

# SPECIAL GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING | 14 February 2022 Minutes

Voting Members: Rashdina Ramli (Chair (RR), Amitabh Jeganathan, Aidan Mansfield (AM), Ethan Czar

(EC), Julia Aguinot (JA)

Non-voting/Co-opted Members:

Staff: Tony Goodman (TG)

Meeting opened at 4:15pm

## 1.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

RR begins by acknowledging the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet today and pays her respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

#### 2.0 WELCOME AND OPENING

**Apologies:** Julia Aguinot

**Attendance:** Rashdina Ramli (Chair (RR), Amitabh Jeganathan, Aidan Mansfield (AM), Ethan Czar (EC), Tony Goodman (TG)

## 3.0 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

N/A

#### 4.0 BUSINESS COMPLETED VIA CIRCULAR

N/A

#### 5.0 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

## 5.1 Proposal for New Process of Appointment

RR says that they will review the proposal that was written up and come to a vote on whether the committee accepts to trial this new process of appointment. RR asks if the committee has had the chance to read through and what everyone's general feel on it is.

AM enters the room.

RR asks if there are any comments or amendments that they would suggest to the proposal. AJ says he is quite happy with it. Everyone agrees. RR quickly goes through the people to be on the panel for both interviews of Education Council president and Womens' Officer. Everyone is happy with it. EC suggests standardizing instead of having uneven numbers on each panel, since Education Council had 9 members on the panel Womens' should match that number. AM agrees. AJ suggests maybe adding Charlotte onto the panel for Womens'.

AM suggests that in the proposal it should probably be stated for future reference how people are nominated to be on the panel and whether it is a job for the Governance committee or some other way. TG says that it would have to be the Governance committee to make the choice of who sits on the panel, and that it could be included in future that the selection that will be made will be as bipartisan as possible. TG asks if we are going on to getting this process to be ratified in the standing orders. RR says we are passing it through to be trialed first, if the

process goes well after being tried out then we will probably go on to looking to change it in the standing orders.

RR says that post this process a feedback form should be sent out to receive insight on how it can be improved or what went well.

The committee unanimously agrees on passing the proposal.

Meeting closes at 4:22 PM

# 6.0 ALL OTHER BUSINESS

N/A

# 7.0 NEXT MEETING

The next Governance Committee Meeting is 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Please send apologies by the time noted on the next agenda. Agenda to be sent out closer to the date.



## **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE | 23 February 2022**

Minutes

Voting Members: Rashdina Ramli (Chair (RR), Amitabh Jeganathan (AJ), Aidan Mansfield (AM), Ethan

Czar (EC), Julia Aguinot (JA)
Non-voting/Co-opted Members:

**Staff: Tony Goodman (TG)** 

Meeting opened at 10:07am

## 1.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

RR begins by acknowledging the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet today and pays her respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

## 2.0 WELCOME AND OPENING

Apologies: Aidan Mansfield (AM)

**Attendance:** Rashdina Ramli (Chair (RR), Amitabh Jeganathan (AJ), Julia Aguinot (JA), Tony Goodman (TG), Prisha Goel (PG)

#### 3.0 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

N/A

RR to send minutes from special meeting in the next meeting.

#### 4.0 BUSINESS COMPLETED VIA CIRCULAR

N/A

#### 5.0 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

#### 5.1 Election of Executive Officer (EO)

RR is elected as EO, TG says that even as EO RR will be able to delegate tasks if needed

## 5.2 Lyn Beazley Institute Rules

RR refers to membership of committee and how it sounds like the Vice President is heavily involved in this institution, but it states that it is required for the committee to appoint a member of Guild Executive. It is confusing as to why this doesn't just go to the Vice President instead. TG says it may be better to just standardize it to being the Vice President. RR says with the appointment of some roles it is also meant to be appointed by the Vice President however an Executive is meant to be appointed onto the committee so it may be worth reconsidering the structure.

RR asks if it should be approved or if the committee is to give a recommendation on changes to this draft. TG says we could get AM to make edits and possibly explain why it was made as such, unless it is approved under the presumption that AM is happy to make those amendments. RR says it would be worth getting AM to make the changes first.

#### 5.3 Terms of Reference

Ami sent through a draft of terms of reference for the Student Project Board and the Research Hub. TG says he is a bit confused on. AJ says the idea for this was to be under Innovation separate to Venture. RR says she is happy with it, and it just needs to be formalized and formatted. TG asks when they would be starting. AJ says pretty much as it would be gotten up. RR asks if it would be okay to pass it and format it later. TG says yes that is possible. The terms of references get passed unanimously.

## 6.0 ALL OTHER BUSINESS

## 6.1 Committee member expectations

RR asks if there are any expectations that anyone has for this year. TG explains that governance is a committee that looks after the organization's legal structure. AJ adds that governance less to do with the contents of documents but more of the structuring and meeting requirements, it is the final check before things go to council.

