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112th Guild Council
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GUILD COUNCIL REPORT
30/07/25

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FINANCES

10

N/A

ACHIEVEMENTS

10

DISCUSSION POINTS

11

N/A

SUMMARY

This month, we have had a fantastic number of donations made from convocation. In other news semester is starting off with a bang, with golden tickets picking up, o-day sem 2 close by, the tav interior renovations finish and free period product dispensers around campus. Truly a great way to start the semester!

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
3/7	<i>Review of Assessment Working Group</i>	
	<i>Timetabling and Class Allocation Committee</i>	
	<i>Future students catch up</i>	
	<i>Transport Advisory Group</i>	
	<i>Guild/Library</i>	
4/7	<i>ANZSSA WA: Symposium on Gender Based Violence</i>	
5/7	<i>Venture catch up</i>	
	<i>Brand Strategy and Creative Planning</i>	
8/7	<i>Wellbeing catch up</i>	
	<i>EMC</i>	
	<i>Student experience committee</i>	
9/7	<i>Battle of bands catch up</i>	
	<i>Catch up with director of student life and dvce regarding election conduct</i>	
10/7	<i>Catch up with Students for Sensible Drug Policy</i>	
	<i>Employability committee</i>	
	<i>Catering and Tavern committee</i>	
11/7	<i>Period product installation!!</i>	

14/7	<i>Bookshop catch up</i>	
15/7	<i>Guild on the green</i>	
17/7	<i>Academic quality and standards</i>	
	<i>Election culture committee</i>	
	<i>Catch up with UWA sustainability</i>	
	<i>Campus management catch up</i>	
18/7	<i>India campus director catch up</i>	
	<i>UWA Welcome Ceremony</i>	
	<i>UWA catch up</i>	
	<i>Band and Creative Presentation</i>	
21/7	<i>Safer communities</i>	
	<i>Senate</i>	
	<i>Senate Dinner</i>	
22/7	<i>Catch up with director of student life</i>	
	<i>Cost of living project catch up</i>	
	<i>Catch up with student life</i>	
	<i>Food for fines catch up with Uni Park</i>	
	<i>Governance meeting</i>	
23/7	<i>Catch up regarding survivors exhibition</i>	
	<i>Catch up with venture</i>	
	<i>Project discussion with Ritika</i>	
	<i>Student consultative committee</i>	
	<i>Project discussion with Archit</i>	

	<i>Library catch up</i>	
	<i>Catch up with Lucinda</i>	
	<i>Catch up with Chancellor</i>	
28/7	<i>Student services meeting</i>	
	<i>Student digital experience meeting</i>	

PROJECT UPDATE

Guild Councillor Check-Ins

Done

Guild Master Plan Update

IN PROGRESS

Tav interior is currently in progress of being renovated! Its looking really great and will likely be ready for the start of sem 2

Parking

IN PROGRESS

- No new update

O-week DONE

Success!

Tav 50th Anniversary

IN PROGRESS

Finalising the date for alumni event with alumni engagement committee as well as further preparation for the event

O-day Afters

DONE

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Golden Ticket Almost DONE

- Roll out is happening! So far 1000+ Golden Tickets have been given out in sem 2

Bookshop Guild x Humanities

ONGOING

- Interviewed new bookshop managers

Mirrors in music building

Working with Katrina and Campus management to get a sense of the funding for this initiative

Essential Products Pack

DONE

Second O-Day in Semester 2

IN PLANNING

The Guild plans to host a second O-day to give campus culture a mid-year boost.

- Confirmed for 29th July
- Over 100 club confirmed

Ban on announcements in lecture theatres

IN PROGRESS

Still in conversation with senior executive regarding lessening of limitations. Lecture announcement passes have been given out. Lecture announcements may still be permitted during Guild elections but this is under discussion

UniHall fees investigation

- No further updates

Guild Connect

IN PLANNING

Speaking with student life regarding this

UWA Gaming Hub

IN PROGRESS

Have made some progress with Uni IT however they said it would be unlikely for them to have the install of wifi ready before semester 2 starts, informally caught up with Jack to get the ball rolling from commercial team

Student Initiative Submission Portal

IN PLANNING

- Looking at implementing at the start of sem 2

NUS Engagement

ONGOING

Emergency meeting regarding university merger has been called for state branch

Guild Unit Review System

IN PLANNING

This has been raised to the student digital experience committee and seeing if this is viable

UWA Ferry

IN PROGRESS

Location has been confirmed. Confidential until public release.

National Student Ombudsman

Looking at collaborating further for the survivors exhibition

Guild Pilates DONE

The Pilates studio, a collaboration with UWA Sport, has launched

Reid Library

DONE

The library is now open, providing a fantastic space for students.

- Seating capacity has increased by over 140 seats.
- Reid will be open 24/7 by Semester 1.

- The Guild will collaborate with the Library and Student Life to provide helpful services.

New EVA Policy

Email has been sent out regarding policy

Tav Wednesdays

First tav Wednesday of this sem

Non-alcoholic tickets**IN PLANNING**

No further updates

Guild Op-Shop**IN PROGRESS**

Looking at having another op shop at oday 2

Improve SafeZone App**IN PROGRESS**

No further updates

Lighting Review IN**PROGRESS**

- No further updates

Free Pregnancy Tests for Students**DONE**

The Guild will provide free pregnancy tests to students, addressing the cost-of-living crisis.

Pharmacy is now administering

24/7 Mental Health Support**IN PROGRESS**

Working with the university to implement TalkCampus.

Currently it is with university finance

Free Library Dinners During Exams**DONE**

Success!!

Gave away 4000 noodle cups to student during exam period, it was very popular and very well received. We will be looking at doing more of these

Discounted breakfasts during exam period**DONE**

We gave out 900+ \$3.99 breakfast wraps, it was incredibly popular especially after we expanded the offering times for this deal

WASAC and MASA**IN PROGRESS**

WASAC Rep secured!!

Albany

IN PROGRESS

Reached out to head of Albany

- Albany trip might not be able to happen in august because of alumni engagement committee
- I am looking at a separate time

Free nappies in the parents rooms

Done

Success!

Food for Fines

Craig Mackenzie head of UniPark has confirmed that the systems are ready to go! This will roll out start of September, currently working through logistics with the GSC

Guild outlets providing specific foods that co-inside with faith/cultural holidays

- Reached out to ethno regarding a cultural calendar which they are currently working on and will assist the catering and tavern committee with this
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Catering and Tav Wins:

Garlic bread in the tav

DONE

Nachos in the Tav

DONE

\$6 house wine

DONE

Bruschetta at Tav

DONE

Vending machines in Music school

- No further updates

Mental health pop up

- Free food will be given

Cost of living sustainability project

- Due to the success of the guild cost of living initiatives, we are likely to receive more funding for these projects.
- Engaging with facsoc to see how this support can be extended to cohorts

Cheaper parking for postgraduate students

IN PROGRESS

Currently just tracking the usage

Club rooms and campus management

Still monitoring this space and seeing if with the masterplan we can secure more club rooms to rely less on the university.

Period product dispensers

DONE

Period product dispensers in all 5 libraries - AMAZING

Academic policy

We have submitted Guild recommendation to the next review of assessment policy working group

50% cap on final exams

- Considered a reasonable proposal; will be raised in the Assessment Review Working Group.

Practice exam papers for first-year units

- Also considered reasonable; will be raised in the same group.

Final exam mark released to students

- Some logistical challenges due to current systems, but will be explored further.

Centralised platform for assessment marks

- To be raised in the Digital Student Experience Project.

5-day simple extension

- A briefing paper has been prepared (thanks to Jay!) and sent for review.
- Feedback is to wait for the EVA policy rollout before moving forward, to avoid overlap.

Free academic transcripts

DONE

- Secured for students upon graduation (comm rollout in progress).
- Secured for BPhil exchange students (as it's mandatory for their program).
- Working on access for 3rd year students applying for grad roles – flagged as logistically challenging.

Ezone 24/7

IN PROGRESS

Raised to safer communities to investigate the resourcing of becoming 24/7

Drug testing kits

Presented to safer communities and they are seeking more specific data on UWA and also refining on the messaging

Raising Palestinian student concerns to senior executive

Met with the director of student life and other senior staff of student life along side the PCS exec and ethnocultural officers to discuss experience of Palestinian students on campus

Master of Social Works Advocacy

In progress

Students studying a Master of Social Work have been having issues with their unit coordinator. Advocacy for the guild to the senior academics has occurred as well as support from student assist. The advocacy is ongoing along said PSA and ISD

Food pantry drive

Convocation food drive has been such a success!! We are getting so many donations from the community. Amazing to see the alumni rally around our students in need.

Guild x India Campus

With UWA expanding its campus to India the Guild has been consulted on how to ensure that students attending the India campus have the support and experienced offered to students at UWA in western Australia. We have been having a lot of discussion regarding venture and its potential to expand into India

Food market event with Foodbank and Allianz

Working with food pantry working group to have a food market event where students can get free food like the food pantry on a much larger scale
Date is confirmed for September

Survivors' exhibition

I have been working with the women's department to organise the survivor's exhibition and as well as the safer communities committee for collaboration

State Sector Review

Still waiting for more information in this space. Have an emergency meeting with NUS state branch to discuss and have been reached out to the department of education for consultation. Before making an opposing stances I think we need to properly investigate what is being proposed.

FINANCES

Standard Profit and Loss Detail (Actual vs Budget)

Period: 01/01/25-31/12/25
UWA Student Guild

28/07/25
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Fiscal Start Date: 01/01/25
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All amounts are in AUD.

Description	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual YTD	Budget YTD
Annual Leave	-47.71	-4,237.58	-4,189.87	-47.71	-4,237.58
Superannuation	-2,896.43	-5,905.74	-3,009.31	-2,896.43	-5,905.74
Workers Compensation	-215.73	-496.79	-281.06	-215.73	-496.79
Long Service Leave	29.32	-1,172.16	-1,201.48	29.32	-1,172.16
Total Employee Leave Costs	-3,130.55	-11,812.27	-8,681.72	-3,130.55	-11,812.27
Salaries and Wages - Permanent Staff	-24,982.06	-46,885.29	-21,903.23	-24,982.06	-46,885.29
Total Salaries & Wages	-24,982.06	-46,885.29	-21,903.23	-24,982.06	-46,885.29
Total Employee and Labour Expenses	-28,112.61	-58,697.56	-30,584.95	-28,112.61	-58,697.56
Printing & Stationery	-143.54		143.54	-143.54	
Total Activities & Functions Costs	-143.54		143.54	-143.54	
General Expenses	-150.45	-500.00	-349.55	-150.45	-500.00
Total General Expenses	-150.45	-500.00	-349.55	-150.45	-500.00
Conferences	-1,403.52	-4,000.00	-2,596.48	-1,403.52	-4,000.00
Special Projects	-5,541.56	-35,000.00	-29,458.44	-5,541.56	-35,000.00
Total Guild Initiatives	-6,945.08	-39,000.00	-32,054.92	-6,945.08	-39,000.00
Software Digital	-159.44	-240.00	-80.56	-159.44	-240.00
Total Computer & Software Expenses	-159.44	-240.00	-80.56	-159.44	-240.00
Vehicle - Petrol and Service		-1,000.00	-1,000.00		-1,000.00
Total Motor Vehicle Expenses		-1,000.00	-1,000.00		-1,000.00
Cleaning Contract	-140.07	-180.00	-39.93	-140.07	-180.00
Total Cleaning Expenses	-140.07	-180.00	-39.93	-140.07	-180.00
Utilities	-113.08	-300.00	-186.92	-113.08	-300.00

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Ferry Extension
- 850 Essential product packs made
- 1109 Golden tickets distributed
- Implementation of Guild Op-shops
- Successfully launching tav Wednesdays
- Successful assistance in organising o-day afters
- Successful launch of pregnancy tests in the pharmacy
- O-day with more than 10k people
- O-day after with 800 attendance
- Guild on the Green with 500+ attendance
- Pilates studio successfully launched
- Successful official opening of the tavern
- Successfully raised \$5k + from Guild opshop -
- Garlic bread in the tav!
- Free nappies in parents rooms
- Successfully advocated for 24/7 reid library
- Expanded shuttle bus to include Claremont station
- Successfully advocated for Cameron hall lift
- Secured \$100k for cost of living projects with the University
- Free academic transcripts upon graduation
- \$1.50 parking cap for postgraduate students
- 4000 free dinners given out to students during exam period
- Secured 2 day waiver on all assignments for students
- Free academic transcripts at end of your degree and for bphil students
- Prevented the increase on academic transcripts
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DISCUSSION POINTS

