



# NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE STUDENTS' UNION

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## Minutes for 3<sup>rd</sup> 36<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting

**Date:** Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2015

**Time:** 1626 hours

**Venue:** HSSML Conference Room

**Attendance:**

**Present:**

### **Council Representatives:**

Tomoe Yoshida	Community Service Club, President
Koh Hui Nee Jennifer	Community Service Club, Vice-President
Ng Aik Loong	Community Service Club, General Secretary
Zan Goh Zewei	Cultural Activities Club, President
Neoh-Khoo Wesley	Cultural Activities Club, Vice-President
Ang Qiu Luan	Cultural Activities Club, Vice-President
Teo Min Shuen	Political Association, President
Loh Yi Chin	Political Association, Honorary General Secretary
Ivalyn Lye	Sports Club, President
Tan Zhong Xian	Sports Club, Vice-President
Joshua Foong En Kai	Arts & Social Sciences Club, President
Jacqueline Goh Si Hui	Arts & Social Sciences Club, Vice-President
Gay Ming Jian Davis	Computing Club, President
Victor Hazali	Computing Club, Vice-President
Goh Ser Ming	Computing Club, Vice-President
Hon Yih Loong	Engineering Club, President
Liu Ren Hao	Engineering Club, Vice-President
Seah Jerrell	Engineering Club, General Secretary
Lee JingDa	Engineering Club, Honorary Financial Secretary
James Kwong Kam Yin	Law Club, President
Sim Hui Min	Science Club, President
Tan Li Ting	Science Club, Honorary Treasurer
Sim Jie Lin	Science Club, Alumni Relations Director
Goh Seng Chiy	University Scholars' Club, President

### **Exco Representatives:**

Eric Khong Mun Kit	Community Service Club
Kang Wee Jing	Community Service Club
Koh Zhi Xun	Political Association
Lim Kok Seng	Sports Club

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Jeanette Flower Kwan  
Raynor Tan Jin Liang  
Ong Soo Chin  
Terence Wong Jia Hui  
Tan Mabelyn  
Soh Gill

Arts & Social Sciences Club  
Computing Club  
Science Club  
Science Club  
Bizad Club  
Law Club

## Observers:

Prateek Argaraal  
Joshua Choo  
Chua Poh Gek  
Kellie Chong  
Low Shu Ying  
Manali Mehta  
Claire Abraham  
Low Jia Yu  
Jonathan Lee  
Jonathan Koh

Engineering Year 3  
Engineering Year 2  
Engineering Year 3  
SDE Year 3  
Business Year 2  
FASS Year 2  
FASS Year 3  
Business Year 3  
FASS Year 2  
Science Year 2

## Absent with Apologies:

Samantha Lee Shea Min  
Sim Xing Zhong  
Dominic Cheong  
Weilson Tan  
Teo Pei Wen  
Vera Ong Zishan  
Derrick Kew Dek Guan  
Han Zheng Min Bryan  
Belman Woo  
Gabriel Lee Keng Yan  
Chng Hioc Kiat Dominic  
Nigel Woo Wen Shuo  
Chng Paul Vin  
Shawn Ng Kit Yong  
Mark Tay Han Pin  
Nicole Lee Yu Chen  
Chee Yen Min Madeline  
Wong Wen Kai  
Loo Weng Heng  
Tan Kian Wei Alvin

Cultural Activities Club, External Relations Director  
Political Association, Vice-President  
Political Association, Vice-President  
Sports Club, General Secretary  
Sports Club, Financial Secretary  
Arts & Social Sciences Club, Marketing Director  
Bizad Club, President  
Bizad Club, Vice-President  
Bizad Club, Vice-President  
Dental Club, President  
Design & Environment Club, President  
Design & Environment Club, Vice President  
Design & Environment Club, Special Projects Director  
Design & Environment Club, Assistant Special Projects Director  
Law Club, Vice-President  
Medical Club, President  
Medical Club, Vice-President  
Medical Club, Honorary General Secretary  
Engineering Club Exco Rep, Director of Projects  
Medical Club Exco Rep, Communications Secretary

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## Meeting Agenda:

1. **Passing of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Council Meeting Minutes**
2. **Passing of Amended Financial and Meeting Regulations**
3. **Election of the Welfare, Publications, and Finance Standing Committees**
4. **Introduction to Constitution Review and Strategic Planning Committee**
5. **EXCO Updates**
6. **Any Other Business**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Council Meeting was called to order at 1626 HRS by Mr Goh Seng Chiy, Chairperson of the 36<sup>th</sup> NUSSU Council.

