



## 6.0 BUSINESS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

### 6.1 The 107th Guild Council:

- 6.1.1 Condemns the decision of the Government to restructure university fees, recognising that this will see student fees increase by over 100%
- 6.1.2 Opposes further moves by the Government to deregulate fees
- 6.1.3 Commits to releasing a media statement opposing the changes
- 6.1.4 Directs the Education Action Network to incorporate opposition to this change into the UWA Students Against Cuts campaign

Moved: Bre Shanahan

Seconded: Amy Header

**Motion Passes Unanimously.**

## 11.0 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

### 11.1 The 107th Guild Council:

- 11.1.1 Commends all clubs and societies for maintaining their innovation and hard work in maintaining UWA's sense of community during the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- 11.1.2 Acknowledges the unforeseen financial difficulties faced by clubs and societies in Semester 1 due to the pandemic; and
- 11.1.3 Endorses the Societies Council and Societies Council Treasurer opening Special Project Grant applications early to reduce the financial burden on clubs to run in-person events as campus reopens ahead of Semester 2.
- 11.1.4 Commits the Societies Council and Governance Committee to extend the scope of SPG's and similar grants to ensure the financial stability of clubs now and in subsequent years.

Moved: Jacob Rosendall

Seconded: Luke Thomas

**Motion Passes Unanimously.**

### 11.2 The 107 Guild Council

- 11.2.1 Acknowledges and stands in solidarity with the Black Lives Matter movement.
- 11.2.2 Acknowledges the struggles that are occurring and that we support the protests happening in the USA, Australia and the rest of the world
- 11.2.3 Acknowledges and condemns the systemic racism and police brutality is occurring in Australia to our First Nations people and has been occurring since Invasion.
- 11.2.4 Stands in solidarity with the First Nations students at UWA, and supports WASAC, the Ethnocultural Collective and PAC to engage the First Nations student community to support them in these hard times.

- 11.2.5 Supports WASAC in their actions regarding the peaceful protests occurring and encourages UWA students to continually support these events.
- 11.2.6 Reaffirms its anti-racist stance and asserts that all people should be free to exist in harmony, regardless of race, culture or religion.
- 11.2.7 The UWA Student Guild endorses the Black Lives Matter protests being held on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and commits to promoting it through social media and email, alongside a statement endorsing the protests.

Moved: Saleem Alodeh

Seconded: Vin Kalim

**Motion Passes.**

Anton Lukas abstains.

- 11.4 The 107th Guild Council:
    - 11.4.1 Reaffirms its stance against racism and discrimination
    - 11.4.2 Encourages students to call out any such behaviour they notice, and be a proactive bystander
    - 11.4.3 Calls on the university to establish a separate platform for reporting of on-campus racism during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Moved: Ahmad Hafizzudin (Proxied by Thirani Sivakumaran)  
 Seconded: Ridhima Vinayachandran

**Motion Passes Unanimously.**

- 11.5 The 107th Guild Council:
    - 11.5.1 Condemns the Western Australian state government for failing to assist international students during the COVID-19 pandemic compared to other states
    - 11.5.2 Instructs the Guild President and International Students Department President to write an open letter to the State Government within a week, requesting for a working group to be established with student and university representatives to address:
    - 11.5.3 The return of international students to Western Australia in a safe manner
    - 11.5.4 Financial support for international student return to Western Australia
    - 11.5.5 Welfare support for students undertaking such travel and isolation
- Moved: Ridhima Vinayachandran  
 Seconded: Zhen You (Proxied by Saleem Alodeh)

**Motion Passes Unanimously.**

- 11.6 The 107th Guild Council:
    - 11.6.1 Acknowledges the ongoing Yemen humanitarian crisis
    - 11.6.2 Stands in solidarity with the people of Yemen who are suffering in the crisis, and mourns the deaths of those who have lost their lives
    - 11.6.3 Extends our thoughts and sympathies to Yemeni students and staff at UWA and the wider Yemeni community
    - 11.6.4 Encourages and support the Public Affairs Council, International Students Department and the Ethnocultural Collective to engage the Yemeni student community to support them
- Moved: Saleem Al Odeh