Regards,

Nikhita Talluri

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OLIVER BARRETT
VICE PRESIDENT
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2/7/2025

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SUMMARY

Unfortunately, had to take a step back from some of the ongoing projects this semester due to some personal issues. However, still a busy month overall, but more so focused on ongoing management of committees. To anyone reading this, please look after your mental health.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

Date	Meeting	Purpose
2/7	<i>Guild Council</i>	<i>Monthly meeting</i>
7/7	<i>Marketing filming</i>	<i>Reels with marketing</i>
8/7	<i>Executive Management committee meeting</i>	<i>Monthly meeting</i>
	<i>Student Experience Committee meeting</i>	<i>Quarterly meeting</i>
	<i>Student Reference group meeting</i>	<i>Monthly meeting</i>
10/7	<i>Catering and Tavern Committee meeting</i>	<i>Monthly meeting</i>
15/7	<i>Guild on the green</i>	<i>Helped out there</i>
16/7	<i>Marketing filming</i>	<i>Reels with marketing</i>
	<i>Mace bearer training</i>	<i>Training to bear the mace for graduations</i>
17/7	<i>Chippy Social</i>	<i>Helped out</i>
18/7	<i>Marketing filming</i>	<i>Reels with marketing</i>
21/7	<i>Senate & Guild council event</i>	<i>Opportunity to meet some of the senate</i>
22/7	<i>Mace bearing for Graduation</i>	<i>Held mace for the ceremony</i>
23/7	<i>Student Consultative committee meeting</i>	<i>Meeting with UWA staff</i>
	<i>Tav Wednesday</i>	<i>Attended</i>
30/7	<i>Breakfast by the bay</i>	<i>Attended event</i>
	<i>Strategic resources committee meeting</i>	<i>Monthly meeting</i>

PROJECT UPDATE

Student Experience Committee Working Group

- [from April] Still waiting on UWA working group leads to define the scope of the investigation – there was one meeting I missed due to mandatory classes, but this was relayed as the general outcome of that meeting.
- No updates since previous – still waiting on UWA staff to narrow down the scope.

Student Reference Group

- Taking on a role within the student reference working group at the request of Emma and Fiona, looking to act as a student communication conduit to the larger committee this working group is a subset of.
- Worked with Tenille to set a new agenda looking at cost of living and how both UWA and the Guild can best support students through this.

Exam Results Back

- Brought this to the Student Experience committee, and some positive feedback seemed to be received. Overall, some considerations are that this remains after the moderation process for marks, and after exam results are finalised, in order to avoid logistical concerns raised. Need to review UWA policy at some point as well to compare it to existing possibilities.

Food for cultural holidays

- Product of C+T meeting – need to consult Ethnocultural and PAC on what holidays would be good. Trying to provide at Guild outlets food specific to certain cultural holidays so as to allow students to have access to these foods when they might be away from home or culture.
- Meetings so far have been delayed given other commitments rearing up.

Food for fines

- Worked with Jude and Nikhi, and this one is going ahead!! Very glad to see UWA taking feedback and ideas on board. This project aims to help with cost of living and to encourage donations of essential food items instead of parking fines.

Pub Crawl Club Package

- Working with Ethan, Emilia, and Catering to bring out a package to enable clubs to use tav for pub crawls instead of Varsity or other places. Again, delayed due to other commitments.

Marketing

- Worked with the marketing team to shoot some fun content for the tav and events upcoming this month. Had a lot of fun with this.

FINANCES

n/a

ACHIEVEMENTS**DISCUSSION POINTS**

Regards,
Oliver Barrett
Vice President



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GUILD COUNCIL REPORT JULY
28/07/2025

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SUMMARY

Midyear budget review is done! I was away still this month and then had personal leave so I didn't get to be involved much during the break but excited to see how O day 2 goes and how the golden tickets perform this time round. Meetings attended was minimal as I was overseas.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
28/05/2025	Executive meeting	

PROJECT UPDATE

Midyear Budget Review

DONE

- Every department head has been contacted
- Adjustments have been drafted and is going to be (hopefully) approved by Guild Council this week.
- Some minor adjustments have been made and approved by finance. All changes were run by Mutya and Nikki

Golden Ticket

ALMOST DONE

- Excited to see how the tickets perform at O day 2 – numbers will be included in the next report.
- They have been distributed, and clubs are notified of the golden ticket
- Hoping to see more mid-year club sign ups

From this line below: same as previous months

Free essential items in Guild Student Centre

ALMOST DONE

- Packs are available, majority have been given out via the food pantry.
- Some are available in through the living room for students that may need it
 - Security on campus have also been given a few to give to students who they might find living on campus.
- We will continue to monitor and roll out more or make adjustments as we see fit/ as more feedback comes through.

Student Initiative Portal

IN PROGRESS

- A way for student to submit suggestions to the guild and the guild to find out more about what students want, will be easy and anonymous to use.
 - Helps eliminate when students aren't sure where to go for an idea and then when the opportunity does arise for them to say, they forget or 'put on the spot'
 - Easy way to connect guild and students.
- Initial discussions with Chloe Bull have happened and been productive.
- A pilot of this form will be launched using Microsoft forms to gauge interest with students.
 - This should happen in the next few weeks
 - If enough engagement is received through the form, a more dedicated portal can be set up in the future.

FINANCES

N/A

ACHIEVEMENTS

N/A

DISCUSSION POINTS

Please let me know if you have any questions on the Mid year budget review.

Regards,

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112th General Secretary

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ATTENDANCE

	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Nikhita Talluri	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oliver Barrett	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Apologies	Yes
Annika Leunig	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Apologies
Aidan Kirby-Smith	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ritika Menon	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Charlie Backshall	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ethan Tan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Aimee Can	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Apologies	Yes	Apologies
Jay Williams	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Archit Menon	Yes	Proxy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Apologies	Yes
Ruby Membry	Proxy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Apologies
Jeffery Tang	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Apologies	Yes	Apologies
Damien Zhang	Yes	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	Yes	Apologies
Julia Suffell	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Apologies
Anthony Sims	Yes	Proxy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A
Libby Bailey	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes	Yes	Apologies	Yes
Lucinda Bartlett	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tabarek Alhaffar	Yes	Yes	Apologies	Yes	Yes	Yes	Apologies
Selina Al Ansari	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Reihaneh Rezagholilou	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Casey Taylor	Apologies	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Apologies	Absent
Aryaman Bhoosrheddy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent
Ashel Siby	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Absent	Yes	Absent
Archana Ashok	Yes	Proxy	Yes	Yes	Apologies	Yes	Apologies
Finn Penter	Yes	Proxy	Yes	Apologies	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jude Kamalddin	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Kassidy Anderson	Yes	Proxy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Katrina Soares	Apologies	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lachy Flavel	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Apologies	Yes	Yes
Naveen Nimalan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Ojaswi Shrestha	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Olivia Stronach	Yes	Yes	Yes	Apologies	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rama Sugiartha	N/A	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Apologies



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SUMMARY

July was rather quite pleasant. Most of the month was spent in university holiday. The work has continued nonetheless! Nothing major to report other than work is still continuing and we have made a lot of progress this month.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
02/07/25	Meeting with Damien	Discuss the Sports department and reg changes
02/07/25	Meeting with Ethno Co-Officers	Discuss the Ethno department and reg changes
04/07/25	Meeting with Rama	Discuss updates on Governance training and general catchup
07/07/25	Meeting with Julia	Discuss the Enviro department and reg changes
08/07/25	EMC	Monthly meeting
10/07/25	Meeting with Ruby	Discuss the Women's department and reg changes
14/07/25	Meeting with Lucinda	Discuss the Access department and reg changes
15/07/25	Guild on the green	Represent the Guild with incoming semester 2 students
15/07/25	Meeting with Archit	Discuss the ISD department and reg changes
15/07/25	Meeting with Lizzie	Discuss PROSH and volunteering rules
15/07/25	Meeting with Tony	Discuss reg changes and assign tasks
16/07/25	Meeting with Jeff	Discuss the Wellbeing department and reg changes
17/07/25	July Election culture meeting with Mary	Monthly meeting with special guest
17/07/25	Chippy Social	Represent the Guild and provide help to staff
21/07/2025	Senate Dinner	Meet and network with the UWA senate
22/07/2025	Governance	Monthly Governance meeting

PROJECT UPDATE

Governance overhaul - UNDERGOING

Consultation is finished (after RSD)! Governance was happy with the department rules template so this should be coming out in the coming week(s). PROSH is also nearing the verge of completion. The project is still on track to finish by the end of the year.

Governance training - SUSPENDED

The regulation overhaul has been taking priority over the governance training and the training overhaul is somewhat contingent on the regulation overhaul being completed first, so for that reason I have been focussing most of my time on the regulation overhaul.

Guild stances - DONE

It is now completed! I have placed it in the agenda pack! I want to thank Cam who helped me understand the history and the process for the stances book.

FINANCES

N/A

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Hosted the first TAV show of the year
- Updated the PAC rules allowing more clubs to become PAC affiliated

DISCUSSION POINTS

N/A

Regards,

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SUMMARY

Different semester, Same Stuff.

I love seeing everyone back on campus, in the library and the Access room!

Our events are back up and running. Thank you to the students that have emailed with concerns, my emails are always open.

With great sadness we say goodbye to Tabarek. Thank you for your service as my Co-Officer this year and your contributions to the committee in 2024.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
03/07	Rama S.+ Olivia S. Meeting	Discussion about changes
15/05	Guild on the Green	Stall
14/07	Department Regulation Meeting	Overview with Aidan (Chair) and Tony
17/07	Election Culture	Proxie for Olivia S.
21/07	Senate Drinks + Capes	
24/07	Niki chat	Project overview
29/07	O-Day 2.0	Fairy Floss
30/07	Breakfast By the Bay	Invited by Charlie B.

PROJECT UPDATE

Accessibility Report

- Link to sign up to share point is here, <https://forms.office.com/r/6yTpM6w8H4>
- SharePoint will contain the Final report, relevant statistics and information about seminar events.

PWdWA Conference

- Attended.
- Report is in the works, apologies for the delay.

Special Interest Presentation Night

- Event planned for 30/07.
- So excited as this has been in the works for a while!

Autism Social Group

- Has successfully been run the last few weeks.
- Very excited to see this program grow and contribute positively to the support students receive.

FINANCES

N/A

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Ethno x Access Panel Night end of March
- Wellbeing x Access Fruit stall
- PWdWA confrence attendance
- Austism Social Group
- O-day, Guild on the Green stall etc.

DISCUSSION POINTS

What snacks should I put in the Access Room?

If you have any experiences or recommendations about your experiences of accessibility or inaccessibility of:

- *Courses and Classes in the School of Enviromental Science and Agricultura*
- *The administration of UWA Connect Scholarships*
- *UWA Sport*
- *Documents produced by the university (non-academic)*

Thank you!

Regards,

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NAME Ritika Menon
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GUILD COUNCIL REPORT July
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SUMMARY

Had a busy month with academics and club commitments.

Been confirming details for the multicultural showcase with the Association of Culturally Appropriate Services, Sanskriti, ISD and Ethno

I have been dealing with multiple personal problems this month and have had to take a small step back from some of my roles to focus on my health. Hope to get back and at it soon!

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
10/07/2025	Meeting with ISD and Ethno for project update	Finalised plan for Tapestry - project
17/07/2025	ECC meeting	Monthly meeting
22/07/2025	Governance meeting	Monthly meeting
23/07/2025	Meeting with Nikhita Talluri	Project update
24/07/2025	Meeting with AfCas	Project update

PROJECT UPDATE

Multicultural Art Showcase

UWA is a melting pot of different culture and artists looking for a platform to present them. A multimodal art showcase encourages talented students to continue practicing and performing their art.

Organise an art showcase on the campus allowing students to display different forms of art and allowing them to access this diversity on campus. Possible collaboration with Akshata Jois as it is modelled after her project 'Kriti Collective 2024'

April update – Met with AfCAS, potential to collaborate with cultural clubs, ISD and Ethno for a fundraising event. Will be a cultural night celebrating diversity and social work! Potential date – August 22nd

Event confirmed for August 21 st and will be called **Tapestry – Honour the past, Celebrate the now and Inspire the future** in Octagon theatre. Confirming marketing and performers now.

