



Introduction | Mid-year means lots of reviews!

We are now more than half-way through the term of the 100th Council. The mid-year break will be used to focus primarily on further developing our strategic planning, reviewing our performance so far and preparing for the roll out of a few second semester initiatives

Activities | Summary

My activities and correspondence since the June meeting have included the following:

- Involvement with the UWA Education Futures project through the Teaching & Learning Committee and through leading the student consultation process with Alec Cameron and Tom Henderson
- Developed a 'Clinical Medical Students Engagement Plan' in collaboration with the executive of the WA Medical Students' Society (WAMSS)
- Participated in the 'Courageous Conversations about Race' program run by UWA Equity & Diversity. The program was immensely useful and I want it to become standard for all student reps to attend
- Appointed a new Director of Corporate and Student Services and a new ICT Coordinator
- Met with new Queer Department representatives to discuss plans for the year and how the Guild can improve its representation of queer students
- Met with Liz Constable to discuss the student experience and some of her work as a Vice-Chancellor's fellow
- Established the new International Student Council and developed its first campaign on student safety
- Met with Robert Leaver and the UWA Security team to discuss security issues and how we can work together to promote security initiatives to students, harness student feedback and identify areas for improvement
- Developed and awarded a new grant for two residential students to attend the National Association of Australian University Colleges (NAAUC) National Conference. The two students will present a report to Guild Executive on how other student unions have built ties with colleges to improve the student experience.
- Submitted Guild Election Regulation changes to the UWA Senate, which were passed pending drafting changes from the Legislative Committee
- Continued to develop wholesale reforms to Guild Regulations, in particular with respect to the Postgraduate Students' Association and its role within the Student Guild.
- Attended a one-day training course on corporate governance run by the Australian Institute of Company Directors. The course was very useful in both my Senate capacity and my role as Guild President.
- Developed a new corporate governance strategy to improve our accountability and communication with members.

Administration | Corporate Governance

We are currently developing a plan for the Guild to reintroduce regular AGM's with an Annual Report to be published every year. We will kick this off with an AGM in early September with an Annual Progress Report

Work on the new Strategic Plan and Operational Priorities Plan has slowed without a Director of Corporate and Student Services. However, this position has now been appointed and I am confident we will make rapid progress.

Finally, after attending an AICD training course I have been working with Guild Council Chair Lucas Tan to develop new ideas to improve our internal governance. This includes a mid-year review of my performance by Council.

Internal | Guild Catering

Our major review has now finished and we are working on delivering an authoritative 'Guild Catering Strategy' soon. Guild Executive has endorsed a recommendation of the report to remain an active provider of functions catering on campus.

External | NUS campaign against funding cuts

We have continued to work closely with the National Union of Students and the NTEU to fight cuts to higher education. At the moment it appears the only opportunity for a reversal of policy is with respect to the \$2000 cap on higher education expenses. I have discussed this matter with Deputy Vice-Chancellor Alec Cameron and he has assured me that the University will be making a strong submission against the cap. I have also discussed this matter with WAMSS, who are very concerned at the impact it will have on their members in the future.

It is also worth mentioning that with a new Prime Minister, who knows what might happen!

Conclusion| Still much left to do!

We have made substantial progress in achieving our 100 goals and more. The focus from now will primarily be on 'future-proofing' the organisation, finalising our catering plan, improving our communication with members and developing recently introduced initiatives like International Students' Council.



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Introduction

Exams! Glad they're over and managed to squeeze a few guild activities into my month!

Projects:

Activities | Parking Appeals Board

I went to the Parking Appeals Panel on Friday, 21 May at 11am. Gary was on leave so David replaced him. It was a very short meeting and no fines were waived.

Projects | International Students Council

We had our first ISC meeting on Thursday, 30 May. There was a great turnout, with over 20 international clubs' and residential colleges' presidents. We discussed international students concern such as security issues around campus, as well as racism issues. Further, we looked into ways that international students can integrate into the domestic mix of students at UWA. The next meeting is scheduled for 1st week, Semester 2.

Projects | Mature-aged students

I am running interviews at the moment to construct a MASA committee who will run bigger and better events for mature-aged students next semester.

