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Guild Council Meeting Minutes

1.0 WELCOME AND OPENING

- 1.1 Attendance: Megan Lee, James Leipold, Yerim Won, Conrad Hogg, Roshni Kaila, Pheobe Ho, Molly Goldacre, Peter Watson, Jacob Fowler, Raaghav Raj, Kate Fletcher, Yanjia Song, Ying Jie Li, Ben Perry, Jacob Colangelo, Su Sugandha, Bradan Sonnendecker, Ivan Roncevich, Dylan Perkins, Fraser Windsor, Charlotte Pennell, Kevin Fitzgerald, Maddie Hedderwick, Callum Lindsay.
- **1.2 Apologies:** Molly Goldacre and Jade Mawby.
- **1.3 Proxies:** Dylan Perkins carried Joseph Chan's vote, Maddie Hedderwick carried Adhish Kastha's vote, Kevin Fitzgerald proxied for Nevin Jayawardena, and Callum Lindsay proxied for Desiree Tan.
- **1.4 Observers:** Joshua Cahill.
- 1.5 Absent
- 2.0 DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST No conflicts of interest.

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 Guild Council Meeting 25.7.18 Minutes confirmed.

4.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

No business from previous minutes.

5.0 APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

- 5.1 Catering and Tavern
- 5.2 Corporate Services
- 5.3 Equity & Diversity
- 5.4 Governance
- 5.5 Student Services



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- 5.6 Volunteering and Community Engagement
- 5.7 Welfare and Advocacy
- 5.8 Workplace Health & Safety

Peter raises a concern with the Corporate Services Committee minutes, where some of the minutes seem as if they are incomplete or missing detail. Peter says that there are parts of the minutes which are actually highlighted. Megan asks Peter if he would still be happy to approve the minutes and he said yes.

Approved.

6.0 DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

6.1 Managing Director's Report

Tony says that he has been busy with Guild Elections, and that himself and Mary have met all the relevant Group Agents and Campaign managers. Tony says that the Guild has gone into caretaker mode but they are still pushing out key items such as working on the Refectory and trying to get tendors in as soon as possible. Tony says that the Guild is looking fairly stable and that the Audit & Risk Committee meeting just occurred and everything seems to be tracking fairly fine heading into next year where the Guild will have a prudent budget. Tony says that the rest of the Directors will start to review the year as planning begins for 2019. Tony says that an EBA meeting is occurring tomorrow and this is finalising wording and incremental pay rises. Tony says that by next Guild Council there should be a document ready for the Council to review and hopefully pass. Tony says that this document then needs to go to Fair Work Australia and get it finished by December 1st. Tony says that on most people would have seen the news on Monday, in regards to an issue that has been hovering over the Guild for about 6 years. Tony says that the person involved in this issue has received justice, the DPP and the police have praised the



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finance team from the Guild for their diligent work in providing evidence.

6.2 Finance Director's Report

Tony says that the Guild has dealt with closures of cafes over the holidays and are sitting on a net loss of \$33 000 but budgeted a loss of \$69 000. Tony says that all our costs across the board have done quite well. Tony says the biggest hits to the Guild are quite easy to identify such as SSAF, the tavern which is lagging a bit behind. Tony says that overall the Guild is looking pretty good and most departments are on budget.

6.3 Associate Director of Commercial's Report

Tony says that in regards to the Guild precinct there are some changes to do with moving around offices such as Student Assist as it expands. Tony says that the Guild has been working closely with Hames Sharley and they have been putting some new plans forward for the precinct. Tony says that next week he is in Sydney for the insurance conference and he will be meeting with representatives from Vittoria Coffee about investing money into the corner of the Guild precinct facing James Oval for a little coffee shop. Tony says that Jack said that the university is also open to having a coffee cart on the second floor of Reid Library.

Kate F asks if the door on the first floor of Reid Library will now be open for the coffee cart?

Megan says that it will open in 2019 for Semester One. Tony says that there is potential for the coffee cart to be at the entrance for that door.