FINANCES

ACHIEVEMENTS

DISCUSSION POINTS

Would any other departments be keen in contributing/collaborating to the fundraising multicultural event?

Regards,

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SUMMARY

July marked my slow escalation back into my Guild role as my winter internship winded up. As always a massive thanks to my Ed Committee and others for supporting me through this month.

The University advocacy has been ticking along well. Nikhi and I have had some developments with our policy proposals in the Assessment Review Working Group. Ideally some more concrete movement on this front come August once the semester resumes.

A small note from me, my Vice President, Lauren Kohlen, has resigned to start a new adventure. I want to thank her deeply for all her contributions to my team, including chairing the EAN and getting the Study Abroad Handbook mostly complete. I will miss her counsel and contributions to the Ed Council Team.

Governance and Election Culture met this month. Student services will meet Monday.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

Date	Meeting	Purpose
30/06/25	Governance Committee	Attended the Governance Committee Meeting where we discussed the ongoing changes to the Guild Regulations as well as a complaint about an SGM election. Met one of the new OCMs appointed to Governance.
30/06/25	Election Culture Committee	Attended the June Election Culture Committee Meeting where we talked about the current election overview as well as the committee's chat with Mary (RO). Also briefed on language usage in elections. Met one of the new OCMs appointed to Election Culture.
02/07/25	Guild Council	
03/07/25	Guild President	Catch-up
04/07/25	University Learning and Teaching Committee	Discussed the transition from blackboard original to blackboard ultra, got an update on the school learning and teaching awards, and received updates from ULTC standing committees. Also got an update on PROSH and timetabling.
06/07/25	Ed Secretary	Caught up to discuss Ed Council for Semester 2, some committee changes, and expectation setting.
14/07/25	Guild President and PSA President	Catch-up
17/07/25	Academic Quality and Standards Committee	Discussed mandatory continuous course monitoring, comprehensive degrees and comprehensive courses.
17/07/25	Election Culture Committee	The Guild Elections Returning Officer came and spoke to members of ECC and took their insights and opinions on board and had some points to bring to the WAEC Commissioner.

17/07/25	Curriculum Framework Working Group	Received a presentation on some key student statistics at UWA, reviewed comprehensive degrees and minors.
21/07/25	Guild President	Start of Semester catch-up, Senate dinner brief and Ed Council goals for the year.
21/07/25	Senate Dinner	Drinks and canapes with various members of the UWA Senate.
22/07/25	Environment Officer	Catch-up.
22/07/25	Governance Meeting	Discussed regulation changes and an election appeal.
22/07/25	Ed Council Committee Meeting	Caught up on what the team had been up to over the holidays and assigned some tasks.
22/07/25	Ed Council	Held 4 th Ed Council. Updated Council on EVA, Ed Con and had a roundtable about timetabling.
23/07/25	Guild President and PSA President	Catch-up and SCC pre-briefing.
23/07/25	Student Consultative Committee	Met with Student Life, FacSocs, Guild President and PSA President to discuss issues facing UWA students and how the uni can better support FacSocs.
23/07/25	Lisa Goldacre	Discussed a student issue.
24/07/25	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (ESE) and Guild President	Cancelled.

PROJECT UPDATE

50 per cent cap on examinations

Included in the briefing note to the Review of Assessment Working Group.

5-Day Simple Extensions

Included in the briefing note to the Review of Assessment Working Group.

Mandatory practice examination papers for first-years

Included in the briefing note to the Review of Assessment Working Group.

Release final examination and/or assessment marks

Included in the briefing note to the Review of Assessment Working Group.

Study Abroad Handbook

With Lauren stepping down I've handed this task over to Insiah. Will require some recalibrating so will push to have this done before Semester 2 ends.

Ed Council

Working on a communications plan around EVA with my committee. Hope to have something up in Week 4 as O-Day 2 promotion winds down and before marketing for the ball launches. Had a solid roundtable with all the FacSocs where I got some good feedback for me to bring to the university.

FINANCES

Description	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual YTD	Budget YTD
Orientation Day Expenses		-290.00	-290.00		-290.00
Printing & Stationery	-106.65	-230.00	-123.35	-106.65	-230.00
Total Activities & Functions Costs	-106.65	-520.00	-413.35	-106.65	-520.00
Conferences	-979.13	-1,000.00	-20.87	-979.13	-1,000.00
Campaigns	-179.50	-676.00	-496.50	-179.50	-676.00
Special Projects	-441.18	-950.00	-508.82	-441.18	-950.00
Total Guild Initiatives	-1,599.81	-2,626.00	-1,026.19	-1,599.81	-2,626.00
Grants	-30,308.60	-62,000.00	-31,691.40	-30,308.60	-62,000.00
Total Grants, Awards & Prizes	-30,308.60	-63,500.00	-33,191.40	-30,308.60	-63,500.00
Software Digital	-162.89	-432.00	-269.11	-162.89	-432.00
Total Computer & Software Expenses	-162.89	-432.00	-269.11	-162.89	-432.00
Uniforms		-20.00	-20.00		-20.00
Total Catering Expenses		-20.00	-20.00		-20.00
Total Administrative Expenses	-32,177.95	-67,098.00	-34,920.05	-32,177.95	-67,098.00
Operating (Profit)/Loss	-32,177.95	-67,098.00	-34,920.05	-32,177.95	-67,098.00
(PROFIT)/LOSS BEFORE FINANCE INCOME/(EXPE	-32,177.95	-67,098.00	-34,920.05	-32,177.95	-67,098.00
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (INCOME)/LOSS FOR TH	32,177.95	67,098.00	34,920.05	32,177.95	67,098.00

Base Funding applications have gone out for Semester 2. Thanks to Annika for working collaboratively during the mid-year budget process.

ENGAGEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY

University Learning and Teaching Committee

Was a lighter agenda for learning and teaching committee this month. Most of the meeting centred around a discussion on the transition from blackboard original to blackboard ultra. This change will hopefully usher in more uniformity for students LMS across units as well as more advanced teaching technologies. There was also a discussion about the School Learning and Teaching Awards and from the ULTC Standing Committees.

PROSH date was an item en bloc but was moved for discussion as some academics had concerns about PROSH being scheduled on Wednesday of Week 4. Had a wide ranging discussion and I advocated strongly for PROSH and it being an important part of student culture. This wasn't a decision for the committee though so PROSH will be staying as is!

Academic Quality and Standards Committee

Attended the Academic Quality and Standards meeting where we received an update from Daniela Ulgiati, the Chair, undergraduate mandatory continuous course monitoring processes. Daniela also provided an update on the actions they are taking around reviewing undergraduate comprehensive courses and postgraduate comprehensive courses. These items will be escalated to UEC.

There was also en bloc decisions around professional accreditation status and risk and communications around regulatory expectations and Academic Board deliberations.

Curriculum Framework Working Party

Brief agenda this month. Zac Aman from the Engineering School who has prepared a extensive data overview of student retention rates in certain degree types. There was also a discussion on the impact of ATAR and weightings in UWA's competitive advantage against other WA Universities.

The two main agenda items were a discussion around comprehensive degrees and minors at UWA. There was more discussion about expanding minors to 8 units instead of 4 and how to attract students to study comprehensive degrees at UWA. Very interesting!

Student Consultative Committee

Glad to see this committee make a comeback mid-way through the year. There was no agenda for this meeting and more just a good base for all the FacSocs, the Guild President, PSA President and I to meet with Student Life and other representatives to discuss issues facing students and how Student Life can better support the student body.

Was a really solid roundtable and had good turnout so I'm looking forward to seeing the work of this committee for the rest of the term.

DISCUSSION POINTS

My winter internship is finished so I should be fully back into the swing of my Guild role this Semester (hopefully). Hope everyone had a good break and as always, if you want to meet to discuss anything please don't hesitate to reach out.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jay Williams". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'J'.

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Guild Council Report - July
30th July, 2025

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SUMMARY

Big month of planning Enviro's upcoming events, especially our O'Day Op Shop.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
6/6/25	Millie McFarlane Enviro Events Officer	Brainstorm event ideas and plan for op shop
7/6/25	Aidan Kirby-Smith Chair of Guild Council	Discuss Enviro regulation changes
9/6/25	Lizzie Moorhouse Volunteering	Planning for op shop
12/6/25	Millie McFarlane Enviro Events Officer	Planning Guild on the Green and O'Day
12/6/25	Jorja Cowan Enviro OCM	Finalising flyers and Plastic Free July giveaway
15/6/25	Guild on the Green	Promoting upcoming events, chatting to new students
15/6/25	Enviro Exec Meeting	Ensure all execs are on the same page about the plan for this semester, allocate events for each exec to lead and plan O'Day.
17/6/25	Matthew Newton, Geraldine Tan UWA Sustainability Office	Update on UWA's waste management system, initiatives UWA is taking to reduce waste on campus and 2030 Sustainability Strategy
17/6/25	Chippy Social	Hand out free chips and meet some cool new students 😊
17/6/25	Enviro Committee Meeting	Discuss upcoming events + projects, onboard new OCM's
17/6/25	Enviro Committee Bonding	Celebrating finalist for the Green Gown awards, and the hard work Enviro committee has put in this year.
21/7/25	Millie McFarlane Enviro Events Officer	Plan Alcoa's Plan for WA's Jarrah Forests event, order catering
21/7/25	Senate Dinner	Network with the executives of UWA

22/7/25	Lizzie Moorhouse Volunteering	Plan op shop
22/7/25	Abi Michin Op Shop Coordinator	Finalise marketing for op shop
22/7/25	Abbey Lentjes Enviro Marketing Officer	Film Instagram reel for Keep Cup library
22/7/25	Education Council	Hear about the great work Jay and the Ed Council are doing and discuss challenges with timetables.
23/7/25	Young Leaders Council Ethan Tan, Lachy Flavel, Chellyce from UWA Future Students	Discuss improvements for next years Young Leaders Council
23/7/25	Nikhi Talluri Guild President	Update on YLC
23/7/25	Millie McFarlane, Louis Bird Enviro Events Officer & VP	Update on projects and events, as Louis was on holidays
24/7/25	Lizzie Moorhouse Volunteering	Set up op shop
24/7/25	Gerard Mazza Conservation Council of WA	Planning protest – social media content, run sheet, speeches, media statement
27/7/25	Millie McFarlane Enviro Events Officer	Plan Op Shop sign, roster for O'Day
28/7/25	Sophie Burrows Enviro Treasurer	Finalise run sheet for protest
28/7/25	Millie McFarlane Enviro Events Officer	Create op shop sign and discuss O'Day

PROJECT UPDATE

Green Gown Australasia Awards:

Last week I found out I have been selected as a finalist for the Student Champion category of the Green Gown Australasia Awards. This award selects the top 5 students from tertiary education in Australia and New Zealand who are student leaders in sustainability. In October, I will have the privilege to run a workshop and attend an awards night in Sydney with Australian Campuses Towards Sustainability.

I could never achieve this without the incredible 112th Guild Council, the staff members at UWA Student Guild – especially Lizzie, Leigh and Alice and to Clare from UWA Grand Challenges.

Young Leaders Conference:

Ethan, Naveen, Lachy and I had planned an awesome Young Leaders Conference themed around motivation, with some amazing speakers and a Club Engagement Fair. However, the event was cancelled due to low numbers of registrations.

We are currently working with UWA Future Students to create a plan for next year's conferences. I hope with some adjustments, such as making the conferences early in Semester 1, will attract more students in the future and make the conference continue. It is such a fantastic opportunity for high school students to learn more about the incredible opportunities at UWA and connect with student leaders.

Events:

Alcoa's Plan for Western Australian Jarrah Forests:

Enviro held a talk on Alcoa's bauxite mining extension proposal in collaboration with Conservation Council of WA, WA Forest Alliance and The Wilderness Society. It was a very informative evening, which went into detail of the ecological, economic and cultural impacts of the extension, with over 200 people attending.

Upcoming events:

O'Day 2 + Pop-Up Op Shop with Guild Volunteering:

Got some cool stuff going on at O'Day:

- Plastic Free July giveaway – over \$200 of plastic-free alternatives for a student to win, sponsored by UWA Campus Management
- Plastic Free July challenge competition – UWA sponsoring 2x \$200 vouchers for students who submit an article, photo or video about their plastic-free swaps
- Plastic Free July pledges for students to sign and take photos with
- Enviro stickers for students to take

We also are running another Pop-Up Op Shop with Guild Volunteering.

