



## **1. WELCOME AND OPENING**

### **1.1 Attendance**

Narendra Gammanpila (NG)  
Prisha Goel (PG)  
Aidan Mansfield (AM)  
Charlotte Kennedy (CK)  
Jak Beard (JB)  
Max Beard (MB)  
Iknur Virik (IV)  
Tanisha Kothari (TK)  
Maria Waters (MW)  
Melani De Alwis (MDA)  
Dana Fung (DF)  
Amira Nunn (AN)  
Paris Javid (PJ)  
Farran Anwar (FA)  
Ethan Nicholas (EN)  
Daniel Roden (DR)  
Geemal Jayawickrama (GJ)  
Julia Aguinot (JA)  
Tony Goodman (TG)

### **1.2 Apologies**

Rashdina Ayeesha Ramli  
Adam Elyousef  
Nicole Mcewen  
Catherine Chelsea  
Natasha Nicole  
Joeseeph Kaddis

### **1.3 Proxies**

Sineng Jiang (Education Council)

### **1.4 Observers**

Camila Egusquiza  
Emma Forsyth  
Justine Cerna  
Izzy Hamer  
Charles Fedor (zoom)  
Leethaanya T P (zoom)  
Lydia Tan (zoom)  
Sarah Ooi (zoom)  
Iresha Fazlin Ismail (zoom)  
Khoa Mai (zoom)  
Indrani Ramisetty (zoom)  
Nicole Chan (zoom)  
Abira Suresh Gunaseelan (zoom)

### **1.5 Absent**

Esther Nixon  
Saphire Carter  
Misha Riaz  
Boni Riad



## **2. DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

None

## **3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The previous minutes were confirmed unanimously

## **4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

None

## **5. BUSINESS COMPLETED VIA CIRCULAR**

None

## **6. DIRECTORS REPORTS**

- 6.1 Managing Director
- 6.2 Finance Director
- 6.3 Commercial
- 6.4 Student Services

TG speaks on the directors' reports. TG describes the impact of COVID and the impact that it has on the Guild as an organisation and mentions that the Guild is working alongside the University to find solutions. TG also mentions that having your 'covid booster jab' will become a condition of entry into UWA. TG mentions that a UWA bylaw will be put in place to help enforce the new requirements around COVID

TG mentions that staff will rotate in and out of the office as per a schedule to help minimise key personnel from being affected by COVID.

TG updates council on the progress of the Guild Masterplan & how there are 2 shortlisted architecture firms.

TG highlights the changes to insurance liability to incorporated clubs on campus and how the Guild will not be able to insure incorporated clubs.

## **7. QUESTION TIME – Directors Reports**

AM asks when will the staggering of staff begin? TG replies 'as soon as possible' and mentions that as a council, we should start to consider similar measures to put in place.

*PG passes a procedural motion to move into camera. This motion passed unanimously.*

*PG conducted a vote to accept the directors' reports. The reports were accepted unanimously.*

## **8. STUDENT REPORTS**

- 8.1 President (Not Complete = NC) - Late due to medical reasons
- 8.2 Vice President – as tabled
- 8.3 General Secretary - as tabled
- 8.4 Guild Chair - as tabled
- 8.5 Education Council President (NC) – not present
- 8.6 Societies Council President (NC) – Submitted late
- 8.7 Public Affairs Council President (NC) – Submitting late
- 8.8 WASAC Chair (NC) – not present
- 8.9 Women's Officer (NC) – not present



- 8.10 Welfare Officer (NC) – not present
- 8.11 Postgraduates Students' Association President – as tabled
- 8.12 International Students' Department President – as tabled
- 8.13 Residential Students' Department President (NC) – not present
- 8.14 Environment Officer (NC) – Submitting late
- 8.15 Sports Officer (NC) – not present
- 8.16 Access Department – as tabled
- 8.17 Pride Officers (NC) – submitting late
- 8.18 Ethnocultural Department Officers – as tabled
- 8.19 Volunteering Chair (NC) – pending a staff meeting tomorrow
- 8.20 OGC (5/13)
- 8.21 MASA President (NC) – not present

## 9. QUESTION TIME – Student Reports

None

## 10. BUSINESS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

The following motions have been raised for approval by the 109<sup>th</sup> Guild Council Executive:

10.1 The 109<sup>th</sup> Guild Council accepts the resignations of Jasmine Hensley from the position of Education Council President effective immediately

Moved: Narendra Gammanpila  
Seconded: Aidan Mansfield

AM speaks on the motion and mentions that Jasmine Hensley has resigned from her position.

