



1. WELCOME AND OPENING

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

1.2 Attendance

Oliver Barrett (OB)
Insiah Riaz (IR)
Zered Robinson (ZR)
Zen Hately (ZH)
AJ Church (AC)
Emily Bunschoten (EB)
Hannah Bygrave (HB)
Eva Coulter (EC)
Julia Suffell (JS)
Reana Bose (RB) (Online)
Hukam Kohli (Online)
Blake Mercer (Online)
Daniel Tyers (Online)

1.3 Apologies

Troy Wood (TW)
Tara Mishra (TM)
Jennifer Woo (JW)
Ojaswi Shrestha (OS)
Yasaswi Shrestha (YS)
Indie Otway (IO)
Ruby Woodhill (RW)
Xavier Anthony (XA)

1.4 Proxies

ZH for HG
ZR for OS
JS for RW
BM for TM

1.5 Absent

2. DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

OB has joined the SLAC board as the Deputy Chair.



3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

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Passed.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

5. BUSINESS COMPLETED VIA CIRCULAR

6. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

6.1 Managing Director

TG says regulations are still going through the University and typing out format changes. He says the university wants some more clarity on the election and main regs which are going back and forth. TG also says it has been a busy couple of weeks with the regional Guild day with other guilds at Murdoch where they shared ideas and work practices. TG notes the progress of the masterplan is going along nicely with stage 2 project North Wing development kicking off tomorrow morning and scheduling it out over the next 12 month in terms of completion and deadlines. TG says the nominations for groups for Guild elections have closed and that Chloe Keller is still working on formatting the handbook. In terms of the new website TG notes that Lia is doing good work on the look and feel of the site and OB has helped to confirm that the navigation of it is clean and easy. This is hoping to be launched in August. TG says the Venture roll out is ticking along well and the university is getting back with signed agreements on their side. TG says the university is proactively pushing the idea of taking Venture in and expanding it massively.

6.2 Finance Director

MM says the numbers are looking very good at the moment. She notes there is a small inflation problem hitting lots of cafes, outlets and function of business which has lead to surcharges of coffee and more cost on fuel. MM says in particular there are some outlets with hiccups this month. MM notes that due to timing differences with tenants and properties and differences in terms of grants in student innovation/venture there is lots of money coming in. MM also says the RSD ball income is coming in and so there will be quite a significant jump but that everything is tracking quite nicely.

6.3 Commercial

as tabled

6.4 Student Services

as tabled



6.5 Venture Student Innovation Centre

as tabled

7. QUESTIONS TIME – Directors’ Reports

LB asks about the ordering kiosk at the tavern.

TG says they may trial one so people can pre-order their stuff and skip the cue and not have to go up to the counter to order. LB asks where it would fit in and TG responds saying he is not sure but also that they are thinking about trying it out at a busier café. TG says it may not work but the technology is there so we may as well try improving it and giving it a go.

ZR asks about café in Ezone.

TG says the tenant who was there could not make it work and the Guild has said we are happy to offer a service. TG says he has not heard back from the University about it yet, and says that he is happy to take it on under usual operating arrangements with the University but is still waiting to hear back.

Directors reports passed.

8. STUDENT REPORTS

8.1 Guild President: Oliver Barrett

as tabled

8.2 Guild Vice-President: Reana Bose

as tabled

8.3 Guild General Secretary: Insiah Riaz

as tabled

8.4 Chair of Guild Council: Yasaswi Shrestha

as tabled

8.5 Education Council President: Emily Bunschoten

as tabled

8.6 Societies Council President: Indie Otway

as tabled



8.7 Public Affairs Council President: Tara Mishra

as tabled

8.8 Women's Officer: Hana Giltrap

as tabled

8.9 Wellbeing Officer: Jennifer Woo

not submitted

8.10 Postgraduates Students' Association President: Jay Williams

as tabled

8.11 International Students' Department President: Ojaswi Shrestha

as tabled

8.12 Residential Students' Department President: Troy Wood

not submitted

8.13 Environment Officer: Zered Robinson

as tabled

8.14 Sports Officer: Zen Hately

as tabled

8.15 Access Department: Blake Mercer

as tabled

8.16 Pride Officers: Hayley Paku

as tabled

8.17 Ethnocultural Officers: Emma Meunier

as tabled

8.18 Volunteering Chair: Julia Suffell

as tabled

8.19 OGCs as follows

AJ Church

as tabled



Eva Coulter

as tabled

Hukam Kohli

as tabled

Daniel Tyers

as tabled

Abby Rai

as tabled

Louis Bird

as tabled

Rama Sugiartha

as read

RS says the Equity and Diversity Committee meeting was disappointing with the number of people who came. RS notes that there were no received responses for the agenda and that the meeting was very rushed. RS also says that it started early and no one knew what was being talked about. RS says that the executive officers should recognise these responsibilities and ensure that meetings are more organised and run smoothly.

Tom Pearce

not submitted

TP talks about the protest against Pauline Hanson which was a successful event in Midland in response to the rise of the far right. TP says protesters put forward the argument that she is controversial and that media presentation of her seriously downplays her racism, especially regarding the national press club event where she called Islam a social cancer amongst other racist remarks.

Ruby Wood-Hill

as tabled

Henry Walker

as tabled



9. QUESTION TIME – Student Reports

No questions for students reports.

Student reports passed.

10. BUSINESS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

- 10.1 The 113th Guild Council approves the Memorandum of Understanding between the UWA Student Guild and Convocation, the UWA Alumni Association.