Woodsides North West Shelf Protest:

The Environment Department is collaborating with Conservation Council of WA's Go Beyond Gas campaign to run a protest outside of Woodside's HQ, to advocate against the expansion of Woodside's North West Shelf Gas Project. We will be having a speaker from Go Beyond Gas, have some cool banners and are ready to make some noise!

Understanding Environmental Policy – Containers for Change:

In collaboration with Science Union, Arts Union and SNAGS, we will be running a workshop featuring Ross Belton, former Principle Policy Advisor for the Environment Minister, and key advocator for the Containers for Change scheme.

Inter-Club Campus Clean Up:

Enviro is running an Inter-Club Campus Clean Up. This event will feature prizes for the club with the most rubbish collected and highest attendance, and free food and drinks at the Tav after for participants. Keep WA Beautiful Council will be auditing the clean-up, which can be sent to UWA and City of Perth to hopefully depict how much rubbish is present, and the urgency to ensure UWA's waste management is up to scratch.

Nature Photography Walk:

The Environment Department, Science Union, Photography Club, SEEC and Co-Exist Perth will be collaborating to run another Nature Photography Walk this semester. The event will feature a guide from Friends of Lake Claremont, who will speak about the birds in the area, and conservation of the Carnaby's Cockatoos.

Corals Last Stand Film Screening:

The Environment Department is going to be screening the 'Corals Last Stand' documentary about Scott Reef and the impacts of Woodside's North West Shelf Project extension. We are hoping to have a panel of speakers around the impacts of climate change and oil extraction around coral reefs.

Project Update:

Plastic Free July:

In the spirit of Plastic Free July, we have created pledges for students to sign at O'Day and Guild on the Green. We are also running a Plastic Free July giveaway and hope to educate students on sustainable changes they can make via our social media. UWA is also running a Plastic Free July challenge, which we are promoting on our social media and stalls.

Keep Cup Library:

The Keep Cup library has been successfully launched in Guild cafes! Next week, the Environment Department will hand out free cookies, thanks to UWA Grand Challenges, for all students who borrow one. The engagement and feedback have been fantastic so far, and we look forward to seeing how many students use them.

Keep cups are on sale again for 40% off, to hopefully encourage students to use them.

ISD Lighthouse Magazine:

Enviro will be submitting a couple articles for the International Student Department's Lighthouse Magazine. This is a fantastic opportunity to educate students about recycling and initiatives on campus. We look forward to seeing the end result!

Containers for Change:

Still waiting to hear back from Containers for Change about implementing a drop off point at Uni Hall. They said they'd contact us at end of July, so just waiting.

UWA's 2030 Sustainability Strategy:

It seems the strategy has been put on halt as a staff member has taken leave.

However, I met with the Sustainability committee to discuss it, advocating for UWA to invest in renewable energy and divest from fossil fuel companies. UWA is also making progress on reducing plastic and litter pollution via a new waste management system and educating students about sustainable practices.

FINANCES

Description	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual YTD	Budget YTD
Activities & Functions	-152.64	-500.00	-347.36	-152.64	-500.00
Orientation Day Expenses	-135.45	-300.00	-164.55	-135.45	-300.00
Theme Week	-384.93	-1,000.00	-615.07	-384.93	-1,000.00
Printing & Stationery		-240.00	-240.00		-240.00
Total Activities & Functions Costs	-673.02	-2,040.00	-1,366.98	-673.02	-2,040.00
Bank Charges	-2.82		2.82	-2.82	
Total General Expenses	-2.82		2.82	-2.82	
Special Projects	-792.13	-2,404.00	-1,611.87	-792.13	-2,404.00
Total Guild Initiatives	-792.13	-2,404.00	-1,611.87	-792.13	-2,404.00
Software Digital	-18.10	-144.00	-125.90	-18.10	-144.00
Total Computer & Software Expenses	-18.10	-144.00	-125.90	-18.10	-144.00
Total Administrative Expenses	-1,486.07	-4,588.00	-3,101.93	-1,486.07	-4,588.00
Operating (Profit)/Loss	-1,486.07	-4,588.00	-3,101.93	-1,486.07	-4,588.00
Grant Income Received	-2,272.73		2,272.73	-2,272.73	
Total Grant Income	-2,272.73		2,272.73	-2,272.73	
Sundry Income	-336.85		336.85	-336.85	
Total Other Income - Other	-336.85		336.85	-336.85	
Total Other Income	-2,609.58		2,609.58	-2,609.58	
(PROFIT)/LOSS BEFORE FINANCE INCOME/(EXPE	1,123.51	-4,588.00	-5,711.51	1,123.51	-4,588.00
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (INCOME)/LOSS FOR TH	-1,123.51	4,588.00	5,711.51	-1,123.51	4,588.00

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Green Gown Australasia finalist
- Keep Cup library launched
- Alcoa's Plan for Western Australian Jarrah Forests

DISCUSSION POINTS

Regards,
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SUMMARY

This month has mostly been planning events for semester 2! Week 3 is WA Language Week, and we've organised an exciting Language Workshop Night in collaboration with a few cultural clubs – giving them the opportunity to connect with students and giving students the chance to learn more about different languages. Keen for our book club this Thursday, which we hope to do a few more sessions of throughout the sem. There's a lot in the works!

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
2/07/25	Aidan Chair, Tony Goodman	Discussing regulation changes
2/07/25	Ethnocultural Committee	General committee meeting
7/07/25	Suchi Kalia	Caught up on Ethno-related content from EdCon
10/07/25	Ritika Menon	Discussing Multicultural Art Showcase Project & how Ethno can get involved
15/07/25	Guild on the Green	
21/07/25	Senate Dinner	Met with members of the Senate
24/07/25	AHRC	Discussing Racism@Uni survey
24/07/25	James (Venture)	Discussing collaboration for CML Panel Night, welcoming CaLD entrepreneurs
28/07/25	Ethnocultural Committee	General committee meeting preparing for semester 2 events

PROJECT UPDATE

Language Week 2025 (4th-10th August)

- Language Workshop event on Thursday 7th August confirmed with multiple cultural clubs – marketing and registration link to go out in the next week, please come along! It's an opportunity for clubs to showcase their languages and for students to learn more about the different languages!
- We'll also have an online 'Word of the Week' campaign for engagement on Instagram
- Book Club event on Thursday 31st July on the theme of 'Voice', where we'll have books written in different languages, or by CaLD authors and where we'll discuss the importance of reading from a diverse range of authors.

Multifaith Prayer Rooms

NO FURTHER UPDATES

- Have reached out to the Sikh Society, Baha'i Society, Hindu Yuva for initial consultation
- Have reached out to Curtin Guild about their multifaith space and advice on establishing a similar space at UWA
- Heard updates from Lisa Goldacre during the CaLD WG meeting that they are researching the University of Toronto multifaith spaces and the Monash Campus Cohesion Research project
- main concerns are to do with student safety and mindful inclusion of all faiths
- Looking into having temporary multifaith spaces, particularly for minority faith clubs to hold regular events before permanent rooms are established
- Meeting with Lisa Goldacre to discuss how ethno could support the project further

Reporting Racism Guide

NO FURTHER UPDATES

- Identified an underreporting of incidents of discrimination around campus - working on a post outlining how students can report incidents of racism and discrimination directly to the university through the 'Reporting Inappropriate Behaviour' form
- Also working with PAC & PCS on a separate survey for reporting anti-Palestinian racism

Racism@Uni survey

ONGOING

- Met with Razanne (Curtin Student Guild Vice President of Sustainability and Welfare) to discuss the Racism@Uni survey (previously Respect@Uni) conducted by the Australian Human Rights Commission
- Discussed concerns and made recommendations on the scope of the survey and data collection
- Discussed how we could lobby for them to work towards more equitable and fair reporting, and flagged concerns that should be amended before we can meaningfully engage with the study
- Met with the AHRC to voice our concerns and ensure an open dialogue that keeps students at the forefront of the study

CaLD Blogs & 'You Can't Ask That' Video series

- YCAT videos to be filmed during the Language Workshop event

FINANCES

Description	Actual	Budget	Variance	Variance %
Activities & Functions	451.90	1,400.00	-948.10	32.28
Orientation Day Expenses	70.76	237.50	-166.74	29.79
Theme Week	202.13	500.00	-297.87	40.43
Printing & Stationery		50.00	-50.00	
Total Activities & Functions Costs	724.79	2,187.50	-1,462.71	33.13
General Expenses		144.00	-144.00	
Total General Expenses		144.00	-144.00	
Equity Initiatives		350.00	-350.00	
Total Guild Initiatives		350.00	-350.00	
Software Digital	36.20	282.00	-245.80	12.84
Total Computer & Software Expenses	36.20	282.00	-245.80	12.84
Interior Decoration		150.00	-150.00	
Total Property Expenses		150.00	-150.00	
Total Administrative Expenses	760.99	3,113.50	-2,352.51	24.44
Operating (Profit)/Loss	760.99	3,113.50	-2,352.51	24.44
(PROFIT)/LOSS BEFORE FINANCE INCOME/(EXPE	760.99	3,113.50	-2,352.51	24.44
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (INCOME)/LOSS FOR TH	-760.99	-3,113.50	2,352.51	-24.44

Note that \$491 is yet to go through the Theme Week line, as one of our committee members has been overseas and has not been reimbursed yet.

ACHIEVEMENTS

DISCUSSION POINTS

Regards,

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SUMMARY

This month was a rollercoaster started with me testing positive for COVID-19 and ended with the our lovely O-week. I was working full time for all 7 days a week and my committee has been overseas. I am grateful that the committee has been planning ISD week with some events coming to make ISD week bigger and better than ever.

We are also working on our lighthouse magazine with the theme for this year being 'Dear Diary'. I am so keen to see how this semester turns out for us.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

Date	Meeting	Purpose
15/07/2025	Guild On the Green	Welcoming the new cohort of students to UWA
15/07/2025	Meeting With Aidan	ISD Regs Update
21/7/2025	Senate Dinner	Had the oppurtunity to interact with UWA Senators
23/07/2025	Student Consultative Commitee	Had our inaugural meeting
28/07/2025	Meeing with ISD Welfare Dept	Brainstorming ideas for upcoming semester, lots of cool stuff coming soon!
29/07/2025	O-Day	Welcoming the new cohort of students to UWA

PROJECT UPDATE

1. Working on Lighthouse
2. Finalising ISD Week Schedule

FINANCES

Description	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual YTD	Budget YTD
Activities & Functions	-3,087.88	-11,500.00	-8,412.12	-3,087.88	-11,500.00
Orientation Day Expenses	-240.56	-550.00	-309.44	-240.56	-550.00
Printing & Stationery	-625.38	-396.00	229.38	-625.38	-396.00
Total Activities & Functions Costs	-3,953.82	-12,446.00	-8,492.18	-3,953.82	-12,446.00
Advertising & Promotion Expenses		-441.00	-441.00		-441.00
Total Advertising & Promotion Expenses		-441.00	-441.00		-441.00
General Expenses		-140.00	-140.00		-140.00
Total General Expenses		-140.00	-140.00		-140.00
Equity Initiatives		-300.00	-300.00		-300.00
Publications		-2,700.00	-2,700.00		-2,700.00
Total Guild Initiatives		-3,000.00	-3,000.00		-3,000.00
Software Digital	-63.16	-252.00	-188.84	-63.16	-252.00
Total Computer & Software Expenses	-63.16	-252.00	-188.84	-63.16	-252.00
Depreciation - Property	-53.10	-127.44	-74.34	-53.10	-127.44
Total Depreciation and Amortisation of Fixed	-53.10	-127.44	-74.34	-53.10	-127.44
Utilities	-94.97	-516.00	-421.03	-94.97	-516.00
Total Property Expenses	-94.97	-516.00	-421.03	-94.97	-516.00
Total Administrative Expenses	-4,165.05	-16,922.44	-12,757.39	-4,165.05	-16,922.44
Operating (Profit)/Loss	-4,165.05	-16,922.44	-12,757.39	-4,165.05	-16,922.44
Sundry Income		-200.00	-200.00		-200.00
Total Other Income - Other		-200.00	-200.00		-200.00
Total Other Income		-200.00	-200.00		-200.00

Description	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual YTD	Budget YTD
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ACHIEVEMENTS

January

- Distributed welfare packs for UWA College Exam Period

February

- Successfully organized O-week events
 - a. Approx. 400+ followers on socials
 - b. Average of 9,500+ views on our O-week reels
 - c. Giveaway organized

March

- Organized our Welcome Picnic
- Held events for Harmony Week & Social Impact Week
- Collaborated with UWA College for an event

April

- Network & Chill with free LinkedIn Headshots
- Soft launching the ISD Room
- Reaching out to different universities and their ISD
- Speed Friending with Wellbeing
- ISD x ALVA: Morning Mingles

May

- ISD x PSA Quiz Night: Over 85+ people attended
- ISD Midsem Fuel: Distributed Sweet treats in the ISD room
- ISD Study Night: Over 50+ people attended
- ISD Welfare Packs giveaway: Over 200+ packs given away throughout the month
- ISD Bingo & Bites: Over 80+ people attended
- An average of 5,000+ views on all our reels, engagement has been high this month for us.
- Distributed some Welfare Packs at UWA College

June

- Participated in UWA college orientation

July

- Participated in O-week with Guild on the Green and O-Day, this led to an increase of approximately 150 new followers!

