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1.0 WELCOME AND OPENING

Lucy welcomed everyone and acknowledged that UWA is situated on Noongar land. She paid her respects to Noongar elders past and present, and acknowledged the Noongar people remain the spiritual and cultural custodians of their land and that they continue to practice their beliefs, languages, values and knowledge.

1.1 Attendance

Maddie Mulholland (Guild President), Tom Burke (Treasurer), Michael Kabondo (Secretary), Charlie Viska (Vice President) Peter Derbyshire (PSA President), Lucy Moyle (Chair), Megan Lee (PAC President), Dennis Venning (Environment Officer), Tyson McEwan (WASAC Chair), Kenneth Foo (ISS), Laura Mwiragua (Women's Officer), Emma Boogaerdt (Education Council President), Jacky Chiang (OGC), Nick Brown (OGC), Chad Bensky (OGC), Fraser Windsor (Queer Officer), Reece Gherardi (Queer Officer), Joanne Lim (OGC), Ben Martin (OGC).

1.2 Apologies

Shyaam Patel (RSD President).

1.3 Proxies

Reece Gherardi (for Jack Looby), Lucy Tillotson (for Steph Munro), Georgia Macuipa (for Jess Porter-Langson), Ahmed Suliman (for Brad Forbes).

1.4 Observers

Emma Norton.

1.5 Absent

None.

Passed

2.0 DECLARATIONS OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

4.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- 4.1 Deloitte Review
- 4.2 Catering
- 4.3 Senate

Maddie updated Council on the Deloitte Review outcomes, senate presentation and catering in camera.

5.0 ELECTIONS

- 5.1 VACE Chair
 - Sofia Kouznetsova elected.

SECTION 1: OPERATIONS

6.0 DIRECTORS' REPORTS

- 6.1 Managing Director's Report
- 6.2 Associate Director of Commercial Report
- 6.3 Finance Director Report
- 6.4 Associate Director of Student Services Report Reports as Tabled.

Approved

7.0 MOTIONS ON NOTICE

- 7.1 That Guild Council requires:
 - a) all internship positions to be advertised through Guild Weekly, and
 - b) no internship be awarded to any student who has nominated for any elected position on the Guild within the previous two years *Moved: Jack Looby; Seconded: Brad Forbes*

Deferred to Next Council Meeting.

7.2 That Guild Council reaffirms its policy on in camera discussions and the importance of confidentiality in regards to discussions that happen in camera. That all councillors are reminded that all items discussed in camera are confidential and are not to be discussed outside of council.

Moved: Peter Derbyshire; Seconded: Fraser Windsor

Peter explained that the discussions the motion is about occurred after motions were due. He thinks it should be discussed now rather than later because it could have further damage on Guild reputation.

A motion was put to hear the motion. Passed.

In camera discussions are a part of Guild Council. There are obviously some things that can't be discussed out of Guild Council, this is because they affect staff members and because they are often financial decisions we have to make. We have all taken up these roles as Councillors and understand what is required of us through training, one of which is confidentiality and in-camera requirements. If people have not undergone that training, that is their problem, but we all know in camera discussions are confident. He believes we need a reminder through this motion.

Nick spoke in opposition to this. He has a lot of disagreements in the functioning of in-camera discussions, he thinks the Guild should be accountable to the larger body of students and staff. Particularly with the present issue, which he believes is the reason for this motion.

Reece said if you are a Guild Councillor you have a responsibility to maintain the standing orders of this Council.

Nick said he thinks it's outrageous as we have no policies that say he has to agree to this. It is something we have vaguely agreed on in Council. So he doesn't see anything holding him to this.

Ben said there absolutely is something requiring you to abide by the standing orders. It's one of the things you agree to by becoming one of the candidates and when you get the role. An in camera motion is quite common and used in a lot of organisation in the world. When it comes to this Council, it should be held to the exact same standard. So when you come to this Council and hear a motion that is in Council, you remain bound to it once you leave this Council.

Emma said the reason we have processes like in camera discussions is specifically for that, so a process that looks after the welfare of those whom it may concern. When the process is in place you are bound to follow it.

