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# WELCOME AND OPENING

**1.1 Attendance:** Conrad Hogg, Adhish Katsha, Vin Kalim, Hinako Shirashi, Daniel Kuzich, Clarice Antero, Nisa Shahrin, Alexander Tan, Raaghav Raj, Callum Lindsay, Christopher John Dadau, Pauline Chiwawa, Saleem Alodeh, Callum Lindsay, Neve Saltari, Ben Perry, Bradan Sonnendecker, Shahid Khan, Olivia Bartlett, Viknash VM, Jade Wu, Patricia Paguio, Mike Anderson, Lauren Espinoza, Luke Thomas, Martha McKinley, Brianne Yarren

## **1.2** Absent: Scott Harney

**1.3 Proxies:** Pauline Chiwawa carries Bre Shanahan's vote, Christopher John Dadau carries Joseph Chan's vote, Clarice Antero carries Lincoln Aspinall's vote.

**1.4 Observers:** Jacob Broom, Anna Kimpton

## 2.0 DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCIEVED CONFLICT OF INTEREST

### **3.0 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### 4.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

None.

## 5.0 BUSINESS COMPLETED BY CIRCULAR

None.

## 6.0 **BUSINESS FROM THE EXECUTIVE**

None.

# 7.0 DIRECTORS REPORTS

- 7.1 Managing Director. As tabled.
- 7.2 Commercial Director. As tabled.

Jack announces the handing over of space to in the Guild Village to STA and IGA occurred this week. IGA is expected to start trading the week before O-Week 2020. Matilda Bay Café to be finalised before Christmas, with trading to start in January. Jack also informs council of the elevator in the Northern Wing of the Guild is expected to be installed by middle of 2020. Jack informs us the base price for the elevator was 120,000\$ but a new shaft needs to be installed which raises the cost to approximately 380,000\$. University has committed to funding half the cost of the elevator.

Mike asks if the elevator will have pathways from one elevator to the other and have wheelchair access?

Jack answers that it will have wheelchair access and will be a similar set up to the wheelchair accessible doors in the CCZ.

Mike also questions Jack on the timeline of the Guild safe-space, Jack answers that it will go to a tender process and be finalised by next year's council.

- 7.3 Student Services Director. As tabled.
- 7.4 Finance Director.

As tabled.

Mutyha says that the Guild announced a profit for the Month of October, but some parts of the Guild went over budget such as the Events team due to the timing of events such as the Guild Ball. She announced that this over budgeting will be counterbalanced in November. She also notes that the Guild tenancy plan regarding the Guild Village will be on budget. Student Grants were given out in October with no financial losses. All of the Guild Departments for student representatives for the year of 2019 will be on budget.

Patricia moves a procedural motion to move into an "in camera" discussion. Motion carries.

### IN CAMERA DISCUSSION

Patricia moves a procedural motion to move out of an "in camera" discussion. Motion carries.

#### **Reports accepted.**

Patricia passes a procedural motion to accept all of the committee minutes which are on the shared drive on block. Motion carries.

The 106<sup>th</sup> Guild Council accepts the offer of lease by Roll'd in tenancy eight of the Guild Village. Motion carries unanimously.

## 8.0 Reports

- 8.1 Presidents. As tabled.
- 8.2 General Secretary. As tabled.
- 8.3 Vice President As tabled.
- 8.4 Chair.

As tabled.

- 8.5 Education Council President. As tabled.
- 8.6 Societies Council President. As read.Would like to add 200,000\$ worth of club grants have been applied for by various UWA clubs.
- 8.7 Public Affairs Council President. As tabled.
- 8.8 Welfare Officer. As tabled.
- 8.9 Sports Officer. As tabled.
- 8.10 Women's Officer. As tabled.
- 8.11 Environment Officer. As tabled.
- 8.12 Postgraduate Student Association President. As tabled.
- 8.13 Pride Officer. As tabled.
- 8.14 International Students Department President. As tabled.
- 8.15 Residential Students Department President. As tabled.
- 8.16 Access Officer. As read.

Mike would like to thank Lauren Espinoza for her contribution to the Department in 2019. Lauren in turn thanks Mike for his support in running events and growing the Department.

