



A meeting of the

Postgraduate Students' Association

Held in the
Postgraduate lounge
Level 4 Kate Edgar
Information Commons
On 24th March,
2016, at 9:00am

1. Personnel Matters:

Chair of the Meeting: Eryn

Presents: Chiara, Piyush, , Pauls, Man Lu (FMHS), Arezoo, Severi, Chenmu, Arwin, Amir, Jo, Janet, Seren, Bavna, Lyam

Apologies: Andrea, Safal

Absent:

Resign: Rachel

Agenda Items 9.00 am

1. Adoption of Previous Minutes –
 - Amir, Piyush - passed
2. Vote for new treasurer
 - Janet (co-treasurer) – approved
1. Jo's safety video
 - Watch it and vote it tonight!
2. Disinvestment on fuel policy – online votes:
 - 123 responses / 95.1% students are in favor for the PGSA to follow the cause
 - The name/logo of PGSA will appear alongside other association's name on the document related to the disinvestment from fuel policy of the University of Auckland
 - Send out email on Monday, to let people know about the results
3. Newsletter and website (Amir)
 - Deadline for monthly newsletter is today: doctoral skills program, next month's events, coming stuff, major news already in
 - New website will be out on second semester
 - Check current website: Amir has updated new pictures and details
4. Exposure
 - Advertise next meeting on Facebook
 - Engage more students: send email?

Treasurer's Report (Janet):

- We have \$ 5000 in online account and \$ 1634 in Go account as of June 24th, 2016

- The grant has not been calculated in these amounts.

Events' Report (Arwin)

Next month's events

- Writing retreat
- Orientation 2 – paperwork already done

Yoga planned for today afternoon

PGSA merchandise for events

- Arwin will prepare a proposal with budget and items
- We'll approve the proposal next meeting

Epsom event

- Wait for next meeting at Epsom campus before organising it

Feedback from Committee Meetings:

A. *Board of Graduate Studies (BOGS)* -

B. *Doctoral Skills Programme (DSP)* -

- A MA student is doing thesis on DSP: she needs volunteers for her project; prepare advertisement and we will vote on it for our newsletter
- Doctoral induction day: ask for a 5 minutes slot at the end of each session?

C. *Student Consultative group* -

- Under discussion: Student levy, money and finances
- Next meeting is on March

D. *Doctoral Morning Tea (DMT)* -

- Yesterday: in New Market

E. *Research Committee* -

- Research strategy: plan to submit next month

F. *UoA Ethics Committee* –

- Discussion of applications

G. *Library* –

H. *Exposure* –

- Fortnight meetings going well

Other Items:

Meeting Adjourned 9.50 am