

**TASMANIA UNIVERSITY UNION
Annual General Meeting
MINUTES**

For the TUU Annual General Meeting held on

Tuesday 17th June 2025, 10am

Room 220, Administration Building, Sandy Bay Campus, and via ZOOM video conferencing

Chair: Alison Wakins, University of Tasmania Chancellor

Meeting opened: 10:05am

#	ITEM LISTING	APPENDIX
1	INTRODUCTORY ITEMS	
	1.1 In-Camera Session (as needed)	
	<p>1.2 Acknowledgement of Country</p> <p><i>We pay our respects to elders past and present, to the many Aboriginal people that did not make elder status, and to the Tasmanian Aboriginal community that continue to care for Country. We recognise a history of truth which acknowledges the impacts of invasion and colonisation upon Aboriginal people resulting in the genocide and forcible removal from their lands. Our Islands are deeply unique, with spectacular landscapes with our cities and towns surrounded by bushland, wilderness, mountain ranges and beaches. We stand for a future that profoundly respects and acknowledges Aboriginal perspectives, culture, language and history; and a continued effort to fight for Aboriginal justice and rights paving the way for a strong future.</i></p>	
	<p>1.3 Welcome</p> <p>Chair – A Watkins</p>	
	<p>1.4 Present</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Watkins - University of Tasmania Chancellor • J Oates Pryor - TUSA President 2025 	
	<p>1.5 Apologies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil 	
	<p>1.6 Absent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil 	
	<p>1.7 Staff, guests & observers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Amore – TUSA Board of Management Member (UTAS Academic Staff) 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> D Sutton – TUSA Board of Management Chair S Ward – TUSA General Manager C Harris – TUSA Executive Support and Media Administrator (Secretary) 	
	1.8 Conflicts of interest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nil declared 	
2	MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING	
	2.1 Minute approvals 2.1.1 2024 AGM Minutes Approval It is noted that the minutes of the TUSA AGM meeting held on 20 th June 2024 were accepted as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of that meeting via circular motion on 5 th August 2024. Moved: A Watkins Seconded: L McLaren Passed	APPENDIX A
	2.2 Matters arising from previous minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A 	Included at end of Agenda
3	CORRESPONDENCE	
	3.1 Inward correspondence Nil correspondence received.	
	3.2 Outward correspondence Nil correspondence received.	
4	FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	
	4.1 Audited Financial Statements <u>Motion:</u> That the Tasmania University Union Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 be approved. Moved: A Watkins Seconded: J Oates Pryor Passed	APPENDIX B1 APPENDIX B2
5	GENERAL BUSINESS	

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<p>5.1 Tasmania University Union 2025 Budget</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> That the TUU 2025 Budget tabled at the annual general meeting be accepted.</p> <p>Moved: A Watkins Seconded: J Oates Pryor</p> <p>Passed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Watkins praised the effort put into developing the TUU 2025 Budget, noting significant work to achieving a balanced budget, requiring discipline to achieve. • J Oates Pryor highlighted the hard work undertaken on the budget by TUSA's Board of Management and leadership team, particularly S Ward. • S Ward noted that anticipated income from TUSA's investments could result in a surplus at the end of the year, though this was not included as income within the budget. 	<p>APPENDIX C1</p> <p>APPENDIX C2</p>
<p>5.2 Appointment of Annual Auditors</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> That Tasmanian Audit Office be appointed as the Tasmania University Union's auditor for the next reporting period.</p> <p>Moved: A Watkins Seconded: J Oates Pryor</p> <p>Passed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Watkins noted the outsourcing of UTAS auditing by the Tasmanian Audit Office (TAO), which S Ward confirmed would also apply to TUSA's auditing. • S Ward raised TUSA's current controlled entity status, which may be reassessed following significant governance and financial changes to the organisation. If TUSA were to no longer be classified as a controlled entity, this would impact the appointment of future auditors. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ She highlighted that the TAO as TUSA's auditor for the next reporting period is currently true. An SGM was 	<p>VERBAL ONLY</p>

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<p>suggested for if this should change before the end of the reporting period.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ S Ward also noted that TUSA's controlled entity status removes negotiation capacity for the cost of the audit, which is significantly higher using TAO. 	
<p>5.3 TUSA 2024 Annual Report</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> That the annual report tabled at the annual general meeting be accepted.</p> <p>Moved: A Watkins Seconded: J Oates Pryor Passed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Watkins commended the substantive achievements of and in the Annual Report. • S Ward noted the work of the Marketing and Comms team to reshape the Annual Report with student readers in mind. 	APPENDIX D
<p>5.4 TUU Constitution</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> That members approve amendments to the Tasmania University Union Constitution required.</p> <p>Moved: J Oates Pryor Seconded: A Watkins Passed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D Sutton highlighted the student-led principles underpinning the updated Constitution, which has been in discussion for several years. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consistency with legislation around SSAF for student-led organisations was confirmed as underpinning the updated Constitution. • A Watkins stated confidence in this Constitution aligning with legislation, as well as supporting the collaborative relationship between TUSA and UTAS. • Membership of the AGM was flagged and noted as an item for future discussion, such as at an SGM later in 2025. 	APPENDIX E1 APPENDIX E2

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> J Oates Pryor thanked S Ward for her hard work on the updates to the TUU Constitution. This was seconded by A Watkins. 	
	5.5 Questions not on notice None raised.	N/A
	5.6 Motions not on notice None raised.	N/A
6	OTHER BUSINESS	

Please note: the TUU is informally known as the Tasmanian University Student Association (TUSA), and is taking steps toward a formal business name change. Documents referencing the TUU or TUSA within this pack refer to the same entity.

Meeting Closed: 10:20am

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**ACTIONS ARISING
as of June 17th 2025**

#	Date	Action Item	Responsible Party	Action	Progress to Date or Further Action Required	Status
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