



Voting Members: Amitabh Jeganathan, Daniel Roden, Jak Beard
Invitees: Maria Waters, Sapphire Carter
Staff: Clare MacNish, Renee Nguyen

1. **WELCOME AND OPENING**
2. **Attendees: Ethan Nicholas, Amitabh Jeganathan, Daniel Roden, Jak Beard, Clare MacNish, Renee Nguyen**
Apologies: Sapphire Carter, Antonia Taylor, Jenny Ophel, Maria Waters
Absent: N/A

2. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

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3. **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

1. No previous minutes to confirm

4. **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

Chair's Report

- Strong start to the year with effective planning meetings, committee collaborations and hopeful border openings

Program Coordinator & Ambassador Training

- Very successful Program Coordinator and Ambassador Training have taken place over the preceding month.
- Twenty leaders of both UWA social impact clubs and Guild Volunteering attended
- We are now in a strong position with a full team of ambassadors and project leaders to begin planning and running our 2022 programs
- Many of the newly appointed Guild Volunteering Ambassadors have already been active and eager to continue consistent engagement throughout the semester





Project Updates

Good Sammy X UWA Student Guild Pop Up Op Shop

- \$2000 in the first day
- Initial period of 4 weeks at which they will assess success and continuation
- Promotion and new stock
- Excursion occurred last week to warehouse (with FABSOC)

Grand Challenges

- Large group of social impact workers, professors and students
- Discussing climate change, equitable world post covid
- Multiple talks on amazing topics
- Out the front GV and venture will run a change maker village
- Bikes for humanity, Friends of the grounds plant sale
- *Ethan notes the multiple intriguing aspects of change maker and its capacity to bring down a large group of students*

LOOP

- Thursday night
- Volunteering will do a stall there
- Empowering people from migrant backgrounds with sewing skills to up-cycle clothes
- Provides company with green credits
- Recycling/community
- Sarah Hegazi
- 10 students with sewing skills will help once a week

Red Cross Soup Patrol

- Teams pickup pre made soup
- Schools have cut extra-curricular
- Will keep us updated

University Hall-Microvolunteering Collaboration

- Notes he has a role on RSD





- Organising a monthly session where we make safe sex packs or gift cards
- Proof of concept at uni hall
- Looking good
- Will happen in the next few weeks

General Updates

O-Day

- GV stall aiming for many signups, ambassadors, referrals
- Social impact passports
- Talk to these 3 clubs and then you might get a free water-bottle
- Volunteering WA and Oli, collab shirts

Guild on the Green

- Highly positive engagement with a large number of signups and showing of interest throughout the event by range of students

Upcoming Events

- Change Makers Village
- Post-Graduate Engagement
- Social Impact Sundowner
 - Similar to O-Day program with Social Impact Passport and prizes to be won through engagement with club's present
 - To occur TBC (March/April)

PROSH

- Guild Volunteering Tent will be present throughout day
- Clare met April and Eleanor on Monday to discuss logistics and areas of support
- Discussions with Marketing and Caitlin regarding increasing marketing reach and volunteer recruitment
- GV will assist with Tins and Volunteering recruitment in the lead-up to and on the day.

Marketing and Comms Update

- New Marketing Campaign launched on Monday





- Response to findings from previous social media analysis that GV tends to echo-chamber itself online
- New photo campaign aimed at people who are not currently engaged
- Complex advertising analysis and targeting is also being implemented
- Aimed at encouraging and increasing the number of volunteers
- Success and viability of new approach can be easily evaluated using multiple measures

Staff Member Report

- Introduces Renee as a new staff officer
- Students for refugees
- TLG
- Great newsletter signups and heaps of interest

Discussion/Feedback

- Trackability of Marketing Campaign
 - Requires at least of month of engagement and data collection, upon which it is highly trackable (Facebook Analytics fairly complex)
 - New students have already been engaging as a result of such advertising
- Volunteer engagement in 2022
 - Difficult to gauge or comment upon
 - Significant amount of events and volunteering opportunities have been cancelled due to COVID
 - However, still an opportunity to continue making the most of numerable outdoor conservation activities available.
 - GSC appears to be busy with similar engagement with GV office, however, still too early to make substantiated judgement.
- COVID Surge plan
 - Majority of outdoor activities should be able to continue
 - Senior citizen programs are particularly vulnerable
 - Online activities are a treasure trove, however, one that has been tried and tested with significant avail.
 - Online poses many significant challenges that detract from the core intentions and benefits of volunteering
 - Difficult to formulate online volunteering activities that lead to meaningful impacts

