

#### 1.0 WELCOME AND OPENING

#### 1.1 Attendance

Bre Shanahan, Amy Hearder, Anna Kimpton, Callum Lindsay, CJ Daudu, Costa Toufexis, David Hallam, Emma Mezger, Jacob Roosendaal, Daniel Roden, Luke Thomas, Martha McKinley, Max Tran, Meizhu Chen, Mike Anderson, Omar MacIntyre, Pauline Chiwawa, Rahul MS, Ridhima Vinayachandran, Riley Klug, Sophia Perkins, Steven Okbay, Viknash VM, Vin Kalim, Will Norrish, Zhen You, Neve Staltari

## 1.2 Apologies

**Connor Price** 

1.3

## 1.4 Proxies

Amitabh Jeganathan for Costa Toufexis Ridhima VN for Meizhu Chen Abdul Rahman for Ahmad Hafizuddin Nick Brown for Nicole McEwen Floretta Susilo for Pauline Chiwawa

#### 1.5 **Observers**

Brett Mongo (on behalf of WASAC), Saskia Mason, Reece Gherardi, (and over ZOOM), Daniel Kuzich, Adam Elyousef, Elena Wittkuhn, Shelby Robinson, Joey Nguyen, Pauline Chiwawa, Keerthana Murugan, Phuc Nguyen, Sean Lim, Milvert Ling, Dauda Janneh, Haseeb Riaz, Nicole McEwan, India Aniere.

#### 1.6 Absent

#### 2.0 DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

# 3.0 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 The council confirms the minutes from the meeting on the 29 July as a true and accurate account.

Moved: Luke Thomas Seconded: Bre Shanahan

# Passed unanimously.

#### 4.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

### 5.0 BUSINESS COMPLETED VIA CIRCULAR

# 6.0 BUSINESS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

- 6.1 The 107th Guild Council:
  - 6.1.1 Condemns the recent announcement from Minister Tehan that will see students who fail half of their units lose access to HECS assistance.
  - 6.1.2 Recognises that students fail units for a variety of reasons which could never be accurately provided for in legislative exceptions.
  - 6.1.3 Recognises that this change will disproportionately impact students with disabilities, students from low SES backgrounds and those experiencing hardship.

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- 6.1.4 Reaffirms its opposition to the Fee Hikes legislation proposed by the Liberal Government.
- 6.1.5 Encourages all students to attend the National Day of Action on August 28

Moved: Bre Shanahan Seconded: Luke Thomas

Motion passes with abstentions by Rahul and Neve.

## 7.0 DIRECTORS REPORTS

Amy moves to accept on block, and it passes unanimously.

### 8.0 STUDENT REPORTS

All those tabled accepted unanimously.

# 9.0 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

9.1 The 107th Guild Council approves the expenditure of \$76 000 on the advice of the Strategic Resources Committee for the relocation of the Guild Student and Volunteering Centres.

Moved: Bre Shanahan Seconded: Luke Thomas

Motion passed, with an abstention from NB.

9.2 The 107th Guild Council approves the use of Room 113, Guild Village, by the university for the purposes of a chapel.

Moved: Bre Shanahan Seconded: Amy Hearder

Motion passes with the exception of NB, who abstained.

# 10.0 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

- 10.1 The 107 Guild Council:
  - 10.1.1 Supports all workers attempting to enforce safe COVID-19 practices in their workplaces and communities, including adequate cleaning, PPE, and social distancing measures
  - 10.1.2 Stands in solidarity with all workers who strike to enforce safety measures, or to shut down non-essential work, including the Woolworths Liquor distribution warehouse workers in Laverton, Victoria, who walked out after a colleague tested positive
  - 10.1.3 Recognises that the virus still poses a danger here in WA, as demonstrated by the recent cases of community transmission in New Zealand that were not linked to overseas travel or a known case

Moved: Nicole McEwen Seconded: Bre Shanahan

**The motion passes** with abstentions from RM and NS.

10.2 The Guild Council:

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- 10.2.1 Opposes the university management's consideration of cuts to the Asian Studies undergraduate major and postgraduate studies.
- 10.2.2 Recognises this as a cut to the Arts and part of an effort in to restructure university funding around the most profitable and in-demand degrees for industry.
- 10.2.3 This cut will negatively impact education quality and staff jobs, and UWA should deal with any reduced revenue as a result of COVID-19 and federal government cuts to education by using its cash reserves and other revenue to fund a high quality of education
- 10.2.4 Will release a public statement against the potential cuts to Asian studies and any potential job losses from this course cut, that is critical of the university management for this cost cutting measure

Moved: Nicole McEwen Seconded: David Hallam

Motion passed with abstentions from Rahul and Neve.

#### 11.0 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

- 11.1 The 107th Guild Council,
  - 11.1.1 acknowledges the recent tragic explosion which happened in Beirut, Lebanon earlier this month
  - 11.1.2 extends our thoughts and sympathies to Lebanese students and staff at UWA, and the wider Lebanese community, who have been directly or indirectly affected by the tragedy.
  - 11.1.3 encourages and supports the Public Affairs Council and the Ethnocultural Collective to engage and support the Lebanese student community at large.

Moved: Vin Kalim Seconded: Max Tran

## The motion passes with an abstention from NS.

11.2 The 107th Guild Council accepts the updated Environment Department Rules, as accepted by the Governance Committee.

Moved: Amy Hearder Seconded: William Norrish

## *Motion passed* with NB's abstention.

11.3 The 107th Guild Council accepts the National Union of Students Key Performance Indicators for 2020, as passed by the Governance Committee.

Moved: Bre Shanahan Seconded by Emma Mezger

NB against. CJ, David, Amy, and Omar abstaining. All else in favour. *Motion passes*.

- 11.4 The 107th Guild Council:
  - 11.4.1 Recognises the unacceptable physical state of the Nedlands Campus of Architecture, Landscape and Visual Arts (ALVA).
  - 11.4.2 Commits to working in collaboration with the ALVA Student Society and Campus Management to fix problems that pose a risk to students health and safety.

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- 11.4.3 Recognises that allowing this level of decline to go unaddressed despite student feedback undermines student trust in the University and the University's reputation.
- 11.4.4 Encourages students to lodge service requests upon finding any part of campus that is dangerous or faulty.

Moved: Emma Mezger Seconded: Dan Roden

# Motion passes unanimously.

- 11.5 The 107th Guild Council:
  - 11.5.1 Acknowledges that there is an ongoing copyright dispute over the rights to the Australian Aboriginal Flag.
  - 11.5.2 Acknowledges that the AFL's Indigenous Round began on August 21st and was marred by copyright disputes with businesses that own rights to the Australian Indigenous Flag.
  - 11.5.3 Supports the AFL's refusal to purchase rights to the Australian Aboriginal Flag for the purpose of the Indigenous Round.
  - 11.5.4 Supports the free use of the Australian Aboriginal Flag at all events, especially those of important cultural significance to First Nations People.
  - 11.5.5 Urges the Federal Government to intervene to resolve any and all copyright disputes with WAM clothing and legislate to protect the flag as a symbol for First Nations people.
  - 11.5.6 Produces a media release in conjunction with WASAC supporting the Free the Flag campaign and urges students to sign petitions to change the licensing agreement around the Australian Indigenous Flag.

Moved: David Hallam Seconded: Emma Mezger

Motion passed with NS abstaining.