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1.0 WELCOME AND OPENING

1.1 Attendance: Bre Shanahan, Connor Price, Steven Obkay, Costa Toufenexis, Luke Thomas, Anna Kimpton, Viknash VM, Christopher John Dadau, Amy Hearder, Mike Anderson, Vin Kalim, Martha Mckinley, Prince, Riley Klug, Omar Mcintrye, Sophia Pirkens, Max Tran, Emma Mezger, Lincoln Aspinall, Nicole Mcewen, Neve Saltari, Riley Doleman, Jason Rustandi, Jacob Rosendall

1.2 Proxies: Connor Price carries Ridhima, Jason Rustandi carries David Hallam's vote, Prince carries for Rahul. Martha for Zhen You, and Mike for Ahmad

1.3 Apologies: William Norrish, Saleem Alodeh, Meizhu Chen, Zhen You, Ahmad Hafuzzidin, Ridhima Vinay

1.4 Absent:

1.5 Observers: Brian Brown

2.0 DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST None. 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. REPORTS

7.1 General Secretary passes budget report.

Luke reinforces that this is the preliminary report and not the full budget for the year. Key highlights, similar to last year, SSAF increased by 3% dependent on enrolments. Luke notes there is a slight error on email attachment budget report but the excel document carries the correct figures.

Luke thanks Mutya for her hard work with Tony putting together the budget.

Luke gives a summary of the report stating SSAF is expected to increase by 2 percent. Additional revenue from IGA coming to campus is also significant.

Catering budget increased, and outline for cafeteria outlets, Café's on campus such as Quobba Gnarning and Catalyst stayed more or less the same.

Most student departments are the same if not slightly above in expenditure from 2019 council.

Mutya states that this is a break-even budget, in drafting the budget she was conservative as there are many factors that are in play such as student enrollments and potential tenancies in Guild Village and around the university to be considered.

Guild as an organisation is taking on lots of events and this budget will ensure student experience will be maintained at a high standard.

New tenancies in the refectory projected to have a small profit, with catering outlets projected similar results.

Amy moves a procedural motion to move to an in-camera discussion

Motion passes.

Amy moves a procedural motion to move out of an in-camera discussion

Motion passes.

Tony Goodman announces the CAPEX as 1.1 million, he notes that the Guild has notified three items which this will be a priority in 2020. The first is the computer renewal program. Some of the computers are nearing the end of their six-year cycle and need to be replaced.

The archive system is also receiving a positive rap, as the Guild is one of the only organisations that actively keeps a thorough archive of student representatives that serve on council.

New cafés that are expected to come into tenancy in 2020 will replace cash flow that is expected to go into these programs.

Tony mentioned that funds could go towards the kitchen floors in catering which need to be replaced.

Guild Department rooms need upgrading as quickly as possible, as well as the elevator on the western wing of the Guild precinct. Tony adds that it is the responsibility of university to fund the elevator, the operation mechanical equipment is the most expensive part of the elevator project. The Guild is lobbying the university to get it up and running, Jack looking at tender process to commence work at the start of 2020, with operational use in the latter half of first semester.

Mike asks what as an estimate the Guild will likely be contributing to the project.

Jack adds that the most expensive part of the project is building the trench and the ground work to the elevator. The Guild was planning to do this project right away, but until the university funds at least part of the project it will be hard to find the funds in the budget to

commence operations. To estimate in monetary figures the project would be close to \$1 million, as the quote for the trench building was close to \$400,000.

Nicole asks if it's the university's role to fund the elevator why hasn't it done so?

Tony answers stating the Guild is doing it best they can and it cannot bully the university into funding projects but works in partnership with the university in key areas. The Guild is always invested in students want, and sometimes the university's priorities and the Guild does not line up.

Nicole asks if anything is being done to pressure the university?

Mike and Martha encourage students to lobby the university to fund at least part of the elevator.

Jack adds that as an investment, the university does not think it's a priority, however the Guild will constantly co-operate with the university to ensure project gets done.

Motion passes.

8.0. MOTIONS ON NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

8.1 The Guild Council approves the 2019 Preliminary Budget Deficit-Surplus figure of \$22,881(deficit), as recommended by the Strategic Resources Committee.

Moved: Luke Thomas; Seconded: Bre Shanahan.

Luke gently reminds the Council that this is the first motion, and accepts the final bottom line. The next motion will be to accept the line items.

Bre thanks Luke for all his work on making the budget report.

Nicole asks about the staff restructuring in the Student Assist Department.

Tony answers stating that the way the department was previously set up was there was two-part timers and two full time positions. To make department more streamlined, a manager was appointed to lead the department but the manager position has not worked due to staff leaving. Management made a decision to elevate apart time member to supervisor to make them a full time member director to lead with case load, while supervisor is more based around administrative duties.

New Student Assist employee is starting the week commencing the 9th of December 2019, Tony acknowledges the staff have done great work throughout 2019 despite the changes in the departments structure.

