



1. WELCOME AND OPENING

1.1 Attendance

Narendra Gammanpila (NG)
Rashdina Ramil (RR)
Adam Elyousef (AE)
Charlotte Kennedy (CK)
Dana Fung (DF)
David Hallam (DH)
Geemal Jayawickrama (GJ)
Julia Aguinot (JA)
Melani De Alwis (MDA)
Paris Javid (JV)
Tanisha Kothari (TK)
Tony Goodman (TG)
Saphire Carter (SC)

1.2 Apologies

Ethan Nicholas
Amitabh Jeganathan
Aidan Mansfield
Amira Nunn
Maria Waters

1.3 Proxies

Natasha Nicole (proxied by Sean Cheung - SC)
Nicole McEwen (proxied by Scott Harney – SH)
Catherine Cheeseman (proxied by Phoebe Burrage - PB)

1.4 Observers

Camila Egusquiza
Emma Forsyth
Mary Rose Macdonald

1.5 Absent

Jak Beard
Max Beard
Robert Whitehurst

2. DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 Council Minutes



3.2 Approval of Committee minutes

- Student Services

RR passes a procedural motion to accept the committee minutes. This passed.

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 lists all other reports as read.

*RR moves a motion to move into camera. This passed.
RR moves a motion to move out of camera. This passed.*

7. QUESTION TIME – Directors Reports

RR moves a motion to accept the director reports. This passed.

8. STUDENT REPORTS

- 8.1 President (NS = Not submitted)
- 8.2 Vice President (NS)
- 8.3 General Secretary (AT = As tabled)
- 8.4 Guild Chair (AT)
- 8.5 Education Council President (AT)
- 8.6 Societies Council President (NS)
- 8.7 Public Affairs Council President (NS)
- 8.8 WASAC Chair (NS)
- 8.9 Women's Officer (AT)
- 8.10 Welfare Officer (AR = As read)
Will be uploaded later tonight
- 8.11 Postgraduates Students' Association President (NS)
- 8.12 International Students' Department President (AR)
- 8.13 Residential Students' Department President (NS)
- 8.14 Environment Officer (NS)
- 8.15 Sports Officer (NS)
- 8.16 Access Department (AT)
- 8.17 Pride Officers (AT)
- 8.18 Ethnocultural Department Officers (AT)
- 8.19 Volunteering Chair (NS)
- 8.20 OGC (3/13)
- 8.21 MASA President (NS)



9. QUESTION TIME – Student Reports

RR moves a motion to accept the student reports. This motion passes.

10. BUSINESS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

None

11. ELECTIONS

None

12. MOTIONS ON NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

12.1 The 109th Guild Council endorses the rebrand of the “second hand bookshop” to the “Guild Bookshop”

Moved: Narendra Gammanpila (NG)
Seconded: David Hallam (DH)

NG moves a procedural motion to pass speaking rights to TG. This passed.

RR conducted a vote on 12.1. This motion passed.

12.2 The 109th Guild Council approved the new social media policy and the publications and promotions policy (available to view in the agenda pack)

Moved: Charlotte Kennedy (CK)
Seconded: Narendra Gammanpila (NG)

Question time / Debate on 12.2: none

RR conducted a vote on 12.2. This motion passed.

13. MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

None

14. MOTIONS ON NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

None

15. MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

15.1 The 109th Guild Council:

15.1.1 Rejects all forms of misogyny and abuse, recognising the gendered dynamics of sexual and domestic violence, with Mission Australia showing that 1 in 6 women have experienced physical or sexual violence by a current or former partner, while for men it is 1 in 16.

15.1.2 Understands that wealthy men from elite backgrounds are socialised to dehumanise women as an exercise of their power, which was exposed during the #metoo movement and

its aftermath, most notably in Australia with the allegations against UWA graduate Christian Porter

- 15.1.3 Recognises that the Depp/Heard trial sets a precedent that undermines women's confidence to speak out against sexual violence, which is a direct backlash to #metoo in order to reassert the misogynistic silencing of women who are abused whilst protecting powerful men
- 15.1.4 Stands in solidarity with survivors of abuse and commends those who seek to hold people in positions of power accountable, whether they be in parliament, boardrooms and Hollywood films, in their face of immense structural barriers like loss of employment opportunities and media vilification
- 15.1.5 Directs the Guild to post on social media affirming its ongoing support of #metoo and provide information for students to report abuse who may be discouraged after witnessing the treatment of Heard throughout this trial

Moved: Phoebe Burrage (PB)
Seconded: Melani De Alwis (MDA)

RR moves a motion to move into camera. This passed.
RR moves a motion to move out of camera. This passed.

Debate for 15.1:

- NG proposes an amendment to 15.1.2 to remove the mentioning of Christian Porter. Moved: NG Seconded: GJ. This amendment was not friendly.
 - RR conducts a vote on the amendment to 15.1.2. This failed.

RR conducts a vote on motion 15.1. This passed.

15.2 The 109th Guild Council:

- 15.2.1 Recognises that the Woodside-led Burrup Hub project, which includes the controversial Scarborough Gas project, would, according to the Conservation Council of WA, be the most polluting project "ever to be developed in Australia" with "estimated total emissions of over 6 billion tonnes (gigatons) of carbon pollution across its lifetime"
- 15.2.2 Is appalled that federal and state Labor have steadfastly supported this project, which will blow through the ALP's already insufficient 2030 climate target of reducing Australia's emissions by 43% on 2005 levels.
- 15.2.3 Reiterates its commitment to fighting to limit warming to 1.5 degrees and calling to shut down the fossil fuel industry and rapidly transition to renewables, which includes ending UWA's ties to the industry and the Centre for Long Subsea Tiebacks
- 15.2.4 Endorses the Climate Action Network campaign for UWA to divest from fossil fuels

Moved: Sean Cheung (SC)
Seconded: Scott Harney (SH)

RR conducts a vote on motion 15.2. This passed.

15.3 The 109th Guild Council:

- 15.3.1 Is concerned about the ongoing cost of living crisis, with inflation at 5.1% and set to rise to 7% according to the Reserve Bank of Australia, which is impacting the cost of food, transport, housing, power, and other necessities for students and working class people
- 15.3.2 Recognises that this crisis is occurring at a time when the wealth of Australia's 47 billionaires has doubled to \$255 billion.
- 15.3.3 Rejects any measures which increase the burden of the cost of living on students and workers, including the cut to real wages implemented by the fair work commission at the request of the Albanese Government
- 15.3.4 Affirms that fighting for better wages and conditions is best achieved through union activity, including strike action as displayed recently by aged care workers and NSW train drivers and nurses.
- 15.3.5 Encourages all students to join their union by:
 - 15.3.5.1 Making a post on social media explaining the significance of unions and providing information about how to join a union
 - 15.3.5.2 Providing information leaflets in the Guild office about how to join your union, targeting sectors students commonly work in such as hospitality

Moved: Scott Harney (SH)

Seconded: Sean Cheung (SC)

RR conducts a vote on motion 15.3. This passed.

15.4 The 109th Guild Council:

- 15.4.1 Rejects and condemns the overturning of the 1973 landmark Supreme Court ruling on Roe v Wade, by the undemocratic 6 out of 9 majority judges on the United States of America (USA) Supreme Court, appointed by Republican presidents.
- 15.4.2 Acknowledge that in doing so, it has effectively ended the constitutional right to an abortion for millions of women and people who experience pregnancy in the USA
- 15.4.3 Understands that forced pregnancy will further entrench existing inequalities, especially within lower socio-economic areas, ethnic communities and LGBTQIA+ communities in the USA.
- 15.4.4 Recognises the many countries where abortions are restricted or prohibited and the people around the world who aren't able to take to the streets to defend their rights due to limits on public demonstrations.
- 15.4.5 Recognises that Australia has inconsistent abortion care, costs, and inconsistent access to abortion services which affect Indigenous Australians disproportionately.
- 15.4.6 Stands in solidarity with women and people who experience pregnancy seeking abortions, and recognises that the existing systems violate their human rights and do not offer compassionate and essential care.
- 15.4.7 Directs the Guild to make posts on social media making aware of available services on campus to support students who



have/had an abortion or have been affected, including mental health and wellbeing services

15.4.8 Supports the rally hosted by Defend Abortion Action Group that will be held on Saturday, 2 July, in solidarity with USA protestors.

15.4.9 Requests the 109th Guild Councillors to RSVP their attendance at this rally to the Women's Officer by the close of day, Friday."

Moved: Melani De Alvis (MDA)

Seconded: Chloe Bryant (CB)

Question time on motion 15.4:

- SH puts forward an amendment to replace in 15.4.2 and 15.4.6 "people" with "women and people who experience pregnancy". This was friendly.

RR conducts a vote on motion 15.4. This passed unanimously.

15.5 The 109th Guild Council:

15.5.1 Acknowledges the current economic instability in Sri Lanka including, inflation and shortages of necessities such as medicine and fuel.

15.5.2 Condemns the Rajapaksa government and it's actions over the last 2 years.

15.5.3 Encourages all students affected by this crisis, to seek help from Student Assist.

15.5.4 Recommends that ISD run a fundraiser to grow awareness of the issue and raise funds for Sri Lankan people in need.

Moved: Geemal Jayawickrama (GJ)

Seconded: David Hallam (DH)

RR conducts a vote on motion 15.5. This passed unanimously

16 GENERAL BUSINESS

16.1 Productivity, accountability at councils – Chloe Bryant

17 CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be held Wednesday 27th July 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.