



1.0 WELCOME AND OPENING

Molly formally opens the meeting by acknowledging that the Guild Council was meeting on Noongar land and that the Noongar people remain the spiritual and cultural custodians of their land and continue to practice their beliefs, languages and traditions.

1.1 Attendance

Megan Lee, Yerim Won, Conrad Hogg, Joseph Chan, Pheobe Ho, Molly Goldacre, Peter Watson, Adhish Kastha, Jacob Fowler, Raaghav Raj, Nevin Jayawardena, Kate Fletcher, Ben Perry, Jacob Colangelo, Su Sugandha, Bradan Sonnendecker, Jade Mawby, Ivan Roncevich, Dylan Perkins, Fraser Windsor, Maddie Hedderwick, Chloe Hynes, Jacob Kerspian (NUS Delegate), Michael McKenzie (NUS Delegate).

1.2 Apologies

Jayne-Rae Whitby

1.3 Proxies

Ian Brady for James Leipold, Bre Shanahan for Roshni Kaila, Lincoln Aspinall for Basundhara Dutta, Kate Pryce for Yanija Song, Matthew Kolomyjec for Kristel Li, Suchi Kalia for Anthea Lui, Pheobe Ho carrying the vote for Desiree Tan.

1.4 Observers

Reece Gherardi, Ryan Oakley, Joshua Cahill and Cormac Power.

1.5 Absent

No absentees.

2.0 DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No Conflicts of Interest

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Molly moves to confirm previous Minutes.

- 19th of December 2017: Guild Council Budget Meeting
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY



4.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None

5.0 DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

5.1 Managing Director's Report

Report as tabled.

Tony says that as a Guild we have been progressing quite well. Over the next few weeks the Guild will be handling a lot of audits that are relating to occupational health and safety and internal financial issues. Tony is confident that the audits will have the expected results and that the Guild is operating how it should be. The Guild will be recruiting for various catering outlets very soon, and will be looking to employ as many students as possible.

Tony recommends that the Guild have an Ordinary General Meeting, especially with the changes that the University and the Guild will be experiencing over the coming years. The Guild will be holding two OGMs, one in Semester One and one in Semester Two. Tony says that going forward it should be part of the Guild Calendar and have a regular date.

5.2 Finance Director's Report

Report as tabled.

Tony says that the Finance division are currently dealing with a large amount of audits. The financial audits are being undertaken by the University and are working to check on the finances of previous years to make sure the Guild is being compliant with procedures. The Guild is beginning a new payroll system where employees will be able to 'clock in and clock off' from their shifts. So far it has been successful. There is currently an internal Occupational Health and Safety Audit which is looking at staff and student relations. It is also examining the Catering division and their safety procedures. Barbara has taken over the café in the Dentistry School so there have been some minor changes. Hayden Greenham is looking at changing the Tavern menu slightly so it becomes more of a 'pub' menu.



5.3 Associate Director of Commercial's Report *Report as tabled.*

The Refectory Project is going well and we are now moving into the construction phase of the project. The date for open has been pushed back about two weeks so that the Ref can be completely serviceable to students. There will be a consultation process involving Guild Council and the University in terms of what outlets will be in the Refectory. The Student area of the ref will open first and then the various outlets within the ref will be involved over the next few months. Overall the Ref is an exciting project that will provide great results for Students. Tony says that there will be an entry into the Tavern from the Refectory.

5.4 Associate Director of Student Services' Report *Report as tabled.*

Tony says that preparations for ODay are the main focus currently and asks all clubs and Guild Delegates to talk to the Events and Marketing division of the Guild so that they are ready for ODay. There will be roughly 190-200 stalls and it is expected that roughly 10000 people will attend ODay. Clubs need to make sure they have completed their AGMs and have had the proper Student Leadership Training.

Molly moves a motion to accept all the Director's Reports. **Motion carried.**

6.0 REPORTS

6.1 Guild President *Report as tabled.*

Megan had a Meeting with CIO Warrick about bringing the university's online experience up to date with 2018 to a level that students' expect. This involves the creation of a 'Universal Student Portal' and this can be seen through the new 'UniStart' website which will allow students to plan their orientation and semester.

