



1. WELCOME AND OPENING

1.1. Attendance

Emma Mezger, Adam Elyousef, James Hayley, Jameson Thompson, Eleanor White, Chloe Kam, Thomas Cotter, Viknash VM, Constantinos, Toufexis, Floretta Susilo, Hala Salih, Lachlan McDonald, Vaishnavi RN, Joseph Chan, Lucinda Clara, Avery Wright, Amitabh Jeganathan, Marcus Jih Jie Lim, Jacob Cerin, Armand Ruba, Omar Ali MacIntyre,, Abdul Rahman Abdul Rahim, Lily Hayward, Daj Janneh, Franklin Lou

1.2. Apologies

Christopher-John Dauda
Prakhar Bhandari
Ridhima Vinayachandran

1.3. Proxies

Clare Francis for Esa Chrulew
Viknash VM for Joey Nguyen
Julius Chota for April Htun
Fariha Islam for Brehany Shanahan

1.4. Observers

Melani De Alwis

1.5. Absent

2. DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

5. BUSINESS COMPLETED VIA CIRCULAR

5.1 The 108th Guild Council:

- 5.1.1 Condemns The Australian Government's treatment of all refugees, especially Priya, Nades and their children who have been detained on Christmas Island in 2019
- 5.1.2 Condemns Australia's policy of indefinite mandatory detention of asylum seekers who arrive by boat
- 5.1.3 Recognises that the failure to provide 3-year-old Tharunicaa with adequate healthcare is endemic to the system of offshore detention supported by both Liberal and Labour for over a decade, and that this system is inherently inhumane
- 5.1.4 Affirms the right for the family to return home to Biloela in Queensland, and supports the campaign to #letthemstay and free refugees being tortured in Australia's offshore detention system
- 5.1.5 Stands in solidarity with healthcare workers and hospital staff who refuse to discharge the daughter, Tharunicaa, into a dangerous and life-threatening situation on Christmas Island
- 5.1.6 Commits to sharing education resources, links to petitions & donations relating to this issue to the wider UWA community using social media



- 5.1.7 Encourages UWA students to take action on this issue by calling, emailing or sending letters to local members of parliament, senators, Minister for Immigration Alex Hawke and/or Minister of Home Affairs Karen Andrews
- 5.1.8 Endorses the Vigil held on the second week of June outside the Perth Children's Hospital and commits to building a UWA contingent to future efforts by students to call for the return of the family to their home

(Motion has been substantially passed in other motions today and therefore will be dismissed)

Moved: Esa Chrulew
Seconded: Viknash VM

5. BUSINESS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

- 5.1 The 108th Guild Council approves the expenditure of \$45,831.00 for the renovation of Catalyst Café.

DJ says it's a motion regarding renovations around the catalyst café that has been approved by SRC

EM says it's an update to the catalyst café.

Motion passes unanimously

Moved: Daj Janneh
Seconded: Emma Mezger

6. MASTERPLAN PRESENTATION - **Moved to next council**

7. DIRECTORS REPORTS

7.1 Managing Director

TG says Pac and Soc regulation draft has been received and will be sent to EW and CK to work on it. An invite for the senate dinner will be sent out soon and the dinner will be held on August 23rd at the university club. The strategy document has been completed, and there will be a scheduled workshop with the executive and core management team on the 8th of July. Staffing changes are occurring, Daniel, Steph and Daisy. The architectural brief has been set out, so far 6 firms have been contacted, hopefully feedback will come back in 3 weeks time. Leadership summit in 3 months, Saturday august 21st.

7.2 Finance

Council moves in camera
Council moves out of camera

- 7.3 Commercial
- 7.4 Student Services

8. QUESTION TIME – Directors Reports



9. STUDENT REPORTS

- 9.1 President
- 9.2 Vice President
- 9.3 General Secretary
- 9.4 Guild Chair
- 9.5 Education Council President
- 9.6 Societies Council President
- 9.7 Public Affairs Council President
- 9.8 WASAC Chair
- 9.9 Women's Officer
- 9.10 Welfare Officer
- 9.11 Postgraduate Students' Association President
- 9.12 International Students' Department President
- 9.13 Residential Students' Department President
- 9.14 Environment Officer
- 9.15 Sports Officer
- 9.16 Access Department
- 9.17 Pride Officers
- 9.18 Ethnocultural Collective Conveners
- 9.19 Volunteering Chair
- 9.20 OGC reports
- 9.21 MASA President

10. QUESTION TIME – Student Reports

CF to EM what's the plan for the cuts and what the guild wants to do about it?

EM to CF I don't think I'm able to answer this question due to my legal obligation to the senate

EM to Ethnocultural conveners why was there no report?

CF to EM what's the guild going to do with the 40mil restructure?

EM to CF my top priority right now is to ensure that the students are not impacted by this restructure

JT to AJ where is the welfare report?