*The resignation of Jasmine Hensley passed unanimously.*

10.2 The 109<sup>th</sup> Guild Council accepts the resignations of Esther Nixon from the position of Women's Officer effective from 27/01/22

Moved: Narendra Gammanpila  
Seconded: Aidan Mansfield

AM speaks on the motion and mention that Esther Nixon has resigned from her position.

*The resignation of Esther Nixon passed unanimously.*

10.3 The 109<sup>th</sup> Guild Council directs the Governance Committee to establish a recommendation process for council appointment to fill the casual vacancies of Office Bearer positions.

Moved: Aidan Mansfield  
Seconded: Narendra Gammanpila

AM speaks on the motion that Government Committee will establish a process & provide guidance in filling casual vacancies in the Guild. AM also mentions that a representative panel as constructed by the Governance Committee will help interview members and help recommend someone to council.

MDA seeks to clarify what is meant by "groups on council". AM explains that this includes the different political groups alongside any independent parties and will be subject to the Governance Committee.

*The motion to direct the Governance Committee to establish a recommendation process for council to fill the casual vacancies of Office Bearer positions passed unanimously.*



## 11 ELECTIONS

None

## 12 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

12.1 The 109<sup>th</sup> Guild Council appoints Samantha Eadie to the position of Acting Women's Officer.

Moved: Charlotte Kennedy

Seconded: Julia Anguinot

CK mentions that Samantha is an organised and driven individual and is well suited for the Role.

MDA questions who would be choosing the Women's committee. AM explains that there is current no women's committee in place.

MDA questions whether other people applied for the Women's Officer role and what made Samantha stands out. JA explains that this is just an acting position while we get a permanent replacement & reiterates the importance of having a women's officer for events such as O-Day.

AN ask whether "Savanah Walker" was considered as acting Women's Officer. AM explains that according to the regulations, it is not necessary for the 2<sup>nd</sup> in line via votes to be called up. MDA suggests that since 'Jack Maurice' was called up, why wasn't 'Savanah Walker'. AJ replies saying that Jack Maurice was considered out of friendship & prior relations and not necessity. Restating that, the Guild Regulations states that you do not need go down the ballot as reaffirmed by TG.

TG also mentions that ballot recounts will only occur with OGC positions as there often much closer in votes, whereas office bearer positions vary too much in votes to do a recount.

DR suggests that if this is a temporary position, that the time period should be specified in the motion. AM replies that since the acting position will be in effect until the Governance Committee decides on the next replacement, it will be unwise to specify a distinct time period. This sentiment is reflected throughout the room.

*The motion to appoints Samantha Eadie to the position of Acting Women's Officer passed unanimously.*

12.2 Upon recommendations from the Education Council Committee, the 109<sup>th</sup> Guild Council appoints Julia Aguinot as Acting Education Council President effective 27/01/22.

Moved: Aidan Mansfield

Seconded: Narendra Gammanpila

AM speaks on the motion and mentions that they used the principals for the acting president to help govern their choice. AM mentions that if no one from executive can fulfil the acting president role, then it goes down to the Guild Council. This same logic was applied to Acting Education Council President and hence Julia Aguinot was put forward. PG moves a procedural motion to give SJ speaking rights.

SJ reiterates the precedent used was for acting president and this was applied for the process of appointing an acting Education Council President. SJ mentions that all members of the Education Council were asked and no one wanted to step up, and after lengthy consultations Julia Aguinot was put forward.