'ChatBots' will be used to streamline the University 'triage' process, so that students can determine what service they require from the University without having to wait. Megan says that the triage service in UWA Student Central hasn't been accepting students that weren't 'actively' enrolled in



Summer School. Megan has had a meeting with the Deputy Vice Chancellor of Education, who is now rectifying the issue.

Megan says that a service learning unit for Club and FacSoc Presidents is in the process of finalisation.

6.2 Vice-President

Report as tabled.

Su says that she needs some of the Guild Student Representatives to be helping out with MASA.

6.3 Secretary

Report as tabled.

6.4 Education Council President

Report as tabled.

Conrad says that he is looking into changing the amount of notice students get for supplementary exams as currently students get very little notice.

Conrad also says that we should be moving away from the current exam timetable system. Having exams at 8:30, 12:30 and 4:30 will soon be stopped.

Conrad has also been advocating for an 'Acknowledgement of Country' at the beginning of each lecture at the start of the semester.

Conrad has been in discussions with the Student Information Officer about how the Special Consideration Process will be moved online making the process faster and more efficient.

6.5 Public Affairs Council President

Report as tabled.

Joseph discusses ODay and says that he needs volunteers for ODay and is in the process of finalising some dates for OWeek.



6.6 Societies Council President
Report as tabled.

6.7 Women's Department
Report as tabled.

6.8 Welfare Department
Report as tabled.

Pheobe says how there will now be Welfare Awards and that the Commercial and Engagement division has both approved the printing of new welfare cups which will be dispensed at Guild cafes across campus.

6.9 Environment Department
Report as tabled.

6.10 International Student Services Department
Report as tabled.

Suchi says ISS has elected 13 OCMs and that ISS has been encouraging all FacSocs to create the position for an International Representative. If there already is an international representative then they should get involved with ISS.

6.11 Pride Department
Report as tabled.

Fraser says that the Pride Department has had their open planning meeting.

6.12 Sports Department
Report as tabled.

6.13 WASAC Chair
Report as tabled.



6.14 Access Department

Report as tabled.

6.15 Postgraduate Student's Association

Report as tabled.

6.16 Residential Student's Department

Report as tabled.

6.17 NUS Delegate Reports

Report as tabled.

Molly moved a motion to accept Student Representative Reports. **Motion Carried.**
NUS Reports will be accepted via circular once all delegate reports are received.

7.0 QUESTION TIME

Conrad asks Tony about the price for the furniture at the Ref of \$250000 to \$300000 and if this is still what is expected?

Tony says yes.

Conrad also asks Tony if there will be additional security required for the Tav once there is a door going from the Refectory into the Tav. Tony says he doesn't think there will be any changes to security and has spoken to Hayden who says there will not be any extra security.

Jacob Fowler asks Tony about the food trucks on Oak Lawns and the interest from external bodies. Tony says that at this stage we are currently getting a lot of interest and that the Catering & Tavern Committee will make the final call on what outlets will be allowed onto Oak Lawn. The goal for the Guild is to have food trucks all over campus away from the Guild precinct.



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Raaghav asks Tony if there will be any sound systems in the Refectory? Tony responds by saying that there used to be a radio in the Ref but the music was of a low quality. Tony says that there will be music in the Ref but at this stage it hasn't been determined what type of music.

Ben asks Conrad to explain the Class Representative system. Conrad says that it is a pilot program that will be running in Semester One. The Deputy Vice Chancellor of Education is excited about the idea and the pilot program will be for roughly 30 units in Semester One. There will be at least one class representative in each unit and their role will be to talk to the Unit Coordinator and Tutors about how students are feeling about the unit. The goal will be to improve the quality of education by increasing Staff-Student communication. Conrad says that if anyone has ideas or thoughts about how to improve the program to please let him know.