Megan adds that the university is going to open the first-floor door when the balcony is renovated. Megan says that some left



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over funding will be used for this and the overall goal will be to have another café on the first or second floor of Reid Library that hopefully the Guild can run.

6.4 Associate Director of Student Services' Report As tabled.

Approved.

7.0 ELECTION OF VACE CHAIR

Lauren Espinoza was elected to the position of VACE Chair.

8.0 MOTION PASSED VIA CIRCULAR

- 8.1 The UWA Student Guild:
 - 1. Condemns the presence of the Australian Family Association and Dr Quentin Van Meter on campus;
 - 2. Reaffirms its stance that the University of Western Australia must be a place of acceptance and inclusivity for LGBT+ students and;
 - 3. Believes that the University and Guild should do everything in its power to stop hate speech on campus.

Moved: Dylan Perkins; Seconded: Fraser Windsor. Motion was passed by Guild Council on Tuesday, 14th of August 2018.

9.0 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

9.1 The 105th Guild Council accepts the resignation of Anthea Liu. Moved: Megan Lee; Seconded: Su Sugandha

Megan says that Anthea has graduated from university and now the Guild needs to fill this position. Megan says that as her resignation was after the last day of semester one, a resignation must be sent to the Guild Secretary and this must be accepted



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by Guild Council. Megan says that the resignation is effective immediately or effective when they stipulate in the email to the Secretary.

Su says she has nothing further to add.

Peter asks if Anthea stipulated when she would be resigning?

Jacob F says that it was stipulated effective immediately at the end of the week, two weeks earlier.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9.2 The 105th Guild Council appoint Suchi Kaila into the position of Acting ISS Director for the Council's term. Moved: Su Sugandha; Seconded: Megan Lee.

Su says that Suchi has done a lot of work for ISS and as Anthea did leave with short notice, there wasn't much time to do a handover. Su says that as Suchi is acting ISS Director she wouldn't need a handover. Su says that Suchi is the best person to fill out this role for the rest of the year. Su says that she will be helping with the handover.

Megan says that after the last day of Semester One, Guild Council may co-opt someone into the position. Megan says that as Suchi is on the executive it makes sense that she is co-opted and that she wishes her all the best.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The 105th Guild Council set the date for PROSH 2019 as the 20th of 9.3 March 2019. Moved: Megan Lee; Seconded: Jacob Colangelo.



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Megan says that Danielle Browne let her know that a date needed to be set for PROSH, and as Jim and Su were in the office at the time they moved a motion setting the date. Megan says that this motion is ratifying the motion passed by executive.

Jacob C says that the 20th of March was selected because any time later in the semester students are less engaged and then if it occurs earlier there isn't enough time to get clubs and students interested. Jacob C says that accepting this motion means that next year's PROSH starts as of today. Jacob C says that everyone on Guild Council has proven their ability to lead and do a good job so if there are people that would consider themselves for the role of PROSH director please speak to Jacob.

Roshni asks if this PROSH is on the same day as next year's National Day of Action?

Megan says that the NDA won't be set until National Conference in December. Peter suggests raising this concern at the conference and Megan responds by saying that this concern of having the NDA the same day as PROSH is raised every year.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 9.4 The 105th Guild Council, for inclusion in the Guild Policy Book and 2018 Transport Options Paper:
 - a) Acknowledges the difficulties that students face in moving around the Crawley campus, for the purposes of (including, but not limited to) getting from class to class and other commitments in short time frames, accessing student services, accessing public transport stops etc;



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- b) Supports the exploration of transport options (alternative to walking) to be implemented on the campus, for example a bike sharing system;
- c) Encourages the UWA Student Guild and University of Western Australia to work in collaboration to explore and develop a sustainable, cost effective, and environmentally friendly transport solution; and
- d) Recognises that an on-campus transport solution is best suited as part of a wider multi-mode transport plan for UWA, working with the University to ease accessibility within and around campus.

Moved: Kate Fletcher; Seconded: Jacob Fowler.

