

## **1. WELCOME AND OPENING**

### **1.1 Attendance**

### **1.2 Apologies**

### **1.3 Proxies**

### **1.4 Absent**

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

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

### **3.1 September Council Minutes**

*Minutes approved.*

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

*N/A*

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

*N/A*

## **6. DIRECTORS' REPORTS**

### **6.1 Managing Director**

### **6.2 Finance Director**

*Motion to move into camera.*

*Motion passes*

### **6.3 Commercial**

*Motion to move out of camera.*

*Motion passes.*

### **6.4 Student Services**

### **6.5 Venture Student Innovation Centre**

*Motion to accept the reports passes.*

## **7. QUESTIONS TIME – Directors' Reports**

## **8 STUDENT REPORTS**

### **8.1 President**

### **8.2 Vice President**

### **8.3 General Secretary**



- 8.4 Guild Chair
- 8.5 Education Council President
- 8.6 Societies Council President
- 8.7 Public Affairs Council President
- 8.8 Women's Officer
- 8.9 Wellbeing Officer
- 8.10 Postgraduates Students' Association President
- 8.11 International Students' Department President
- 8.12 Residential Students' Department President
- 8.13 Environment Officer
- 8.14 Sports Officer
- 8.15 Access Department
- 8.16 Pride Officers
- 8.17 Ethnocultural Officers
- 8.18 Volunteering Chair
- 8.19 OGCs

*Motion to accept the reports passes.*

## **9. QUESTIONS TIME – Student Reports**

## **10. BUSINESS FROM THE EXECUTIVE**

## **11. ELECTIONS**

## **12. MOTIONS ON NOTICE (OPERATIONS)**

- 12.1 The 110<sup>th</sup> Guild Council appoints Jack Cross and Abbey Wheeler as the Pelican Co-Editors for 2024.

Moved by: Indi Creed

Seconded by: Geemal Jayawickrama

*Motion passes.*

- 12.2 The 110<sup>th</sup> Guild Council congratulates the 2023 Relay 4 Life committee and Guild Volunteering for raising \$59000 for the Cancer Council.

Moved by: Geemal Jayawickrama

Seconded by: Bradley Carter

*Motion passes.*

- 12.3 The 110<sup>th</sup> Guild Council approves the business case for \$1.9m for the implementation of the initial phase of the Guild Masterplans.

Moved by: Geemal Jayawickrama

Seconded by: Viknash VM

*Motion passes unanimously.*

12.4 The 110th Guild Council, pursuant to section 23(1) of the Guild Regulations regarding absence without prior approval, declares the position of General Secretary currently held by Lara Dale vacant.

Moved by: Geemal Jayawickrama

Seconded by: Rob Whitehurst

*Motion passes.*

12.5 The 110<sup>th</sup> Guild Council approves the appointment of Jay Williams as the Acting General Secretary until the end of its term.

Moved by: Geemal Jayawickrama

Seconded by: Rob Whitehurst

*Motion passes.*

### **13.0 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE (OPERATIONS)**

N/A

### **14.0 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)**

14.1 The 110<sup>th</sup> Guild Council;

14.1.1 Acknowledges the conflict in the Middle east is impacting the wellbeing of students on campus at UWA;

14.1.2 Condemns all violence against civilians in the ongoing Israel-Hamas War;

14.1.3 Affirms support for those oppressed in the ongoing conflict Israel-Hamas War;

14.1.4 Acknowledges that UWA is a multicultural institution with students from different backgrounds, and the importance of making all students safe when on campus grounds;

14.1.5 Encourages students impacted by the conflict overseas to seek support from Student Assist .

Moved by: Akshata Jois

Seconded by: Geemal Jayawickrama

*AJ withdraws as the mover of the motion.*

*GJ is the new mover of the motion.*

*BC is the new seconder of the motion.*

*Amendment proposed by GJ.*

1. *Acknowledges that the conflict in the Middle East is impacting the wellbeing of students on campus at UWA;*

2. *Condemns all violence against civilians in the ongoing conflict in the Middle East;*

3. *Condemns war crimes committed during the ongoing conflict in the Middle East;*

4. *Condemns expressions of anti-semitism associated with the Israel-Hamas War, and condemns those holding the Jewish community responsible for the violent acts of the Israeli government;*