Kate asks Molly about the 'individual sign-up' initiative for Interfaculty Sports. Kate was asking how this will be communicated to the FacSocs? Molly says that she has had a meeting with Jillian Saunders the Graduate Officer (Sports & Recreation) for UWA Sport who has identified the lack of a system like this has been an issue. The new sign-up process will allow students to sign up as an individual, this information will then be sent to the FacSocs so that they can then coordinate their teams. Molly also wants to build a greater social media presence for Interfaculty sports on the Guild social media pages. Molly is also looking to circulate information regarding Interfaculty sport at Societies Council meetings.

Nevin asks Maddie in what way she wishes make RSD more than just a 'social club' towards an organisation that gets involved in other areas? Maddie says that she has had meetings with Student Assist about having them come to the colleges so that Guild Services come to college row to inform students about what the Guild does. Maddie has also spoken to Peter about allowing college students use their student cards to purchase meals on campus that would come under their 'meal deals' at College. The payment process would involve the Guild invoicing the colleges for any meals purchased on campus.

Bradán asks Lincoln to elaborate on his role at the NUS National Conference and why he attended?



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Lincoln says that he wasn't elected to attend the NUS National Conference, but was appointed as a 'secretariat'. The role of the secretariat was to essentially run the conference and they have no input on policy. Lincoln says his role was largely administrative and involved things such as checking people into the conference and answering any potential questions. Lincoln says that it is important to note that the NUS pay for all the secretariats to attend the conference and not the UWA Student Guild.

Matthew K asks Lincoln how he got the position as Secretariat? Lincoln says that different student unions appoint secretariats to be involved in the conference. Megan says that WA sent two secretariats to the conference and this is determined proportionately depending on what percentage of votes factions have.

Kate asks what the selection process was for Lincoln and if any student from UWA was able to get the role? Megan says no and that the selection process is completed internally. Megan says that it is an archaic process which is based off a highly factional system. Megan says Liam O'Neill the Curtin Guild President was the one who organised for Lincoln to attend the NUS National Conference as the secretariat.

Jacob Colangelo asks why only five out of seven reports have been tabled from the NUS Delegates. Megan says that reports must be tabled for the first Guild Council Meeting after the conference. Megan says that the final two reports were received and will be approved via circular.

Kate Fletcher asks why a STAR candidate (Maysam el-Masri) for the conference who couldn't attend the conference proxied her vote to a Socialist Alternative candidate being Erin Russel. Megan says that as Maysam isn't here she can't answer the question and that Kate should ask Maysam. Jacob Fowler explains that when speaking to Maysam, she said that she had unforeseen circumstances which didn't allow her to attend the conference. Megan says that Kate can ask Maysam her query in the form of an 'on-notice' question from the Secretary.

Bradán asks Megan that as a member of the National Executive in 2017, what her thoughts are on an elected delegate proxying their votes to someone from a different ticket and if the Guild going forward should



write a policy that will bind elected delegates to proxy their votes to someone from their ticket during the elections?

Megan says she is unsure why being a previous member of the National Executive matters for this question but says that if that this is something that the council wishes to pursue than they do have the right to do so. However, Megan says that this could potentially unnecessarily limit an elected delegates who may not be able to get to the conference. Megan goes on to say that she personally will be looking to what improvements can be made by the Guild and the NUS to make the process for NUS Delegates elected from UWA as easy and efficient as possible.

Michael McKenzie says that there was a deal between STAR and the Socialist Alternative that Maysam was always going to be a 'paper candidate' and that if she was elected she would pull out and a Socialist Alternative candidate would take her place. This was in exchange for a preference deal with STAR.

Jacob Colangelo discusses how elected NUS Delegates should know by the time of the first Guild Council meeting on December 1st if they will be able to attend the National Conference. Therefore if anyone is going to require a proxy, these proxies will be confirmed by Guild Council at this meeting.

Megan responds firstly by saying that she wants to make it clear that NUS and UWA Student Guild are separate. She says that this Guild Council can't tell the NUS not to accept a proxy. If someone wants to pay for their own registration and flights to the NUS conference than that is allowed. The Guild Council can decide not to pay for someone to go. Megan says we can't change the proxy appointment process but we can change how students pay to go to the conference.