Kate says that this motion as part of her OGC project this year looking at bringing a bike share program to UWA has been something she has worked on throughout the year. Kate says that Megan, Basundhara, Jacob Fowler and herself have started working on an options paper which will sent to the university about transport options at UWA. Kate says that this motion will add a little more strength to the paper, and gives more voice acknowledging that this campus needs a multimode transport system. Kate says that while the new bus is really good for students with accessibility issues it isn't super fast and can only fit a limited amount of people. Kate says that the Guild needs to encourage the university to look for a few more options for transport and this is why the paper is being completed. Kate says that the motion is focused on getting students from place to place fairly quickly and helping students that face accessibility issues move across campus. Kate says that this motion will be focused on moving a lot of students across campus in a short space of time. Kate adds that this motion isn't stipulating that a bike share system has to occur but instead recommending that it should. Kate says that by adding this into the options paper, it adds greater strength and student support to the survey and the options paper. Kate says that she



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has spoken to Basundhara about this and that they are hoping to get a paper to the university as soon as possible. Kate says that within the Guild Policy Book there is nothing really about transport across and within campus, and that this will be a good inclusion to the policy book.

Jacob F says that there isn't much in particular to add, but with the OGC projects this year it has been good to see some OGCs taking up a project such as Kate Fletcher and other OGCs having a crack. Jacob F says that on the whole he believes bringing transport options like Bike Share to this campus will be good for moving students from the outer regions of the campus like the Business School or Nedlands campus. Jacob F says that fast and effective movement is something that students need. Jacob F says that on the whole this will be good for students and something that the Guild should be doing.

Conrad asks why this motion is required, instead of just having this in an options paper that will be passed by Guild Council anyway?

Kate says that having a Guild Council motion will be showing the university that this issue has been discussed by Guild Council and that there is student support behind it. Kate says that an options paper is still something that needs to be passed by Guild Council but a motion passed by Guild Council adds more weight to the argument.

Dylan asks that given the abject failure of bike share in multiple cities worldwide, such as Oxford University and Cambridge University, do Kate and Jacob think that this is the best form of transport for the university to engage with?

Kate says that she isn't 100% sure that this is the best and that she isn't an expert in transportation but this is why an options



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paper is being developed, to be presented to the university that have paid research assistants that can conduct more in depth research. Kate says that as she has mentioned within the motion bike share isn't the only option being presented and is not limited to bike share. Kate says that while of course this motion will add more weight, it isn't enforcing us to enact a bike share program. Kate says that if the university does look into it and finds that bike share isn't the best option then it will be rejected.

Jacob F adds that the Guild Council always discusses that we are one of the best functioning Guild's in Australia and that even Tony has suggested this a few times. Ben tells Jacob F to stay on topic. Jacob F says to Ben that he will get there and claims that if we are to actually be the 'best Guild' in Australia then we should aim high and tackle things that other universities may have failed to implement but we can have a crack at. Jacob F says that even if another campus has failed, this shouldn't be a reason for the Guild not to have a go at achieving.

Jacob C adds that he 100% supports what Kate F has been working on. Jacob C says that on his his recent holiday and attendance at universities in the USA where the campuses are exceedingly large, electric scooters are used as a mode of transport using apps on people's phone. Jacob C says that using things like an electric scooter was effective and easy to use and it made their campus experience better.

Peter says that he thinks his question may have been answered already, but requests that a draft of an options paper may be submitted with the motion?

Kate says that the options paper draft hasn't been completed and therefore it hasn't been attached. Kate says that this motion will be a preamble to the options paper, but this motion



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is mostly just demonstrating student support for investigating other transport options on campus.

Su asks if Kate has gotten in contact with Uni Hall, as they have started a bike share program that has been working since 2017?

Megan says Basundhara has spoken to Uni Hall.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.0 REPORTS

10.1 President

Megan says that she would like to note that Katie is no longer a Pelican editor and Joshua Cahill is now the full time Pelican Editor. Megan says that this adds more responsibility and a pay rise for Josh!

10.2 Vice President

Su says that she would like to highlight there is a new Lib-Cal booking system that Yerim has worked on for clubs, Guild representatives and departments. Su says that if you need to book a room within the Guild buildings please use this system.

Su says that the Su's Superstars for this month are Dylan and Fraser as they have had a very hard task over the last few weeks and have done an amazing job at dealing with the issues they faced. Su says that she would like to acknowledge their hardwork.

10.3 Secretary As tabled.



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- 10.4 Treasurer As tabled.
- 10.5 Education Council President As tabled.
- 10.6 Public Affairs Council President As tabled.
- 10.7 Societies Council President Yerim adds that the Lib-Cal system will hopefully be used for things such as BBQ hire and the Guild Council meeting room.
- 10.8 Welfare Officer As tabled.
- 10.9 Environment Officer As tabled.
- 10.10 Sports Officer As tabled.
- 10.11 Womens' Officer Roshni thanks everyone for helping out with Womens' Week but gives a shout out to Charlotte, Peter, Pheobe and Conrad for their extra help.
- 10.12 Access Officer As tabled.
- 10.13 PSA President As tabled.
- 10.14 Pride Officer Fraser says that it is Pride Week next week!



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10.15 Albany Student Association As tabled.

> Su says that she will be working with Cara on events that Albany are doing, so if anyone has any ideas please let Su know. Bradan says that he wants to add that the work that Ben has been doing with the ASA.

REPORTS ACCEPTED.

11.0 QUESTION TIME

Peter says that in regards to Charlotte's discussion point about 'filming' he suggests raising any ideas with the Engagement team and potentially WASTV UWA. Charlotte says that the Access Department has a preference of working with students that experience access issues, and that is why she is a bit tentative about using the engagement team or WASTV UWA. Charlotte says that however there is some wriggle room to use these services.

Su asks Charlotte if the person that could potentially film has to be someone from within UWA?

Charlotte says no, it can be someone from outside UWA but it would be preferable to support UWA students.

Charlotte asks Maddie about the fact that she has heard rumours on social media in regards to ticketing to the RSD Ball? Charlotte says that there are rumours of potentially discounted tickets being given out to students.

Maddie says that on the final day of sales there were still 2 tables left to sell. Therefore, the price was dropped and the tables were sold to



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residents, mainly being exchange students that they knew wanted to come to the Ball but couldn't afford it. Maddie says that the reasons for this was to sell out the event and that the catering was already locked in.

Charlotte asks if the cheap ticket sales were advertised publicly?

Maddie says no it wasn't advertised publicly.

Charlotte asks if the tickets were sold to particular students? Charlotte asks if the tickets were sold to students that your department knows of? Charlotte says that her question was related to the validity of rumours that the tickets were sold to students that weren't actually international students?

Maddie says she doesn't know of any particular rumour.

Charlotte says that the rumour she is speaking of was posted on the Confessions UWA facebook page, which suggests that Guild Councillors and other college representatives were given discounted tickets.

Maddie says that all Guild Councillors paid full price for the tickets.

12.0 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

13.0 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

- 13.1 The UWA Student Guild:
 - a) Recognises the additional negative effects that 12 Week semesters can have on students with chronic illnesses.



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- b) Commits to continued work with the university to increase transparency and reduce processing times for special consideration.
- c) Commits to increased communication regarding the special consideration process and alternative exam arrangements process.

Moved: Charlotte Dale; Seconded: Bradan Sonnendecker.

Charlotte says that this motion is pertinent that this motion is heard at this Guild Council with mid semester exams just around the corner, and the applications for alternative exam arrangements is the 5th of October. Charlotte says that communicating to students that this is the date and that it is earlier than usual because of the change to 12 week semesters. Charlotte says that even though the motion was late, students should suffer and not have the information when they need it.

Guild Council votes to hear the motion.

Charlotte says that Guild Council acknowledged the variety of implications for different student groups relating to the changes to the semesters. Charlotte says that for this current semester the Guild needs to be able to support students as best as we can with the changes to the lengths of semesters. Charlotte says there have been changes to the special consideration process and the applications for alternative exam arrangements have meant that students have less time to apply. Charlotte adds that it is important that students are made aware to the broader implications and the issues that directly impact them.

