



## **Introduction |**

I hope everyone has had a fantastic start to semester 2. Everyone will be gearing up for elections soon so look forward to seeing some fantastic new ideas from all candidates.

## **Activities | Summary**

- Strategic Information Technology and Information Management committee
- Bar Pop meeting
- Guild Training
- VC Audit meeting
- Workplace Health and Safety meeting
- BDO
- Extraordinary meeting of the Admissions committee and Board of Coursework
- Student Services Committee
- UWA Sports Board
- Uni Care board meeting
- AISEC Breakfast
- Meeting with Sustainable development.
- Equity and Diversity Meeting
- Alumni and Development Sponsorship meeting
- Meeting with CCC
- UWA Strategic Resources Senate advisory committee
- Planning and Resource Committee
- Academic Board
- Convocation
- SITIMC
- ECM Alumni Dinner
- Senate Community Dinner
- Governance Committee Meeting
- Alumni Guild Precinct tour
- Welfare and Advocacy
- Special Meeting of Planning and Resources – Brand meeting
- CSC meeting
- Meeting with DVC(E) Student Experience
- 3 Day Functional Review Training

## **Activities | Audit Process**

The external audit process with BDO has been completed. We will be bringing our annual auditors in to complete the job they started at the beginning of the year. The substantial details of the Audit process can be found in Wayne's report and I will add more in the council meeting. The University has been updated to the current progress of the audit and we are working with them to get the SSAF report and Audited accounts to them as soon as possible.

### **University/Internal | NTEU/Enterprise Bargaining**

The EBA is still in negotiation and may be a protracted affair as there are a large number of people representing themselves and makes meeting and negotiations more challenging. We hope to have the EBA negotiations completed by the end of the year.

### **Development | Tavern**

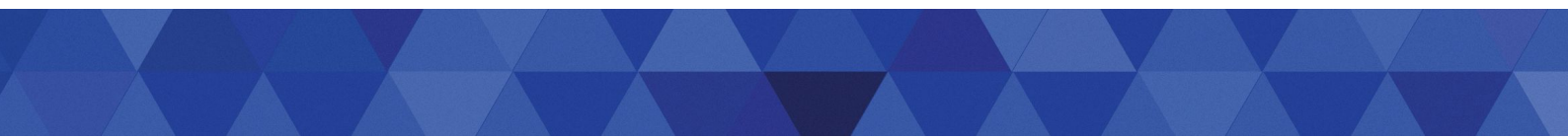
Looking forward to seeing the design submissions from the ALVA Tavern Design competition that will be completed by the end of August.

### **Internal/external | Mid-Year Report**

The mid-year report for the first 6 months of the 101<sup>st</sup> Guild Council is being compiled hopefully for released in the next few weeks. I would like to thank everyone who provided me with their reports on time. We will be doing a second report at the end of the year that will look at the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the year.

### **Conclusion |**

That's about it for now!





Back into the full swing of things for semester two. I'm really excited about some of our upcoming projects - both long-term IT stuff that is launching, as well as cool things like Bar Pop on Campus!

#### **Committees**

- WHS - 28/7
- EMC - 28/7
- SRC- 22/8, 19/8
- CSC- no July meeting, 14/8

#### **MASA**

- Start of semester luncheon in the tav was a big success with over 50 attendees.
- Next event 1st Sept (Mon), drop-in morning tea in Guild Village Cafe.
- Still running under budget.

#### **Parking Appeals Board**

- Meeting scheduled for 29/8.

#### **CSC**

- Discussing minimisation of cash exchange at the finance counter.
- Future install of POS terminal / EFTPOS system to allow card payments and refunds across the counter being investigated.
- Investigating online shop plugins for the website to offer larger range of online payments with PayPal (O-Day stalls, etc).
- Resolve to pursue Intranet option for staff IT needs - investigating roll-out for TOIL / sick leave forms, training record, online loan applications (and management of those applications with finance and student assist teams).

#### **IT Projects**

- Guild Weekly working well.
- MyGuild planning underway.
- Front page redesign is nearing completion.
- Soc/Events progress – continuing content loading by Maddie, Kaila and the SOC team. Events nearing launch point.
- Planning overall IT ecosystem discussion to pursue a single vision unified across our various online offerings. Get in touch if you're interested in being a part of that discussion.
- Online Wifi complaint form summary – **concept**. | Eat+Drink site – **design**.
- Training module work moved to IT implementation stage (first Intranet feature).

#### **Guild Training / Transition**

- Transition plan is finalised.
- Plan can be viewed here  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xz8a2EjX5u2dssyJbCRViHy07Ht3-bZyeBaDWHYAjSM/edit?usp=sharing>
- Also submitted as an attachment. This plan will now be activated so that Guild staff and student representatives can prepare relevant sessions as we move forwards.

Please get in touch if you've got any ideas for projects that require support.



## Committees & Meetings

- Guild Student Executive meeting (28/07)
- Workplace Health & Safety Committee meeting (28/07)
- Executive Management Committee meeting (28/07)
- Student Services Committee meetings (29/07, 19/08)
- Catering & Tavern Committee meeting (18/08)
- Strategic Resources Committee meeting (19/08)
- Discipline Committee meeting (25/08)

## Student Services Committee

- Updates from Student Assist and Guild Volunteering – both going well.
- Texchange is up!
- Guild Weekly replaced G-News and had a great reception.
- Discussion around social media utilization.
- Marketing strategy is taking shape.
- New branding came out for enrolments.
- Fringe fest was a success, with around half of the clubs having stalls.
- Lots of Guild events coming up: Guild Ball, Fringe Fest, Oktoberfest and EOSS.
- Guild Ball working party has been created. Will promote Guild Ball heavily!

## Other

- University Hall International Welcome (31/07) - attended with Lizzy (Ed) and Kenneth (ISS). Spoke to students about the services the Guild offers, particularly Student Assist.
- Club Carnival Stall (05/08) - ran the Guild stall, advertising Student Assist, Guild membership and services, Fringe Festival.
- Indigenous Games meeting (18/08) - met with Chloe (Events), Lukas (Events) and the organisers of Indigenous Games to discuss the Guild's involvement and contributions.
- Attended the first ever Bar Pop (20/8) – huge success, will hopefully see more and more students each week from positive word-of-mouth feedback!
- Guild Catering Branding, Photos and Website Discussion (21/08) - met with Daniel (Treasurer), Alex (Creative) and Kate (Creative) to discuss branding for Guild coffee cups and catering packaging for 2015. Also organised a 'photo shoot' for Guild Catering food items for use on the Guild website.
- Tav Activities/Events and Oak Lawn Facilities Discussion (21/08) - met with Maddie (SOC) and Lukas (Events) to discuss a daily program for the Tav in terms of activities and food/drink specials. Plan to have a different themed/named day from Mon-Fri at the Tav. Also discussed obtaining facilities for Clubs and students to use on Oak Lawn. This included tables/chairs/banner facilities, which should see more students hanging out on lawn.
- Worked with Maddie (SOC) to discuss greater Guild/college engagement with some of the College Presidents. For the remainder of the year, College Presidents will be invited to Presidents' Summits and SOC Meetings.



## **Treasurer | Budget**

Happy to report that all guild departments are doing fantastic and well under budget, without cutting any front line services to students. If we keep on this track, we will see a significant operating surplus at the end of the year. Great news!

## **Catering and Tavern | Catering**

At the early stages of semester, there is little to report for catering. Financially, the catering department has been doing extremely well (as the Catering Director will elaborate).

There are plans in place to extend the opening hours of the Ref so that students can take advantage of the large indoor area to study and socialise.

We have also had positive feedback in relation to the refurbishment of the service area in Guild Café as well as positive feedback in relation to the vending machines located opposite the social sciences building next to the Ref courtyard.

## **Catering and Tavern | Tavern**

It has been recognised the tavern is in need of significant improvement aesthetically, financially and operationally. We have engaged an independent expert to undertake a review of the tavern. The report identified that the tavern is not up to standard with taverns across Australia and is seen more of as a 'beer hall' rather than an area students can come to eat, drink and socialise. It also has an archaic design but the report has come back with exciting ideas for improvement.

The next step will be determining whether to proceed with the recommendations and get relevant approval.

Further, the Tavern food menu (as well as beer menu) is always changing, an initiative that was recently introduced. Check out the new steak burgers, lamb shanks and the return of the 'Kampong Burger'. The steak burger is especially delicious and highly recommended!



### EDUCATION ACTION NETWORK | IHST1111 Engagement

As a representative of the Education Action Network, I was invited to speak at an *IHST1111 – Human Action for World Futures* broadening unit lecture earlier this month. The unit requires students to do an assignment on a community/volunteering group, with programs being able to be coordinated through the Volunteering Hub. After speaking at the lecture, I have had a number of students approach me about getting involved in the EAN for their project. I am excited to see what specific EAN initiative these students take on and am in discussions with these students about either getting involved with a previously planned EAN project, coming up with their own project, and/or doing a reflection on the structure, effectiveness and programs of the EAN.

### EDUCATION ACTION NETWORK | Q&A with Amanda Rishworth and Dave Kelly

The EAN ran an event recently with Amanda Rishworth, the Shadow Minister for Higher Education, and Dave Kelly, the Shadow Minister for Youth. The event invited discussion on the future of higher education and youth issues, and allowed UWA students to ask questions of and engage with political representatives. I would like to continue running events like this with representatives from other political parties.

### EDUCATION ACTION NETWORK | Cakes Against Cuts and National Day of Action

The EAN ran a "Cakes Against Cuts" event as a way to be involved with the NUS / GetUp "Unhappy Birthday Christopher Pyne" campaign, which saw Christopher Pyne's birthday as a chance to draw media and community attention towards the changes to higher education in the federal budget and the campaigns against these changes. We ran a stall to engage with the broader student body with free cake, petitions, information about the education cuts rally, and the chance for people to make Christopher Pyne a "Birthday Card".

The National Day of Action on August 20<sup>th</sup> saw a smaller turnout than the previous NDA, but with poor weather conditions combined with 'protest fatigue', this was not particularly surprising. I am excited to look at alternative means of protesting and voicing our opinions against the federal budget and changes to the higher education system and am working with Oscar (Ed VP) to do so. That being said, the rally was peaceful and successful, getting media attention across the country.

We received positive media coverage locally – in particular an article in the POST Newspaper that focused on UWA issues. The photo is also quite fierce.

### LIBRARIES and IT

I have received a number of complaints about libraries being closed on weekends when Reid is short staffed. I am following up these concerns with UWA Libraries/Alec Cameron (DVCE) and hope to receive an explanation as to why certain libraries are being ranked below Reid, when some libraries have very specific resources that students need that cannot be found in Reid.

We have also received a number of complaints about LMS/Echo not working on university/library computers, and are following up these concerns with IT.

## **ORIENTATION**

A number of recommendations for improvements to Orientation have been passed through the Education Council, and Hendo and I are working to have these changes implemented for the next orientation program. These include more Faculty Society input into orientation processes, more Guild and Faculty Society information throughout the orientation period, and a different and more structured relationship between the Guild/Faculty Societies and Student Services.

Jessica Toon and myself are working with the PSA on improving Post Graduate Orientation, through the formation of a Post Graduate Focus Group. We hope to assess how thorough the existing orientation program is, what works well, what doesn't work, if there is enough orientation for students who have studied their undergraduate degree at a different University, if the orientation program is suitable for students who did their undergrad degree at UWA, etc. I am excited to see the outcome of this group, and to then work with Hendo and the PSA to implement the recommendations that Jess forms, through both the Guild's orientation programs and UWA/Student Services' own programs.

I am also working with Kenneth to ensure that changes to the International Student Orientation are only implemented with student feedback, and will provide more updates on this topic as they arise. Student Services seem to be reviewing their International orientation program, and we are concerned that students are not being considered in this process.

## **SLETS**

Jess and myself are working on the SLETS results, hoping to have these outcomes and any specific recommendations ready in time for the release of the Know Your Rights Guide and associated information campaigns.

## **STUDENTS' CHOICE AWARDS**

We are finishing up distributing awards and will be making a list of the award winners public, as well as providing Faculty Societies with their Faculty Specific list of names, for their own use. I look forward to seeing this initiative expand in Semester Two.

Lizzy







## **Introduction**

Fringe Festival Planning, continued Part 3...

## **Fringe Festival**

For the sake of drawing as much student attendance and participation throughout Fringe Fest, we've made a few adjustments to the overall program.

First and foremost, we've pushed Fringe Festival to run in week 6 (September 1st-4th). We found that week four clashed with many large scale events, some of the significant ones being charity based which we consequently did not want to compete with. This also gives us a greater amount of time to promote the festival lineup and push ticket sales even further.

Secondly, after realising that students weren't necessarily familiar with UWA Fringe Festival being a huge event, we've taken a more proactive approach to advertising and promotions. Below are some of the key methods we've implemented:

- Oak Lawn Ticket Sales
  - Daily stalls targeting most popular student traffic (12pm-2pm)
  - Also featured a stall at launch of BarPop
- Online Ticket Sales
  - Available through Trybooking
  - Allows us to monitor ticket sales targets
- Free Vouchers with ticket purchases
  - Partnership with Guild marketing- Oz Food Vouchers and Belmont Racing giveaways
- Promo video
  - Re-produced by Alex pond and the Communications department of Guild
  - More of a quirky, artistic vibe
  - Utilised music from Artists being featured at Fringe Music Festival
- Competitions
  - Daily opportunities for students to claim free tickets/weekly passes
  - Utilise Instagram has tags ( #UWAFringeFest, #instaPAC)
- Lecture bashes
  - Targeting common lectures and giving them a low down on what's on throughout Fringe Festival
- G-News
  - Little Fringe Reminders in the President's report
- External promotions/partnerships
  - Working with external media groups
    - The Music (Drum Magazine)
    - Mix 94.5 radio
    - ABC radio/Triples J announcements



The Events department have been a great source of support. They've assisted us greatly in facilitating these date changes with our contractors and performers. Everyone seems to be available for the new dates- the only major complication is that the bands now require an upfront payment, which we are more than happy to facilitate.

The Fringe Program will continue to run the same activities on the same days as planned for week 4. Please refer to July minutes for an idea of the itinerary.

### **Barpop Launch**

We've partnered with the BarPop Team for their launch of weekly BarPop instalments in the Ref Courtyard. PAC provided 3 acoustic music sets- all of which featured students and local artists. It was a great vibe and had a great attendance. We utilised the event to promote the Fringe Festival Lineup.

We will be collaborating with BarPop in the future to allow students and local artists another avenue to perform and get involved in the local bar and music scene.

### **Finances**

No real major spendings.

We've had to make some upfront payment to artists to secure their bookings. There include:

- Rainy Day Women- \$2,500
- The Brow- \$3,500
- Tien Tran- \$600

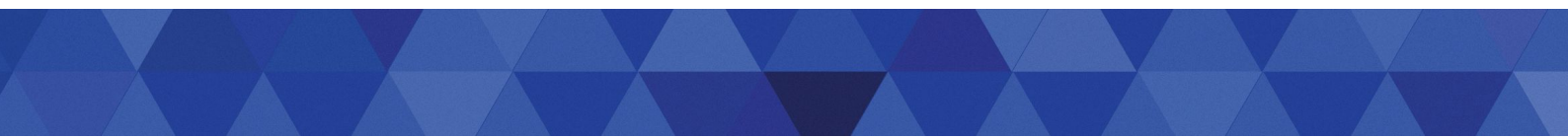
Payment for BarPop Launch artists:

- Escalade- \$100
- Wanderlust- \$100
- Bernadine- \$100

Some other expenses for venues hire include:

- Theatres, New Fortune Theatre- \$245 (deposit, may vary due to labour costs for lighting technician)
- Decorations for Fringe Festival- \$250+
- Posters and Tickets- \$100+ (estimated, costs have been sent through direct to finance)
- City of Subiaco Permit- \$300

Copies of invoices are available upon request.





## **Introduction**

SOC Activities have massively picked up since Semester Two has gone back – there are a LOT of fantastic new and return club events, a lot of activity on Oak Lawn and many exciting things happening.

Congratulations to the two newly affiliated clubs – UWA Knitting Club and Ahlulbayt Society of UWA, and the UWA Society of Bangladeshi Culture who were re-affiliated.

Congratulations also to SOC's two newly elected Ordinary Committee Members – Nevin Jayawardena and Kieran Natalwala.

## **SOCIETIES COUNCIL | Semester One Grant Appeals**

The Societies Council received three appeals to the Semester One Grant applications, which we have responded to favourably for each of the clubs.

## **SOCIETIES COUNCIL | Semester Two Club Carnival**

Semester Two Club Carnival was a hugely successful event – over 60 Clubs & Societies were in attendance (up from 53 in 2013), there was a great vibe and feedback.

## **SOCIETIES COUNCIL | CoLAB**

We continue to meet with CoLAB to strength the Club and Society engagement with the Music Festival. There are fortnightly meetings that all interested people are welcome to attend. Please let me know if you would like more information. I will be seeking to reach out the Colleges too.

## **SOCIETIES COUNCIL | New Committee Resources Page**

We have now generated almost all the content for the SOC Committee Resources Page. Sushi Digital are in the process of formatting it – Kaila has been busy meeting with them to tweak it, and we hope to take it public soon.

## **SOCIETIES COUNCIL | SOC Funding Review**

The Societies Council Finance Sub-Committee have commenced our Review of SOC Funding. This has included research into what other campuses do with their club & society funding, and getting feedback from Club Representatives. We will be formulating this into a recommendation for the incoming Societies Council.

## **SOCIETIES COUNCIL | Oak Lawn Facilities**

Sam and I have met with the Guild Events Office to discuss better Oak Lawn facilities for Clubs & Societies, and Oak Lawn goes. This should see better tables/chairs/banner facilities, and more students hanging out on the lawn.

## **SOCIETIES COUNCIL | Other Projects**

- We ran a re-cap of Treasurer Training at the August SOC Meeting. We also shared information from various University Groups
  - Health Promotions Unit: Free Share Condom Scheme
  - UWA Career Week
- We spoke to Clubs & Societies with interesting Insurance Liability queries, so the Guild can make sure we cover them.
- I have liaised with UWA Venues to improve the Venue Bookings system for Clubs.
- I have been working on repairing the SOC Mailing List, and am now encountering few problems, which is fantastic!

- The Societies Council are busy preparing for Semester Two President's Summit, which will focus on Handover.
- I have been talking to Colleges about better engagement with Club & Society Events. College Presidents have been invited to the President's Summit and will be invited to SOC Meetings for the rest of the year. I hope this will result in better Day student-College student engagement.
- Following the direction from Guild Council in the July Meeting, Honny and I compiled a list of complaints received about the Socialist Alternative Club. We have submitted these to the Guild Disciplinary Committee to investigate, and will act on that committee's recommendations.
- We have been liaising with clubs who have an overdraft in their Guild Banking accounts to help them back into surplus.
- I continue to have regular email contact with clubs to help with their events, funding, admin support and lots of other unique questions! I've had quite a few emails from students looking to join clubs, and we will be featuring a Club Wall in the Guild Student Centre to increase visibility.
- I met with a representative from WIOG (Women in Oil & Gas) who is interested in working with Clubs & Societies who relate to careers in Oil & Gas. Anyone interested is welcome to grab her contact details.

#### **OTHER PROJECTS**

- Lizzy, Bec and I will be meeting with UWA Alumni to organise engagement with UWA Alumni and Guild Alumni – to help with funding and event organisation.
- I have helped Guild Archives with locating records from 2013.
- I attended Bar Pop – a great Guild initiative!
- I have been supporting PAC with their Fringe Festival event.

#### **SOCIETIES COUNCIL | Finance**

The Societies Council allocated a \$1000 Lion Nathan Grant to the Australia-China Youth Association to support their new Cocktail Event. We are also in the process of confirming some other Lion Nathan Grants.

Spending in August 2014:

Line Item	Amount Budgeted for 2014	Amount Spent August 2014	Amount Spent In 2014 to date	Description
Lion Nathan Grants	\$5000	\$1000	\$2000	ACYA Cocktail Event Lion Nathan Grant
Club Carnival (Activities)	\$4,300	\$770	\$770	Table hire for Club Carnival
<b>TOTAL</b>			\$27,258.00	

#### **TENANCY COMMITTEE | Clubs Busy Bee**

We held a Tenancy Committee Meeting and Busy Bee at the end of July (immediately before Semester Two commenced). We discussed more tenancy maintenance projects which have been requested with UWA Facilities Management, and gave a Masterplan update.

#### **TENANCY COMMITTEE | Storage Space Allocations**

The Societies Council have opened applications for SOC Storage Space. Applications are due in a fortnight.

**MASTERPLAN | Central Wing Club Facilities PDG (PDG – Part A)**

The Project Control Group has been reformed for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase of the Central Wing Club Facilities project. We will be meeting fortnightly to discuss the detailed design considerations.

**MASTERPLAN | Ground Floor Toilets and Catering Storage Facilities (PCG – Part B)**

We continue to develop our plans for the Guild ground floor toilet facilities.

**STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**

The Student Services Committee have formed the Guild Ball Planning Committee. We are also planning Oktoberfest, and Sam and I will be pushing for more exciting things happening in the Tav.

**UPCOMING PROJECTS**

The projects my committee and I will be working on over the next month are:

- Finalise Storage Space allocations
- Continue to complete tenancy works
- Continue to streamline SOC policies and grant procedures
- Continue to repair the SOC Mailing list
- Complete the SOC Dashboard project
- Run Semester Two President's Summit
- Organise funding for the Best Inclusive Event Award

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## DAMSEL MAGAZINE

As previously stated in my last report, the Department's major project this semester will be bringing back Damsel, the Department's annual publication that was last printed in 2010.

I have appointed three editors, Kat Gillespie, Lucy Ballantyne and Alice McCallaugh to help with the production of the magazine as it is a large task and they all have prior experience with editing through Pelican. To help artists and writers develop their work we held three Creative nights and lunches that were facilitated by the editors. These events were a great success, with an average of 30 women attending each event. Those that attended have not necessarily been involved in the Women's Department previously, which is a positive sign for the future of the Department and the success of the magazine.

We have already received 15 submissions of written and art pieces; the last date to submit work is the 22 of August.

As a group we have also met with the Design team to discuss the production and printing of the magazine. We are also starting to receive quotes from printers about the cost of printing the magazine.

I have also met with the Events team to discuss the magazine launch event in Week 11. It will most probably be a free-ticketed event at Bar Pop, which will be open to all students.

## BLUE STOCKING WEEK

As part of Blue Stocking Week the Department created a photo campaign to highlight the breadth of subjects and degrees women at UWA study in response to the Minister for Education's comment that:

*'Now, women are well-represented amongst the teaching and nursing students. They will not be able to earn the high incomes that say dentists or lawyers will earn, and vice chancellors in framing their fees, their fee structure, will take that into account. Therefore the debts of teachers and nurses will be lower than the debts, for example, of lawyers and dentists.'*

This comment was offensive and untrue as 61% of Law students and 58% of Dentistry students are women. It was an extremely presumptive assumption for the Minister to make, which to a certain extent shows the old fashioned assumptions of Women in Higher Education that Blue Stocking week tries to dispel.

This poster campaign reached a large online audience. The album was shared 103 times and reached 14 200 Facebook users. Federal politicians including Adam Bandt MP and Senator Sue Lines also shared the album. Overall the campaign was great for the social media aspect of the Department as we gained over 100 likes in a week.

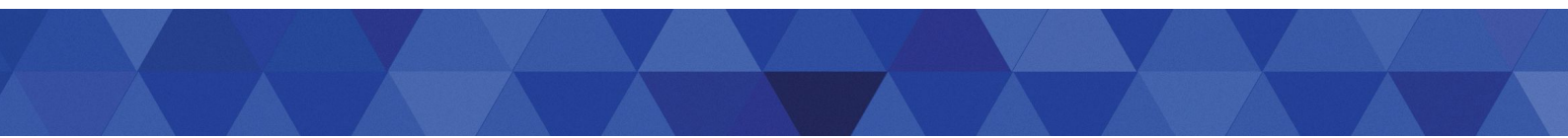
As part of Blue Stockings week we also ran a panel discussion with the NTEU. The Panel included Winthrop Prof. Carmen Lawrence, Professor Trish Todd, Assistant Prof. Aileen Walsh and myself. The event attracted over 40 staff and students, which was great to see after a disappointing turn out in previous years.

## **ONGOING PROJECTS**

The Department is putting together some materials for the up coming Sex week to inform students about Women friendly health services.

I am also working with the University Alumni relations to secure a past women student to talk barriers they have faced in the workforce and how they have overcome them.

The Women's Collective has also decided to hold a debate between the Women's Affairs Officer candidates in the upcoming Guild elections. This was decided as the collective acknowledged the significant role that the Women's Officer has in running the collective. Rigorous debate about the experience and policies of the candidates is needed to ensure that the collective is in safe hands the following year.



### **Food Provision on Campus**

- Continuing work has been done on this area. The food cupboard will launch in the next two weeks. We are developing marketing for it, and will likely launch it with a Free Food Event. More details will be provided on the Welfare Departments Facebook page.
- In the long-term, we are looking to collaborate with the Environment Department to utilise some of the vegetables they are growing for this project. There are obvious concerns with storage which will need to be worked out.
- It is envisaged that this will run as a trial for four weeks. The Welfare Council will review uptake and make a final decision later this semester.
- We have also been in contact with Food Banks around WA and a variety of charity groups about this project.

### **Security and Lighting on Campus**

- Over the past month, I've met with the Presidents of the Australasian Union of Jewish Students, The Muslim Students Association and the Christian Union to talk about security issues impacting faith stakeholder issues on campus, particularly in light of ongoing turmoil in the Middle East.
- These discussions have largely been positive, and I'd like to thank these groups for the dialogue. I passed on their concerns to UWA Security. I reiterated the Guilds zero-tolerance approach to violence on campus. If you would like more details on these discussions, I am more than happy to elucidate on that in person.
- I met twice with representatives of UWA Security. Following on from lighting issues on the south end of campus, they have agreed to investigate the installation of temporary lighting around future construction projects. There is an ongoing discussion being had on the merits of ambient and landscape lighting. If any of you want to learn more about what those terms mean, please get in touch with me.

### **Themed Weeks**

- Currently, The Welfare Department is involved in the organisation of Sex Week, Welfare Week (Part II) and Mental Health Week.
- We have been working with other Guild Departments, the HPU, Karrie McClelland, The WA Department of Health, and a host of other organisations on those.
- We made the decision to shift Mental Health Week back to the National Mental Health Week.
- We are pushing for the University to review its prohibition on inflatable recreation objects (Which is known to everyone not in the insurance industry as Bouncy Castles).

### **Welfare Tuesdays**

- Starting (hopefully yesterday), The Welfare Department will be running pop-up events every Tuesday. These are meant to be fun, de-stressing events, with a strong emphasis on advertising Guild Services and other programs designed to help students.
- We're brainstorming a better name for it. Current contenders include YAY Tuesdays, and Thank God It's Tuesday. I'm not a creative person, so please let me know if you have any ideas.



**Other programs**

- Ongoing discussions are being had with Tai Chi, Fitness, Zumba and other providers with the goal of expanding the services and programs run by the Welfare Department.
- The second round of Mental Health Grants will vest in the next months. The Guidelines will be the same, and the total amount offered will be \$800. I will likely open them up to Clubs and Faculty Societies in late September.
- UWA Insurance has stopped offering Public Liability Top-Up Insurance (PLTUI) for many events on campus. This is negatively impacting a lot of mental health focused clubs. In the past, the Welfare Department has supported clubs like PAWS, RCS, SPAMH and other community organisations by paying directly for PLTUI.