Jacob says that proxies should still be discussed at the first council meeting. Megan replies by saying that this is logistically untenable as all the details and payments to attend the National Conference would have already been in place.

Kate says that there were three other unelected members from STAR that could have potentially attended the conference and asks why



they were not used as a proxy. Kate asks if there are any members of STAR present that wish to answer the question that may do so.

Molly says that we can ask Maysam the question 'on-notice' and we can then get the response from the person.

Kate says that she is worried that there will be a lack accountability of NUS Delegates who can't go to the NUS National Conference and then proxy their vote to someone else.

Megan says that the current policy in her opinion is insufficient, however at this stage the Guild will pay for people to attend the conference if the elected delegate can prove there was an unforeseen circumstance as to why they cannot go. There is no policy about proxying and the Guild cannot limit the ability of a delegate to select a proxy.

Molly says that she believes that Megan's response is the best possible answer to the question as Maysam isn't at the meeting, and if the Guild Council wishes to discuss the policy around proxying that can occur at a later date.

Kate says that it is very poor practice for an elected NUS delegate to be proxying their votes to someone who wasn't running on their ticket during the election. Kate refers back to the Guild Policy book and how if someone that cannot attend the conference, does for a reason such as choice and not unforeseen circumstances than the Guild musn't fund their proxy to attend the conference. Kate says that the Guild needs to figure out if Maysam actually had an unforeseen circumstance for not attending the conference.

Megan says that it is unfair to accuse someone who put their hand up for election that they were always planning on not attending the conference when they are not actually at the meeting. Megan says that after speaking to Maysam before the conference unforeseen circumstances in which Maysam thought the conference was during the first week of December instead of the second week meant that she couldn't attend. Megan says that if Kate would like to ask Maysam a question she can send a question to Maysam through the Guild Secretary.



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Lincoln says that he wants to reiterate a statement from Vinuri Gajanayake's NUS report 'I must note that it was disappointing to see that some UWA delegates who aligned with binding factions did not make this point clear to the students who voted for them during Guild elections, which shows a significant lack of transparency on their part and I encourage them to advertise this next year.' Lincoln says that it would be a good thing for future NUS delegates to disclose to the students that are voting for them who they will be 'sitting with' at the NUS in order for greater transparency.

Megan asks Jacob Kerspian and Michael Mckenzie what factions they sat with?

Jacob K says that this question of sitting with factions isn't entirely accurate as it was only Michael M and himself.

Megan rephrases the question and asks if they sat with the Australian Liberal Students Federation?

Jacob K says yes.

Kate says that Lincoln has made a good point about transparency and factionalism. Kate refers back to the Guild Policy book where a 'STAR Guild Council' has recommended that all NUS delegates sit with the National Independents at the NUS. Kate says she finds it odd that a STAR NUS delegate would then proxy her votes to a Socialist Alternative delegate, as it doesn't reflect a 'STAR-made' policy.

Megan says that the Guild President at the time this policy was implemented was Maddie Mulholland and therefore she can't really comment on those policies. Kate asks if any of the STAR delegates would like to comment on this considering it was their ticket that created the policy a few years ago. Megan says that everyone within Guild Council sits as an independent and thus shouldn't be tied to any previous policy decision made by the ticket that they are apart of.

Megan moves a procedural motion to end question time on the NUS Reports.

Motion Carried.

Ben says that he wishes to move a procedural motion to reopen questions regarding the NUS Reports. He says that there are other



questions that he believes students deserve to know the answers too, that aren't related to student politics.

Megan reminds the Guild Council that questions should be kept to the reports and that they shouldn't leave that area of discussion.

Molly moves the Chair to Megan.

Megan moves a procedural motion that Question Time is reopened for NUS Reports.

Ben asks all delegates what can be done to move discussion at the NUS National Conference back towards student issues, as there were a number of motions that were not related to student issues.