Moved: Oliver Barrett

Seconded: Insiah Riaz

OB speaks to the great collaborative spirit the Guild has with convocation which he notes began last year with Nikhi and continues, recognising outstanding work they do and to cement that relationship between the two.

LB asks who drafted it.

OB says it was from last year and has been edited by a lot of different people.

TG says there was one other lawyer on convocation who has changed the meaning of it a little bit and says the relationship should be the same but there has been lots of edits.

LB says he was struck by the use of the word 'mouthpiece'.

TG says it was probably someone on convocation who has used it through the editing process.

No other questions for the motion.

No speakers for or against.

This motion passes.

- 10.2 UWA India Discussion



OB says he wants to have a conversation about what the Guild wants to do as UWA India evolves. OB mentions that they are planning to open on September 7th which is a public holiday which also celebrates teaching so it is a well aligned date. OB says there will be two campuses within India: Mumbai and Chennai. He says the UWA Guild has a floor at each campus. As mentioned in OB report he says it is very exciting but presents us with the opportunity of how we replicate student experience there.

OB says the options are that if we establish a UWA student guild and a branch operating with a permanent establishment we get taxed in India and Australia which is off the cards. OB says if a branch is not established which isn't directly controlled by us, in a similar way we establish some sort of holding company like UWA student Guild India association with its own board and directors and Governance model. OB notes that if this route is chosen it will take a huge time and financial investment in looking at lawyers and organisation. OB explains that the second option would be to surrender a level of independence over there and say UWA India is already established as a company in India with their structure and finances and doing master services with IT, OB discusses how the UWA Guild could act as a body that is set up by them and don't have the same functionality as a Guild which we are putting in their power and working towards a memorandum of understanding with the UWA India team. OB says this would mean the conversation of MoU notes what we want in each year, for example by year three there is a student governance structure and they set up their own independent body. OB does not think this is a justifiable use of SSAF money, time and resources here and should be directed to UWA students who are paying for SSAF here. OB says a memorandum of understanding would maybe look like clubs and societies in year 1, a Guild in year 2 and then becomes something independent in year 3. OB says we would look to still establish and protect the student experience there.

OB says he will look to get a working group together and asks for expressions of interest. JS, EC, LB and AC says they would like to get involved.

LB says the key is to recognise that we are here to represent Western Australian students and be mindful that we aren't expending effort or resources setting up something overseas. LB says the core is that they are separate organisations and we should put our students first and SSAF money can't be used to fund an external organisation. LB says they need their own degree of autonomy and that we should try and maintain branding.

OB agrees and says Indian students should be able to work out and decide what they want for their needs and university experience.



AC adds to LB's branding point saying that it would make sense to have their own completely separate identity and notes that political views in Australia can be quite different and that if their views don't align with our Guild, it could then create confusion or other problems which people could perceive or interpret differently.

TG says AC makes great points and there may be a clause that the UWA Guild in India would not have the same brand and logo and that it should be clearly established. TG says that our beliefs, cultures and stances are different and it is important to keep that separation for our voice through branding.

AC says if it could be even called something else other than Guild.

OB says it also depends on whether students in India even want to raise motions on representation.

LB notes that people doing an exchange from Perth to India may find the services and experiences to be very different and separate.

TG asks if there are any fears that there could be foreign influence on the elections here and says they may need to be a disciplinary motion about international influence. TG says if there was an Indian person running here there may be a whole lot of people in India helping campaign but it needs to be UWA students here. TG notes that this could create imbalance in international student representatives and could be considered international influence on the elections and we should see how we can maintain and manage this so it is not a problem

LB asks what would happen if a Perth student went for a semester abroad and then wanted to run here. TG says it is the same that applies for anyone on exchange and that they are still UWA students and it would not be an issue, just the influence from overseas that may need to be considered.

HK asks if UWA guild will be funded by their own money and OB says yes, but he is not exactly sure about SSAF.

11. MOTIONS ON NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

12. MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE (OPERATIONS)



12.1 The 113th Guild Council appoints the following people to the 2026 Relay for Life Committee positions

- Chair: Emily Cheng
- Vice Chair: Melanie Hunter

Moved: Julia Suffell

Seconded: Oliver Barrett

JS says it was late because it came through from Lizzie.

Vote to hear the motion passes.

JS says Emily and Melanie will do a fantastic job and Lizzie has done a great job searching for this committee. JS adds that they have had their first meeting.

OB adds that relay for life will take place on the 3rd and 4th of October.

No questions for the motion.

No speakers for or against.

Passes.

13. MOTIONS ON NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

14. MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

15. GENERAL BUSINESS

OB says he will be away and he leaves this Friday going to the Education conference and also taking annual leave and won't be back until 13th of July. OB says he will have limited availability to email but he is available via call or text. OB says he will be looking to have a special council meeting next week and look at mid year budget review and education council meeting about new affiliation of SOBS.

TG says the Tavern is open at 10 and 11 for pizzas and invites everyone from council to attend with UWA staff and students to watch the sports. TG notes it will be a relaxed social environment and an opportunity to bond over the game.



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ZR says people asked him if relay for life is going back to 24 hours. The response is yes.

TG says UWA relay for life has to be approved by the Cancer Council.

16. CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for **6pm Wednesday July 29th 2026**. Please contact the Guild General Secretary (secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au) with apologies or proxies. If unable to attend, please advise which dates you are available to reschedule if a quorum cannot be met.