8.17 WASAC Chair. As tabled.

## **Reports Accepted.**

## 9.0 Question Time

Ben ask why the Guild statutory book has not been updated? Ben asks Adhish if it's his role to update and pass this?

Adhish responds by telling Ben he can be informed of the changes verbally as they were only small changes to the statutory booklet. He confirms that he does not need to be passed through Council because of the minor changes.

Callum asks if the statutory book will contain all of the work that he has been involved in such as committee's and working groups he has sat on. Adhish confirms this to be the case and can email statutory booklet to Callum and all relevant members of Council who are interested.

## **10.0** MOTIONS ON NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

10.1 Guild Council notes the Interim report of the Student Equity Working Group and directs the incoming executive to oversee its recommendations.

Moved: Mike Anderson Seconded: Conrad Hogg

Mike thanks the working group for the work over the last two months, signaling the main recommendations would be the establishment of the student equity collective, and preliminary observations office bearer remuneration.

### **Motion Passes.**

10.2 The Guild Council establishes an Equity Collective to represent students from low SES backgrounds and/ or experiencing financial hardship and directs the governance committee to direct the governance committee to create rules for this collective.

Moved: Conrad Hogg Seconded: Bre Shanahan

### **Motion Passes.**

10.3 Guild Council directs management to report EDBITA in each budget and commits to budgeting a positive EDBITA in mid-year and annual budgets.

Moved: Conrad Hogg Seconded: Joseph Chan

Ben asks if the EDBITA has been negative in the past?

Conrad states that the EDBITA has not been negative in recent years.

Mike asks if there is any input for students representatives to contribute to the percentage of EDBITA?

Conrad answers that Mutyha and commercial staff normally incorporates it in to the budget but Council has precedent over how much EDBITA is set, argues that we should set a high EDBITA for the future of organisation.

## Motion Passes.

10.4 The Guild Council Directs management to work towards the creation of a UWA student Guild Future Fund, and presents options to the Strategic Resources Committee. Moved: Conrad Hogg Seconded: Joseph Chan

Conrad explains that this was alluded to in memorandum, the Guild has an unrestricted investment pool that can allow for the organisation to grow into the future by creating a revenue stream created off endowments. Investments in a pool of our own will establish financial security for the Guild in the future.

Mike asks if the Guild has any criteria for investments and hopes the Guild is being financially responsible.

Conrad answers by saying the university requires the Guild to maintain a certain amount of financial revenue, the UWA senate provides the parameters for private investment.

#### **Motion Passes.**

#### MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE

106<sup>th</sup> Guild Council commits 50,000\$ to the UWA student Guild future fund.

Conrad explains the rationale for this motion is good practice and wanting to see the financial future of the Guild maintained.

### Motion passes.

10.5 Guild Council appoints Jenny Chang as the 2020 VACE Chair. Moved: Conrad Hogg Seconded: Bre Shanahan

#### **Motion Passes.**

- 10.6 The Guild Council
  - 10.6.1 Recognises a positive result of the Climate Emergency referendum.
  - 10.6.2 Establishes a Climate Change Action Network to coordinate student action on climate change.
  - 10.6.3 Directs the Governance committee to amend the Environment Departments rules to make provisions for this.
    - Moved: Conrad Hogg Seconded: Bre Shanahan
- 10.7 The Guild Council appoints Saleem Al Odeh and Meizchu Chen as 2020 Ethno-Cultural Collective Co-Convenors.

Moved: Conrad Hogg Seconded: Bre Shanahan

#### **Motion Passes.**

10.8 The 106<sup>th</sup> Guild Council approves the updated Access Department Rules as endorsed by the Governance Committee.

Moved: Mike Anderson Seconded: Patricia Paguio

Mike adds that the changes are the addition of the Carers Collective to be able to run for positions within the Access Department.

### **Motion Passes.**

10.9 The 106<sup>th</sup> Guild Council approves the updated PSA rules as endorsed by the Governance Committee.

Moved: Alexander Tan Seconded: Patricia Paguio

Alexander adds that the main changes are the changing of the Vice President events to Vice

President engagement due to this position dealing with media content. Also adding that the President will give financial report at end of year AGM.