Conrad responds first by saying that a good way to mitigate that is to set an agenda for motions before the Conference. Conrad was appalled at the lack of discussion with some important topics such as welfare and womens' issues. Conrad said that he was disappointed that his motions weren't discussed. Conrad says that factionalism gets in the way of a lot of important discussions. Conrad said should be proactive in changing the agenda back to putting students' first and encourages all future UWA delegates to improve the conference structure.

Megan says the NUS national conference is a highly factional event and that factions will always try to maintain power instead of helping students. Megan believes that there are definitely things that UWA delegates can do to reform the NUS National Conference.

Ben says that Vinuri G discussed in her report about how reforms to the NUS National Conference were often not tabled due to factionalism. Ben asks how the NUS can properly fulfil it's potential in the face of factionalism.

Conrad says that UWA delegates need to continue to put students first and by liasing with other factions. Conrad said that he had success in dealing with other factions such as Student Unity. Conrad says that constitutional reform is also another way that the NUS can overcome factional issues.



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Ben asks Conrad what he believes are the top three issues with the current conference system?

Conrad says that this is a hard question because most of the issues of the NUS stem from the larger issue of factionalism. For example things like yelling, intimidation of delegates, and behaving poorly on the conference floor.

Jacob K says that as someone who has attended the conference he believes the reality to be that factionalism will always maintain the current system. Delegates from certain factions will always want to maintain the power that they currently have.

Lincoln says that being secretariat has meant that he has had an insight into the improvements that the conference has experienced on the administrative side of things. Lincoln says that the conference is becoming far more efficient, for example a new 'check in-check out' system which allowed people to get onto the conference floor faster.

Jacob C asks Conrad about the policy of changing Queer/LGBTI department of the NUS to PRIDE/LGBTI department and why this didn't move to the conference floor?

Conrad says that he originally wanted to table this motion under LGBTI, but as it required changes to the constitution it moved into the constitution chapter and thus never made it to the floor.

Jacob C says that sucks.

Megan says that last year the constitutional change last year occurred as it allowed the officers of that department to determine if they wanted to call the department 'Queer' or 'Queer/LGBTI' department.

Jacob C was also wanting some more information about the 'Students Aren't Slave Labour, Pay Them' motion?

Conrad said that this motion was largely supported and that another delegate had a similar policy. Conrad spoke on the policy and it was largely supported and carried fairly easily, apart from two certain delegates that abstained.



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Bradán asks Conrad to elaborate on the 'Thanks for nothing NUS Queer' policy?

Conrad says that the 2017 National Office Bearers for the Queer Department were very disappointing in their performance, particularly in relation to the plebiscite.

Lincoln asks Conrad to elaborate about the Disabilities policy section?

Conrad says that the policy was made with the help of Chloe Hynes and the UWA Student Guild Access Department. Conrad said the policies were about setting benchmarks for the NUS in terms of what they should do to support students with disabilities. For example things like having closed captions on lectures and accessibility to teaching spaces are both important.

Bradán asks about the eligibility of Emma Norton attending the conference?

Megan says that as long as you were a student and a guild member when you were elected as a delegate you are allowed to run and be elected. Megan says that the NUS wouldn't have allowed her to attend if she was ineligible.

Bradán says that according to the Guild Election Regulations for the NUS in section 18.4 it states 'A delegate who ceases to be a Student represented by the member organisation on whose behalf that delegate was elected ceases to be a delegate'. Bradán asks if Emma was still a student at the time?

Megan says that she doesn't know Emma Norton's enrolment status but Jacob F as secretary can ask Emma a question 'on notice'.

Kate P asks all delegates for any other examples about how we can decrease the impact of factionalism at the NUS and if there is anything the NUS is doing as well?

Conrad says that the Guild uses our KPIs to determine the funding that the NUS receives. If the NUS has improvements in its KPIs then we give them more money but if they do worse than the Guild gives them less.



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Megan says that without a complete overhaul to the constitution it will be hard to have fast change. Megan gives the example of how moving the election of the returning officer out of student politics. Megan says that she has noticed improvements from when she was a delegate in 2016 compared to 2017 when she attended as a member of the National Executive. Megan says that it is a process of winning as many campuses as possible and coordinating national change as a whole.

