

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

None.

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Not applicable.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Not applicable.

5. BUSINESS COMPLETED VIA CIRCULAR

None.

6. BUSINESS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

None.

7. ELECTIONS

7.1 Returning Officer

Tony Goodman was elected unopposed as Returning Officer.

7.2 Chair

a) To be a member of Guild Council

Jelena Kovacevic was elected unopposed as Chair.

7.3 Vice-President

a) To be an Ordinary Guild Councillor

James Hodgman was elected unopposed as Vice-President.

7.4 Deputy Chair

a) To be a member of Guild Council

Rachel Yeo was elected unopposed as Deputy Chair.

7.5 Academic Board

a) Appoints the Guild President (Indi Creed), the PSA President (Christopher-John Daudu) as ex-officio members of the Academic Board.

b) Elects the remaining 4 members from members of Guild Council.

Robert Whitehurst, Claudia Bruce, Nikhi Talluri and Rishav Neog were elected unopposed.

7.6 Strategic Resources Committee

a) The Guild President is the Chair of the Strategic Resources Committee.

b) Two (2) members of Guild Council, one of whom must be female.

Keertikka P Ganesan and Aidan Kirby-Smith were elected unopposed.

7.7 Catering and Tavern Committee

a) Elects the Chair of the Catering and Tavern Committee from members of Council.

Nikhi Talluri was elected unopposed.

b) Three (3) members of Guild Council, one of whom must be female.

Shreya Bhardwaj, James Hodgman and CJ Daudu were elected unopposed.

7.8 Student Services Committee

a) Two (2) members of Guild Council, one of whom must be female.

Mehardeep Kaur and Olivia Stronach were elected unopposed.

b) Elects the Chair of the Student Services Committee from members of Council.

Max Vinning was elected unopposed.

7.9 Corporate Services Committee

a) Three (3) members of Guild Council, one of whom must be female.

Aidan Kirby-Smith, Anthony Sims and Keertikka P Ganesan were elected unopposed.

b) Election of the Chair of the Corporate Services Committee from members of Guild Council.

Aidan Kirby-Smith was elected unopposed.

7.10 Governance Committee

a) Three (3) members of Guild Council, one of whom must be female.

Paige Brandwood, Christopher-John Daudu and Lorenzo Iannuzzi were elected unopposed.

b) The Chair of Guild Council is the Chair of the Governance Committee.

7.11 Equity and Diversity Committee

a) Election of the Chair of the Equity and Diversity Committee from members of Guild Council.

Paige Brandwood was elected unopposed.

b) One (1) member of Guild Council.

Sammie Smith was elected unopposed.

7.12 Personnel Board

a) One (1) member of Guild Council.

Lorenzo Iannuzzi was elected unopposed.

7.13 Enterprise Bargaining Agreement Committee

a) Two (2) members of Guild Council, one of whom must be female.

Matthew Harris and Mehardeep Kaur were elected unopposed.

7.14 Joint Consultative Committee

a) Two (2) members of Guild Council, as per the Enterprise Bargaining Agreement.

Claudia Bruce and Amira Nunn were elected unopposed.

7.15 Election Culture Committee

a) Five (5) members of Guild Council, at least two of which must be female or nonbinary.

Alevine Magila, Rachel Yeo, Chloe Lazaroo, Claudia Bruce and Max Vinning were elected unopposed.

7.16 Tenancy Committee

a) Election of the Chair of the Tenancy Committee from members of Guild Council.

Shreya Bhardwaj was elected unopposed.

7.17 Publications Committee



a) Two (2) members of Guild Council, one of whom must be female.

Finn Gearon and Sammie Smith were elected unopposed.

7.18 Volunteering Committee

a) Two (2) members of Guild Council, one of whom must be female.

Luke Alderslade and Jelena Kovacevic were elected unopposed.

7.19 Young Leaders Council

a) Election of the Chair of YLC to be an Ordinary Guild Councillor.

James Hodgman was elected unopposed.

b) Two (2) members of Guild Council.

Aidan Kirby-Smith and Archit Menon were elected unopposed.

7.20 Workplace Health and Safety Committee

a) One (1) member of Guild Council.

Parham Bahrami was elected unopposed.

b) The Guild President is the Chair of the Workplace Health and Safety Committee.

7.21 Alumni Engagement Committee

a) Three (3) members of Guild Council.

Christopher-John Daudu, Claudia Bruce and India Creed were elected unopposed.

b) The Immediate Past President (Geemal Jayawickrama) is the Chair of the Alumni Engagement Committee.

8. MOTIONS ON NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

8.1 The 111th Guild Council thanks Geemal Jayawickrama for his contributions and efforts as the 110th Guild President.

Moved: Indi Creed
Seconded: Nikhi Talluri

This motion passed.

8.2 The 111th Guild Council thanks the Guild Staff for their contributions and efforts throughout 2023, and looks forward to another productive year in 2024.

Moved: Indi Creed
Seconded: Nikhi Talluri

This motion passed.

- 8.3 The 111th Guild Council accepts the dates as attached to be tentative meeting dates for all Guild Council meetings for the upcoming year.

Moved: Nikhi Talluri
Seconded: Indi Creed

This motion passed.

- 8.4 The 111th Guild Council approves the 2024 Preliminary Budget Deficit-Surplus figure of -\$279,626 (deficit).

Moved: Indi Creed
Seconded: Nikhi Talluri

This motion passed.

- 8.5 The 111th Guild Council approves the line items in the 2024 Preliminary Budget Pack.

Moved: Indi Creed
Seconded: Nikhi Talluri

This motion passed.