Bradan says that he fully supports everything that Charlotte says and that he thinks it is very important that we minimise the impact that 12 week semesters can have on all students. Bradan says that this motion focuses on students with chronic illnesses and that it is very important it is passed.



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Conrad asks if Charlotte has submitted a communications plan to the engagement division at the Guild?

Charlotte says no, and that she thought a motion would have to be passed by Guild Council first.

Conrad says just so there isn't a double up with the work that the Education Council is doing.

Charlotte says that she didn't receive a handover so with administrative things like this she sometimes does them backwards.

Conrad says that with something like this you can just submit a communications plan to the engagement team so that students can get the information as quickly as possible. Conrad says that he is happy to submit the communications plan or Charlotte can do it.

Charlotte says that as long as the information gets out to students she doesn't mind.

Peter says that presumably this is going to impact students that are already members for UniAccess? Charlotte says that not all students at UWA with an accessibility issue are registered at UWA as the paperwork is a nightmare. Charlotte says that students don't have to be registered with UniAccess for special consideration but they do have to be registered with UniAccess for alternative exam arrangements.

Pheobe asks for some clarification for 12.1b? Pheobe asks what work has been conducted with the university already?



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Charlotte says that this isn't really in regards to the Access Department but to the great work done by successive Education Councils to reduce processing time for special consideration in reducing processing time. Charlotte says that she wanted to acknowledge that a sustained and continued effort was needed.

Conrad asks if Charlotte is unhappy with the three-day turnaround?

Charlotte says that she isn't particularly unhappy with the threeday turnaround, however she has recently spoken to a student that was in hospital for three days, missed some classes and was incredibly anxious that she would be unable to get special consideration approved. Charlotte says that the student did end up getting the special consideration approved, but as she was sick in hospital she didn't need the additional stress of having to deal with the special consideration process.

MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

- 13.2 For inclusion in the Guild Policy Book, the UWA Student Guild:
 - a) Acknowledges the potential positive, as well as negative impacts, that My Health Record may have on students, especially those from diverse backgrounds.
 - b) Aims to educate students on both the pros and cons of opting-out from My Health Record so students are able to make informed decisions.
 - c) Will publicise the pros and cons of My Health Record to all students in Guild Weekly and on social media through a campaign.

Moved: Pheobe Ho; Seconded: Conrad Hogg.

Pheobe says that she doesn't have a good reason for the motion being submitted late, but she thought it would be a



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good idea to let students know that the opt-out period for My Health is ending soon.

Guild Council votes to hear the motion.

Pheobe says My Health is an online record system containing all of a person's health records, that can be shared across different health care providers. Pheobe says that there are different options for an individual to control what information different sects of health structure in Australia can access. Pheobe says that the My Health record in theory is a national database which is being used to improve care costs, safety and quality through shared access to health records by consumers to their health care providers. Pheobe says that this is an issue effecting every single Australian, so health care providers will be able to access their information whether you know about it or not. Pheobe adds that the opt-out period has expanded from three to four months and at the end of this period every single Australian will have a My Health record. Pheobe says that she has met with the CEO of COMHWA and representatives from Head Space, and has attended a few info-sessions ran by the ADHA about the pros and cons of the My Health record.

Pheobe says that the pros include having integrated care of complex health and mental health conditions and this will allow for efficient health support. Pheobe says that there will be a smoother transition for consumers between health care providers. Pheobe says that obviously the cons aren't as heavily advertised and the cons include negative impacts for consumers from conservative cultures could be impacted by having information about a mental health issue and you are under 18. Pheobe says that parents will have access to this information and this can cause issues within the family, if



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children do not want their parents to know about certain health issues.

Pheobe says that consumers may only want certain doctors to have access to information about previous health issues and this could become a breach of privacy as consumers change health care providers. Pheobe says that there is also a no competency test where someone's rights can be taken away and given to another person to make decisions on their behalf regarding their life and treatment. Pheobe says that there is also a massive issue for people within the 14 to 18-year old bracket, and that there are different levels of privacy settings which can be hard to navigate for people that aren't well versed with technology. Pheobe says that no online system is 100% full proof and there is potential for third parties to use the My Health record for their own reasons.