Peter had his right of reply. The purpose of making sure the process of in camera is followed is to ensure that if any decision is made regarding anything, the correct information is conveyed by the Guild.

The motion was put. Passed

For: Maddie Mulholland, Tom Burke, Michael Kabondo, Charlie Viska, Peter Derbyshire, Lucy Moyle, Megan Lee, Kenneth Foo, Laura Mwiragua, Emma Boogaerdt, Jacky Chiang, Chad Bensky, Jess Porter-Langson, Joanne Lim, Ben Martin, Steph Munro, Brad Forbes, Jack Looby. *Against:* Nick Brown. *Abstain:* None.

7.3 That Guild Council

- a) Condemn Ordinary Council Member Nick Brown for breach of confidentiality by publicly discussing items that were discussed in camera during guild council on the date of 27th July 2016.
- b) That Ordinary Council Member Nick Brown not be included in any future in camera discussions held during guild Council and that, should further breach of confidentiality by discussion of this matter or past in camera matters by Nick Brown disciplinary action be applied as deemed appropriate by Council.

Moved: Peter Derbyshire; Seconded: Fraser Windsor

Peter said the reason this motion was without notice was similar to 7.2.

A motion was put to hear the motion. Passed.

Peter said they were matters discussed in a Pelican Article, and on a subsequent page that if they were discussed by Guild were done so in camera. This breaches legislation, which often would result in people being fired or having their position being removed from them. He thinks it is important to recognise that councillor Nick Brown has broken the trust of the Council and can no longer be trusted to keep discussions in camera.

Nick said he thinks it's outrageous, as he is a democratically elected member of the Council and now we are attempting to lock him out of pretty serious discussions. Students have a right to know these things, you can't hold it from them. Reece said Nick has shown that he can't be trusted anymore to sit on this Council and keep in camera items confidential. Thus this motion has his full support.

Nick said he doesn't have a respect for a bunch of councillors. He has the right to disagree with the way this Council is run.

Maddie said the information Nick shared was not exactly an accurate representation of what happened in camera and caused a lot of detriment to staff. She agrees with what Reece said, and as such clearly shows that he is only doing this for personal gain.

Reece said, whether Nick respects or doesn't respect anyone on Council, it doesn't mean he shouldn't follow the standing orders. The only person who is authorised to speak on behalf of the Guild is Maddie, and she didn't delegate any speaking rights to him.

Nick said he was speechless.

Peter had his right of reply. He said Nick has clearly agreed to breaking camera and is unapologetic about it.

The motion was put. Passed

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8.0 OTHER BUISNESS

SECTION 2: REPRESENTATION/POLICY

9.0 STUDENT REP REPORTS

- 9.1 Guild President
- 9.2 Vice-President
- 9.3 Secretary
- 9.4 Treasurer
- 9.5 Education Council President
- 9.6 Public Affairs Council President
- 9.7 Societies Council President
- 9.8 Women's Department
- 9.9 Welfare Department
- 9.10 Environment Department
- 9.11 International Student Services
- 9.12 Pride Department
- 9.13 Guild Sports Representative
- 9.14 WASAC Chair
- 9.15 Postgraduate Student's Association President

- 9.16 Residential Student's Department President
- 9.17 Pelican Editors
- 9.18 Relay For Life Chair
- 9.19 Volunteering & Community Engagement Committee Chair
- 9.20 Councillor Reports

Reports as Tabled

Ben asked Michael why the minutes have not been uploaded since March?

Michael said he had sent them to the relevant person, who happened to be away on leave, and he was just following that up this week.

Reports Accepted

10.0 OTHER BUISNESS

10.1 September Council Meeting Date.

Michael said this date might not work since it is during study break and a lot of activities are happening so we might need an alternate date.

11.0 CLOSE / NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 28th September 2016 at 6.00pm. Please contact the Guild Secretary (secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au) with apologies or proxies. All office bearers will be available from 5.30pm. If unable to attend, please advise which dates you are available to reschedule if a quorum cannot be met.