DISCUSSION POINTS

We aim to brainstorm our events for next semester, if anyone is interested in any collaborations please let me know.

I've already sent an email to all OBs to see if they had anything to add to the lighthouse magazine to help us welcome international students. If any other councilors would like to add anything as well, please feel free to do so. We look forward to reading your submissions!!!

Regards,

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PROJECT UPDATE

Venture Projects

- Different potential projects to work on. I will be accompanying Guild President to meetings with venture to further discuss progress on all projects with Chloe Bull.

Exchange Program Efficiency

- Potential of working to make the exchange program easier to apply for and get information from for all UWA Students.

Corporate Services Sub-comm

- CS Sub- comm applications out – how to navigate meetings and plan an agenda.

FINANCES

None.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Nothing.

DISCUSSION POINTS

Need to flesh out future projects & my input in the corporate services committee.
Discuss sports equipment upgrade with Damien.

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SUMMARY

Not much to report. Free Palestine.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
21/07	Snap Protest outside the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	Protest the severe and mass starvation that is being inflicted on the people of Gaza
25/07	Snap Protest: Gaza is starving. Let aid in, sanction Israel now!	Protest the severe and mass starvation that is being inflicted on the people of Gaza

PROJECT UPDATE

FINANCES

N/A

ACHIEVEMENTS

DISCUSSION POINTS

From the River to the Sea – Free Palestine,

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SUMMARY

I have been incredibly busy this past month as I have begun placement for my degree. I have been following up and staying updated with projects I am involved with.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

Date	Meeting	Purpose

PROJECT UPDATE

Food for fines:

After inquiring about the progress at the beginning of this month, I was informed that it was now with the university for planning. I have not received any further updates.

Ensuring UWA cuts its ties with Israeli institutions

I have not received any updates.

Improving library facilities for health campus students:

No new updates!

FINANCES

N/A

ACHIEVEMENTS

- *I finally have received conformation that UWA has decided to suspend it's exchange program with the Hebrew University of Jerusalem!*
- *A new microwave added to the med-dent library*
- *A direct and hopefully consistent direct line of communication between the Guild, University executive and PCS has been established*

DISCUSSION POINTS

If anyone has any ideas about how to fight back against the university's anti-Palestinian and undemocratic measures, I would love to hear it.

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SUMMARY

Good start to the semester! Most of July was holidays so not too eventful guild-wise but I am very excited to see what this semester holds for the guild.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
02/07	Guild Council	Monthly meeting
21/07	Senate x Guild Council Dinner	Networking event with the UWA senate
28/07	Student Services	Monthly meeting

PROJECT UPDATE

Cuppabeats

- Cuppabeats will be playing on Tuesday the 29th of July for O-day semester 2
- There will be hash browns and hot chocolate for students that come down
- Great way to start off O-day, hopefully sets a happy vibe for the rest of the day!

FINANCES

N/A

ACHIEVEMENTS

Cuppabeats on campus!

DISCUSSION POINTS

N/A

Regards,
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SUMMARY

Event planning has run smoothly and projects are looking to be completed soon which is very exciting.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
21/07/2025	Guild Council and Senate Event	Met with members of the Senate

PROJECT UPDATE

Mirror Mirror on the Wall

We are still investigating whether a split payment between Campus Management and Guild is feasible.

UDUB Run Club

Can't wait for the weather to clear so I can actually shoot some proper content!

Ponytail Project

Submitted Event Management Plan and budget proposal. I would love some assistance creating a Spotify playlist for the event and help to generally advertise the event. I am planning some fun games to go alongside the event such as a (friendly) 'wig snatching competition' – this is in the hope to boost overall energy and attendance.

FINANCES

N/A

ACHIEVEMENTS

N/A

DISCUSSION POINTS

No discussion points at this time.

Regards,



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SUMMARY

Ramping up again with a busy first week back.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
22/07/2025	Governance Committee	<i>July meeting</i>
23/07/2025	YLC meeting with Chellyce	<i>Discussion about the future of YLC</i>
23/07/2025	Debate Night	<i>Met with speakers union and PAC President to plan a schedule for the lead up to the event.</i>

PROJECT UPDATE

- YLC 2 was unfortunately cancelled due to low registration numbers. The future of the event is currently being re-evaluated with consideration being given to the current guild resources and goals of the event.
- Debate Night 2 planning is underway, and the event is pencilled in for week 6. The informal committee is anticipating a much larger event with PAC agreeing to aid in promotion. Please send through any topics that you would like to see debated!

FINANCES

N/A

ACHIEVEMENTS

N/A

DISCUSSION POINTS

The use of AI is becoming increasingly prevalent at university, including amongst staff. I encourage UWA to actively engage with students as all parties adapt to recent changes to assessment requirements and evolving AI tools.

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SUMMARY

I haven't been Perth for the past month during the semester break so haven't been able to attend meetings. I've been in proxy discussions regarding an Election Culture Committee meeting and Young Leaders Council discussion this past month that will be properly continued in the coming month as I've returned to Perth.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
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PROJECT UPDATE

What Club Suits You Quiz

- No new updates

FINANCES

ACHIEVEMENTS

DISCUSSION POINTS

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SUMMARY

This month I've coordinated with Convocation Council for a food drive to donate non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry which has been successful. Additionally, planning logistics for UWA Market Day and spoke with incoming cohort of international students in UWA Pre-Departure session.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
01/07/2025	UWA Pre-Departure Session	Spoke with incoming cohort of international students in session organized by UWA International Student Services
02/07/2025	Guild Council	
09/07/2025	UWA Pre-Departure Session	Spoke with incoming cohort of international students in session organized by UWA International Student Services
15/07/2025	Meeting with Arnya (Foodbank WA) and Dearbhla	Planning on UWA Market Day
21/07/2025	Senate Dinner	Networking event with UWA Senate and guild council
22/07/2025	Meeting with Craig MacKenzie from UniPark	Planning logistics and dates on Food for fines
28/07/2025	Student Services Committee Meeting	Monthly Student Services Committee Meeting

PROJECT UPDATE

- Food Pantry Drive with Convocation Council
- Successfully organised a food drive for the food pantry from July 12th to August 2nd which is an ongoing project



- UWA Market Day
 - Finalised a date in September to have food market event in collaboration with Foodbank WA and Allianz where students can receive non-perishable and fresh food items
- Implementing SparkPlus in School of Design Courses
 - workshop was conducted for teaching staffs on June 17 to introduce and familiarize with Feedback Fruits – a peer assessment platform similar to SparkPlus. It has now been implemented across most of School of Design first year units starting in Semester 2 2025
- Food for Fines
 - working with UniPark to do Food for Fines in September

FINANCES

N/A.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Successfully organised Food Pantry Drive in collaboration with Convocation Council from 12th July to 2nd August
- Implementing peer assessment platform in majority of first year School of Design Courses
- Formed a Food Pantry Working Group and got it approved
- Advertised Art Student Discounts on ALVA page
- Successful first food pantry working group meeting and got a lot of insights and future strategy planned
- Morning mingles (collab between ISD and ALVA to run conversation session and check in on international students)

DISCUSSION POINTS

N/A

Regards,



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SUMMARY

Unfortunately, I was preoccupied during June with my NUS role in combination with working full time over the university break. Now that the semester has begun I hope to have more time for my projects. However, please be aware that I have a fairly full schedule of classes this semester so it may be difficult to schedule a meeting with me.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

Date	Meeting	Purpose
30/06	Election Culture Committee	Discussion of election regulation changes including discussing banning verbal campaigning of languages other than English (LOTE).
02/07	Guild Council	Attended online as I was ill.
03/07	Rama Sugiartha and Lucinda Bartlett	Informal discussion about university relations and proposed department changes.
16/07	Election Culture Committee Pre-Meeting	Briefed Lucinda as my proxy for the Election Culture Committee Meeting the following day.
21/07	<i>Senate Drinks</i>	Met the members of the UWA Senate.

PROJECT UPDATE

Expansion and Protection of Common Lunch Hour

- Thinking of reaching out to faculty societies to see how much of a problem common lunch hour classes were this semester to provide evidence to the university.

Cameron Hall Accessibility

- No updates.

Students for Sensible Drug Policy

- Students for Sensible Drug Policy (SSDP) is a national organisation trying to work for the government to implement more sensible policies around drugs.
- The organisation runs a program where student unions can purchase bulk drug testing kits at cost price and the organisation will also run workshops educating students on how to use them.
 - This is in place already at the University of Melbourne.
- In combination with Harm Reduction WA, we could also run workshops on teaching students how to party safe.
- I haven't had any further updates from SSDP or Nikhi recently about this project but now that university has resumed I plan to get onto this more.

NUS 'My Future, Our Voice' Campaign

- Unfortunately, the materials went missing so I was unable to distribute them. Please let me know if you know what happened.

FINANCES

N/A.

ACHIEVEMENTS

None yet – see projects for updates.

DISCUSSION POINTS

Just reiterating, as there appeared to be some confusion last council meeting, that I attend NUS events in my capacity as an NUS office-bearer not in my capacity as a Guild Councillor and therefore will not be submitting reports about those activities .

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Olivia Stronach". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Olivia" being more prominent than the last name "Stronach".

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SUMMARY

Fantastic to return to campus this month following the winter break. The Racism @ Uni WG continues to work to ensure accountable and transparent processes in the design and implementation of the Australian Human Rights Commission study.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
4/07/2025	Governance Catch Up – Aidan Kirby Smith (Chair)	Discussed barriers to further onboarding and skill development of Councillors.
15/07/2025	Guild on the Green	Promoting the Guild and its services to commencing and returning students.
16/07/2025	Tavern Quiz	Assisted Leigh in the running of the quiz.
17/07/2025	Election Culture Committee	Proxied for Naveen.
21/07/2025	Senate Dinner	Improve relations with University Senate.
23/07/2025	Racism @ Uni WG Meeting	Preparation for AHRC
24/07/2025	Australian Human Rights Commission	Raised concerns around the use of definitions and grouping of data.
24/07/2025	Racism @ Uni WG Meeting	Debrief.
28/07/2025	Student Services Committee	Proxied for Selina.

PROJECT UPDATE

Vicarious Trauma Training for Student Leaders / Professional Advocate

IN PROGRESS

Organising to meet with Lucinda next week, conscious of time and budgetary constraints around this project.

Governance and Onboarding for Councillors

SUSPENDED

Discussed limitations to training including Councillor Engagement, depth required, and financial constraints. Agreed to pause the project for now as the Guild Regulations overhaul takes centre stage.

Racism @ Uni

IN PROGRESS

Work is continuing with the National Student Working Group established to voice concerns regarding the design and implementation of the Racism @ Uni study. The Working Group met with the Director of the Australian Human Rights Commission and the Project Lead of the study.

FINANCES

N/A

ACHIEVEMENTS

- With the Education Action Network, delivered Club Freedom Festival
- Renewed working relationship with the National Tertiary Education Union
- NUSWA x Guild Post re Lecture Announcements attained over 1000 likes and 40k views

DISCUSSION POINTS

My focus this month will be the student union response to the WA University Sector Review through my National Union of Students position, so my meeting availability may decrease.