Conrad says that there are a lot of pros and cons for the My Health Record. Conrad says that communications plan of the Government has been less than desirable and that a lot of the cons for the My Health record can impact people under 25, a lot of these people will be students.

Peter asks Pheobe and Megan if the NUS is doing anything about the My Health record as this is a national issue?

Megan says yes the NUS is doing something about it as she has received some communications about the issue. Charlotte adds that the Disabilities Department of the NUS is looking at launching a campaign in regards to the My Health record and this will be discussed more at the conference later in the year.

Megan says that it is important that the motion is moved at this Guild Council instead of waiting until the end of next



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month because the period that students could have to optout will be substantially reduced.

Peter asks if we can get an update on what the NUS campaign will involve from the relevant office bearers at the next Guild Council?

Megan says that she can circulate to Guild Council the information that Jordan O'Reilly sent her, so that Guild Council can be properly updated.

Jacob F asks if the My Health record is being completed retrospectively or if it will just cover any health problem that you will have from now on?

Pheobe says that all of your records from the time that you are born will be available. Pheobe says that My Health will store data for up to 120 years.

Callum asks if the students that will be more likely to be impacted by potential negative consequences be contacted by the Guild and receive more details?

Pheobe says that the plan is to have an online campaign, blog post, media release and instructions about how to optout of My Health will be provided by the Guild.

Dylan says that as Pride Officer, every single LGBT+ student organisation in Australia has come forward against the My Health record because it places LGBT+ students at risk. Dylan says that this is particularly the case for trans, and gender non-conforming students that could already be suffering from their parents. Fraser says that for example young gay men that have completed a HIV test may also be impacted. Dylan says that Guild Council should support this motion.



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Charlotte says that she has heard a lot of things from students within her department concerned about the fact that some government departments may be able to access information. Charlotte says that for example Centre Link will be able to access information and this could cause problems for students' eligibility for payments. Charlotte says that students were also concerned about females in Queensland that may have to go inter-state for potentially illegal procedures under Queensland state law. Charlotte says that there will be further issues with insurance and Centre Link.

Megan says that this has been one of the more difficult campaigns to work on, so well done to Pheobe. Megan adds that for the majority of people the My Health record will have negative impacts, but for people with a complex health problem that has specific requirements the My Health record will be important. Megan says that this is also a scheme that will apply for every Australian, but there is the option for it not to apply to yourself. Megan says that it is a very complex situation where there are options to customise your record and what not. Megan says that this is really important that students are told the pros and cons that students could potentially face. Megan says that this is a hard campaign to run, because the Government may be taking one action but there are multiple options about how someone can respond to this action. Megan says congratulations to Pheobe for her efforts to research about the horrible things that can happen.

Kate says that the way Pheobe is going about this issue is good, and the approach of promoting awareness about an issue with the pros and cons is an effective method.

Pheobe finishes by saying that organisations such as Head Space and it is very hard to slam the My Health record idea



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because organisations such as Head Space are funded by the Australian government and that is why the approach of promoting both the pros and cons was selected.

MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

14.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

- 14.1 Guild Annual Report: Megan says that before the end of the term of this Council, all Office Bearers, committee chairs and other relevant positions will have to submit a report which will be part of the Guild Annual Report. Jacob F and Chloe K will be coordinating the creation of the report.
- 14.2 Tenancy: Jacob C acknowledges the work of Jim in handling the bulk of the workload for the Tenancy Committee while Jacob C was on leave.
- 14.3 Kate F says Desiree provided her with some updates in regards to the lighting on the ovals and that they have been turned on. Megan says that she spoke to Campus Management with Roshni and that the lights were turned on through Campus Management.

15.0 CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

The Guild Council meeting will begin at 6:00pm on Wednesday, the 26th of September 2018. If you are unable to attend the meeting please send the Secretary an email with apologies and potentially a proxy by Monday, 24th of September 6:00pm.