are now playing in the Victorian Premier League. As you may know, Casey Comets has a long history in Women's football, and we are very proud that we (through your support) are able to offer a high level of coaching and competition to talented females.

As with many organisations, 2020 was an incredibly difficult year and with a 90% drop in income, it has been very hard to remain operational. We are faced with an increase demand for player financial support, and we have had to streamline many of our programs. Our income will also be impacted again in 2021 as we had to follow ACCC guidelines and offer credits to returning players that paid fees in 2020. The ongoing stress on our wonderful volunteers has been immense but we remain resolute in our belief and club values.

Fortunately, we have several volunteers that are still striving to keep the Club moving and who are working tirelessly to provide community sport. Many of us are volunteering our time 7 days a week. We were beyond happy that Rab Best, our Vice President received the Australia Day Holt Award from our Federal MP, Anthony Byrne for services to community sport and we think this demonstrates our unwavering commitment to the local community.

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We have been delighted to host members of the AMWU, shop stewards and of course our wonderful MP for Cranbourne, Pauline Richards, who has also been an amazing support to the Club. Our facilities (which have been considerably upgraded) are being utilised by the AMWU for OH&S and Delegate training and we look forward to this continuing.

We hope that with your support, we can continue to march forward and offer not only football competition and training to our community but support local organisations, schools and individuals.

We truly appreciate the invaluable backing of the AMWU and its members and look forward to meeting yourself and many of your members again this year.

With warm regards

Dawn

Dawn Stone
President

Recommendation: *'State Council endorses a \$10,000 Sponsorship of Casey Comets subject to an MOU been put in place, The October State Council to review the sponsorship for 2022 to Casey comets'*

Moved: Dominic Rozario
Seconded: Anthony Anderson

Carried

DIVISIONAL REPORTS

'State Council notes and receives the divisional reports'

Moved: Tony Piccolo
Seconded: Noel Mitchell

Carried

9. VTHC Agenda Items

- Palm Sunday Virtual Event 5yh April 11am—See Flyer
- International Workers memorial day—Wednesday 28th April —See Flyer
(Trades Hall at 10:30am, outside the rock.)
- May Day— More Information to Come

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Supplementary Items

Women's Committee Survey of Victorian Members, meeting to be held with Womens Committee and State Leadership group to fully understand the Women's Committee needs for this project.

Moved: Daniel Andrews

Seconded: Tony Piccolo

Carried

General Business

Qantas Club

Discussion

Altona Refinery

Discussion

State Conference

'That State Council moves that State Conference be held in the Melbourne union office and that the State Steering Committee work on where State Conference dinner could be held with a recommendation to the next State Council'

Moved: Anthony Anderson

Seconded: Robert Ballantyne

Carried

Meeting Close 3:05pm

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