## 6.2 Appointment of Executive Officer

RR asks if the clause involving the appointment of an EO on each subcommittee would need to be approved for each constitution or if it could be done all together. TG says that just the one clause could be approved and applied to each subcommittee.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25

## 7.0 NEXT MEETING

The next Governance Committee Meeting is TBC. Please send apologies by the time noted on the next agenda. Agenda to be sent out closer to the date.



# **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE | 25 May 2022**

**MINUTES** 

Voting Members: Rashdina Ramli (Chair/EO) (RR), Prisha Goel (PG), Amitabh Jegenathan (AJ), Aidan Mansfield (AM), Ethan Czar (EC), Julia Aguinot (JA), Anushka Mukherjee (ANM), Kushagra Rathore (KR), Levon Johnson (LJ)

Non-voting/Co-opted Members: Chloe Bryant (CB)

Staff: Tony Goodman

Meeting opens at 10:08am

#### 1.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

RR begins by acknowledging the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet today, the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation, and pays her respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

#### 2.0 WELCOME AND OPENING

Attendance: Rashdina, Ethan, Anushka, Aidan, Tony, Prisha

Apologies: Levon, Kushagra Absent: Amitabh, Julia

#### 3.0 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

N/A

## 4.0 BUSINESS COMPLETED VIA CIRCULAR

N/A

#### 5.0 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

## 5.1 Guild Election Timetable 2022

Election timetable is passed and approved unanimously.

## 5.2 NSSS Response Working Group – Terms of Reference

RR says it was done up by CB following a motion she had passed in a previous council meeting to create a working group in response to the survey results, asks if anyone has any recommendations or feedback to relay to CB.

TG asks if this will have to go back to council for approval

RR says it is unclear however would assume not as the motion passed had included in its clause that council has approved for her create this working group

TG agrees on that being the process.

The committee unanimously votes to pass and approve it.

#### 6.0 ALL OTHER BUSINESS

## 6.1 SOCPAC Regulations

TG says the soc/pac regulations need to include updates on incorporated corporations under soc and pac and the changes around public liability to management liability. The directors/heads/student leaders of the clubs or societies are liable for anything that goes wrong, and that the guild can't do anything, so it needs to be clear.

The changes will have to be made to the regulations which will first go through soc council. The other change needed is the addition of the new student representative code of conduct that will now bind all student representatives when they join a club/committee. TG says it is important to note though that the Code of Conduct cannot supersede UWA code of freedom of speech

RR asks as new election regs were sent through which included the new code of conduct are council members require to sign it off. TG says as it was accepted and passed in council and so all members have agreed to be bound to it. Next year's council when elected will have to sign it when they take up the role, however.

## 6.2 Appointment of Chairs on Subcommittees

AM says it is unclear on how a chair of a committee is re-elected and should be clarified perhaps when subcommittee constitutions get changed. RR says the most likely best process would be for the chair to be re-elected within the committee itself instead of the election going back to council as that would require a wait until the end of the month for a new chair.

Meeting closes at 10:20am

## 7.0 NEXT MEETING

The next Governance Committee Meeting is TBC. Please send apologies by the time noted on the next agenda. Agenda to be sent out closer to the date.



# **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE | 28 June 2022**

**MINUTES** 

Voting Members: Rashdina Ramli (Chair/EO) (RR), Prisha Goel (PG), Amitabh Jegenathan (AJ), Aidan Mansfield (AM), Ethan Czar (EC), Julia Aguinot (JA), Anushka Mukherjee (ANM), Kushagra Rathore (KR), Levon Johnson (LI)

Non-voting/Co-opted Members:

**Staff: Tony Goodman** 

Meeting opens at 2:04pm

#### 1.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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#### 2.0 WELCOME AND OPENING

Attendance: Kushagra, Tony, Levon

Apologies: Anushka, Aidan, Ethan

Absent: Julia, Amitabh, Prisha

## 3.0 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

N/A

## 4.0 BUSINESS COMPLETED VIA CIRCULAR

N/A

## 5.0 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

## 5.1 SOC/PAC Regulations

Attachment A

RR points out spelling error on clause 29.8. Should be "be" instead of "bee". TG says will fix that up.

TG says nothing much has changed apart from the addition of the new Code of Conduct as well as management liability.

The regulations are approved along with the amendments made.

# **5.2** Public Promotions Policy

Attachment B

TG says that the policy was made to highlight and reflect how laws have changed around what you say online and what can be seen as defamatory for example.

Prisha enters the meeting via teams.

RR asks for clarification on whether the division responsible should be the same as the social media policy or is it intentionally different, TG says they should be the same. Both will be standardised under the same authority and division responsible

The public promotions policy is approved along with the amendments made.

# 5.3 Social Media Policy

Attachment C

RR says numbering of 6.2.4 to 6.2.10 is incorrect, will email TG with which points specifically need to be renumbered.

The social media policy is approved along with the amendments made.

## 6.0 ALL OTHER BUSINESS

N/A

## 7.0 NEXT MEETING

Meeting closes at 2:10pm

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