LM to CT where is your OGC report?

CT to LM I haven't done one, sorry about that mate.

CF to EM don't you think students have a right to know what's going on campus?

EM to CF I think students know, the university has not hidden this and there were rallies that raised awareness. I don't think the university is obliged to speak about cuts and plans.

EM to Ethno I received 2 resignation letters this morning which highlighted the dissatisfaction of how Ethno was run. Please explain what your plan is with the Ethnocultural committee and how do you plan to turn around?

CF to EM how can there be a massive restructure that involves staff cuts and it will not affect students? How do you do this in a way that's not a total whitewash restructure?

EM to CF I think the concerns that you have are valid. We have one of the highest staff to student ratios amongst the GO8. There are ways we can work around to make the student experience better or the same as it currently is.

CF to EM so do you impose the restructure or do you support it

EM to CF I'm opposed to it, but it cannot unpass itself.

EM to AR and Welfare any updates on the social isolation project?

AR to EM we are currently doing the infographic



11. MOTIONS ON NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

11.1 The 108th Guild Council:

- 11.1.1 Condemns the barbarity of Australia's detention regime, which is notoriously known for its physical, psychological and sexual abuse.
- 11.1.2 Calls for the immediate shutdown of all detention centres both offshore and onshore and will continue to fight for the freedom of all refugees until this happens.
- 11.1.3 Stands for immediate protection, residency and rights to healthcare, safety, housing, and work for all refugees. The Guild will continue to fight against the Government's systematic denial of this to refugees.
- 11.1.4 Oppose the needless and prolonged detention of the Murugappan family and calls on the Immigration Minister to immediately intervene and give permanent residency to the family. Community detention or bridging visas are not enough.
- 11.1.5 Commits to building an ongoing, activist campaign to stop the deportation of the Murugappan family and to fight for the freedom of all refugees. This includes but is not limited to:
 - a. Mass emails, leafleting, posterage and social media campaigns by the UWA Student Guild to promote refugee activism,
 - b. Organising UWA student contingent to refugee protests,
 - c. Hosting public forums to talk about student activism and the fight for refugee rights.

CF says people are aware of the Murugappan family who have resisted their ongoing oppression. It gotten to a point where they have been forcibly expelled from their offshore detention on Christmas Island. There's a really important cause to keep fighting for this family. The guild hasn't been active enough and has been complacent, the guild needs to partake in more activism

AR says he has nothing to add as everything has already been said.

EM proposes an amendment to remove A B C on 11.1.5 and remove "is not limited to"

Amendment passes

AG speaks for the motion and says my father was an asylum seeker himself who came on boat. it weirds me out that people who come here with hopes of opportunity and do not get it. I think everyone should be able to come here seek refuge and be able to get that opportunity.

KF speaks for the motion and says the only way you can build a campaign is through activism and to keep pressuring.

AW says the principal behind that amendment is to not dictate what people can do and cannot do. The people assigned to the task should be able to choose how they choose to do the task.

Jacob speaks against the motion and says it's an exaggerated motion which links back to the exaggerated tale that is against Australia's national policy.



This family since their arrival to Australia have gone back on holiday multiple times, this notion that returning to grave danger massively contradicts this fact.

KF speaks for the motion and responds to Jacob saying this is nowhere near overstated, the detention centres are practically prison and need to be shut down. We need to be standing for protection and right to safety.

FI speaks for the motion and says I am a first gen immigrant, just because I've gone back to my country for holiday doesn't mean I'm safe to go back especially if I've been on the news and exposed. Just because a place is good for a vacation doesn't mean it allows you a better lifestyle

Jacob speaks against the motion and says this whole contorted reality is an attack to indorse exploitation of Australian services by resisting and protesting.

Jacob votes against the motion

Motion passes

Moved: Esa Chrulew
Seconded: Abdul Rahman Abdul Rahim

11.2 The 108th Guild Council:

- 11.2.1 Stands in solidarity with Tamils in their struggle for national self determination
- 11.2.2 Condemns the Sri Lankan state for ongoing oppression and persecution of Tamils
- 11.2.3 Condemns the Australian government for allying with and arming the Sri Lankan state on the basis of imperial competition in east Asia
- 11.2.4 Rejects the Australian governments assertion that Sri Lanka is a safe environment for Tamils
- 11.2.5 Opposes the Australian governments deportation of Tamil refugees to Sri Lanka

CF this should be a response to Jacob and the ridiculous things he said to justify voting against the previous motion. And its part of the context as to why many Sri Lankans have fled their country. I think its important that we recognise the struggle and acknowledge our government's role in all of this. Part of the reason why the Australian government doesn't want to recognize the war crimes is due to it wanting to have a good relationship with Sri Lanka and China.