Projects | MASA & PSA Collaboration

Met up with Peter Derbyshire from PSA on Monday, 24 June to discuss the logistics of the Family Picnic (to be held in September). Sounds very exciting at the moment with face-painting stalls, petting zoos and bouncy castles!

Meetings | Catering Meeting

Discussed the Catering Policy Directions and other new initiatives for Semester 2! Very excited!

Meetings | Executive Meetings

Self-explanatory.

Conclusion

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or if you want to talk about plans to better students' experiences at UWA.



GUILD COUNCIL | REPORT | June 2013

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Catering

- Had meeting on 24th of June
- Discussed catering policy schedule, to be completed for July meeting – if councilors have any suggestions of policy to add, they will have the chance to do so in the week before the next meeting
- Start of second semester will see breakfast available in the ref from 7.30am
- Response to UWA PAW petition – cage-free eggs will be used in ALL Guild cafes next year (negative effects on profitability, need to take time to change supplier). Also considering general animal welfare in sourcing of food products
- This holiday staff will receive student discounts to increase customer base among non-students. Also extending this to deals for quiet times, such as Friday
- Looking forward to consolidating changes in semester 2. First half of the year has been a huge success; Ken and his team have done very well.

Finance

- Considering starting biannual (semester) financial/general Guild reports for transparency/accountability as per RMIT Union
- Will depend on staff availability – potentially a project for second semester in line with AGM

Nothing else to report; I am currently in Europe, so if councillors have questions/concerns please table them during the meeting, or send me an email at least 24 hours before Council and I will respond.

Secretary Duties |

The secretary duties I have carried out this month are as follows:

- Followed up on business from Minutes, meetings and general activities.
- Compiled Minutes and Agendas.

Tenancy Committee |

- The following maintenance items have now been carried out.
 - Pest control
 - Replace light globes in the Loft
 - Update the fire extinguisher as needed
 - Steam clean carpet on the second floor corridor of the Guild East Wing (done)
 - Steam clean carpet in the Guild Council Meeting Room (done)
 - Plug up hole in door between NUS West room and the Women's Department
- The next maintenance items to be carried out are:
 - Fix holes in the roof over the UniSFA and UCC clubrooms
 - Clean carpet in the NUS West room
 - Disconnect Unigames from Red Circuit 1
 - Replace the Queer Department carpet
 - Fix windows in Cameron Hall
 - Place anti-slip strips on the stairs and fire escape
 - Paint over vandalism on beams in the Loft
 - Fix holes in the walls in Cameron Hall
 - Install whirly birds in the Loft
 - Repair the sink in the Loft
 - Provide a kettle to make hot water

The next Busy Bee will be Sunday 28th July, the Sunday before Semester 2 begins.

Other Projects |

- Guild Ball
I have been starting to get the Guild Ball planning happening.



Update |

This month has been really quiet for SOC, as most of us have been busy with end of semester assessments and exams. As such, there is no particular activity to report. However, the SOC and PAC committees will be meeting this Sunday (23rd June) to distribute the SOC End of Semester Grants for semester one. Harrison (SOC Treasurer) has received 47 grants, with additional grants being submitted to Guild Finance. I look forward to updating you all on the process at Council.

The Months Ahead |

Myself and the members of the SOC committee hope to make the best of the holidays to get some of our projects completed or up and going. Notable targets include:

- Really making some progress on the development of the new clubs dashboard, including updating all relevant forms;
- Working with Maddie (Tenancy Chair) to find a solution to the need for storage, and develop a Storage Allocation Policy;
- Kick-starting planning for Club Carnival;
- Meeting with several students that hope to start new clubs at the start of semester two.

Finance |

No actual costs have been incurred this month; however I will be finalising the allocation of a Lion Nathan Grant over the next few days. Semester One Grants will also be an expense incurred by the end of the month.

EDUCATION POLICY

Academic Council

As an attendee of Cameron Barnes behalf to the first Academic council of the year, the focus of the meeting was on the UWA Education Futures project that will be a large feature of the UWA Futures initiative. The Education Futures Paper looks to focus and evaluate 7 areas that affect both students and teachers. These areas arrange from the holistic student experience, i.e. those experiences outside the classroom thought to infrastructure teaching styles and use of technology.

