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## THE OFFICIAL BROADSHEET OF MONASH UNIVERSITY

### COUNCIL IGNORES STUDENTS' WISHES

By the decision outlined below, Council has shown its complete disregard of student wishes as expressed in a referendum held earlier this year and comprising some 4000 voters. Viva democracy!

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### CONSTITUTION OF UNION BOARD

The University Council at its meeting on November 13 considered further the proposed changes to the constitution of the Union Board. In a lengthy discussion, the view prevailed that the Vice-Chancellor, or his nominee, should remain chairman of the Union Board and that the Clubs and Societies Council and the Sports and Recreation Association should each continue to elect two members to the board.

Council therefore agreed (a) that the Union Board proposal concerning the chairmanship of the board be rejected; (b) that no new electorate of union members as a whole be created; and (c) that all the other proposals of the Union Board for changes to its constitution be adopted.

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Council also received a report from the committee set up to consider the constitution of the Monash Association of Students. It approved in general the principles embodied in the draft statute and regulations accompanying the report and resolved that these, together with a minority report from Mr O. Rozenbes, should be submitted to a barrister for his opinion on whether or not the proposals are ultra vires. It particularly wished to know whether Council would be free from liability in the event of misuse by MAS or its officers of funds allocated to MAS under the proposed arrangement.

It was hoped that the legislation and the barrister's report might be re-submitted to Council at its next meeting.

### GO-AHEAD FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE DEGREE

The University Council has approved the establishment of a master's degree in environmental science and, to administer it, a board of studies within the faculty of science.

An essential feature of the board of studies and of the degree course is their interdisciplinary nature — the subjects in the two-year course will be taken in existing departments.

Arising again from its interdisciplinary character, graduates from the course will be expected to be conversant with the complexity of environmental problems, and should be well suited to interpret the findings and recommendations of specialists.

The course will be available in 1973 to those holding a bachelor's degree or its equivalent (in any field).

### PARENTS GIVE UNIVERSITY \$3769

The Monash University Parents' Group next week will hand to the University cheques totalling \$3769, bringing their total contribution for the year to \$5548.

The latest gift will be distributed as follows:

Sony one-man ½in. videotape camera recorder for the Union	\$1400
Cassette dictating machine for the Dean of Science	\$ 369
Library	\$1000
Student Assistance Fund	\$ 250
Student Bursary Fund	\$ 750

The cheques will be handed over at the Parents' Group annual general meeting in the Alexander Theatre on Wednesday, November 22.

### ORIGINAL MONASH DRAWINGS PRESENTED TO UNIVERSITY

A set of eight engineering drawings signed by John Monash has been presented to the University by Humes Ltd.

The drawings were prepared by the late Sir John Monash when he was connected with a firm called Concrete Constructions, Port Melbourne, between 1906 and 1914. That company was subsequently taken over by the Hume Pipe Company, and Mr W. J. Chidzey, senior mechanical and electrical engineer with Humes Ltd., discovered the drawings among some old files. He preserved them for their historical interest.

The drawings have been placed with other Monash archival material in the Main Library.

### LOCK UP YOUR CAR!

Following a number of thefts in the University car parks recently, members of the University are strongly advised to ensure that their parked vehicles are securely locked, and where possible, fitted with an anti-theft device.

Should anyone be seen tampering with vehicles or acting suspiciously within car parks, please contact Central Services, extension 2080 or 3059, immediately.



## \$29,852 GRANT FROM WILLIAM BUCKLAND FOUNDATION

Monash University has received a grant of \$29,852 from the William Buckland Foundation. It has been applied to the following projects:

Department of mathematics (for films, cassettes)	\$3200
Orthopaedic and traumatic surgery section (equipment)	\$3164
Psychological medicine (television equipment)	\$9788
Genetics (gel scanner)	\$3800
Medicine (Olivetts programmer)	\$2500
Computer Centre (braille terminal)	\$7400

### ACTING CHAIRMAN, MATERIALS ENGINEERING

Associate Professor R. McPherson has been appointed acting professor and acting chairman of the department of materials engineering during Professor I. J. Polmear's absence on study leave from December 9, 1972, until September 1, 1973.

### SAFETY COMMITTEE

A copy of the agenda for the Safety Committee meeting to be held on Thursday, November 23, 1972, has been forwarded to the Main Library.

The agenda for the Buildings Committee meeting, Tuesday, November 21, has also been passed to the Library.

### NEW GRADUATE REP. ON COUNCIL

Mr Tom May, former chairman of MAS, attended his first meeting of Council on November 13 as the representative of the graduates. He spoke to a number of items.

### ACADEMIC HOOD IN LOST PROPERTY

An academic hood has been unclaimed in the Union's lost property section for most of this year. It is a red hood lined in black. Anybody who could help identify the hood and the owner should contact Caroline Piesse on extn. 3101.

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A pair of spectacles in a soft black pouch has been found in the East Meeting Room, University Offices. The owner should contact the Information Office, extn. 2087.

### AVA ON DISPLAY

The Audio Visual Aids Section is arranging a display of some of the material it produces and equipment it uses on Friday, November 24. All interested members of the University are invited.

The display will be open from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Persons wanting to make an appointment for a particular time should ring Mrs V. B. M. Gauntlett (extn. 3880).

### ACTING DEPUTY WARDEN, DEAKIN HALL

Dr B. Jarrott (department of physiology) has been appointed acting deputy warden of Deakin Hall, from November 18, 1972. He has been a sub-warden in the hall for the last three years.

### SENIOR RESIDENTS WANTED IN HALLS

A number of vacancies exist in the North-East Halls and Roberts-Richardson Halls for tutors, senior members and graduate residents.

Leaflets outlining the conditions of admission and responsibilities of senior residents are available from The Halls Admissions Office, Roberts Hall, or from the Academic Registrar's Office (extn. 2008).

### PROFESSOR FIRTH TO SPEAK HERE

Professor Raymond Firth, emeritus professor of anthropology at London University, will give a seminar at Monash tomorrow (November 21) on "The Symbolism of Flags". He will speak in the library of the department of anthropology and sociology at 2.15 p.m.

Authorised by K. W. Bennetts, Information Officer.