AR I believe CF has said everything

JC to CF what's the difference between the motion you passed today, and the motion passed last council?

CF to JC this motion now adds some important points on Australia government role and how it helped the Sri Lankan government suppress the Tamils.



CF proposes an amendment: 11.2.6 Endorses the National Day of Action called by the Tamil Refugee Council and commits to the main UWA Guild page co-hosting the event, sharing to its wall and sharing an infographic that explains the situation for Tamil refugees and the role of the Australian government in allying with the Sri Lankan state and deporting Tamils back to danger.

Amendment passes

Motion passes

Moved: Esa Chrulew

Seconded: Abdul Rahman Abdul Rahim

11.3 The 108th Guild Council:

- 11.3.1 Recognizes the climate danger represented by the Scarborough basin gas project, and 1.6 billion tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions to be produced by the project over its lifetime; roughly 4 times that of the Adani coal mine in QLD.
- 11.3.2 Recognizes the threats to marine and terrestrial life posed by the project in the Damper Archipelago, WA's richest area of marine biodiversity.
- 11.3.3 Recognizes the threat to 47,000 year old Murujuga Rock Art posed by the project.
- 11.3.4 Recognizes the landmark report produced by the International Energy Agency (IEA) in May that states: for the global energy scenario to remain Paris Agreement compatible, no new LNG projects can be approved.
- 11.3.5 Recognizes that Western Australia is the only state with increased emissions, largely due to the LNG industry.
- 11.3.6 Expresses ongoing concern regarding the Centre For Long Subsea Tieback's role in research to further the development of the Scarborough gas project.
- 11.3.7 Acknowledges the findings of the federal court the Federal Environment minister has a legal duty of care to protect young people from climate danger
- 11.3.8 Therefore, condemns the Environment Minister's recent decision to approve the next stage of the Scarborough gas project expansion.
- 11.3.9 Recognizes and approves of the phasing out of many single use plastic in WA by the end of 2022; though this does not mitigate the danger of Scarborough gas.

JH this project is the largest gas pocket in Australia. Once this project goes ahead it will be 4x the emission of the Adani coal mine. The International Energy Agency has put out a report that said there should be no new gas, coal, or oil projects but here we have this project. The federal court found that the environment minister has a duty of care to us to prevent climate harm. And UWA is involved in this through helping with research.

DJ I think JH has said a lot. We live in a time where information is so easily accessible which tell us how severe the situation is and the state our planet is in. we should not allow new projects that will cause further harm to pass through. I would like to encourage everyone to support the motion and keep your ears out for more information.



AG asks JH you mentioned that they are using this expansion to further research, do you know what they are researching?

JH replies saying I don't have that information in my back pocket however what I said was that the technology to create roughly 19 km pipelines doesn't exist, so the research is what they are doing on our campus.

CF moves speaking rights to PB

PB asks why is there no action items and are you planning on doing anything concrete with this motion?

JH responds saying the concrete action has already been taken as the climate council is taking woodside to court over this, and me and my committee are already supporting this.

Jacob speaks against the motion saying we should not be supporting this motion as this industry provides a massive economic stimulus to this area and supports our university. We are shooting ourselves in the foot if we are doing this as the economy needs to get back into momentum after covid

WN speaks for the motion and responds to Jacobs earlier statement saying it was silly. Then proceeds to reply to what PB said and says last year we moved a number of motions that actioned me to do a lot of things, I started a campaign around it which I did reach out to your team, and no one offered any help or showed any interest. We then expanded to the students for environmental action and ran along with clean state and conservation council WA, that's where the action has been.

AW speaks for the motion and responds to Jacob's comment and says renewable energy is the cheapest form of electricity that's ever existed, and Australia has some of the most bountiful renewable energy supplies on the planet but hasn't utilised it.

JH responds to Jacob and says the LNG industries employs the least amount of people in the state. We mostly ship the LNG offshore to like China.

PB says that both of what WN and JH has said about action items is still not enough to make a dent on this campaign.

AG speaks for the motion and responds to Jacob and says that the true economic cost of ruining the planet we live on will always outweigh all the profits we can gain.

JH responds to PB saying we also had a protest at the environment minister's office.

WN responds to PB and says yes, we do need to be more militant I agree. But I reached out to the climate action network, but they were preoccupied in other avenues such as education. People didn't show up to meetings, so I guess I wasn't reached out to the right groups and right people, which is when I reached out to the students for environment action.

Jacob votes against the motion

Motion passes

Moved: James Hayley



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Seconded: Daj Janneh

12. MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE (Representation)

13. GENERAL BUSINESS

14. CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be held Wednesday 28th July 2021 at 6:00 PM. Please contact the Guild General Secretary (secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au) with any **apologies or proxies 24hours prior to council**. If unable to attend, please advise which dates you are available to reschedule if a quorum cannot be met.