9.0 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

- 9.1 The 111th Guild Council approves the Budgeted 2024 Capital Expenditure.

1. Computer Renewal - \$25,000
2. Website (Events, Pelican) - \$30,000
3. Catering - \$114,000

Total = \$169,000

Moved: Nikhi Talluri
Seconded: Indi Creed

10.0 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

- 10.1 The 111th Guild Council;

10.1.1 Acknowledges the United Nations International Day of Persons with Disabilities on December 3;

10.1.2 Recognises the findings and the total of 222 recommendations of the

Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability, published in September, through which almost 10,000 people shared their experiences of violence, abuse, neglect, and exploitation;

- 10.1.3 Recognises the findings and the 15 recommendations of the Senate Community Affairs References Committee into assessment and support services for people with ADHD, published in November, which examined 700 submissions and heard evidence from 79 witnesses;
- 10.1.4 Supports students and staff members in making disclosures of their disabilities and acknowledges that some people may choose not to make disclosures for a variety of reasons including fear of prejudice or simply personal preference;
- 10.1.5 Acknowledges the lower rates of subject loads passed by students who are disabled compared to the general student population and encourages the university to continue in efforts that aim to close this divide by improving accessibility to education for all students;
- 10.1.6 Encourages students to make use of existing educational support arrangements provided by the university primarily in the form of University Academic Accessibility Plans provided with the assistance of UniAccess;
- 10.1.7 Condemns discrimination on the basis of disability, in all its forms, directed against the students and staff of UWA, both on and off campus, and recognises the impact that discrimination may have on someone in their access to education as well as their involvement in other areas in society;
- 10.1.8 Directs Guild affiliated clubs to consider accessibility of events throughout the planning process and encourages them to make use of resources provided, such as the Accessible Clubs Guide, as well as assistance from the Access Department, if required, to assist them in considering the needs of all students on campus;
- 10.1.9 Encourages members of Guild council as well as other student leaders to complete the free "Introduction to Disability Awareness" training available online from Disability Awareness.

Moved: Olivia Stronach
Seconded: Matthew Harris

This motion passes.

10.2 The 111th Guild Council:

- 10.2.1 Acknowledges that the closure of the Safe Night Space for Women in Perth poses a critical challenge to the safety of vulnerable women in our community;
- 10.2.2 Acknowledges that, as of September 2023, there were 520 women experiencing homelessness in Perth, either sleeping rough or temporarily sheltered, and homeless women are exposed to a higher risk of violence, with a shocking 64 per cent reporting attacks since becoming homeless;

- 10.2.3 Affirms that immediate action is required to implore the Western Australian Government and the City of Perth to provide the essential funding and support needed to ensure the continued operation of the Safe Night Space for Women in Perth;
- 10.2.4 Opposes the closure of the Safe Night Space for Women;
- 10.2.5 Commits to formally supporting and signing a petition urging the Western Australian Government and the City of Perth to take immediate action to provide the essential funding and support needed to ensure the continued operation of the Safe Night Space for Women in Perth;
- 10.2.6 Commits to actively promoting the petition and encouraging the wider community to sign and support this vital cause;
- 10.2.7 Directs all students to sign the petition and share it widely within their networks. Petition Link: <https://www.change.org/p/urgent-appeal-to-save-the-safe-night-space-for-women-in-perth>
- 10.2.8 Notes the importance of this issue as Perth is currently in its 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence, and the importance therefore of our support as Councillors.

Moved: Paige Brandwood

Seconded: Indi Creed

This motion passes.

10.3 The 111th Guild Council:

10.3.1 Notes that:

- a) Western Australia is the only state in the Commonwealth to not allow its residents to change their gender marker to 'X'.
- b) Western Australia, joined by New South Wales, are the only two states in the Commonwealth to require those who wish to change their gender marker to have undergone some form of sexual reassignment surgery or hormone replacement therapy.
- c) The Cook-Labor government, despite having a majority in both houses of the state parliament, has stated that these restrictive laws for changing one's gender marker will not be dealt with this session of the state parliament.

10.3.2 Acknowledges that:

- a) Not all trans and gender diverse people wish to undergo any kind of sexual reassignment surgery or hormone replacement therapy, and thus are unable to change their gender marker under the current laws of Western Australia.
- b) The restriction of changing one's gender marker to 'X' in Western Australia discriminates against trans and gender diverse people who do not identify with either label of 'female' or 'male'.

10.3.3 Resolves to:

- a) Work with other Student Guilds across Western Australia, and other organisations as needed, to create a report for the Cook-Labor



government outlining the reasoning to update these restrictive and discriminatory laws.

b) Support the Pride Department in their cooperation with the equivalent departments in other Student Guilds across Western Australia for creation of an education campaign for trans and gender diverse students on the services available for name and gender marker changes.

Moved: Lorenzo Iannuzzi

Seconded: Finn Gearon

This motion passes.

11.0 MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

11.1 The 111th Guild Council:

11.1.1 Requires its delegates to the National Union of Students act in a manner that does not limit the agenda of the conference, and that ensures the discussion of autonomous policy chapters. With specific reference towards the Queer and Disability chapters.

11.1.2 Requires its delegates, in the event of the full agenda not being discussed, to report the circumstances and any actions by UWA delegates that led to them not being discussed.

11.1.3. Recommends its delegates do not sit with a binding faction or any faction that has, through their actions, prevented discussion of autonomous policy chapters.

Moved: Indi Creed

Seconded: Robert Whitehurst

This motion passes.

12.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

13. CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING