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# **1.0 WELCOME AND OPENING**

# 1.1 Attendance

Nevin Jayawardena, Owen Myles, Michael Kabondo, Megan Lee, Audrey Tacson, Vinuri Gajanayake, Hannah Matthews, Joseph Chan, Luke Andrew, Reece Gherardi, Pheobe Ho, Alexander Robinson, Lewis Hutton, Michael McKenzie, Jacob Colangelo, Ruth Thomas.

# **1.2** Apologies

Darryl Loke, Lina El Rakhawy, Danni Carroll

## **1.3** Proxies

Lincoln Aspinall proxying for Tyson McEwan, Jack Looby proxying for Sean Matjeraie, Molly Goldacre proxying for Zee Ibrahim and Conrad Hogg proxying for Bryan Quah.

### 1.4 Observers

None

# 1.5 Absent

None

# 2.0 DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Taylor Home says she has a conflict in regards to Motion 6.1 as it is about appointing herself as Tenancy Chair. Owen asks Taylor to abstain from voting.

Jacob Colangelo says that Motion 6.3 is the appointment of PROSH Co-Directors and Co-Editors and that he is up for the appointment of Co-Director. Owen asks Jacob to not participate in discussion.

Owen declares that Motion 6.1 is a conflict of interest as it is the appointment of himself as Chair. Owen declares at 6.4 is also a conflict of interest as it is about 'The



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UWA Partnership' between the Guild and the University and Owen is a member of the Senate.

# **3.0 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

4 October 2017 Minutes approved.

# 4.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

No business from previous minutes.

# 5.0 DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

# 5.1 Managing Director's Report

Tony says that the Refectory Project is about to begin. The tender meeting occurred today where Tony met with potential constructors and there are currently three potential tenders. There will be a 3-week window for the tender process. The construction should begin on the 28<sup>th</sup> of November. The tender process for the retail outlets is still underway and meetings have been taking place with the University to make sure that the Guild is complying with university regulations.

Tony says that the Guild is looking at implementing a new and more efficient payroll system.

Tony says that there are appointments going underway in Student Assist, Guild Volunteering and the finance division of the Guild for part time and executive roles.

Tony has spoken to Mary Petrou about the future of the Guild Election process. There will be some changes to the nomination process, the candidate deposits, printing limits and mobile voting booths.

# 5.2 Associate Director Corporate Services & Finance Report

September & October has been a 'tight' month for the Guild. There have been a lack of transactions on campus at Guild catering outlets. The Tavern



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has been up and down over the last few months. Most of the Guild Departments are performing well and are on budget. The aim is to make sure that the Guild hits a positive figure of \$400000 by the end of 104<sup>th</sup> Guild Council.

- **5.3 Associate Director of Student Services Report** As tabled.
- 5.4 Associate Director (Commercial) Report

As tabled.

ACCEPTED

# 6.0 MOTIONS ON NOTICE

### 1. The 104<sup>th</sup> Guild Council:

a) Appoints Taylor Home for the position of Tenancy Chair; and b) Appoints Owen Myles as Chair of Guild Council *Moved: Nevin Jayawardena; Seconded: Megan Lee* 

Owen moves to the Chair to Hannah Matthews. Hannah asks for any questions of clarification?

Lewis asks about what kind of appointment process took place for these positions?

Nevin says that Owen was a previous Chair of Guild Council so it was a logical option to appoint Owen, considering there are only two meetings left. Nevin says Taylor is currently on the Tenancy Committee and has been a strong contributor throughout the year and hence fits the role perfectly.

Alexander asks that throughout the year the Guild has used a secret ballot to elect positions, and why this process hasn't been used?

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Nevin says that the throughout the week leading up to the meeting the appointment of Owen and Taylor was circulated through Guild Council and this motion to approve the circular motion. Nevin says that if anyone would like to nominate for a position they are welcome too.

Hannah asks Nevin to speak on the motion as the mover.

Nevin says that he would very much appreciate it if this motion was voted for considering there is only one month and six days to go. Nevin says there is a lot to get done within the Tenancy and Governance Committee and that this process needs to be fast tracked as much as possible.

Megan has nothing to add to the motion. Hannah asks for any speakers for or against the motion.

Lewis asks if Owen is still PSA President?

Owen says yes.

Lewis asks why didn't a female get appointed to the position of Chair, to change things up a bit? Lewis than says that's why he will be voting against the motion.

Motion carries.

Hannah passes the Chair back to Owen.

2. That the 104th Guild Council approve of the attached UWA Student Guild Photography Policy.

### Moved: Vinuri Gajanayake; Seconded: Nevin Jayawardena

Vinuri says that this was meant to be discussed at the previous Council meeting and that if people have read the policy they should vote for the motion.



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Nevin says that there have been issues with the Photography Policy and that it would be good for council to hear these issues so that council can then pass the motion.

Owen asks for any questions of clarification.

Alex asks if there has been a photography policy previously?

Nevin says no.

Owen asks for speakers for and against the motion?

Owen moves the Chair to Hannah.

Owen says that this is something the Guild needs as it protects the Guild from potential liability issues. Owen says that he has some concerns with the wording of some clauses and areas of vagueness. Owen requests that this motion is passed as an 'interim-policy' and to send it back to Governance so that it can be fixed. Owen thus says that the motion should be amended too.

'That the 104th Guild Council approve of the attached UWA Student Guild Photography Policy as interim-policy.'

### MOTION PASSES AS AMENDED UNANIMOUSLY

Hannah passes the Chair back to Owen.

3. That the 104th Guild Council approve the following candidates as the 2018 Prosh Directors and Editors, as recommended by Guild Volunteering:

a) Co-Directors: Jacob Colangelo and James Royer

b) Co-Editors: Hugo Hardisty and Elsa Silberstein

Moved: Nevin Jayawardena; Seconded: Vinuri Gajanayake

Nevin says that PROSH Directors and Editors go through a formal interview process with Guild Volunteering and other panel members. Nevin says that the panel determined that these Directors would be very suitable for the role.

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Vinuri echoes the words of Nevin.

Lewis says that before the meeting he called the references on the resumes of the candidates and that everything they said checked out.

### MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

- 4. That the 104th Guild Council accepts the recommendations of the Strategic **Resources Committee to:** 
  - a) Approve of the 2018-2021 Strategic Plan
  - b) Approve The UWA Partnership

### Moved: Nevin Jayawardena; Seconded: Megan Lee

Nevin says there is a draft within One Drive and that he is seeking approval for the content of the Strategic Plan. Nevin says that this plan has gone through SRC. Nevin says the the Guild plans to implement a strategic plan from 2020-2030.

Nevin says the partnership has gone through consultation between the Guild and University. Nevin says that in the original copy of 'The Partnership' the focus was on what the University can provide for students but was then modified to acknowledge what students can provide the university as well. Nevin says the final step is for himself to meet the Vice-Chancellor and have it formally signed. Nevin says that this document is to formalize the arrangement that largely already exists.

Megan says she has nothing further to add.

Lewis asks if the photos in the document have been allowed to be used by the students in the photos.

Vinuri refers to the ANU Partnership which has action points of what needs to be completed in order to sustain the partnership over the following year and if this Guild should follow this example?



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Nevin says that the Guild wants this partnership to continue onwards past a year, so it wouldn't really suit this format. He says that the Guild President can meet the Vice-Chancellor on a year to year basis about 'The Partnership' in order to discuss what needs to happen in the year ahead.

Owen passes the Chair back to Hannah.

Owen asks about the implementation of 'The Partnership' and if the University has given indications that they will approve it, and if there is any chance that it could be changed once the Guild approves the Partnership?

Nevin says that he has consulted with the Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Education and members of the Academic Board that have all provided feedback and are happy with the outcome. Nevin says that it is currently just with the Vice-Chancellor and unless she wants to have any major changes it won't come back to Guild Council.

Owen asks as a clarification if there are changes to the document will it come back to Guild Council?

Nevin says yes.

Hannah moves the discussion into formal debate.

Owen says that both documents are very important but he would have preferred if they were separate motions.

### **MOTION PASSES**

# 7.0 REPORTS

### 1. Guild President

Nevin asks everyone to update the alumni list details with their personal email.

Nevin asks all Office Bearers to make sure that they following through with their Handovers.



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Nevin asks all new Office Bearers to make sure that they are thoroughly prepared with their budget for 2018/

Nevin says that there will be changes to the structure of libraries which will lead to potentially 900 more study spaces in the libraries.

#### 2. Vice-President

Megan says that the MASA Coffee catch up went very well.

#### 3. Secretary

As tabled.

#### 4. Treasurer

Alex says if anyone is interested in contributing to the new Guild website they should contact her as soon as possible

#### **5. Education Council President** As tabled. Not there

- **6. Public Affairs Council President** As tabled.
- 7. Societies Council President As tabled.
- 8. Women's Department As tabled.
- **9. Welfare Department** As tabled.

### **10. Environment Department**

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As tabled.

- **11. International Student Services** As tabled.
- **12. Pride Department** As tabled.
- **13. Guild Sports Representative** As tabled.

### 14. WASAC Chair

As tabled.

### 15. Postgraduate Student's Association

PSA Cocktail Night is next Friday night and PSA AGM is tomorrow night.

### 16. Residential Student's Department

As tabled.

### **17.** Pelican Editors

As tabled.

# 18. Volunteering & Community Engagement Committee Chair

As tabled.

### 19. Tenancy Chair

Taylor says there was no Tenancy Report as she was just appointed. Taylor says there have been Tenancy Consultations going underway, and some quotes will be going to the Strategic Resources Committee from improvements in Cameron Hall.



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### 20. Lewis Hutton

Lewis said that he has had a fun month and that he attended the SOC Meeting but now as a Club executive member. Lewis said that he has had a good time going to Club Annual General Meetings. Lewis said that some clubs need to be trained to follow their club constitutions to make sure they are meeting their requirements.

### 21. UWA Sports Representative

Alexander says Desiree Tan has been elected as the UWA Sports Representative for 2018.

#### 22. Pheobe Ho

Pheobe says the Student Parents survey has shown an overwhelming majority of student parents would really like to have a 'Student Parents Collective'

ACCEPTED.

# 8.0 QUESTION TIME

Lewis asks what the grounds are for creating a 'Collective'?

Owen says that they are normally created by the Guild as a pre-cursor to being a Department. Megan says that they normally report to the Vice President.

Lewis says that once a collective then becomes a department, what change in status they experience?

Owen says that they no longer report to the Vice President, but now report to Guild Council.

Megan says that once a collective becomes a department they operate using a different pool of funds that they are delegated at the start of the year, instead of operating from the Special Project budget.

Lewis asks about the ballot draw for the recent SOC and PAC elections?



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Megan says that they have been randomised.

# 9.0 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

9.1: The 104<sup>th</sup> Guild Council appoints Zara Burgess and Jacquie Baker upon to the Audit & Risk Committee. *Moved: Nevin Jayawardena; Seconded: Megan Lee* 

Nevin says that it was moved without notice because he only received confirmation that these two people would be keen to sit on the committee within the last week.

Guild Council votes to hear the motion.

Nevin says that the Audit & Risk Committee has been needing two more members for quite a while and the two candidates fill the requirements to sit on the committee.

Megan has nothing more to add.

Conrad asks how these two candidates were selected?

Nevin says that Tony chose them.

Conrad asked if they need to be paid?

Nevin says they are voluntary positions.

Owen moves the discussion into debate.

Lewis says that as soon as he heard one of the candidates were part of the NUS it made him realise that he should definitely vote for this motion because the NUS is 'so great'.

Owen moves to a vote.



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### **MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

# **10.0 GENERAL BUSINESS**

No general business.

# **11.0 CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> November at 6:00pm. Please contact the Guild Secretary (<u>secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au</u>) with any apologies or proxies. All office bearers and department officers will be available at 5:30pm immediately prior to the meeting. If unable to attend, please advise which dates you are available to reschedule.