5. *Condemns anti-Arab and anti-Muslim sentiments associated with the Israel-Hamas War, and condemns those holding the Palestinian community responsible for acts of violence committed by Hamas;*
6. *Acknowledges that UWA is a multicultural institution with students from different backgrounds, and reaffirms the importance of ensuring that UWA is a safe environment for all students*
7. *Re-affirms support for those oppressed in the ongoing Israel-Hamas War;*
8. *Encourages students impacted by the conflict overseas to seek support from Student Assist*
9. *The UWA Student Guild encourages students to educate themselves on the historical and contemporary context of the situation in Palestine.*
- 10 *Directs the UWA Student Guild to support all student communities affected by the situation, by working with the relevant cultural societies at UWA.*

*Moved by Geemal Jayawickrama*

*Seconded by Bradley Carter*

*Amendment proposed and the new motion reads as follow:*

- 14.1.1. *Acknowledges that the ongoing situation in the Middle East is impacting the wellbeing of students on campus at UWA;*
- 14.1.2. *Condemns all violence against civilians in the ongoing situation t in the Middle East;*
- 14.1.3. *Condemns war crimes committed during the ongoing situation in the Middle East;*
- 14.1.4. *Condemns expressions of anti-semitism associated with the Humanitarian Crisis in Palestine, and condemns those holding the Jewish community responsible for the violent acts of the Israeli government;*
- 14.1.5. *Condemns anti-Arab and anti-Muslim sentiments associated with the Humanitarian Crisis in Palestine, and condemns those holding the Palestinian community responsible for acts of violence committed by Hamas;*
- 14.1.6. *Acknowledges that UWA is a multicultural institution with students from different backgrounds, and reaffirms the importance of ensuring that UWA is a safe environment for all students*
- 14.1.7. *Re-affirms support for those oppressed in the ongoing Humanitarian Crisis in Palestine;*
- 14.1.8. *Encourages students impacted by the ongoing situation overseas to seek support from Student Assist*
- 14.1.9. *The UWA Student Guild encourages students to educate themselves on the historical and contemporary context of the situation in Palestine.*
- 14.1.10 *Directs the UWA Student Guild to support all student communities affected by the situation, by working with the relevant cultural societies at UWA.*
- 14.1.11. *Stands with the Palestinian people in Gaza as they face carpet bombing, the illegal use of white phosphorus, as verified by Human Rights Watch, and the displacement from their homes.*
- 14.1.12. *Calls on officials in all levels of government to condemn the Israeli Government's collective punishment of Palestinians.*
- 14.1.13. *Calls on officials in all levels of government to call for a ceasefire and end to the blockade and occupation of the Gaza Strip and Occupied Palestinian Territories.*
- 14.1.14. *Re-affirms the stance taken in motion 9.1, 109th Guild Council 25th May meeting*
- 14.1.15. *Recognises that Israel's indiscriminate attacks on residential areas, hospitals, journalists, schools, and religious sites is ethnic cleansing and a violation of International Humanitarian Law, which has massacred over*



*4,500 Palestinians including 2,000 children and 1,500 women along with 14,000 severely injured, as well as the recent attacks on the West Bank which have killed 90 Palestinians in the last two weeks, as reported by the ABC as of 23rd October 2023.*

*Amendment is friendly.*

*Motion passes.*

#### 14.2 The 110th Guild Council:

- 14.2.1 Acknowledges that hikes in costs of the UWA Residential Colleges over the last 2 years have made it unaffordable for students, both domestic and international, to live on-campus;
- 14.2.2 Acknowledges that, in tandem with increases in costs in 2023, the Guild has received complaints regarding decreased quality of services at the UWA Residential Colleges, spanning both living standards, meals, and safety;
- 14.2.3 Affirms that on-campus student housing should be an accessible and affordable alternative to renting during the housing crisis;
- 14.2.4 Opposes hikes in rent at the UWA Residential Colleges for 2024, with some increasing by as much as 20%;
- 14.2.5 Commits to raising a public petition opposing rent hikes, and distributing said petition to the UWA Residential College Administrations after a period deemed appropriate by the Residential Students' Department;
- 14.2.6 Directs students affected by College rent increases to the UWA Accommodation concierge and Student Assist for aid during this time.

