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1. WELCOME AND OPENING

1.1 Attendance

Narendra Gammanpila (NG) Charlotte Kennedy (CK) Amitabh Jeganathan (AJ) Rashdina Ramil (RR) Daniel Roden (DR) Iknur Virik (IV) Chloe Bryant (CB) Catherine Cheeseman (CC) David Hallam (DH) Geemal Jayawickrama (GJ) Lara Dale (LD) Anushka Mukherjee (AM) Ethan Nicholas (EN) Amira Nunn (AN) Dana Fung (DF) Melani De Alwis (MDA) Samanthan Cramptom (SC) Seren Moulds (SM) Paris Javid (PJ) Jak Beard (JB) Robert Whithurst (RW) Max Beard (MB) Saphire Carter (SC)

1.2 Apologies

Jasmine Hensley Max Beard Kushagra Rathore Adam Elyousef

Tony Goodman Mutya Joseph

1.3 Proxies

Akshata Jois (AJ) (proxy for Prisha Goel) Max Vickery (MV) (proxy for Nicole Smith)

1.4 Observers

Holly Mellor
Kaelin Abrahams
Will Partridge
Bradley Carter
Anthony Sims (GOD DID)
Justin Cerna (Pelican)
Bec Perse (BP)
Enora Richard
Sofie Gilmartin

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Joeseph Pietraz

1.5 Absent

2. DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

AJ moves a procedural motion to move to 15.2. This passed

None

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 Council Minutes

RR moved a motion to approve the council minutes. This passed.

- 3.2 Approval of Committee minutes
 - **Election Culture Committee**
 - **Equity and Diversity**
 - Governance
 - Volunteering

RR moved a motion to approve 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

RR moves a procedural motion to move in camera. This passed.

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

- 6.3 Commercial
- 6.4 Student Services

TG lists all other director reports as read.

7. QUESTION TIME – Directors Reports

8. STUDENT REPORTS

- 8.1 President (AT = as tabled)
- 8.2 Vice President (AT)
- 8.3 General Secretary (AT)
- 8.4 Guild Chair (AT)
- 8.5 Education Council President (AR = As read, didn't get kicked off academic board)



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- 8.6 Societies Council President (AT)
- 8.7 Public Affairs Council President (NS)
- 8.8 WASAC Chair (NS)
- 8.9 Women's Officer (AT)
- 8.10 Welfare Officer (AT)
- 8.11 Postgraduates Students' Association President (NS)
- 8.12 International Students' Department President (AT)
- 8.13 Residential Students' Department President (AT)
- 8.14 Environment Officer (NS)
- 8.15 Sports Officer (NS)
- 8.16 Access Department (AT)
- 8.17 Pride Officers (NS)
- 8.18 Ethnocultural Department Officers (AT)
- 8.19 Volunteering Chair (NS)
- 8.20 OGC (2/13)
- 8.21 MASA President (NS)

9. QUESTION TIME - Student Reports

RR conducts a vote to accept the student reports. This passed.

10. BUSINESS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

RR moves a procedural motion to move the chair to DR. This passed.

10.1 The 109th Council accepts the resignation Julia Aguinot from the position of Ordinary Guild Councillor effective immediately and recognises the work she has done regarding YLC.

Moved: Narendra Gammanpila (NG) Seconded: Amitabh Jeganathan (AJ)

DR conducts a vote on motion 10.1. This passed.

10.2 The 109th Council appoints Rutvi Timbadia to the position of Ordinary Guild Councillor.

Moved: Narendra Gammanpila (NG) Seconded: Amitabh Jeganathan (AJ)

DR conducts a vote on motion 10.2. This passed.

11. ELECTIONS

11.1 Elections for YLC chair

Nominations:

RR nominated AM. Seconded by AJ.

AM won unopposed as YLC chair.

12. MOTIONS ON NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

None



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13. MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

13.1 The 109th council approves the recommendations provided in the UWA Guild Asset liability management plan.

Moved: Amitabh Jeganathan (AJ) Seconded: Narendra Gammanpila (NG)

RR conducts a vote on motion 13.1. This passed.

13.2 The 109th Guild Council approves the budget transfer of \$638 from the MASA department to the Access department, for the AUSLAN classes.

Moved: Melani De Alvis (MDA)

Seconded: Samanthan Cramptom (SC)

DR conducts a vote on motion 13.2 This passed unanimously.

14. MOTIONS ON NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

None

15. MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

- 15.1 The 109th council:
 - 15.1.1 Recognises and acknowledges the efforts of the International Student Department's Offshore Student working group spearheaded by Anushka Mukherjee during the period of 2021-2022 to:
 - 15.1.1a Advocate and fight for the safe return of international students back on to campus
 - 15.1.1b Build a community within the UWA offshore students
 - 15.1.1c Disseminate information regarding studies and travel to UWA offshore students
 - 15.1.1d Host online events to engage UWA offshore students with UWA campus culture
 - 15.1.2 Recognises that there are still students studying offshore and will continue advocating and attending to their needs through the International Student Department's ongoing sub departments after the dissolution of the Offshore working group and all related social media accounts

Moved: Geemal Jayawickrama (GJ) Seconded: Rashdina Ramli (RR)

DR conducts a vote on motion 15.1 This passed.