S/No.	Agenda	Action By
1	<b>Passing of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Council Meeting Minutes</b>	
1.1	Presentation of 1 <sup>st</sup> Council meeting minutes.	
1.1.1	Terence (Science) mentioned that on the first day of the 1 <sup>st</sup> council meeting, the previous general secretary recorded the election speech into voice record. When sent over, the file for the vice-president's speech got corrupted and thus unable to be recorded in the meeting minutes.	
1.1.2	Kenneth (CSC) suggested for the vice-president election portion to be included into the meeting minutes so as people will know that a vice-president has been elected for the 36 <sup>th</sup> NUSSU Exco.	
1.1.3	Zhong Xian (Sports) suggested to include the fact that the voice recording was corrupted to be included in the meeting minutes.	
1.1.4	<b>Vote Results:</b> <b>Total Strength: 29</b> For: 26 Against: 0 Abstain: 3	
1.1.5	The Council has passed the 1 <sup>st</sup> Council meeting minutes.	
1.2	Presentation of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Council meeting minutes	
1.2.1	<b>Vote Results:</b> <b>Total Strength: 29</b> For: 26 Against: 0 Abstain: 3	

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1.2.2	The Council has passed the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Council meeting minutes.	
2	<b>Passing of Amended Financial and Meeting Regulations</b>	
2.1	Presentation of the amended financial regulations and the amended meeting regulations by Kok Seng (Sports).	
2.2	Zhong Xian (Sports) asked if the financial and meeting regulations amendments were passed in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Council meeting and why is there a need to pass it in this meeting again?	
2.3	Jeanette highlighted that the passing of amendments in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Council meeting was only by parts of the regulations. She added on that this motion would be to pass the entire financial and meeting regulations.	
2.4	Tomoe (CSC) suggested to the Council to refer to the 2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting minutes for better understanding of the amendments.	
2.5	Kok Seng (Sports) summarized to the Council that the amendments include the additional of legislative history and financial year. He highlighted that 3A to 3C of the meeting regulations has been repealed.	
2.6	James (Law) questioned for the procedures if a club wants to make any amendments to their budget. Can we clarify if we are going to make amendment to the budget, do we have to do anything?	
2.7	Kok Seng (Sports) explained that the club would have to inform the Financial Secretary of NUSSU Exco and update the changes accordingly in their own club's website.	
2.8	Zhi Xun (Science) arrived at 1640 HRS	
2.9	Zhong Xian (Sports) asked for the need to remove the word "union" from "union members" in the regulations.	
2.10	Kok Seng (Sports) explained that the term "members" refers to union members as well.	
2.11	Joshua (Arts) asked if the repealed portion 3A to 3C repeal portion will be reflected in the final financial regulations.	
2.12	Kok Seng (Sports) explained that the repealed portion will be removed	

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2.13	once the amendments have been passed. <b>Voting Results:</b> <b>Total Strength: 30</b> For: 27 Against: 0 Abstain: 3	
2.14	The Council has passed the amended financial regulations.	
2.15	<b>Voting Results:</b> <b>Total Strength: 30</b> For: 28 Against: 0 Abstain: 2	
2.16	The Council has passed the amended meeting regulations.	
3	<b>Election of the Welfare, Publications, and Finance Standing Committees</b>	
3.1	<b>Elections for Welfare Standing Committee</b>	
3.1.1	Seng Chiy (USC) explained to the Council that the procedure would be a member will nominate another member from the Council and that nominated member will do a presentation to the Council followed by an open voting.	
3.1.2	The Council Chairperson went through the roles and responsibilities of the Welfare Standing Committee.	
3.1.3	<b>Opening of nominations proposed by Seng Chiy (USC).</b>	
3.1.4	There was no nomination for the Welfare Standing Committee.	
3.1.5	<b>Closing of nominations proposed by Zhi Xun (PA).</b>	
3.1.6	Raynor (Computing) asked if the NUSSU Exco welfare cell will make decision on behalf of the Welfare Standing Committee if there are no members from the Council in it.	
3.1.7	Zhi Xun (PA) explained that according to the interpretation from the standing committee regulations, the JCRC presidents are already de facto	