Jacob K says that although there are a lot of good proposals and potential reforms, when these reforms don't even make it to the conference floor it is hard to make the argument of continual reform.

Michael M discusses a range of points. Michael says that the National Independents are formed by a range of WA delegates from STAR and other universities that fly over together and participate in caucus together and bind together. Conrad says the National Independents don't bind. Michael says there is the 'labor right' Student Unity and the 'labor left' NLS and that STAR is in between the two groups on the political spectrum. Michael says that when UWA delegates go to the NUS National Conference to try and make a difference that the reformist goal of STAR delegates doesn't work out. Michael refers to situations where other groups at the conference were yelling 'scabs' at the National Independents and Jacob K and himself. Michael applauds Megan for her goal of making the NUS better, but it is just a nice theory because delegates from WA will never have the political capital to improve the system. Megan says that Michael is welcome to help out. Michael says the NUS is run by the labor associated student groups that will continue to latch onto the power that they already have. Michael refers to specific situations of intense and inappropriate argument as something that UWA students don't care about.

Michael asks if there was a member of the National Independents that ate paper during the conference?

Megan and Conrad both say no, and that if there was a person they were not part of the National Independents.

Michael says he is referring to a 'Greens' member that he believes was in the National Independents. Megan and Conrad say that member was part of the 'Grassroots' group. Michael says that the National Independents bind with Grassroots. Megan says that they do not bind



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with Grassroots but work together so that they can work together as factions to make change and build support for common interests.

Michael says that when STAR delegates think that they can make change in the NUS, that they are wrong.

Michael discusses how the groups at the NUS such as the NLS and Student Unity supported the Labor Party against the Liberal Party in upcoming elections. Michael says that its terrible that the Guild pay money to an organisation and pay students to attend conferences with that organisation to support the Labor Party. Michael says that all STAR councillors should re-examine their feelings towards the NUS to see if this is really the right thing for students, which Michael says is to leave the NUS and not . Michael tells STAR councillors that they are a 'bunch of smart people' to which Megan replies 'thankyou' and that STAR councillors should look at UWA issues on the 'homefront'. Michael says everyone should read the reports and make up their own mind about the NUS National Conference. Michael describes situations of how he was called a 'bigot' and 'misogynist' by people he hadn't even met. Michael says he had been kicked out of the Conference for filming. He says that he is proud that he did that due to a lack of transparency in the organisation.

Lincoln asks Michael about why he filmed on the conference floor and potentially wasting student money by breaching student money?

Michael says that he made a moral judgment to film on the conference floor. Michael says that the students that voted for himself and other similar delegates are the students who are more critical of the NUS and would want to see UWA leave the NUS. Michael says that the NUS structure is undemocratic and therefore he filmed the conference in order to shed some light on what went on at the conference. Michael said that there was physical and verbal abuse that students on whole deserved to know about. Michael says he was only removed from the conference floor for about 40 minutes but then he came back and continued to have solid debate about motions.

Conrad asks Michael if it is a waste of student money to fly over to Melbourne for a week and not contribute at all to the conference?



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Michael says that he spoke on several student related motions at the NUS. Michael says that himself and Jacob K represent the 'centre right' at the NUS and even though there were only two of them he believes that they represented so many students that are disappointed with the system. Michael says he has been and is working hard to push for the disaffiliation movement across Australia.

Joseph says that Michael and Jacob K are being quite critical of the NUS and therefore he asks what they think can be done to resolve issues at the NUS in the future?

Michael says that he urges the Guild Council to look at the Institute of Public Affairs' audit into freedom of speech on university campuses. Michael says that UWA failed the test of determining how 'free' the Student Guild and university is as a whole.

Joseph says that the didn't the Guild have a referendum on whether or not the students wanted to leave the NUS?

Jacob K says that the referendum was largely based upon party lines and that the reality is student's don't know what is going on and that the system is designed that way.

Joseph then queries if Jacob K and Michael think the voters that voted at the referendum are stupid?

Jacob K says no, but the system is designed so that students cannot get the information.