### **Motion Passes.**

10.10 The 106<sup>th</sup> Guild Council approves the Alumni Engagement Terms of References as endorsed by the Governance Committee.

Moved: Patricia Paguio Seconded: Conrad Hogg

## **Motion Passes.**

- **10.11** The 106<sup>th</sup> Guild Council:
  - 10.11.1 Endorses the re-introduction of the Education Union as a Faculty Society.
  - 10.11.2 Introduces the Education Union under the new name "UWA Teaching Society".
  - 10.11.3 Commits to supporting the UWA Teaching Society and its incoming committee in 2020 to ensure its fluid reintroduction and long term viability. Moved: Lincoln Aspinall Seconded: Conrad Hogg

Clarice spoke on Lincolns behalf stating that it had already been approved through education council but best practice to get approved through Guild Council as well. Clarice elaborates this change is also to support the increasing number of students pursuing the Masters of Teaching at UWA.

### Motion passes.

## **11.0** MOTIONS ON NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

The 106<sup>th</sup> Guild Council:

- 11.1.1 Condemns the Morrison's Liberal Government's plan to implement drug testing on Welfare recipients
- 11.1.2 Condemns the cashless welfare card trial and any plans for its expansion.
- 11.1.3 Recognises these two proposals contribute to an active stigmitisation of those on welfare and leads to negative outcomes for those who are from low SES backgrounds.
- 11.1.4 Will continue to work to support students from low SES backgrounds or experiencing financial hardship through Student Assist and Student Equity Working Group. Moved: Martha Mckinley, Seconded: Mike Anderson

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Martha spoke for the motion concerning the governments bill to drug test recipients on New Start. Welfare cash repayments should not be stigmatised as it is a mental health issue. Money from this program can be put to better use funding drug rehabilitation centers. Areas of rollout include Mandurah, where a large section of UWA students reside.

Ben spoke against the motion stating that he understands these are issues for students but doesn't understand the point of the motion as it does not actually do anything constructive.

Patricia Spoke for the motion stating that the cashless welfare card had been tried in countries such as New Zealand and does not reduce drug use. It reinforces that welfare is something to be stigmatised against which the Guild never should actively hold a position on.

Bradan also spoke against the motion stating it is not the Guild's responsibility to comment or criticize on Federal or State government's legislation.

Martha acknowledges that the Guild is there to represent students and not to do students a disservice, thus if this motion doesn't pass students would suffer the consequences of the legislation regardless.

Conrad suggests rewording the motion of 11.1.1 to 'Urges Guild President to contact the relevant Minister on legislation'.

Against Motion: Ben Perry, Neve Saltari, Olivia Bartlett

Abstained: Nitin Narula, Jade Wu

Motion Passes.

## **12.0 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

The 106<sup>th</sup> Guild Council congratulate the 106<sup>th</sup> Guild President Conrad John Alexander Hogg for his outstanding term as UWA Student Guild President.

Moved: Adhish Katsha Seconded: Clarice Antero

Saleem Al Odeh spoke for the motion stating Conrad has really accustomed him to Guild Council and made him feel welcomed. His time on council would not be as successful without Conrad. Hinako noted Conrad's leadership skills and the enthusiasm for student life has made Conrad a successful Guild President. Mike spoke that Conrad's personal support for the Access Department has been really successful in making the Department grow. Mike mentioned how Conrad's always having the best interest of students at heart is something to be commended for.

#### **Motion Passes.**

## **13.0 COMITEE BUSINESS**

Conrad formally thanks everybody for being on Council. Patricia does the same thanking everybody for the experience and being good human beings, the behavior on council this year is to be commended.

Conrad asks Council if they have any suggestions for the new café to send to 107<sup>th</sup> Guild Council, please send them through via email. Conrad's suggestion is to name café after Bob Hawke one of the most prominent alumni of the UWA student Guild.

## 14.0 CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

This was the last meeting of the 106<sup>th</sup> Guild Council. The 107<sup>th</sup> Guild Council first meeting will be in early December.