Academic Board

The focus of Academic Board was very much similar to that of Academic Council with more of a focus at getting the opinion and vision of the paper from the greater academic community. The focus areas were generally well received with the majority of questions flowing from funding and resource changes that this review may require.

DVCE

Cameron and I had our monthly meeting with Alec Cameron to discuss how the Guild could assist with the Education Futures paper and upcoming internal university consultation period. To facilitate student input into the paper, a partnership between the Guild and the DVCE in running, plan to run 2 workshops, one with student leaders and FacSocs, and one as an open invite to students.

Also discussed was the request to release SURF satisfaction scores to students in an aim to give students full information about units they may wish to take while also encouraging teachers to maintain high quality teaching.

SLETS

The SLETS survey is complete and by the time of the meeting will have been released to the greater university community. It in its completed form went to FacSocs to make sure there were no bugs and ran smoothly.

There will be a campaign via the Facebook page and via student emails before the semester goes back and a poster campaign along with the support of FacSocs running events to encourage the students to vote.

EDUCATION ADVOCACY

LMS shutdown

- Cameron and I responded to CATL trying to update LMS during exam period

EXAM

- many people have emailed about having exams outside of the Exam period and will be addressed in the Futures project and survey.

ENG

- Dealing with cancellation of core units and working with UEC to provide option units for affected students.

General

- There have been some general complaints made by students about lecture materials and teaching quality in several units. All of which have been noted and the relative FacSocs have been informed.

FINANCIALS

There has been no major expenditure since the last meeting, only on sundries for printing of agendas for meetings.



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There has not been much to report on in terms of PAC related activities in the last month. I have been working very closely with WASTV and using them to get involved with a lot of PAC club activities and putting them online to assist promotions for PAC clubs. I have also started to put in motion some plans for Semester 2 Fringe Festival Week. I have started putting together a specific committee and also started looking into some of the ideas that I want to try and include. I have really spent the last month helping PAC clubs with their events and helping a few of them with the direction they want to go in and how they want to go about expanding their club and increasing their presence on campus.

Dear friends, colleagues and interested students, I intend to use this report to update you on our various projects.

Systemic Environmental Projects – Not yet succeeded:

Incomplete Projects	Status	Field
Enviro Department Strategic Plan/ Guild Sustainability Plan	<p>Happening this Saturday!! WOOHOO. To tackle issues of purpose and continuity the Enviro Dept. is holding a strategic planning day on Saturday. This day is basically to try to get a draft version of the environmental future of the Guild.</p> <p>We are aiming to create 5 pillars based on UWA's 8 pillar model. They are: Transport Waste Management Energy and Climate Change Procurement Engagement</p> <p>We will try to create quite concrete goals to provide to Council/Guild stakeholders for feedback to be aiming to complete by 2015. These goals will be supported by reasoning of how these goals will be achieved.</p>	
Veggie Garden	Proposal is to build a vegetable garden in the refectory courtyard. Proposal needs to be discussed	Procurement
Solar Panels	<p>Hold-up was that FM was unsure of procedure for solar panels (expenditure is expected to be \$100,000 or less) while FDC requires \$200,000 or more project value.</p> <p>Without a comparable procedure we are taking solar panels through FDC. FM have agreed to cover feasibility study costs until the project is implemented (ie if it is not the Guild will not lose any money). Aiming for the FDC July meeting, but require additional quotes from Solar Companies. FM working on reverse brief to give to solar companies.</p> <p>Timeline drawn up by FM is very fast – implementation envisaged for December.</p>	Energy and Climate Change
Eco Friendly Cups	Awaiting samples. Guild Catering has designated this low priority because we have such a massive order of surplus cups	Procurement

	currently.	
Carbon Neutral O-Day	Ongoing work - cost calculation phase. Have been working with Ben Johnston. Cost calculation is being done using Carbon Neutral Australia's spreadsheet. (CNA are an NGO) Currently cost is unsure, but we expect having a Carbon Neutral O'day that is well promoted among clubs to stimulate environmental conversations within club committees.	Energy and Climate Change