Nicole asks why in the budget does it state the staff in the department decreased?

Tony re-asserts there is no amount of change in the staff, just due to the restructuring of the department there was funding removal from department.

Motion passes.

8.2 The Guild Council approves the line items in the 2019 Preliminary Budget pack, as recommended by the Strategic Resources Committee. Moved Luke Thomas; Seconded: Bre Shanahan.

Luke reminds council that this is the part where we approve line by line the funding for Student departments.

Bre proposes an amendment to item Presidents Campaign budget by \$1050 on line 305-307 and re-allocate that expenditure to the Environment Departments Campaign budget on line 304-305. Bre adds that the current campaign budget for the Environment Department is \$450 and it is our role as a responsible Guild to adhere to the principles of the Climate Emergency Referendum and to make sure the Climate Action Network is properly resourced.

Jacob asks if this amendment were to not pass, what events or resources would the President's budget fund?

Tony answers that it is really up to the President's discretion but can fund events such as the Student Leadership Summit. This change can always be re-altered in the midyear budget review if the President needs more resources.

Mike asks most of the departments expenditure stayed the same or went slightly down, was there any particular reason for this?

Luke answers that this was due to the actual expenditure in 2019 and discussions with individual OBs.

Connor asks why there was a slight increase in the President's expenditure budget?

Bre answers that it was due to increase in the award wages of the role.

Mike also adds that the increase was due to the establishment of the new Equity and Ethno-Cultural Collective.

Motion Passes.

9.0 MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE

Procedural motion to hear motion.

Motion carries.

Reason why motion was late?

Nicole states the motion was late due to the symposium for Long Tie Backs only been issued on the 29th of November. She apologies for the lateness of the motion.

9.1 The 107th Guild Council:

a) opposes UWA's new partnership to develop the Centre for Long Tiebacks that will result in the expansion of the pollution generated by the LNG (Liquefied Natural Gas) industry in WA.

b) Recognises that LNG is the primary source of Pollution in WA, and the industry must be closed in response to the climate crisis and to limit global warming to 1.5 degrees.

c) Appoints the Environment Officer to Work with the CCWA and other relevant environmental organisations to combat the development of the centre.

d) Calls on the university to proactively engage in research into renewable industries, working with our student body to provide more student opportunities within this field.

Moved: Nicole McEwen Seconded: Mike Anderson

Speaking for the Motion:

Nicole argues that the LNG industry is often touted as the clean alternative to coal, report by CCWA exposed this as a myth, as looking at the burn time and extraction, LNG is actually a significant contributor to WA pollution. Yhis centre will provide access to expansion in the LNG sector and will create more carbon emissions that have an adverse effect on the environment. Anybody that cares about the environment should oppose partnering with industry that wants to actively increase pollution and the University should be looking to transition to renewables before 2030.

Lincoln adds that it is concerning that the University is not equipping researchers to deal with the energy crisis. Woodside argues that WA needs to have a global market in this space which will arguably blow out pollution rates. The Government is not doing enough to allow for the transition to renewables, and the university should be lobbying the Government to allow for more opportunities for engineering students to conduct research into renewable energy.

Mike also adds that the Climate Referendum was not an arbitrary referendum, and it is our role as the student body to acknowledge this referendum by supporting motions like this.

Neve asks if there is any work placement benefits attached to the Centre and what some of the specifics of the research students who partner with the Centre?

Lincoln adds that there has been instances already with the new E-Zone of engineering students researching into LNG and has not contributed to WA's global presence of LNG been heightened. He furthers that the proposed Centre is not been framed as a potential

benefit for students.

Jacob queries about part (c) of the motion asking about the context of combatting the development of the Centre?

Bre speaks on behalf of William stating that he has already contacted CCWA and advocacy against the Centre will be through the Climate Action Network.

Lincoln adds that the CCWA are a legitimate advocacy body and will ensure that there is fair advocacy against the Centre.

Nicole states that even if there was jobs out of the Centre, it should not matter as the current situation with the fires over east exemplify our climate is in a crisis.

Bre adds that the jobs prospected out of the Centre are in the short term and as the Guild we should be encouraging industry to employ graduates for long term work, which the Centre does not provide.

Lincoln furthers that it is not a zero-sum game in that we can choose to support students and to also help the environment.

Motion Passes.

10.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Mike adds the continued effort of the Student Equity Working Group and that this working group will be reconvening sometime next year. If you would like to join the working group, please contact him. Working group is committed to ensuring low SES students receive fair representation and allowing pathways for low SES students into leadership roles.

Bre adds that the PROSH directors are looking for a student representative to liaise with the directors and the Guild. If you would like to nominate to be the Guild representative for PROSH, please contact Bre.

11.0 CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be held Wednesday 29th January 2019 at 6:00 PM. Please contact the Guild General Secretary (secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au) with any apologies or proxies. If unable to attend, please advise which dates you are available to reschedule if a quorum cannot be met.