Joseph says that wouldn't it be the job of members of the Launch ticket to provide the information to potential voters at the referendum, considering they were the ones who initiated the referendum. Joseph says that then once the students had the information provided to them, they then made their informed decision. Joseph then says that it would be a smart idea to put the issue to bed, as the students have evidently come out and voted and demonstrated what they want. Joseph says that the point of the referendum was to identify what the students wanted and the result of the referendum demonstrated that students didn't think that the Guild should leave the NUS.



Jacob C asks about issues with reporting the minutes at the NUS National Conference. Jacob C says that in the past students have complained about the minutes not being provided and that he would like UWA students to be able to see what people like Conrad have tried to do at the NUS. Jacob C asks are the minutes released?

Megan says yes.

Jacob C asks if we are able to demonstrate what goes on at the conference to the students of UWA?

Megan says yes, and that this is something she definitely would like the students of UWA to know how their delegates vote. Megan also says that there are four full days of minuting to take place so it does take some time.

Jacob C asks when do the minutes get released?

Megan says the resolutions have to be accepted by the National Executive which last year she said they were approved around late June.

Kate F asks Jacob F about the circumstances in which Guild Council will be able to ask NUS delegates questions 'on notice'? Kate F asks if they will be required to come to the next meeting?

Jacob F says that he will contact any of the delegates with potential questions and that he will get answers back to Council at the next meeting. Megan says that the final two reports were received just before this council meeting had begun and that they will be circulated ASAP. Jacob F says to send him through any questions?

Ivan asks if reports will be published on the guild website?

Megan says yes.

8.0 MOTIONS ON NOTICE

8.1: The 105th Guild Council will host two Ordinary General Meetings in 2018 to be held on the 27th of March and the 23rd of October.



Moved: Megan Lee; Seconded: Jacob Fowler

Megan says that there has been some deficiencies with the Student Guild following regulations in terms of OGMs. In 2017 the Guild didn't follow Guild regulations by not having an OGM. Megan has spoken to Chloe Keller about these dates. The OGMs will be organised by Guild staff and they will be run by the Guild Student delegates. The Guild will be looking to have an Annual General Meeting which will be held once a year. The current regulations in terms of the set agenda for the two OGMs are incompatible with the current guild financial year. The regulations are outdated and the Guild will be working with the University to make them more compatible with current times. Megan says to make up for previous failings of the Guild it is critical that for this year we accept these dates.

Jacob F echoes the words of Megan and says that it is compulsory for all Student delegates to attend both OGMs as a quorum of 100 ordinary guild members is required.

Motion passes unanimously.

8.2: The 105th Guild Council elects Alfred Burgess and Charles Greif as OCM's to the Tenancy Committee, as recommended by the Tenancy Committee.

Moved: Jacob Colangelo; Seconded: Yerim Won

Jacob C says that the Guild needs to appoint two Tenancy Committee OCMs. The Tenancy Committee met and determined that these two candidates for the role were best suited for the Tenancy Committee and that the Guild should vote for this motion.

Yerim echoes the words of Jacob C.

Motion passes unanimously.

9.0 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

8.2: The 105th Guild Council:

- condemn Q&A for inviting Charles Watersteet, who has multiple allegations of sexual assault and harassment against him, to speak on the Q&A panel concerning the #MeToo campaign.



- supports the NUS Women's Department's open letter condemning Q&A for silencing the voice of activists who investigated Watersteet and supported survivors to tell their story and change the culture of our society.
- reaffirms it's commitment to making UWA a safer campus and the obligations under the UWA Safety on Campus Action Plan.

Moved: Megan Lee; Seconded: Roshni Kaila

Megan says that this motion was without notice because this information only came out within the last 24 hours. Megan says that it would be good to have to endorsement from Guild Council for herself and Roshni to pen the open letter condemning Q&A.

Council votes to hear the motion.

Megan says that multiple campuses around the country have been following a similar course of action. Megan says that Charles Watersteet has been accused of sexual violence by a number of young women. Q&A have decided to have someone who is accused of sexual violence on their panel and Megan believes that this is inappropriate. Megan believes that Q&A could have had someone else on the panel that would create a far more positive impact in Australia.