Seconded: Meizhu Chen

**Motion Passes Unanimously.**

- 11.7 The 107th Guild Council:
- 11.7.1 Acknowledges Men's Health Week which occurred on the 15<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> June.
  - 11.7.2 Acknowledges that male health is declining globally; exasperated by the coronavirus pandemic.
  - 11.7.3 Notes that our health and employment systems do not actively support help seeking and as such we see men present less often to health professionals. This has led to many lingering conditions and deaths from treatable conditions.
  - 11.7.4 Acknowledges that men comprise 3 quarters of deaths by suicide, and the link between this and the lower presentation rate, a patriarchal society that values 'masculinity' and discourages men from discussing the emotions, and the stigma that persists around mental health and suicide.
  - 11.7.5 Acknowledges the higher barriers to general and mental healthcare trans-men face as compared to cis-men, and the impact lack of gender recognition can have on them.
  - 11.7.6 Commits itself to supporting better funding for healthcare services, supporting men's health campaigns, and working to deconstruct harmful narratives and structures that exist in our society.
  - 11.7.7 Works with the Guild Access and Welfare Departments to produce a language guide to help reduce stigmatising language, to assess our current operations to better support men's help seeking, and better to ensure the visibility of free health services and organisations working towards reducing stigma.
- Moved: David Hallam  
Seconded: Christopher John Dadau

**Motion Passes.**

Esa Chrulew abstains.

- 11.8 The 107th Guild Council
- 11.8.1 Acknowledges that many domestic and international students are struggling to meet rental payments during the coronavirus pandemic.
  - 11.8.2 Recognises that some students are accumulating unsustainable amounts of debt throughout this period.
  - 11.8.3 Acknowledges that some students will be faced with tenancy issues, including the possibility of eviction during this time.
  - 11.8.4 Appreciates that although the six-month moratorium on residential tenancy evictions provides some support, tenants can still be evicted for failing to meet rental payments.
  - 11.8.5 Acknowledge that after this period, many students will not be protected against eviction from landlords.
  - 11.8.6 Urges the State Government to continue the mandatory conciliation process in established conjunction with the Commissioner for Consumer Protection to assist tenants in the period after moratorium.
  - 11.8.7 Sends a letter to the Minister for Housing Peter Tinley calling for an extension for tenancy protections for students in the period following the moratorium.

**11.8.8** Directs the Welfare Department to conduct a campaign on tenancy rights.

Moved: David Hallam

Seconded: Callum Lindsay

**Motion Passes Unanimously.**

## **12.0 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

**12.1** The 107th Guild Council accepts the updated Photography Policy, as approved by the Governance Committee.

Moved: Amy Hearder

Seconded: Ahmad Hafizuddin

**Motion Passes Unanimously.**

**12.2** 107th Guild Council:

**12.2.1** Opposes the Liberal Government's neoliberal attacks on higher education, including:

**12.2.1.1** Increasing costs to humanities by 113%, and also significantly increases fees for law, commerce, and other degrees

**12.2.1.2** Decreasing fees for courses such as maths and agriculture, without an increase in funding to deliver quality education to those students

**12.2.1.3** Increasing student contribution to fees, whilst lessening government funding

**12.2.1.4** An expansion of domestic student places without an adequate increase in funding

**12.2.2** Recognises that this is a restructure of the university sector, which seeks to tie education to industry and stratify universities according to whether they are teaching or research focused

**12.2.3** Endorses the Student Fightback: Hands off our education protest on Friday 26th and will encourage students to attend, including sending an all student email about the rally

Moved: Nicole McEwen (Proxied by Esa Chrulaw)

Seconded: Emma Mezger (Proxied by James Dow)

**Motion Passes Unanimously.**

**12.3** The 107th Guild Council:

**12.3.1** Stands in solidarity with the people of the Palestine in the occupied Palestinian territory.

**12.3.2** Acknowledges the countless human rights violations that Palestinian people endure daily and would only get worst with further annexation.

**12.3.3** Condemns the 'Deal of the Century' that offers US acceptance and support for Israel to occupy Palestinian land displacing over 300,000 Palestinian people.

**12.3.4** Condemns the vows and unlawful agreement by the new coalition Government of Israel to annex significant amounts of Palestinian lands on the 1<sup>st</sup> of July.

**12.3.5** Endorses and supports the Palestinian Cultural Society of UWA in making posts and publications about the current situation in Palestine to raise awareness of the annexation.

**12.3.6** Encourages the UWA Student Guild and collectives to engage the Palestinian student community and support them through these difficult times.

Moved: Saleem Alodeh

Seconded: Vin Kalim

**Motion Passes Unanimously.**