Systemic Environmental Projects – Initialisation success – either maintaining or improving:

Systemic Environmental Projects	Status	Field
Keep Cups with discounts	Implemented	Waste Management
Dine In Options	Implemented	Waste Management
Bicycle Repair Station	Pump implemented, awaiting safety features to unlock rest of apparatus	Transport
Carbon Neutral Flights	Implemented	Energy and Climate Change
Jayride	Implemented - more systemic promotion required.	Transport
Reusing Coffee Grinds	Implemented for two cafés. Grounds now using in soil. Will begin to use wheelie bins for collection.	Waste Management
Recycling Point	Implemented - 60 phones, 40 pairs of shoes, massive bunch of batteries collected	Waste Management
Energy Efficiency Measures	Signage, Air conditioning setpoints in LTs , computer standby modes	Energy and Climate Change
100% Recycled Paper	Maintained as procurement strategy.	Procurement
Recycling at Events	Implementation of recycling bins at events highly successful, requires EMP changes	Waste Management
Energy Audit	Site Visit complete – expecting report soon	Energy and Climate Change

Financial Situation YTD – according to Vishal.

Communication 23

Environment Week 1,305

General Expenses 1,166

Printing and Stationery 187

Projects 660

TOTAL SPEND 3,340 (BUDGET \$4000)

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June has been a relatively busy month for the Women's Department.

The Bare Truth

The main developments have been to do with The Bare Truth Campaign, with shoots and magazine design continuing. Unfortunately we are still struggling to find sponsorship – we're aiming for enough to get the magazines printed so we can still donate money to the Butterfly Foundation. If anyone has any ideas, please let me know!

Self Defense

I'm in the process of wrapping up self-defense for the semester, and handing over to Cameron Fitzgerald. Some of the feedback I've received is that it needs to be better advertised and potentially the time needs to be moved back by half an hour to accommodate students who might otherwise miss out because of lectures, which is information I've passed on to Cam that will hopefully improve the classes for everyone.

Toilets

I've also got in touch with Facilities Maintenance about the condition of the Guild Toilets, which they're going to look into and get back to me, pending how much they can actually change/ how much is feasible given the potential of the Master Plan refurbishments in the next couple of years. We're also going to meet to discuss sanitary machines in a couple of toilets across campus sometime in the next few weeks.

Burlesque Workshops

A few weeks ago Maddie suggested running a free Burlesque workshop, I'm in the process of finding an appropriate date- three of the dancers from Burlesque in The Tav are really keen to come over and do that for us, and we've potentially got a venue (Sue Boyd or Acorn).

Mid Year Camps

I've had chats with Ben about Mid Year Camps and at the moment we're both pretty much fine with everything that's going ahead, the camps all seem to be from low risk groups that have all submitted EMP's, and I've asked Ben to just make sure that they have some sort of strategy or plan to prevent any sexual harassment, assault or other related incidents from occurring or deal with them if they do. We've also talked about making sure I'm involved when the Guild starts looking into orientation camps again later in the year.

Improve Collaboration With Facsocs

One of my Guild One Hundred goals was to improve collaboration with the Faculty Society Equity Officers, and so I asked the Facsocs to supply me with email address, which I have used to contact Equity or Diversity officers and request a catch up meeting. So far there has been no response, probably due to the exam period, but hopefully over the next couple of weeks that will be done too.

Finance

There are no financials for this month

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Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide brief information about the progress of ISS. Month of June has been a relatively quiet month for ISS as most of us were busy preparing for our final examinations.

Departmental Reports

The following comprises activities conducted in Jun-13 and upcoming events:

1. Welfare & Education Department

Health and Wellbeing Month

Date: August 19 to Sep 13 2013

The objective of the event is to raise awareness about the importance of health and wellbeing among international students and to provide them with the knowledge and resources to achieve a more balanced lifestyle. Focus will be on organizing fun and engaging activities and initiatives relating to 1) food and nutrition, 2) exercise, 3) mental health and stress, and 4) social support, homesickness and culture shock. FitforStudy, UWA Sports and UWA Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) have agreed to collaborate during the month.

The team is currently working on marketing ideas for the event and promotion will start latest by mid-July.