Dear friends, colleagues and interested students, I intend to use this report to update you on our various projects that relate to sustainability and the environment at UWA.

**Environmental Projects – Not yet succeeded:**

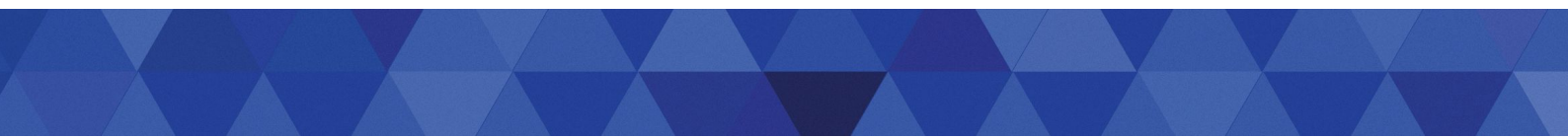
<b>Incomplete Projects</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Field</b>	<b>Finances (August)</b>
Solar Panels	New Feasibility Study being conducted on Bayliss at request of Rowan from Campus Management. Health and Safety assessing chemical fumes.	Energy and Climate Change	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Divestment	Forward Initial Ethical Investment Criteria to Investment Company. Need to form a student group interested and increase pressure and awareness.	Energy and Climate Change	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Recycling in Cafes	Guild now has Cleanaway co-mingled recycling skips out back on cafes; need to develop a strategy for recycling in cafes for students to use	Waste Management	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Freshie Vending Machines	Two machines for \$3300. Freshie to pay maintenance (excludes water and power) and operating costs. Guild to get commission once sales over \$5000/year. Awaiting samples to taste	Procurement	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Energy Audit	SRC circular via email.	Energy and Climate Change	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Guild Election – Paper Usage	Preliminary absolute cap of 16,750 A4 per ticket. New regulations passed Council May 2014; need to confirm reduction during 2014 elections.	Waste Management	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Recycling Blackspots	Few bins placed into blackspots, sourcing more bins from Sustainable Initiatives/Waste Company.	Waste Management	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Plastic Free Proposal	Originally taken to Guild Catering Committee, limited success, working with catering committee and staff to discuss options.	Waste Management	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
E-Waste Collection	Will implement a plan for collecting students E-Waste and taking it to a free facility monthly	Waste Management	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Unit Outlines Online	Will work with faculties and possibly Ed Council to ensure all unit outline are online.	Waste Management	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0

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

Systemic Environmental Projects	Status	Field	Finances
Cruelty Free/Range Eggs	~\$900 expense to the Guild p.a. Using Harvey Free Range Eggs, Enviro and PAW happy with outcome.	Procurement	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Veggie Garden/Urban Orchard	Planning a harvest day and free salad for Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> .	Procurement Engagement and Communication	Revenue = \$0 Expenses: \$0
Environment Council and Calendar	The Environment Council has regular monthly meetings and has created a calendar which integrates with G-News in low-effort manner.	Engagement and Communication	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Bike Breakfasts/Lunches	Both events planned for 2014 again.	Transport	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Guild Sustainability Plan	Started review, seeking feedback from council members and interested parties.	All.	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Carbon Offsetting O-Day	Event successfully offset.	Energy and Climate Change	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Keep Cups with discounts	Discount increased to 30c, ~14,000 cups saved Running twice weekly stalls to promote use.	Waste Management	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Dine In Options	Implemented, needs more promotion. All cafes have cutlery and plates.	Waste Management	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Bicycle Repair Station	Implemented, needs new posters	Transport	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Carbon Neutral Flights	Policy Implemented – needs to be paid for now.	Energy and Climate Change	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Jayride	Implemented - more systemic promotion required.	Transport	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Reusing Coffee Grinds	Implemented for three cafés. Grounds using in soil. ~1.5tonnes reused per semester	Waste Management	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Recycling Point	Implemented – Lots of phones, batteries, lights and printer cartridges collected. Buying new wheel s soon.	Waste Management	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Energy Efficiency Measures	Signage, Air conditioning setpoints in LTs , computer standby modes	Energy and Climate Change	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
100% Recycled Paper	Maintained as procurement strategy.	Procurement	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Recycling at Events	Implementation of recycling bins at events highly successful, requires EMP changes	Waste Management	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
SERAG volunteering.	Linked the Swan Estuary Restoration Action Group to the Guild Volunteering to ensure greater conservation of the Pelican Point Area, been very successful.	Engagement	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Bottled Water at Enrolments	Stopped handing them out during O-Week 2014	Procurement	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0
Envirofest	Went amazingly well.	Engagement	Revenue = \$0 Expenses = \$0

**Finances:**

- Actual Spend = \$0
- Budgeted Spend = \$360
- Actual Events = 0
- Budgeted Events = 0
- Unusual Discrepancies: Envirofest budgeting will probably be done after the event.
- Project Breakdown next to each project





### Overview

Things have gotten off to a great start in second semester for the Queer Department. We've held numerous events, attended a Careers Week event aimed at LGBTQ students, and attended a Cross Campus Queer Network meeting. Our social media presence is continuing to grow, and many new students have made contact with us by attending events or sending in an email.