I encourage Council members to read the Guild's submission to the WA University Sector Review from the 110th Council's May meeting agenda pack. Universities are in need of serious reform particularly in senior executive positions, a shift away from business and back to education and research, and long term sustainability – but this does not necessarily mean amalgamation is the best outcome for students.

Regards,



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28/07/2025

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SUMMARY

Not a very eventful month! Mostly planning future events and sorting out Spring Feast

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
16/07/2025	Events	Spring Feast planning
22/07/2025	Events	Spring Feast planning
23/07/2025	Lachy Flavel, Speakers Union	Planning Semester 2 debate night
24/07/2025	ACYA, Singapore Students Society, Malaysian Cultural Society	Planning for Mid-Autumn Festival
24/07/2025	Functions	Discussion of payment for Tav Hire

PROJECT UPDATE

Spring Feast

- Still looking for committee members
- Submitting paperwork for the event
- Set up external vendors signup link

Mid-Autumn Festival

- Advised relevant clubs on documents required for event

Debate Night

- Created timeline of necessary actions

FINANCES

\$550 was paid to the Tavern for hire

ACHIEVEMENTS

Not a very achievement filled month due to being back at home.

DISCUSSION POINTS

Looking for people to help with Spring Feast planning! Please let me know if you are interested in joining the committee!

Regards,

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GUILD COUNCIL REPORT July
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SUMMARY

With the start of the semester, we have ramped up our activities and plans for future events. In the advocacy space, we have initiated a new Sexual Health Campaign. We look forward to all that we can accomplish this semester and continue to strive to advocate for all LGBTQIA+ UWA students.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
16/07/25	Pride Committee Meeting	Committee Business
30/07/25	Pride Committee Meeting	Committee Business

PROJECT UPDATE

- **Sexual Health Campaign:**
 - The Pride Department hopes to promote sexual health on campus in Semester 2 (and in the future, if the campaign is successful) in collaboration with WAAC.
 - We hope to involve FacSocs, clubs, and colleges.
 - We have reached out to various stakeholders with the help of the Ed President and Department Heads. Several clubs, departments, and a residential college have reached out to ask for condoms and posters about consent. We are hopeful other clubs and residential colleges will follow suit.
- **Pride Week:**
 - We have a full week of activities planned. A full schedule is attached below. A number of these events are planned in collaboration with other clubs, including the Science Union, Unigames, and Craft Club.
 - Pride Fest has been scheduled to be on the 7th of August, Thursday. We will have several vendors and musicians on Oak Lawn. Please attend if you are able.

THE UWA PRIDE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS...

PRIDE WEEK

SEM 2 WEEK 3

FREE ENTRY TO ALL EVENTS

UWA STUDENT GUILD PRIDE UWA STUDENT GUILD

MONDAY 4TH
10AM - 12PM

QUEERS IN STEM: PRIDE & PASTRIES*
*FREE TICKETED EVENT: SIGNUP THROUGH OUR INSTA

PRIDE X CRAFTCLUB: CLAY & SLAY
OAK LAWN

TUESDAY 5TH
1PM - 3PM

THURSDAY 7TH
OAK LAWN
5PM - 8PM

PRIDE FEST
.....
MARKET STALLS / FOOD TRUCKS / DJS
/ GAMES / FREE GLITTER TATTOOS
.....

WEDNESDAY 6TH
3PM - 7PM

PRIDE X UNIGAMES: BOARD GAMES NIGHT
UNIGAMES, CAMERON HALL

QUEER BEERS
BRASS MONKEY

FRIDAY 8TH
6PM - 8PM

Follow our Instagram:



- **Cocktail Night:**
 - Cocktail Night will be held on the 19th of September.
 - The venue is in the final stages of being confirmed.
 - The theme is Halloween, so we encourage you to dress up and attend!
- **Queer D&D:**
 - Two groups are now running regular games
- **Movie Nights:**
 - Movie nights are being planned and will be held weekly in the clubroom.

FINANCES

Our finances are looking very healthy, and we plan to make use of these funds for events such as Pride Fest.

Profit and Loss Summary

Period: 01/01/25..29/07/25
UWA Student Guild

Fiscal Start Date: 01/01/25
Dimension 1 Filter: NC-12-PRIDE
All amounts are in AUD.

Description	CURRENT PERIOD	CURRENT PERIOD - 1	CURRENT PERIOD - 2
Activities & Functions Costs	-1,556.57	-1.95	
General Expenses	-341.45		
Computer & Software Expenses	-42.54		
Administrative Expenses	-1,940.56	-1.95	
(PROFIT)/LOSS BEFORE FINANCE (INCOME)/EXPE	644.58	-1.95	
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (INCOME)/LOSS FOR TH	644.58	-1.95	

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Active collaboration with College Row and external organisations with WAAC to ensure we can effectively advocate for LGBTQIA+ UWA students.
- Close collaboration with members of the LGBTQIA+ Working Group to widen the reach of the Pride Department.

DISCUSSION POINTS

Please reach out if you'd like to collaborate in Semester 2!

Regards,

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Pride Co-Officers



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SUMMARY

After returning to work from my Euro Summer, I've settled back into the swing of things and hit the ground running with O-week two and the HDR festival.

We finalised our Semester 1 round of grants & awards, I had a Senate meeting, attended Brand Strategy consultations with the University alongside several other Guild and University meetings. Looking forward to what Semester 2 has to offer.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
02/07/25	June Guild Council Meeting	Council meeting pushed back to accommodate the NUS Education Conference
03/07/25	Guild/Future Students Meeting	Catch up with Trish Rechichi from Future Students
03/07/25	Transport Advisory Group Meeting	Further discussions around the proposed carpark build, ferry location and alternative parking solutions in the meantime
03/07/25	Guild/Library Meetings	Monthly catch-up with the library staff to share ideas and address any concerns
07/07/25	Brand Strategy and Creative Platform Briefing Session	Attended with my predecessor and Nikhi, with the IPP unavailable, we were briefed of the new marketing direction the University is considering and provided constructive feedback.
08/07/25	Executive Management Committee Meeting	July EMC meeting.
15/07/25	Guild on the Green	PSA had stall presence over the duration of about an hour, had lots of postgraduate students drop by to chat.
16/07/25	Chippy Social	Handed out free chips to students.
17/07/25	Academic Quality & Standards Committee	Chaired by the Pro-VC of Education
18/07/25	Brand and Creative Presentation Session	Brand strategy was delivered to members of the Senate, we were pleased to see our feedback had been taken on board and changes were made accordingly.
21/07/25	Senate Meeting	July senate meeting
21/07/25	Senate & Guild Council Event	Networking opportunity for members of the Senate and members of Guild Council to meet.
22/07/25	Ed Council Meeting	Chaired by the Education Council president.
23/07/25	Student Enquiry Meeting	Aided with a student enquiry who wished to meet in person.
23/07/25	Student Consultative Committee	Co-chaired by Lisa Goldacre and Nikhi, created a space for FacSoc presidents to share concerns.

24/07/25	HDR Festival Planning Session	The PSA is collaborating with the GRS to host this years HDR Festival
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PROJECT UPDATE

Name	Description	Status
HDR Festival	A 3 day event tailored to HDR students, includes some social aspects. Industry engagement and professional upskilling. Working in collaboration with the GRS, funded by the Guild & SSAF from Student Life.	In progress
Semester 1 Grants & Awards	Distributed a number of small grants, conference grants and fieldwork & data collection grants.	Complete
Semester 1 Free Study Snacks	Welfare portfolio handed out study snacks on the postgraduate floors of Barry J and Reid with mental health resources attached.	Complete
Parking Initiative	Around 70 students have signed up for the parking permit. We are hoping to get more engagement in terms of actual permit use. It appears students who sign up for the permit are still parking in the yellow bays at Claremont (as opposed to the red staff bays which the permit allows). We will aim to clarify this via social media.	In progress
Nappies	Free nappies in the Barry J and Reid library parent's rooms. Continuously being monitored and restocked accordingly.	Complete
Masters by Coursework not Covered by Centrelink	The PSA has concerns regarding the lack of transparency surrounding eligibility for Youth Allowance.	In progress
Common Room Renovations	The common room falls under the jurisdiction of the new Welfare Portfolio. It has been cleared of clutter and is getting good use. We have recently been informed of 6 additional	In progress

	monitors in storage for the PSA that we will consider moving into the common room.	
Faculty and Society Club Meetings	Meeting with each Fac-Soc and Club president in order to better understand how the PSA can advocate for their needs more effectively.	Complete
Committee Restructure	Restructuring the regulations to introduce a new welfare portfolio.	Complete
Semester 1 Orientation	Guild on the Green, O-Day, Student Expo	Complete

FINANCES

Fiscal Month Year					Jul 2025	
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5002 PROF	Total				13,066.87	6,429.36
	5003 Oper	Total			13,066.87	6,429.36
		6800 Empl	Total		201.95	3,151.86
			6810 Empl	Total	-220.28	634.28
				6811 Annu		227.54
				6835 Supe	27.37	317.12
				6841 Work	-2.33	26.68
				6850 Long	-245.32	62.94
			6860 Salar	Total	422.23	2,517.58
				6880 Salar	422.23	2,517.58
		7000 Admi	Total		12,864.92	3,277.50
			7010 Profe	Total	3,500.00	
			7030 Activ	Total		2,250.00
			7050 Adve	Total		100.00
			7100 Gene	Total		30.00
			7140 Guile	Total		70.00
			7250 Gran	Total	9,450.00	
			7280 Comj	Total		32.00
			7500 Moto	Total		80.00
			7600 Prop	Total	-85.08	715.50
				7610 Clear	177.63	515.00
				7620 Utilit	-262.71	75.50
				7664 Interi		125.00
Total					13,066.87	6,429.36

Warm regards,



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30/07/2025

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SUMMARY

July has not much to report as our first meeting back was on Tuesday the 29th. We are starting to map out the semester ahead and start getting ready for our Battle of the Bands that will be hosted October 1st.

The Department has continued to liaise with student leadership, college administration and Guild staff to foster relationships and to adequately plan for our upcoming events next semester.

August brings a very easy going time for RSD. This will be a time of planning for this semester. Naturally, it is my expectation that the Residential Students' Department will continue to deliver for the residents of College Row in August and beyond!

MEETINGS ATTENDED

Date	Meeting	Attendees	Key Outcomes
29/07	RSD	RSD Committee	BOTB, TAV Show, Semester 2 overview

PROJECT UPDATE

Semester 2

We expect to hold semester 2 events hopefully starting in Week 3 of the Semester, we plan to host a Tav Show. We will then go into our Battle of the Bands planning. We have set the date for this as Oct 1st. We are excited for this as it is very anticipated by college row. Our team is excited to see the development for our Semester 2 events and hosting Battle of the Bands which we hope will be a smashing success.

FINANCES

N/A

ROLLING ACHIEVEMENTS

N/A

DISCUSSION POINTS

N/A.

Warm regards,



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SUMMARY

July is over, which means my holidays are gone and I am back in uni.

This month has been used to organise the upcoming Sem 2 O-Day as well as completing some additional project work.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
1/07	Filming with Nikhi	Filming for UWA Student Guild Instagram page
2/07	Guild Council Meeting	Regular monthly meeting
3/07	Volunteering Committee Meeting	Regular monthly meeting
8/07	Student Experience Committee Meeting	Regular monthly meeting
15/07	Meeting with Aifirth	Meeting a student regarding how to start up a new club and run for affiliation
17/07	Election Culture Committee Meeting	Committee meeting alongside Mary Petrou regarding the upcoming Guild Elections
21/07	Senate Dinner	Annual dinner with Guild Council and the UWA Senate
22/07	Meeting with Leigh	Creating the site map for second sem O-Day
23/07	YLC Meeting with Chellyce	Meeting with YLC committee and Chellyce to discuss how YLC is doing
24/07	Filming with Cuppabeats	Filming for UWA Student Guild and Cuppabeats Instagram page for O-Day
25/07	Meeting with IT GIRLS President	Meeting with IT GIRLS President to help sort administrative tasks
25/07	Student Services Committee Meeting	Regular Monthly Meeting

PROJECT UPDATES

Changes to Club Grants

COMPLETED

- Please see previous reports if you would like to know anything regarding this project.

O-Week

COMPLETED

- Please see previous reports if you would like to know anything regarding this project.