Budgeted Spending: \$1,500

Semester 2 Lighthouse Magazine

Am into its final stages of designing and confirming the advertisements we will be having. It will be sent to print during the winter break. Publication should be ready for distribution before Semester 2 Orientation

Budgeted Spending: \$1,800

2. Social Department

NIL

3. Multicultural week (MCW)

MCW recently published an advertisement on a public domain. It can be found here:

<http://www.thesenior.com.au/Entertainment/Company/Multicultural-Week-2013/Multicultural-Week-2013>

4. International Students Council (ISC)

First ISC session was held on 30 May 2013, 6-7pm. Turnout and engagement were great during the meeting. Many thanks to Cam, Annie, Maddie and Tom for coming down to help facilitate the Council's discussion.

The main issues identified in the first ISC are:

1. Security in UWA can be strengthen, both on and off campus. Out of the 5 residential colleges, only 2 (Unihall and Trinity) have security guards working at night. All 5 residential colleges have Residents Advisers on duty at night.
2. Many welcomed the idea of having a consolidated calendar to lock in the dates for their respective events. This can help to prevent future clashes of events.
3. Issues were raised as to whether it is possible for the Guild to compile a list of dates when are the mid-semester exams. Hendo mentioned that there is actually a stipulated period for mid-semester exams to be held.

More information will be released via the circulation of the meeting minutes.

5. Any Other Business

1. Four ISS executives will be attending the upcoming CISA National Education Conference in Sydney this July
2. ISS Constitution will be worked on over the winter break
3. Cam, Annie, Gemma and I will be meeting to discuss about security campaign

Conclusion

Information is correct as of 27 June 13. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries. That is all for now, have a good month ahead ☺

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PSA Committee-

Kara (PSA VP) and I have written a Postgraduate Work Space Survey that has been distributed via Survey Monkey. This survey currently has over 200 responses and will be available for one more week until we close it and analyse the data.

Peter has continued to work with Annie (VP) on the organization of the Family Day picnic in September

The PSA is selling Cadbury chocolates.

Postscript-

Postscript well underway for 2013. We have sufficient content. Rukmini (editor in chief) has met with Alex Pond and they have a timetable to produce the magazine.

Guild –

Will be meeting to discuss campus security with Felix, Annie, Cameron

I have met with Cam to discuss his opinions of the PSA's suggested regulations changes. His suggestions will be taken to the PSA committee

Representation and Advocacy-

Jarrad (coursework officer) encountered a problem with Masters of Pharmacy students. As Pharmacy has been removed from the Skilled Occupations List for migration into Australia. There was some concern by international students that this would affect their stay. A solution has been reached that these students' marks will be released early before the changes to the SOL take effect.

University-

I attended the Graduate Research School Board Meeting.

I attended a BIP meeting

I will Senate (Monday the 24th of June)

I attended Academic Board- here changes to the Board of Coursework Students Constitution to include a PSA representative.

Elliot (PSA Treasurer) attended Academic Council as my proxy.

I will be meeting with Mary Davis (Head Librarian) tomorrow (Thursday 20th of June)

Events-

The PSA held a Bunnings BBQ to raise some funds. We earned just under \$300 from the BBQ and will be holding another one in August.

We are working on holding a professional development session in conjunction with MUPSA (so that we can split the costs). The session will be on engaging with the Media and hopefully be run by 'Last Say Media'. MUPSA would like to hold the event at UWA Club. Final costs and dates for this event are still being organized.

Orientations-

I have organized with Albany Campus for them to distribute PSA information to all of the UWA postgraduates who study there.

Finance-

Costs this month- PSA Connect \$800

Purchase of Cadbury Fundraising Chocolates \$450 (so far we have sold 3 chocolates.....to me)

Earned- \$295 from Bunning Barbeque

June = exams. Boo.

Guild 100 Goal Progress

Goal	Progress
45 Create a mental health working party to unite mental health groups on campus	Planning is underway with Cam & Student Centre Committee.
46 Distribute mental health grants	Done.
47 Run mental health first aid workshops for faculty societies	Done.
49 Provide online access to services offered by student assist officers	Design underway, waiting on ICT time.
50 Run soup kitchens, student breakfasts and a welfare week	Done – but will run more.
51 Run a petting zoo and stress management workshops during exam periods	Done.
52 Create a Wiki version of the student survival handbook with more content	Design complete, waiting on ICT time.