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	members of the Welfare Standing Committee and therefore the decisions in the Welfare Standing Committee will not be solely made by the welfare cell.	
3.2	<b>Elections for Publications Standing Committee</b>	
3.2.1	The Council Chairperson went through the roles and responsibilities of the Publications Standing Committee.	
3.2.2	<b>Opening of nominations proposed by Seng Chiy (USC).</b>	
3.2.3	<b>Nominee: Jacqueline (Arts)</b> <b>Proposer: Jeanette (Arts)</b> Nomination rejected.	
3.2.4	Joshua (Arts) asked if the nomination is closed without any of the Council member voted into the Publications Standing Committee, will there still be anyone in the Publications Standing Committee?	
3.2.5	Kok Seng (Sports) answered that yes, the NUSSU Exco Communications Secretary will be in the committee.	
3.2.6	<b>Closing of nominations proposed by Raynor (Computing).</b>	
3.2.7	Hui Min (Science), Li Ting (Science) and Jie Lin (Science) arrived at 1651HRS .	
3.2.8	Zhong Xian (Sports) asked if the chairperson of the various committee not doing enough to look for people since only the chairperson will have to cover the duty of the standing committee.	
3.2.9	Zhi Xun (PA) stated that it is not incumbent from the EXCO that the Communications Secretary, who is the ex-officio chairmen to find the members because the regulation states that it is up to the responsibility of the Council to fill up the positions.	
3.2.10	Tomoe (CSC) expressed that it is not an issue of who is responsible to fill up the committee, but more like it is a problem of why the committee has no one who wants to step up into it.	
3.2.11	James (Law) shared that if members know that they cannot fulfil the duty on your own, they will have to find the people on your own. Unless the person is confident of handling the workload by himself/herself.	

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3.2.12	Zhi Xun (PA) explained that all council members have the responsibility to read through the regulations and decide if they want to step up for the role.	
3.2.13	Seng Chiy (USC) felt that the discussion is going in circles. He added that if the council expects something from the standing committee. The fact that having insufficient members does not give the excuse of not delivering the expectations.	
3.2.14	Davis (Computing) felt that there is a lack of information as the Council members do not know what does the jobscope of the standing committee entails.	
3.2.15	Kellie (DE) explained that for every term, the standing committees has different directions. The jobscope of the standing committee is dependent on the plan or direction set by the nominated member. The usual deterring factor is the additional commitment that the Council members have to hold onto. She also shared that the 36 <sup>th</sup> NUSSU Exco communications cell hope to standardize the branding of constituent clubs and committees.	
3.3	<b>Elections for Finance Standing Committee</b>	
3.3.1	The Council Chairperson went through the roles and responsibilities of the Finance Standing Committee.	
3.3.2	Tomoe (CSC) asked if there comes to a point where by a voting is necessary in the standing committee and there is a tie vote, what will be the solution.	
3.3.3	Kok Seng (Sports) shared that the standing committee will have to consult the Council if such a case were to happen.	
3.3.4	<b>Opening of nominations proposed by Seng Chiy (USC).</b>	
3.3.5	There was no nomination for the Finance Standing Committee.	
3.3.6	<b>Closing of nominations proposed by Raynor (Computing).</b>	
4	<b>Introduction to Constitution Review and Strategic Planning Committee</b>	
4.1	Jeanette presented to the Council on the introduction to the constitution review and strategic planning committee.	

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4.2	Jacky (CSC) arrived at 1708 HRS.	
4.3	<b>Opening of Q&amp;A session proposed by Seng Chiy (USC).</b>	
4.4	No question was posted from the Council.	
4.5	<b>Closing of Q&amp;A session proposed by Jeanette (Arts).</b>	
4.6	<b>Opening of nominations for the Constitutional Review Committee proposed by Jeanette (Arts).</b>	
4.7	There was no nomination for the Constitutional Review Committee.	
4.8	<b>Closing of nominations for the Constitutional Review Committee proposed by Raynor (Computing).</b>	
4.9	Jing Da (Engin) left at 1725 HRS.	
5	<b>EXCO updates</b>	
5.1	Kok Seng (Sports) gave a 10 minutes presentation on the updates of the EXCO activities. - Refer to slides	
5.2	<b>Opening of Q&amp;A proposed by Seng Chiy (USC).</b>	
5.3	Davis (Computing) asked if computing club will be given a booth during NUS Open Day.	
5.4	Kok Seng (Sports) replied that two faculty clubs will share a booth. Additional request for a television screen can be done for better advertisement of the clubs.	
5.5	Jerrell (Engin) asked if there will be additional cost for the television for the booth.	
5.6	Kok Seng (Sports) replied yes.	
5.7	<b>Closing of Q&amp;A proposed by Raynor (Computing).</b>	

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6	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
6.1	Soo Chin (Science) presented on the upcoming investment period. - Refer to slides	
6.2	James (Law) questioned on how to know if the invested sum are locked in or available to be withdrawn.	
6.3	Soo Chin (Science) mentioned that she will clarify this with OFS or IVO. Meanwhile the Council can refer to the information that she will be sending out via email.	
6.4	Davis (Computing) asked on the procedure of withdrawal from lockdown funds.	
6.5	Soo Chin (Science) mentioned that there is a 90 days prior notice required to withdraw any amount from the lockdown funds.	

With no other outstanding matters to discuss, Mr Goh Seng Chiy (USC) proposed to close the meeting at 1802 HRS.

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36<sup>th</sup> NUSSU Council

Vetted by,

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36<sup>th</sup> NUSSU Council

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