Sundowners

COMPLETED

- Please see previous reports if you would like to know anything regarding this project.

PROSH

COMPLETED

- Please see previous reports if you would like to know anything regarding this project.

Tavern Package

COMPLETED

- Please see previous reports if you would like to know anything regarding this project.

SOC PAC Meeting Improvements

COMPLETED

- Please see previous reports if you would like to know anything regarding this project.

Mini-Club Carnivals

CLOSED

- Please see previous reports if you would like to know anything regarding this project.

SLT Improvements

IN PROGRESS

- The last set of SLT courses is now completed
- Feedback form for the new SLT schedule will most likely be sent out next month. I will need to find a way to find out who registered and attended this year's SLT sessions.

What Club Suits You Quiz

IN PROGRESS

- Naveen (OGC) is currently on holiday! Project work for the WCSY Quiz will most likely continue when Naveen returns for Sem 2.

Guild Website Updates

IN PROGRESS

- Updates to the Guild Website are again underway.
- Currently waiting on staff to help update the website as well as hear back from the maintainers of the website regarding editing issues
- An FAQ page alongside a update Guild Website handbook will be made after the website changes have been uploaded onto the Guild Website.

How-to-Club Guide 2.0

IN PROGRESS

- Work on the How-to-Club Guide is now one-third complete
- The second third of the How-to-Club guide is currently underway, with my committee and I organizing writing nights for the weekend.
- I will need to reach out to Guild staff, Guild departments and other related committees to get help writing their sections over the holidays.
- Any feedback regarding what should be on the How-to-Club Guide is welcomed.

Sem 2 O-Day

IN PROGRESS

- At the time I am writing this report, O-Day is tomorrow.
- Cuppabeats will be joining at 9 am to provide entertainment during the free hashbrowns and hot chocolate.
- Club Carnival will be from 11 am to 2 pm, with 10 volunteers helping in the morning to set up the tables for clubs
- UWA Sport will be running an activation activity in the morning
- UWA's Got Talent will be running in the evening. We currently have 19 registrations for the talent show.

Tavern Pub Crawl Package

IN PROGRESS

- No new updates. Please see previous reports if you would like to know anything regarding this project.

Club Engagement Officer

FINAL TOUCHES

- No new updates for this, most likely to be reviewed again when Aidan and I go through the Societies Council regs.

FINANCES

Description	Actual	Budget	Variance
Activities & Functions	-3,174.55		3,174.55
Sundry Activities		-3,000.00	-3,000.00
Total Activities & Functions Costs	-3,174.55	-3,000.00	174.55
Bank Charges	-887.36	-2,160.00	-1,272.64
Meeting Expenses	-521.06	-1,340.50	-819.44
Total General Expenses	-1,408.42	-3,500.50	-2,092.08
Handbooks	-659.09		659.09
Special Projects	-1,249.09	-15,000.00	-13,750.91
Total Guild Initiatives	-1,908.18	-15,000.00	-13,091.82
SOC Grants	-84,207.77	-140,000.00	-55,792.23
Total Grants, Awards & Prizes	-84,207.77	-143,000.00	-58,792.23
Software Digital	-72.40	-3,021.00	-2,948.60
Total Computer & Software Expenses	-72.40	-3,021.00	-2,948.60
Depreciation - Property	-92.52	-192.00	-99.48
Total Depreciation and Amortisation of Fixed	-92.52	-192.00	-99.48
Cleaning Contract	-184.95		184.95
Total Cleaning Expenses	-184.95		184.95
Repairs and Maintenance	493.45	-1,200.00	-1,693.45
Total Property Expenses	308.50	-1,200.00	-1,508.50
Security Expenses	-350.94		350.94
Total Catering Expenses	-350.94		350.94
Total Administrative Expenses	-90,906.28	-168,913.50	-78,007.22
Operating (Profit)/Loss	-90,906.28	-168,913.50	-78,007.22
Sundry Income	-797.15	-1,800.00	-1,002.85
Total Other Income - Other	-797.15	-1,800.00	-1,002.85
Total Other Income	-797.15	-1,800.00	-1,002.85
(PROFIT)/LOSS BEFORE FINANCE INCOME/(EXPE	-90,109.13	-167,113.50	-77,004.37
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (INCOME)/LOSS FOR TH	90,109.13	167,113.50	77,004.37

Note: New budget lines have now appeared for the Societies Council. The handbooks budget line refers to the costs of new deposit and withdrawal books used by Clubs and Societies ordered by the Guild Finance team. I am still unsure what the Cleaning Contract budget line refers to, but it may be from cleaning costs from tenants in the Guild Village.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Successfully ran a 1.5-day schedule for SLTs.
- Successfully ran Guild on the Green with other Guild Departments
- Brought back the dunk tank to Guild on the Green.
- Successfully ran the PROSH Sausage Sizzle during Guild on the Green alongside PROSH.
- Successfully ran O-Day After's alongside the Guild Events team.
- Successfully ran Sundowners in Week 2.
- Successfully ran the PROSH Breakfast and Rave.
- Released the Tavern hiring package for clubs.
- Successfully ran a one-day schedule for SLTs.
- Began work on the How-to-Club Guide 2.0.
- Successfully ran Semester 1 Club Carnival.
- Released the new financial accounting system for club executives to use.
- Learnt how to do purchase quotes and review the Societies' Council budget on the new financial accounting system. (Thanks Mutya!)
- Sent over 1,450 emails since the start of my term to 28/07/2025.

DISCUSSION POINTS

After Sem 2 O-Day, majority of my time as SOC President will be devoted to the remaining project work my committee and I have planned, as well as assisting any departments or committees with any of their upcoming events.

A handover guide for the next SOC President is now being made.

Regards,

Ethan Tan

112th Societies Council President

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SUMMARY

In July, the Sports Department continued working closely with UWA Sport in plans moving forward to increase student engagement and participation for Semester 2, namely with UBL Working Group and Sports Council. Further planning for the Semester 2 Sports Day (collaborating with EMAS, Sports Council and UWA Sport), College vs Campus event, and other UBL themed rounds including International Student, Indigenous and Pride rounds.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
02/07/25	Meeting with Aidan	Head of Departments Meeting
02/07/25	Meeting with Gabrielle (UWA Sport Marketing)	UBL marketing, Guild x UWA Sport collaborations.
03/07/25	Meeting with Ella and Georgi (UWA Sport)	Discuss IF, ODAY2, Sports Day, Risk Management, World Drowning Week, Water Awareness.
09/07/25	Meeting with Guild President	Relay plans and information regarding Sports Day, ODAY2 and IF.
10/07/25	UBL Working Group	Planning for UBL – College vs Campus, International Student, Indigenous and Pride Rounds.
17/07/25	UBL Working Group	Planning for UBL – College vs Campus, International Student, Indigenous and Pride Rounds.
24/07/25	UBL Working Group	Planning for UBL – College vs Campus, International Student, Indigenous and Pride Rounds.
28/07/25 (Scheduled)	Meeting with Gus	Marketing for UBL x Tavern.
30/07/25 (Scheduled)	Student Sport Reference Group	UWA Sport SSAF spending
30/07/25 (Scheduled)	Sports Council and UWA Sport Meeting	Sports Day Planning

PROJECT UPDATE

Increasing Participation for Inter Faculty

- Reaching out to more clubs and societies to increase participation for IF 2025.
- Contacted Exercise and Sport Science school to try and get PESA up and running again.
- Organised catering for IF.

UWA Esports League and Team

- Provided a space for gaming and Esports to take place, UWA Sport has shown interest in collaborating with the Guild to form a UWA Esports team and competition.

New Faction Competition

- UWA Sport has shown interest in the idea of creating a faction-based competition with points, having an event every semester or year.

UWA Sport Student Stakeholder Group (SSRG)

- Launched in April, to allow students to directly get involved with sport on campus through direct expression of ideas with UWA Sport.

Spectator/Sporting Culture on Campus

- Begun planning for UBL and other campus events to increase student engagement.
- “Themed” rounds for International Students, College vs Campus, Women’s, Pride and Indigenous Rounds
- Pushing for collaboration with UWA Tavern on UBL deals
- Marketing: Created flyers for socials and digital screens as well as physical flyers and game-day tickets to distribute around campus

College vs Campus:

- Exhibition basketball match between college vs campus students

Women’s Round: collaborating with Curtin (away game @ Curtin)

International Round:

- Collaborating with ISD
- Bubble Tea and Cultural Try Platter for students that attend the games

Pride Round:

- Pride markets
- Pride flags / banners

Indigenous Rounds:

- Cultural performances, welcome to country
- Markets in foyer

Sports Day – 9th September @ James Oval

- 5 sporting clubs (require marquees) with come and try events and demonstrations
- EMAS and sausage sizzle, canned drinks for activations
- Open to different UWA sports clubs to promote their clubs and gain new members

Athlete Spotlight – Social Media

- Increase engagement for socials with athlete spotlights.

Student vs Staff Match

- Have Staff vs Student sport as Curtain Raiser for UBL game / as separate event.

Water Awareness and World Drowning Week

- Promoting UWA Sports free programmes and events related to Water Awareness and World Drowning Week

FINANCES

- Purchases will be processed in August.

ACHIEVEMENTS

DISCUSSION POINTS

The key discussion points in July, were collaborating closely with various UWA Sport groups and ISD with UBL seasons starting in August as well as on the Sports Day in Semester 2.

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GUILD COUNCIL REPORT JUNE
27/07/2025

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SUMMARY

There has been good progress on my two current projects. I have reached out to both SIS student about survey and Nollamara Primary School about NAICD and have also worked closely with Nollamara's AIEO, and will potentially be working regularly with Nollamara staff and students.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
23/07/25	Student Consultative Meeting	
25/07/25	Nollamara Primary School	Meet with Associate Principle and AIEO to discuss National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Childrens Day.

PROJECT UPDATE

Racism@Uni Study

IN PROGRESS

- Reached out to SIS staff and students at the end of week 1 to promote Racism@Uni survey

National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day (NAICD)

IN PROGRESS

- Reached out to Nollamara Primary School to see if they'd like to collaborate for NAICD
- Met with Associate Principle and AIEO. Successfully planned student involvement, activities and area of activities for day.

FINANCES

N/A

ACHIEVEMENTS

N/A

DISCUSSION POINTS

Regards,

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SUMMARY

Although July has been a relatively quiet month due to the university break, I have continued working closely with my committee to brainstorm and develop a range of exciting new events for Semester 2. Our goal is to build on the successes of the first semester and deliver an even more engaging and rewarding experience for all students.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
1/7/2025	Wellbeing Exec Meeting	Bi-Weekly Meetings
8/7/2025	Wellbeing Comm Meeting	Bi-Weekly Meetings
15/7/2025	Wellbeing Exec Meeting	Bi-Weekly Meetings
21/7/2025	Safer Communities Advisory Meeting	Trimester Meetings
21/7/2025	Senate & Guild Council Dinner	

PROJECT UPDATE

24/7 Mental Health Support IN PROGRESS

We are still working towards implementing Talk Campus, a platform providing 24/7 mental health support for students. The proposal is being submitted to the university and are still awaiting UWA Wellbeing Team's for confirmation of launch!

- Progression of Talk Campus is still progressing, as University has started a new system for UWA students to access Wellbeing services
- Price for the service is estimated to be \$1 per student

Expansion of Food Pantry IN PROGRESS

We are currently exploring ways to increase stock for the food pantry through external partnerships and sponsorships.

- Ojaswi has started a Food Pantry working group!
- Considering looking at:
 - o local bakeries -> to secure surplus baked goods.
 - Have secured one local bakery to do bread runs!
 - o supermarkets -> to explore donation opportunities.
 - o farmers market & local produce -> to partner with local farmers and market vendors for potential fresh produce contributions.

Mental Health Pop-Up IN PROGRESS

A mental health initiative is being developed through collaborative pop-ups across campus to support student wellbeing and engagement.

- Initially focused on women's mental health as a key theme, which would involve collaboration with The Living Room and the Wellbeing team.
- Discussions are underway to expand the initiative to include other student groups with different mental health themes.
- Potential rollout of general pop-ups in various libraries to reach different parts of campus (e.g. ALVA, Nedlands, QEII)
- Will feature activations (e.g. workshops or free items) alongside accessible mental health services at each pop-up.