Bre echoes the words of Megan, and says that this 'supporting survivors' is one of the key priorities of the Women's Department and that the department is sick of hearing from people that are accused of sexual assault and violence on public platforms.

Kate P asks why this motion hasn't been split into two sections? Kate P says that having a condemnation of Q&A and having an open letter are two different issues and therefore separating the motion makes sense.

Megan says that she disagrees with this as the condemnation and open letter are inherently linked and thus they should be in the same motion.

Kate P moves to split the motion.

Molly calls for speakers for and against splitting the motion.
There are no speakers for splitting the motion.

Conrad speaks against splitting the motion, as it wouldn't make sense to have it separated. The first part of the motion condemns Q&A within Guild



Council and then the open letter condemning Q&A is substantially the same thing.

Dylan speaks against splitting the motion because as the Student Guild we should be doing all that we can to support victims of sexual assault. As a victim of sexual assault Dylan believes it wouldn't be the right move to split the motion as this would lessen the impact of the motion.

Kate P withdraws the motion.

Jacob C asks where will the letter go?

Megan says that the letter is from the NUS. It will go on the NUS Women's page and even the Guild Women's Department page. Megan says that we need to commit to our obligations within the UWA Safety on Campus Action Plan which Megan oversees. By passing this motion and penning the open letter the Guild will be committing to the obligations by actively contributing to removing rape culture on campus.

Jacob C queries about the circumstances of Charles Watersteet being on the Q&A panel and if this is an issue?

Megan says that the Women's Department is very much supportive of survivors and that the department should definitely speak up when a situation like this arises. Megan says that it is never appropriate to sexually assault someone which means that it is also never appropriate to have someone accused of sexual assault be given a platform to speak about the issue or any issue.

Jacob C asks if the #MeToo campaign is about survivors speaking out about their experiences?

Megan says yes it is, but it is also about normalising the fact that sexual assault is far more prevalent than people think.

Motion Passes.

For: Megan Lee, Ian Brady, Yerim Won, Conrad Hogg, Joseph Chan, Bre Shanahan, Pheobe Ho, Peter Warson, Adhish Kastha, Jacob Fowler, Raaghav Raj, Nevin Jayawardena, Kate Fletcher, Kate Pryce, Matthew



Kolomyjec, Ben Perry, Su Sugandha, Bradan Sonnendecker, Jade Mawby, Ivan Roncevich, Desiree Tan (carried by Pheobe Ho)

Against: No one against

Abstaining: Jacob Colangelo

10.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

- 10.1 Jacob Fowler discusses how soon monthly OGC meetings will start in order to discuss:
- Ideas and Initiatives for the year
 - Following up on Action Points from Sub-Committee Meetings
 - Coordination of OGCs to help out with events run by the Guild.
- 10.2 PROSH: Jacob Colangelo says that everyone from Guild Council needs to be engaged with PROSH. Jacob C says that he has had seven applications for sub-editors which is a new record. Writer's nights will be held on 27th of February, 6th and 13th of March. The final layout weekend will be held from the 10th to 11th of March. Jacob C expects all Guild Councillors to make a contribution and that he will be asking for help with certain tasks if necessary. Megan says that Jacob C has been doing a really good job and that everyone needs to support him.
- 10.3 Su talks about how her role as VP means she works with MASA. Su would appreciate any help and support from other Guild Councillors.
- 10.4 Peter discusses how the Guild President XI v Vice Chancellor XI cricket match is being held on the 20th of March. He would appreciate any help possible. If anyone is wanting to play they are welcome to contact him and get involved.

11.0 CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be held on Monday 26th February at 6:00pm. Please contact the Guild Secretary (secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au) with any apologies or proxies. All office bearers and department officers will be available at 5:30pm immediately prior to the meeting. All motions and reports need to be emailed to



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secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au by Monday 19th February at 6:00pm. The time of the meeting may change to earlier in the day due to unforeseen circumstances and if so this information will be provided to everyone as soon as possible.