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15.2 The 109 Guild Council

- 15.2.1 Gladly accepts the results of the referendum which gives a strong mandate for the university to divest from fossil fuel corporations, with over 83% of voters in favour of divestment
- 15.2.2. Demands that UWA immediately divest from all fossil fuel companies, which is one initial step towards preserving our environment that many universities have already committed to
- 15.2.3 Urges that climate justice cannot be achieved without UWA also cutting ties with fossil fuel corporations by removing their representatives from positions of influence on boards, shutting down destructive research projects like the centre for subsea tiebacks, and ending all greenwashing projects and providing workers and students with suitable alternatives should this impact them.
- 15.2.4 Invites VC Amit Chakma to formally respond to the referendum results by letter or by attending the UWA Climate Change Community of Practice event on Oct 4th, 5pm at Economics & Commerce Conference Room UWA 15.2.5 Endorses the upcoming speak out for climate justice on Oct 12, 1pm at Reid Lawn, which calls on UWA to immediately divest and cut ties with fossil fuel companies
- 15.2.6 Encourages the current Guild president, future Guild President and future environmental officer to attend the panel discussion next week and directs the Guild president to send a message out to the senate regarding this.

Moved: Nicole McEwen (NM) Seconded: Iknur Virik (IV)

Speaking for motion 15.2:

 BP amends the motion to include: "15.2.6 Encourages the current Guild president, future Guild President and future environmental officer to attend the panel discussion next week and directs the Guild president to send a message out to the senate regarding this. This was friendly.

Debate time for motion 15.2:

• IV amends 15.2.2 to replace "Recognises" 'with "Urges". This was friendly.

RR conducts a vote on motion 15.2. This passed unanimously.

15.3 The 109th Guild Council

- 15.3.1. Extends solidarity to Iranian people protesting for women's rights and an end to Khameni's regime, following the morality police's murder of Kurdish woman Mahsa Amini
- 15.3.2. Recognises that misogyny and police violence towards the oppressed is a systemic issue worldwide, and that both burqa bans as seen in France and hijab enforcement as seen in Iran are tools of social control of women's lives that should be condemned and opposed
- 15.3.3.Commits to holding a solidarity event and fundraiser on Oct 5th 1pm-3pm at Shenton House, and will send all funds raised to militant worker's unions involved in resisting the regime through strikes and protests, such as the Haft Tappeh Sugarcane worker union.
- 15.3.4. Endorses future protests for Iranian Liberation in Perth, organised by the Kurdish community and others, and encourages students to attend 15.3.5 Encourages the Ethnocultural Department to run an event in solidarity and to assist in raising funds.



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Moved: Nicole McEwen (NM)

Seconded: Geemal Jayawickrama (GJ)

RR conducts a vote on motion 15.3. This passed unanimously.

15.4 The 109th Guild Council:

15.4.1. Condemns the sexist objectives of the upcoming 'pro-life' conference being held in Perth which aims to push an anti-choice agenda in WA

15.4.2. Stands with protestors who will show that these harmful views will not go unopposed, including the views of Liberal Nic Goiran (MLC)

15.4.3. Endorses the rally at Good Shepherd Catholic Church at 1:30pm on Saturday the 29th of October and encourages all students to support by attending 15.4.4. Will email students a video message and information about attending the protest, and promote the demonstration through posters (digital and physical) and leaflets.

Moved: Chloe Bryant (CB)

Seconded: Nicole McEwen (NM)

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

15.5 The 109th Guild Council:

15.5.1 Commends the work of council, including the education council and other representatives on academic board, for pushing back the proposal to remove student representation from academic board

15.5.2 Acknowledges the resounding positive feedback from both staff and students in response to the student email sent out that outlined the ways guild council is prepared to fight for student and staff rights and commits to further opposition to the University removing student representatives from all levels of governance as a way to streamline restructure processes that are not in student and staff.

15.5.3 Acknowledges the role staff-student solidarity has in the fight against management and commits to building relationships with the NTEU and rank and file unionists

15.5.4 Directs the student council in its remaining months to continue this fight through methods including leafleting, collective action and mobilising students, and directs council to engage the NTEU in how to best support their fight in EBA negotiations, acknowledging that this fight will not end with the 109 and will continue with the 110

Moved: Amitabh Jeganathan (AJ) Seconded: Robert Whitehurst (RW)

Debate time for motion 15.5:

AJ puts forward an amendment to the motion. Amendment was friendly.

RR conducts a vote on motion 15.5 (amended). This passed unanimously.

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15.6 The 109th Guild council congratulates Gemmal Jayawickrama on the election result naming him as the 110th Guild President, acknowledging his significance as an international guild president as the first time in 109 years.

Moved: Amitabh Jeganathan (AJ) Seconded: Anushka Mukherjee (AM)

RR conducts a vote on motion 15.6. This passed.

16 GENERAL BUSINESS

17 CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be held Wednesday 26th October 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.