### Weekly events

This month we have held a morning tea, a picnic, and a 'crafternoon'. All events had good attendance, and we scheduled them at different times and days to make events more accessible to more students. The picnic was one of hopefully many events that will give us greater visibility, as it was held on Oak Lawn. The department has been receiving more contacts through these events and our social media sites which suggests we are already having some success with this visibility.

### Careers Week

This year Career Week held an event aimed at LGBTI students called "Being Out: From Interview to Promotion". The panel of 5 spoke about their experiences in coming out and being out in the workplace, and how it has impacted on their careers and themselves. A light supper and drinks followed this. The Queer Department was consulted when this event was first proposed, and the Careers Centre kept us informed while it was being organised. Even being involved from this early stage, the event went better than we ever expected. Over 40 people RSVP'd and approximately 30 attended, which included both students and staff. The panel had many positive experiences to speak about while also sharing valuable advice and experiences. Next time we would like to see greater a diversity of panellists, but it was very good considering this is the first event of its kind to address LGBTI issues in the workplace. The drinks and light supper provided after the panel was a wonderful opportunity for students to talk directly to the panellists as well as UWA Equity and Diversity staff.

The success of this event shows that LGBTI students are eager to be included in equity initiatives, and the connections it supports between different sections of our community are vitally important.

### Cross Campus Queer Network

At the start of the semester we attended the August Cross Campus Queer Network (CCQN) meeting. Ivory Allen's term as co-convenor has finished, and Lewis Price from ECU was elected to fill the vacancy. UWA, ECU, Murdoch, and Curtin will all be marching together under CCQN in the Pride parade later this year. CCQN are also looking to organise a quiz night as a fundraiser, in hopes of getting the means to become more active on all campuses.

### Budget

Food and beverage: \$140  
Communication: \$15  
General Expenses: \$30  
Pride: \$700  
Repairs and Maintenance: \$400  
  
Total: \$1285

### Actual

Food for events: \$114.97  
Craft supplies- \$38.80  
Communication: \$15  
Total: \$171.77

## **Introduction**

Since my last report the Governance Committee has been focusing on two main projects, the development of Key Performance Indicators for the National Union of Students and reviewing, and drafting changes to, the Guild's Election Regulations. Additionally a number of other projects are being pursued and will be discussed below.

## **NUS KPIs**

The last 2 months in particular have been focusing on the development of Key Performance Indicators for the National Union of Students, in line with a directive from Guild Council. A draft of these KPIs is being presented to this meeting of the Guild Council. The KPIs were drafted based off of submissions sent to Governance Committee after a month-long window for submissions. Additionally a small number of KPIs were drafted during discussions based on issues. Of note is the decision to use a low-tiered system of KPIs, allowing us to assess KPIs of differing importance to the Guild separately. I would also like to take the opportunity to thank two of my student committee members, Cassie and Sam, who were both great assets in developing KPIs and deciding on the final wording of the document.

Project Status: Before Council

## **Election Regulation Changes**

As was discussed in a previous Guild Council meeting, the initial motion was pulled to avoid confusion during the election period, after receiving advice that the Senate processes would not approve the election regulations in time. Governance Committee has decided that it would be best to wait until the conclusion of the 2014 election before re-commencing procedures to change the Guild Election Regulations.

Project Status: On Hold

## **Media Policies**

The Media Relations policy was passed earlier this year on the understanding that it would return to council by October. This was due to the need to have a policy in place, despite some minor issues with the policy's wording. I am currently in consultation with members of the committee as well as Alex Pond on how to proceed, however this has mainly been on the back burner due to the above projects. With KPIs now complete, this project will take priority placement. Additionally, a social media policy was mostly developed before computer problems meant that the draft was lost, I am about to begin the process of re-drafting this policy and hope to have it to council around the same time as the media relations policy.

Project Status: Drafting

## **Other Projects**

A small number of other projects are being directed towards Governance over the final few months of this Council. The Committee will be looking at changes regarding the Tenancy Policies (and potentially a minor change to SOC Rules to accommodate this). This project is being managed by SOC and will be reviewed by Governance Committee. Additionally, ISS has asked for some assistance making a small number of changes to their constitution, and I will be helping them with drafting and guiding them through the processes they need to complete.