This Month

- Guild Yoga ran two more sessions and finished up in time for the end of semester. We hope to resolve the inconsistencies with our instructor's other work commitments in time for semester two.
- College Yoga is up and running have completed six sessions by the time of this meeting.
- Compiled and designed (thanks to our new design officer Kate) an exam-stress poster and flier campaign. This featured info from student services, info about our exam stress self-help, student assist officer overview and info about special consideration and exam deferral. Posters were displayed around the Guild and directed students to the GSC to collect a flier. Fliers were also distributed in show bags at Blackstone's Stress-less Week.
- Prof Laugharne's Mind Body Reprogramming (MBR) at-home stress management course rolled out via the Guild website 'Members Area'. This has been plugged in the last three G-News editions and in our exam stress campaign. We've recorded around 55 coupon activations (most of these occurring within one or two days of G-News being sent out), out of around 170 visits to the Guild member's area.
- Mental Health First Aid courses run by the HPU were advertised to Fac Socs via Ed Council and clubs via Soc Council. Overview is here - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1sVNemesELmPaNpayP6ZkIbDI2UucpFMTAt1ppJHKiy8/edit?usp=sharing> - sign up if you have time! Feedback has been that representatives are keen to get involved and recognise the program value, but that unfortunately one session overlaps with Mid Year Rotto and the other with Uni Games so some people are ruled out. I have communicated this to the HPU and there is a chance that a third session may be scheduled.
- Petting Zoo "De-stress" event run at the end of May in collaboration with UWA PAW. This was a resounding success in terms of putting smiles on faces. We will look to

expand this and use it to further promote Student Assist and other programs worthy of advertising. We will also get more animals.

Next Semester

- More free food. Soup kitchens, breakfasts, BBQs etc.
- More animals. Working with UWA PAW for an even bigger petting zoo.
- An alcohol in moderation campaign – thanks to Josh Bamford liaising with a Science Communication Unit group project team.
- Another exam stress campaign around mid-semester and end of semester exams.
- Another Reach Health Check day, hopefully integrated with an Oral Health Day collaborating with UDSS.
- ICT projects including the Guild Wiki and Student Assist Officer forms will be completed.
- Maybe a Student Cookbook (after discovering this project by UNSW: <https://www.facebook.com/events/607114719320477/?fref=tck>).

Money

- Budget is now contained in this Google Doc, constantly updated: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0AlGtvpkklz34dG5CY1BfWFp0cFltczJlVkh1VUxObkE&pli=1#gid=0>



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Summary of activities:

- Met with Dylan to discuss UWA Sports plan for InterFac Sport so that we can work towards the same goal
- Met with Aden from the Volunteer Hub to work on a Sport based volunteer initiative that Aden has set up

Upcoming:

- **Meeting with Bruce** to discuss volunteer initiative with Aden
- **Organization of documents:** I will continue to work on the Dropbox document containing relevant information with UWA Sports, I will start working on a document regarding the Role of the Sport rep
- **Semester 2 Sports:** planning will start throughout the break with the Sport Reps, we will start planning a Sports Wind up as well.
- **2014 Inter fac sports:** I will also start working on a document outlining some key things that I believe should be considered for next year, this will be made in conjugation with UWA Sports.
- **Posters-** I will be pushing for posters to be made and distributed for week 1, semester 2
- **Online promotion-** I will be pushing for improved promotion of the InterFac competition with UWA Sports
- **Review of goals-** I will review the goals and promises set for the year to ensure we stay on track.



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College Engagement Strategy

- Posters up around college; general positive feedback
- Will liaise with Statutes Committee over break about RSD and formalization of 'Department' status and other related matters which will be settled in Semester 2

Lip-Dub (Previous Event)

- Great event turnout; unfortunate small technical difficulties on the night, but still ran reasonably smoothly
- Possibility of extending event to FACSOCS vs. Colleges next year (woo!)
- Possibility of Semester 2 Centenary Lip Dub

NAAUC Scholarships

- NAAUC Scholarships awarded to Sam McKeon & Glenn Ang
- The aim of these scholarships is to investigate relations between Guild and RSD in other universities around Australia in order to improve the way we run in future
- Meeting with Scholarship Recipients, Guild Exec and RSD Pres to be arranged before and after conference.