FINANCES

Standard Profit and Loss Detail (Actual vs Budget)

Period: 01/01/25-31/12/25
UWA Student Guild

29/07/25
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Fiscal Start Date: 01/01/25
Dimension 1 Filter: NC-18-WELFARE
All amounts are in AUD.

Description	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual YTD	Budget YTD
Activities & Functions	-1,990.36	-1,500.00	490.36	-1,990.36	-1,500.00
Orientation Day Expenses		-300.00	-300.00		-300.00
Theme Week		-1,850.00	-1,850.00		-1,850.00
Printing & Stationery		-480.00	-480.00		-480.00
Total Activities & Functions Costs	-1,990.36	-4,130.00	-2,139.64	-1,990.36	-4,130.00
Bank Charges	-0.17		0.17	-0.17	
General Expenses		-400.00	-400.00		-400.00
Total General Expenses	-0.17	-400.00	-399.83	-0.17	-400.00
Software Digital	-41.62	-257.00	-215.38	-41.62	-257.00
Total Computer & Software Expenses	-41.62	-257.00	-215.38	-41.62	-257.00
Uniforms		-20.00	-20.00		-20.00
Total Catering Expenses		-20.00	-20.00		-20.00
Total Administrative Expenses	-2,032.15	-4,807.00	-2,774.85	-2,032.15	-4,807.00
Operating (Profit)/Loss	-2,032.15	-4,807.00	-2,774.85	-2,032.15	-4,807.00
Sundry Income	-14.00		14.00	-14.00	
Total Other Income - Other	-14.00		14.00	-14.00	
Total Other Income	-14.00		14.00	-14.00	
(PROFIT)/LOSS BEFORE FINANCE INCOME/(EXPE	-2,018.15	-4,807.00	-2,788.85	-2,018.15	-4,807.00
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (INCOME)/LOSS FOR TH	2,018.15	4,807.00	2,788.85	2,018.15	4,807.00

ACHIEVEMENTS

- N/A

DISCUSSION POINTS

Nothing this month 😊

Regards,

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GUILD COUNCIL REPORT JULY
30/07/2025

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SUMMARY

- This Month the accessible period care project was complete with the installation of five period care dispensers in each of the UWA Libraries: Reid Library, Barry J Marshall Library, Beasley Law Library, EDFAA Library and J. Robin Warren Library.
- I met with Melanie Barret to check how the dispensers were tracking after the two-week mark and also to label the different product slots
- We held an event with the UWA Craft Club, making vision boards

MEETINGS ATTENDED

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
1/07/25	Finalising design	We finalised the branding and logos that were going to be printed on the front of the dispensers
21/07/25	Safer Communities Advisory Committee	Discussed the lighting survey, drug testing kits
22/07/25	Dispenser enhancement	Labelled the different product slots and checked how the different dispensers were tracking with stock
22/07/25	Ed Council Meeting	
23/07/25	Survivor Art Exhibition catch up	Discussing a timeline and tasks to work on moving forward with this project.
25/07/25	Women's Department x LUMA	Discussing a workshop to be run during women's week with LUMA

PROJECT UPDATE

Damsel Magazine

- Going to layout 11th of August
- Launch Party at Planet Books- date is still to be determined based on layout timeline

Survivor Art Exhibition

- We have been able to use the Undercroft and propose that the exhibition will be held from the 15th- 17th of September
- Grand Challenges Grant of \$2550

Women's Week

- Free Headshots- Women's x UWA Photo Club
- Live Drawing with ALVA
- LUMA Stress Cascade workshop
- Movie Night

FINANCES

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Installation of accessible period products

DISCUSSION POINTS

Kind regards,

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NUS Education Conference Report
30/07/25

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SUMMARY

Having attended the National Union of Students (NUS) National Conference in December 2023, I must say I thought I was prepared for NUS Education Conference 2025. It was to my surprise that I was! Whilst certainly not perfect and full of NUS hallmarks of factional fighting, tears, and stringent debate, the Education Conference was well-run (for NUS standards) and I got some real value out of some of the workshops. Unlike the National Conference, it felt like student leaders were there to learn something and not just score factional points all the time.

I hope this is a sign that the NUS will move to be a more productive, functioning union in the future. I won't hold my breath but one can dream I suppose.

DAY ONE

Plenary – Education Office: Introduction to EdCon

Started off the conference full of hope to learn about EdCon. Of course many Unity members were waiting to hear what EdCon was (how they got to that point without knowing is beyond me). Quickly divulged into a debate about the bombings in Iran and the need for the NUS to hold a press conference. Salt supported, Unity didn't, NLS couldn't decide. Whilst not a hopeful way to start the conference, it certainly was interesting!

Shelf Life Expired

This workshop was presented by UWA's own Rama Sugiarta, alongside a student from Monash University and a student from Curtin University. I found this workshop to be well-researched, well-presented and offered some good debate. It centred on the impact of the recent Woodside North West Shelf Expansion, including its impacts to indigenous rock art, the environment and CO2 emissions. The Monash President detailed how the Monash Union are trying to break ties with Woodside.

A Unity speaker noted that the Labor Government couldn't consider climate change in the extension, a point a Salt member quickly rebuked.

Fighting Education Cuts

Lots of universities are facing course cuts at the moment as these institutions restructure and reprioritise. Unis are effectively functioning as a business, not a higher education institution. This pattern was the focus of this workshop. Good discussion about the ways Guild's can push back on course cuts more generally and patterns for us to track in the future.

Divided we fall, United we conquer: The Necessity of a Broad Left Student Movement

This was presented by three students from USyd. Was an interesting presentation about the need to unite as a left student movement and the different tactics they use to engage the general student population who tend to care less about politics as a whole. Interesting but probably rather useless.

Plenary – Welfare Office: Improving NUS Campaigns

This plenary focused on the NUS Welfare Survey and included a panel discussion about how NUS campaigns could be improved. There was a lot of interesting insight from most the speakers on the panel and a lot of good points about the need for the NUS to focus on a few specific campaigns throughout the year instead of juggling dozens of ineffective campaigns. The NUS President nodded and agreed, whether this will come to fruition remains to be seen, although somehow I doubt it.

DAY TWO

Plenary – What’s Wrong with our Universities, and What Can We Do About It?

This plenary was presented by former UWA Secretary Rob Lyall. He discussed his time as a member of NUS predecessor, NUAUS. He also discussed his experiences as a professor. I found this plenary fascinating and his perspectives of the problems in universities very interesting. The focus on profit over students being a major point he raised as to why universities aren’t serving the student population. He made the point that the price of a degree is so high and the quality of service so low which I thought was interesting.

The People’s Inquiry into Campus Free Speech on Palestine

This workshop was presented by the NUS Education Officer and centred on the attacks on freedom of speech at university campuses across Australia, particularly over the issue of Palestine. Was interesting to hear the perspectives of the presenters and people in the room, especially as UWA have faced some of the harshest restrictions on student voice.

Plenary – Why the West has Greenlit a Genocide

This was presented by two members of Socialist Alternative and focused on the genocide in Gaza, the role Western governments have played in facilitating it, and why public opinion has shifted recently. There wasn’t anything new about this plenary but I found it insightful regardless.

Crisis Management: Successful Student Union Campaigns

This panel was again very interesting, focusing on cuts to guilds and courses and policy changes. It then delved into successful student union campaigns and how we can fight back against some repressive policies. Regardless, nothing really new learnt here.

Kindness Across the Aisle: Fighting for Shared Goals and Interests On-Campus and at the NUS

This was perhaps the most useful panel of the entire conference. It facilitated an opportunity for people to work in groups to brainstorm issues students face on campus and how we as student leaders can respond to them. Was really great to hear the perspectives of other universities, the things they’ve done on their campuses, and work together to solve big issues.

The Importance of Union Education

This was a nice presentation on union history and the importance of unionism and educating students about unions. Not much beyond that.

Our Revolution?: An Analysis of Socialist Alternative

A very spicy session to end Day Two. There were some interesting emails presented and accusations made about members of Socialist Alternative. Lots of fighting from Socialist Alternative and Student Unity – but almost no substance.

DAY THREE

Plenary – Women’s Office: Diversity in Education

This plenary focused on the segregation of university courses, focusing on the high female enrolments in nursing and social work and the low female enrolments in STEM subjects in particular. A good panel discussion then took place.

Smashing the Manosphere

This was an interesting presentation about the online radicalisation of young men in particular in online spaces or the so called ‘Manosphere.’ Certainly relevant to the times. There was a debate about what strategy to employ but otherwise a more united workshop from the factions.

Plenary – The Housing Crisis in Australia

This was a plenary from Jordan van den Lamb about the housing crisis in Australia and the problem with landlords and government policy. Relevant topic. Very controversial debate. Regardless though I didn't find this presentation to be that helpful about how we can support students with housing or make colleges more affordable.

Faith, Culture, and Belonging: Safe Spaces for All

Presented by students across Australia, including UWA's own Suchi Kalia. Was a very nice presentation on religious diversity and these student's experiences with racism on campuses. A very emotional panel and left you with a lot to consider about how Guild's support ALL people.

Why the NDIS Fails Disabled People

This panel focused on opposing the NDIS system, pushing for the NUS to oppose it and endorse a genuine disability healthcare scheme. I didn't find this panel particularly helpful from a Guild perspective but found the debate personally interesting.

Societies Pricing Out Society: The Dying Culture of Student Engagement

This workshop was a deep dive into how rising costs and the cost of living crisis have impacted student engagement. Most students have to work full- or part-time now to survive and are unable to afford club events and engaging with student life. The panel discussed why this has happened and also what we as Guild's can do to address it. UWA is miles ahead on this front with free period products, food pantry, free pregnancy tests and more.

The NUS Should Stand with the CFMEU

Was a workshop about why the NUS should stand with the CFMEU. Lots of drama and debate, not much value add for students.

DAY FOUR**Plenary – The Practice of Leadership and Organising**

This presentation was given by Dunn Street founder and Labor/Democrat advisor Stephen Donnelly outlined principles of community organising, empowering people to move to purposeful collective action. Pushed the six key leadership practices that underpin successful organising. Was disappointed for some members to jeer and mock the presenter but otherwise I found it to be interesting.

The Right to Protest is Being Attacked

This workshop focused on the response to the Palestine movement by governments and universities in Australia. Pushing hard to curtail protest rights across the country. Very relevant here at UWA but nothing substantively different from other workshops and plenaries of a similar topic.

Cut Ties with Trump's America

This was presented by Socialist Alternative about the need to cut ties with Trump's America and why that should be an NUS position. Interesting debate, interesting points – not much beyond that.

Graphic Design in Political Communication

This workshop centred on graphic design in student politics. I very much enjoyed this workshop and got some helpful tips and advice.

Can the Centre Defeat the Right

This centred on how the right can be defeated in politics. Once again, interesting debate, interesting points but largely repeated what had been discussed throughout the conference.

Labor's Climate Crimes

Outlined the state of the climate crisis and the record of the Albanese Labor Government three years into its term. I thought a lot of salient points were made and there was contentious debate from all sides. Again this was one of those workshops that was 'fun' to attend but maybe didn't have a lot of value add for what we as a Guild can do.

Plenary – Queer Office: The NUS' Role in Defending Trans Rights

This was a panel discussion on what the NUS is doing to defend trans rights and what more can be done. It started off well but unfourtantely Socialist Alternative heckled a trans member on the panel, leading Forge, NLS, and other Independents to leave and continue the panel elsewhere. Socialist Alternative and Unity stayed...

KEY TAKEAWAYS FOR THE GUILD

- *We are so lucky to have 50% SSAF.*
- *I actually found this conference to be productive, useful and interesting at times with less focus on yelling and arguing all the time. Whilst it certainly wasn't perfect, it gave me hope that UWA's ongoing affiliation to the NUS should continue.*
- *UWA is leaps and bounda ahead of most other student unions in terms of our services and advocacy and how our Guild functions. This is thanks in part to our long history and in part to our large SSAF. I think we should consider preparing a workshop on the way we run our Guild and what other unions could learn from us for the next Education Conference.*
- *Other insights include:*
 - *Focused, impactful campaigns work better than dozens of unfocused, unresourced campaigns.*
 - *Cross-group and union collaboration is powerful and necessary.*
 - *War, climate and corporate ties are major issues plaguing much of what distresses student populations at a national level.*
 - *Higher education is continuing to be commercialised.*
 - *You can't restore campus culture and student engagement without addressing the cost of living crisis.*

Warmest regards,



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