



1. WELCOME / OPENING

1.1. Attendance

Prisha Goel (PG), Iknur Virik (IV), Julia Aguinot (JA), Abdul Rahman (AR), Geemal Jayawickrama (GJ), Farran Anwar (FA), Paris Javid (PJ), Natasha Nicole (NN), Daniel Roden (DR) Melani De Alwis (MA), Amira Nunn (AN), Adam Elyousef (AE), Abanoub (Boni) Riad (BR), Aidan Mansfield (AM), Tanisha Kothari (TK), Charlotte Kennedy (CK), Joseph Kaddis (JK), Narendra Gammanpila (NG), Misha Riaz (MR), Jak Spagnuolo (JS), Tony Goodman (TG), Mutya Maraginot-Joseph (MMJ), Rashdina Ayeesha Ramli (RAR)

RAR moved a procedural motion to accept Amitabh Jeganathan (AJ) attendance on zoom.
Procedural motion passed unanimously

1.2. Apologies

Dana Fung, Ethan Nicholas, Max Beard, Maria Waters, Nicole McEwan, Esther Nixon

1.3. Proxies

Lara Dale (LD) (for Jak Beard), Sineng Jiang (SJ) (for Jasmine Hensley)

1.4. Observers

Emma Forsyth

1.5. Absent

Louis Cheng, Catherine Cheesman, Robert Whitehurst

2. DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

None

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

None

5. BUSINESS COMPLETED VIA CIRCULAR

None

6. BUSINESS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

None

7. ELECTIONS

RAR moved a procedural motion to elect TG as returning officer
Procedural motion passed unanimously

7.1. Alumni Engagement Committee

- a) Three (3) Members of Guild Council (at least one of whom must be a woman or non-binary person)

AJ nominated DR, RAR, AM for the Alumni Engagement Committee

Moved: AJ

Seconded: GJ

DR, RAR, AM were elected unopposed to the Alumni Engagement Committee

7.2. Referendum Standing Committee

- a) Three (3) Ordinary Guild Councillors

AJ nominated AM, RAR, PG for the Referendum Standing Committee

Moved: AJ

Seconded: GJ

AM, RAR, PG were elected unopposed to Referendum Standing Committee

8. GOVERNANCE TRAINING

8.1. Student Reports

NG reminds all Office Bearers & OGCs to gain access to their Guild emails & familiarise themselves with the student reports (as sent out via email) as these are now required monthly by everyone elected to council. The first report will be due before January council.

8.2. Commercials

JS highlights that the commercial team delivers profits & savings outside of the SSAF & ordinary university investments. This includes (not exhaustive): guild outlets, tavern, vending machines & university wide projects. The commercial team sits on the following committees: Catering & Tavern, Strategic Management, Corporate Services. JS mentions that commercial team can be reached either via email or through the office or via the monthly report released.

9. MASTER PLAN DISCUSSIONS

9.1. Revamp of UWA Precinct

JS mentions that UWA is looking to change its architectural partnership from its current provider, to revamp the UWA Precinct. 5 applications by various architectural firms will be evaluated over the coming weeks to decide which one best captures UWA's vision. The evaluation process will begin with the first masterplan meeting on Thursday 16th December.

JS also mentions that marketing for outlets in the refectory will begin.

10. REPORTS

10.1. General Secretary's Budget Report

NG goes through the proposed Guild Department Budgets for 2022, making specific mention of the following points:

- A more conservative approach was taken this year, thus seeing most budgets facing a net decrease with the exceptions of a few
- In many budgets, the “conferences” & “stationary & printing” budget line was significantly reduced to reflect the impact of COVID-19 and transition to online platforms
- The Guild Council budget faced a ~\$60k increased primarily increases in insurance, depreciation costs and ~\$8,000 transfer of funds from the Venture to the Guild Council Budget.
- For more information on the breakdown of the Guild Council Budgets, see the 2022 Budget Report.

MA mentions that she needs additional funds to purchase department T-Shirts.

Amendment to move \$79.50 out for the President's Special Project budget line and transfer it to Access Department's Advertising & Promotions budget line.

Moved: MA

Seconded: DR

Motion to increase the Access Department's Advertising & Promotions budget line passes unanimously

MA questions as to why the budgets for 2022 have decreased, despite the “freeze” on spending during the COVID years of 2020-2021.

NG responds by saying that a conservative approach is necessary to ensure the Guild is in a good position moving forward. NG also mentions that many of the excess allocation of department from previous years were reduced and that cuts were ubiquitous across all Guild Departments. TG confirms this sentiment stating that a conservative budget is necessary for the future health of the Guild.

DR asks how Guild Departments would go about getting an increase in budget throughout the year.

TG replies by mentioning they will have to go via a business case. MMJ also mentions that each month the budgets are reviewed, and any over expenditure will be reviewed by the president / exec / SRC.

MMJ / TG goes through Commercial, Services & Activity, Corporate Services & Non-Operating Income, making specific mention of the following points:

- Staff departments primarily faced changes due to increases in salaries.
- Marketing budget has decreased due to the decrease in advertising income from Pelican & Guild Diaries.
- Net Operating Income has increased slightly due to increases in the investment portfolio, leading to a ~\$20,000 increase in return.
- For further details on the following areas, please consult the 2022 Budget Report.

