



Subject	Student Senate Meeting 7, 2025 (SS7)
To	All Student Senate representatives, officers, observers, and guests
Apologies	Yakun Pei, Karuna Pandey
Date and time	6.00 pm, Tuesday 9 September 2025
Venue	Microsoft Teams
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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 (SS6) – 6.05 pm

Deputy Chair

Motion: That the Senate ratify the minutes of the meeting held 5 August 2025, as an accurate record.

3. Guest Speakers – 6.10 pm

Deputy Chair

- Danielle Wagstaff – Associate Dean, Learning and Teaching – L&T Discussion
- 40% SSAF Update – presented by Casey Geaghan, Strategic Lead, Student Access and Retention & Kerry Ferguson – 6.30
- Eva Bowie - Manager, Student Equity and Inclusion & Baden Cutts - Respectful Communities Coordinator – Receiving Student Disclosures and Dealing with Sensitive Matters – 6.50 pm

4. Senate Advisor Update – 7.10 pm

Leon/Cindy

5. Updates/ Actions from last Meeting – 7.15 pm

Chair / Deputy Chair

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"

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

"The Senate is satisfied with university response."

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

"The Senate is satisfied with university response."

- SS6 P3: To extend the reach and timeline of the student health services survey

"The Senate is satisfied with university response."

- 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

"The Senate is satisfied with university response."

- 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

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6. New Items

- SS7 P1: Establish a student union bar at Churchill campus
- 7.20 pm Sam

Motion: Discussions were held on suggested amendments. No vote held and this will be voted on at a future meeting.

- SS7 P2: Consideration to configuring (with SSO support) href link for FDL (or an alternative) into all moodle submission boxes for easier student.
- 7.25 pm Jase

Motion: 'That the Senate recommend Consideration to configuring (with SSO support) href link for FDL (or an alternative) into all moodle submission boxes for easier student.'

7. Other Business 7.30 pm

- Forums – Thomas
- 2026 Student Senate Dates – Thomas

- 2025 End of Year Report - Thomas
- Any other business

8. Next and Final 2025 Meeting: Tuesday 7 October 2025, 6 pm – 8.30 pm

Appendix I: Senate membership as of 26 August 2025:

Elected Members	
Position Name and Number of Position	Representative
Ballarat and surrounds area (2 positions)	Kim Curwood 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)	Dusty Robins
First Nations (1 position)	Samuel Crane
Gippsland area (1 position)	Vacant
International (1 position)	Thien Thanh Tran
Metro Area Student Representative (1 position):	Vacant
Postgraduate (1 position)	Saleha Nadeem
Institute of Health and Wellbeing (2 positions)	Anna-Selina Young Vacant
Institute of Education, Arts and the Community (2 positions)	Yakun Pei Charlotte Walsh
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