Second Semester Tav Show

- First Wednesday back is the RSD Tav Show, currently being organised

Finance – No Guild Funding Spent in June

Kind regards

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GUILD COUNCIL | REPORT | 3rd July 2013 (June Meeting)

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Overview | UWA Albany Campus

I have been in contact with Darcey Duncan (President of the Albany Student Committee) throughout semester. Last week I visited the Albany campus, discussing with Darcey basic ways that the Guild can help with education issues, provide better services and improve the student experience for UWA students on the Albany campus.

Social | Orientation, Social Events and Sports

In previous years, orientation events meant that the small group of about 60 first years were a more cohesive group with a better student experience. There was no major orientation event this year aside from staff-run tours, meaning this semester's new students don't really see Uni as somewhere you have fun, but somewhere you study.

Suggestions for improving the campus experience:

- Student run BBQ or social event coinciding with the staff run O'Days.
- A paintball event was planned for this year but hasn't eventuated yet. This could be organised for the start of semester 2.
- There are currently no campus clubs and we discussed talking to Laura and Valentina about SOC/PAC clubs on the Albany campus and getting Guild funding.
- Interested in fielding UWA Albany teams for local events, coming to Perth for events and hosting sporting and/or Faculty rivalry events.
- There is already an Albany event for Relay for Life that they could field a team for, and will contact Cam Fitzgerald about the UWA Relay event.

Social | Common Room

Suggestions to improve the common room:

- Need a new fridge and kettle. Priority for start of semester 2.
- Currently have a relatively small, old TV: upgrade or supplement with a projector and screen. Students use this area to watch movies, and this improvement would mean they could hold social movie nights. Not an immediate priority.

Guild Benefits | Discounts

We came up with the following as potential Guild Member discounts offered locally:

- Local coffee shops – one directly opposite campus that is popular with students, with other options in the main street nearby.
- Gym membership – Students don't have access to UWA Sports facilities, and would love if we could get the Council run Gym to match UWA Sports rates, or offer a student discount. They have thought about looking into this in the past.
- Local Bookshop discount – independently owned bookstore or Dymocks.

Education | Lectures

For Albany students, all lectures are watched online. This creates major problems when LMS crashes or there are problems with the lecture capture system. If lecturers do not allow

downloads (which is apparently often), Albany students need to stream all their lectures, which isn't possible if the system crashes. As these students can't attend in person and have to watch online, students can end up very behind if they cannot access LMS or download all the lectures when they can.

Not being able to physically attend lectures means that students can't ask questions after lectures. Most coordinators/lecturers have been helpful, and Darcy indicated many students would have a better experience if the lecture was filmed, not just screen-captured, because they miss lecturer interaction with diagrams and use of whiteboards.

Suggestions:

- Help Darcey to ensure unit coordinators allow their lectures to be downloaded.
- Continue to push for an extended lecture recording time.
- Ensure lecturers are aware of these issues, and encourage them to use strategies to improve their online lectures (mouse pointer instead of physical pointer, better explanation of diagrams on screen, better use of microphone).

Education | Textbooks

Albany students have no Library access, meaning many spend lots of money buying textbooks so that they can do readings. Their "Reserve" is small/limited, and they would greatly appreciate it if we could provide some more textbooks for the core units most of the students do.

Suggestions:

- Encourage application for textbook grants.
- Provide some additional core texts for their reserve.
- Encourage lecturers to provide online readings and alternative options.

Student Representative Committee | Training and Regulations

Suggestions:

- Offer student rep training for incoming committee and have regular Skype sessions with both the President and committee throughout the year. I will be Skyping in for a Committee meeting over the next few weeks (yay!).
- There is currently no document of regulations or rules governing the Albany Department, and working through Statutes and with Darcey, I hope to come up with a formal set of guidelines or regulations for the Department.

Financials: nil.