11. MOTIONS ON NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

11.1. The Guild Council approves the 2022 Preliminary Budget Deficit-Surplus figure of \$395,597 (deficit), as recommended by the Strategic Resources Committee.

Moved: NG

Seconded: AM

Questions & Debate: None

The motion to approve the 2022 Preliminary Budget Deficit-Surplus figure passed unanimously

11.2. The Guild Council approves the line items in the 2022 Preliminary Budget pack, as recommended by the Strategic Resources Committee.

Moved: NG
Seconded: AM

Questions & Debate: None

The motion to approve the 2022 Preliminary Budget pack passed unanimously

11.3. The 109th Guild Council:

11.3.1 approves the formation of a UWA Student Radio Station, to be named UDUB Radio

11.3.2 approves the expenditure of \$15,500 for the station's equipment & operations

11.3.3 appoints charlotte Kennedy as the station manager (president) for 2022

Moved: GJ
Seconded: AJ

GJ differed speaking to CK. CK speaks on the motion:

CK mentions that UDUB radio will be a student run radio station. UWA is the only Go8 (Group of 8) university that doesn't have a radio station. The old UWA radio station was shut down due to a deficit / high cost of production. CK mentions that this will be good to increase engagement amongst the students / clubs.

AJ reflects this sentiment and highlights the tireless work CK has put into making this a reality. AJ also mentions that a radio station has been repeatedly mentioned as something that the student's wants in surveys.

Questions:

- MJ asks how is the UDUB Radio being funded when we are already in a budget deficit?
 - NG mentions that UDUB Radio will be processed through a business case, and thus will come out of the UWA Savings, and not the same pool of money that the Guild Departments are funded from.
- AN asks whether or not UDUB Radio will be accessible to all clubs / students?
 - CK mentions that it will be open to all clubs / students with no restrictions. Enabling clubs to put in applications to run their own shows / podcasts.
- MMJ asks whether CK has looked into insurance for UDUB Radio?
 - CK responds saying she hasn't and will investigate this further during follow up meeting with MMJ / TG.
- MJ asks how accessible UDUB Radio will be for all types of students (e.g. vision impaired , hearing impaired)?
 - CK responds that there is no such plan to cater for this demographic however she will look into it.
 - TG also mentions that all other major unis have a radio station, and UWA can look into the strengths & weaknesses of them and build on them, rather than starting from scratch.

Debate: none

The motion to approve the formation of UDUB Radio, approving the expenditure and appointing CK as station manager passed unanimously



12. MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

12.1. The 109th Guild Council:

12.1.1. Condemns the Liberal government's Religious Discrimination Bill (2021) which would weaken existing anti-discrimination protections and allow religious groups and individuals more freedom to discriminate against women, queer people, people with disability, people of colour, and even people of faith.

12.1.2 Recognises that this bill would put the above groups at risk of harmful and discriminatory statements, and compromise their access to safe, inclusive, and judgement-free workplaces, education institutions, health care facilities, and homelessness and family violence services.

12.1.3 Encourages all students, and especially Guild Councillors, to use platforms available to them to speak out against this bill and to write to their local MPs to voice their concerns over this bill.

12.1.4. Encourages the UWA Student Guild and its Departments to use their social media and other platforms to speak out against this bill, provide resources to assist students' activism, and provide support to students that may be affected.

12.1.5. Endorses the Religious Discrimination Bill 2021 factsheets made by Equality Australia and encourages our fellow student leaders to use the points made in that document to inform their activism and advocacy.

Moved: PJ

Seconded: FA

PJ explains the reason why the motion was late was to avoid submitting it for January and potentially lose a whole month that could have been spent advocating

RAR passed a procedural to hear the motion:

The procedural motion to hear the motion 12.1 passed unanimously

PJ speaks on motion, highlighting the importance of condemning the Liberal government's Religious Discrimination Bill (2021).

Questions: None

Debate: None

The motion to condemning the Liberal government's Religious Discrimination Bill (2021) passed unanimously

13. GENERAL BUSINESS

13.1 Things to note about flyers and the Guild's policy on publications and promotions

- There has been some inappropriate use of Guild noticeboards by external groups
- Putting up un-approved material is a clear breach of the standards laid out in our flyer policy: https://www.uwastudentguild.com/assets/downloads/policies/publications-promotions-policy_2020.pdf
- We encourage all student leaders to keep an eye out for breaches and to report any concerning materials found around the guild village or on guild noticeboards to the Guild Student Centre or Email marketing@guild.uwa.edu.au (staff will do the same)

- This policy is due for review in 2022
- The most notable change will be the implementation LED screens with a rolling display of posters
- The 2022 policy will be determined by future governance committee and approved by council
- We may include a rule against the propagation of pseudo-science and harmful misinformation but the current prohibitions may prove adequate in light of the greater control a digital system will give us
- Council members are encouraged to read the current policy so as to better participate in the creation and approval of the future policy

14. CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be held Wednesday 26th January 2022 at 6:00 PM. Please contact the Guild General Secretary (secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au) with any apologies or proxies. If unable to attend, please advise which dates you are available to reschedule if a quorum cannot be met.