Moved by Indi Creed  
Seconded by Claudia Bruce

*Motion passes.*

### 15.0 MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

#### 15.1 The 110th Guild Council:

- 15.1.1 Acknowledges the events that occurred at Curtin University last week and stands in solidarity with the victim's family and all those who were affected.
- 15.1.2 Affirms the importance and priority of Students' mental health.
- 15.1.3 Recognises that poor mental health remains a very prevalent issue within our communities and is a continuing issue that many students face.
- 15.1.4 Directs the continuation of promoting student services, such as the Living Room and Student Assist, within their weekly emails, and encourages further promotion of Wellness and Mental Health resources during this stressful time.

Moved by Luke Alderslade  
Seconded by Alex VG

*Motion passes.*

#### 15.2 The 110th Guild Council:

15.2.1 Recognises that the current UWA Nedlands Campus Masterplan has earmarked the Nedlands Campus as a potential future student house, as of its October 2023 update.

15.2.2 Encourages the University to prioritise consultation and communication with the three schools on the site (Design, Education, and Population Health) as well as the students associated with those schools.

15.3.3 Directs the Education Council and Faculty Societies to be a part of these conversations as it holds a great potential to affect the quality of the Education students may receive.

Moved by Luke Alderslade

Seconded by Alex VG

*Motion passes.*

### 15.3 The 110<sup>th</sup> Guild Council:

15.3.1 Recognises that Israel's indiscriminate attacks on residential areas, hospitals, journalists, schools, and religious sites is ethnic cleansing and a violation of International Humanitarian Law, which has massacred over 4,500 Palestinians including 2,000 children and 1,500 women along with 14,000 severely injured and 6,000 missing under rubble in Gaza, as well as the recent attacks on the West Bank which have killed 90 Palestinians in the last two weeks, as reported by the ABC.

15.3.2 Recognises that all attacks on civilians (regardless of ethnicity) are heinous.

15.3.3 Stands with the Palestinian people in Gaza as they face carpet bombing, the illegal use of white phosphorus, as verified by Human Rights Watch, and the displacement from their homes.

15.3.4 Calls on officials in all levels of government to condemn Israel's treatment of Palestinians as "savages" and "human animals", via collective punishment on innocent civilians

15.3.5 Calls on officials in all levels of government to call for a ceasefire and end to the blockade and occupation of the Gaza Strip and Occupied Palestinian Territories.

15.3.6 Supports the 'Stand with Palestine' protest, which took place on 21/10/23 and the upcoming protest on 28/10/23 at 12pm, at the Supreme Court Gardens, organised by Friends of Palestine WA, and extends solidarity to protesters supporting Palestinians worldwide.

15.3.7 Affirms the Guild's position from 2021 that criticism of the Israel apartheid regime is not anti-semitism and affirms that anti-zionism is not anti-semitism.



15.3.8 Condemns Islamophobia, anti-Semitism, and racism directed towards any student on and off campus in any form.

15.3.9 The UWA Student Guild encourages students to educate themselves on the historical and contemporary context of the situation in Palestine.

15.3.10 Directs the UWA Student Guild to support the Palestinian community on campus, by working with the Palestinian Cultural Society of UWA.

15.3.11 Directs the UWA Student Guild to post a statement on their social media channels, standing in solidarity with the Palestinian people and their continued struggle for freedom.

Moved: Melani De Alwis

Seconded: Alex Villa Gomez

*Motion withdrawn.*

15.4.1 The UWA Student Guild;

15.4.1. Expresses our disappointment at the outcome of the Voice to Parliament Referendum

15.4.2. Acknowledges that the outcome of this referendum has impacted the wellbeing of First Nations peoples

15.4.3. Extends support to all First Nations students affected by the referendum outcome and encourages them to seek support from Student Assist

15.4.4. Recognises the self-determination of Australia's First Nations people

15.4.5. Commits to uplifting indigenous voices and the rights of First Nations peoples moving forward.

*Motion passes.*

15.4.2 The 110<sup>th</sup> Guild Council commends Akshata Jois and Taleah Ugle for their work as Co-Chairs of the Guild referendum working group

Moved by Claudia Bruce

Seconded by Geemal Jayawickrama

*Motion passes.*

## **16.0 GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **16.1 NUS**

*GJ updates the council about the upcoming NUS National Conference.*

## **17. CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled 29<sup>th</sup> of November 2023. Please contact the Guild General Secretary ([secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au](mailto:secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au)) with apologies or proxies. If



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## 110<sup>th</sup> Guild Council Resolutions

110th Guild Council

Wednesday October 25th, 2023

Guild Council Room @ 6pm

unable to attend, please advise which dates you are available to reschedule if a quorum cannot be met.