*The motion to appoint Julia Aguinot as Acting Education Council President effective from 27/01/22 passed unanimously.*

### 13 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

#### 13.1 The 109<sup>th</sup> Guild Council:

- a. Will work with the University to find solutions to welcome international students back onto campus in a safe manner
- b. Calls upon the State Government to reconsider its border closure policies to allow International Students to enter WA in a safe manner
- c. Calls upon UWA to accommodate the adjustments needed by students to alter their study arrangements after the announcement
- d. Encourages all clubs and Departments to continue to engage all offshore students through their social media platforms

Moved: Geemal Jayawickrama

Seconded: Aidan Mansfield

GJ speaks on the motion. GJ reiterates the importance of such a motion for international student's wellbeing and own mental health. GJ mentions that such students are willing to comply with any regulations the Australian government may have which should make it easier for them to come and commence their studies. GJ also urges the university to be more supportive of international students for when they do arrive back on campus and to support them to reintegrate back into their studies. GJ also urges more clubs to organise more events to cater for the offshore students.

CK reiterates the importance of the motion and stands in solidarity with the sentiments expressed by GJ.

*The motion (13.1) to find solutions to welcome international students back onto campus, encourage the State Government to reconsider its border closure policies and encourages all clubs and Departments to continue to engage all offshore passed unanimously.*

### 14 MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

#### 14.1 The 109<sup>th</sup> Guild Council:

- a. Rejects the celebration of Australia Day and stands in solidarity with WASAC and all First Nations students at the University of Western Australia.
- b. Recognises the 26<sup>th</sup> of January as the beginning of a traumatic and painful history of the colonial oppression of Australia's First Nations peoples.
- c. Acknowledges the role that denial and ignorance plays in exacerbating intergenerational trauma.
- d. Endorses the 2022 Perth Invasion Day rally held in Forrest Chase on the 26<sup>th</sup> of January.
- e. Encourages all UWA students to support WASAC events, Reconciliation Week, and NAIDOC Week

Moved: Aidan Mansfield

Seconded: Daniel Roden

Reason for lateness: Consultation with the School of Indigenous Studies

*PG moved a procedural motion to hear the motion. Passed unanimously.*

*AM moved a procedural motion to amend point 14.1.d to remove 'WASAC Events' as the WASAC doesn't currently exist and has expressed to not be included in any marketing material. This procedural motion passed unanimously.*



AM reiterates the importance of the Guild showing support and standing in solidarity with the Indigenous students of UWA.

DR speaks on the motion and reiterates the importance of abolishing the day and the support of the council during this process.

SJ suggests adding a clause to the motion specifically stating changing / abolish the date. AF supports the amendment to the motion as this reflects the general sentiment of the public. PJ suggests that 'abolishing' the date is more important and more in line with the council sentiment.

DR suggests postponing passing the motion now until the wording is correct and more accurate.

JB, NG & CK replies saying that it's more important to pass the motion and use this time to make progress rather than focusing on wording.

PG adds an amendment to the motion:

- f. Will seek to abolish the 26<sup>th</sup> January date and seek further guidance from appropriate organisations, members and individuals on how best to celebrate a true Australia day that is inclusive of all members.

*The motion to accept the amendment to the 14.1 motion passed unanimously.*

*The 14.1 motion regarding Australia Day celebrations and the 109<sup>th</sup> Guild Council's active role to reject the celebrations and find a new day that is more inclusive of all members, passed unanimously.*

14.2 The 109<sup>th</sup> Council will sign Equality Australia's open letter to Prime Minister Scott Morrison protesting the Religious Discrimination Bill.

Moved: Parish Javid  
Seconded: Farran Anwar

*PG moved a procedural motion to hear motion 14.2. Passed unanimously.*

PJ speaks on the motion and reiterates the importance of signing the open letter to the council.

*The motion for the 109<sup>th</sup> Guild Council to sign the Equality Australia's open letter to Prime Minister Scott Morrison passed unanimously.*

## 15 GENERAL BUSINESS

- 15.1 Refresher on monthly commitments for Officer bearers, departments heads & OGCs (i.e. student reports)
- 15.2 Guild committee chair training
- 15.3 Common Working Time (CWT) & Office Bearer Meetings

## 16 CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be held Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022 at 6:00 PM. Please contact the Guild General Secretary ([secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au](mailto: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.