5. ALL OTHER BUSINESS





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22nd February 2022
Guild President's Office

Appointment of Executive Officer

- Daniel Roden (OGC) appointed as Executive Officer

OCM Elections

- To be conducted and completed by April 2022

6. NEXT VOLUNTEERING MEETING

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Volunteering Committee Minutes |
14:00-15:00 31st March 2022
Guild Meeting Room 1

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2. Unanimously confirmed

4. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Chair's Report

University Hall x Guild Volunteering Collaboration

- University Hall RA, Emily, is the member of staff working alongside GV to organise Community events at University Hall
- First event to be held at 5pm 31/3/2022
- Aiming to be a great stepping stone into further college engagement throughout University Hall and its different programs, as well as into other colleges.

Guild Volunteering x TEDx

- TEDx UWA approached Guild Volunteering, Ethan, and Clare to be involved with their yearly Semester 1 Speakers conference.
- Discussed Ethan and Clare presenting on the subject of 'Student Life' and the importance of and where Volunteering fits into this.





- Conference to be held in Mid-

May or Mid-June. Ethan has begun the Speaker preparation process with them.

UWA Residential College Engagement

- Ethan has been working on one of his main projects/aims for his 2022 tenure: increasing the UWA college engagement with University clubs and activities, with a particular focus on increasing the number of on-site volunteering opportunities at Colleges, hosted, or facilitated by Guild Volunteering.
- From meeting Ethan had with University Hall Leadership staff, Tony, and Ami, he is aiming to rekindle what was apparently a once strong collaboration between the Guild and Colleges and hoping to begin such through volunteering and GV.
- Ethan is also beginning to reach out to Heads of College to begin dialogue and seek opinions and ideas for possible collaboration opportunities.
- Ethan also notes that, particularly with an increasing number of international students returning to UWA colleges, there is a much greater population of student that tend to be very eager and engaged in volunteering. Furthermore, he notes that the winter break could be a great opportunity with many students often complaining of being idle, to make the most of available volunteering opportunities brought to college.
- Antonia notes she believes GV and UWA should look at opportunities to get students out in the community, to have a more inspirational experience by engaging beyond college with events not only in college, but also hosted outside with college students leaving college to attend.
- Ethan also notes possibly using Microvolunteering as a low-barrier-to-entry beginning would be useful to introduce students to volunteering and encouraging further volunteering and passion along the way.
- Clare notes that from previous meetings with Emily (UniHall) that college residents are keen to take volunteers on trips elsewhere if opportunities do arise. Ethan adds that this would also allow for greater resource sharing, with colleges showing willingness to contribute to costs associated with opportunities and experiences that service their students.





Project Updates

Wellbeing Volunteers

- Wellbeing volunteer's coordinator has stepped down
- However, have found new female coordinator who has extensive qualifications and has taken to the role well

Intergen

- Inter-generational volunteering
- Due to COVID-19, much of the Intergen program has been on hold as Residential Aged Care facilities had suspended external visitors.
- Notes the program is currently working at ½ capacity with Chorus Group, a group centred around engaging young people with seniors

Social Media for Good

- Two new program coordinators
- Clare is keen to continue overseeing and developing SMG
- Clare is also keen to engage volunteers early and looking to match them with non-for-profits and timely as possible. She also notes that to better ensure continued volunteer engagement and persistence throughout the program, trying to match volunteers with organisations they are passionate about is also an aim.
- Amitabh suggests possibly reaching out and advertising SMG to marketing students at UWA. This would allow for not only volunteering to occur, but for UWA students to gain professional skills and career-related experiences through volunteering. Notes that this would be a great value-add to the student experience.
- Antonia notes she is keen to create more structure and training with regard to the program as a whole, as well as marketing and social media management skills as a whole.
- Antonia also notes that SMH interns do not do ongoing social media management, rather pair with NFPs to improve their social media over a set period of time.
- Clare is keen to do more in-person training and meetings as COVID subsides, with a hope to do more team building activities also.





Perth Homeless Support Group

- New volunteering coordinator has been placed

General Updates

GV-ISD Meeting

- Met with Geemal (ISD President)
- He is keen to promote GV through ISD socials and to run a special event with Microvolunteering and ISD
- He is also keen to look into weekly drop-in volunteering sessions
- GV is also keen to work with ISD and hopes to engage and provide volunteering opportunities to as many new and existing international students.

Upcoming Events

- Social Impact Sundowner
 - Original plan appears to fell through
 - However, has been re-engaged and revitalised by PAC Secretary
 - Ethan is looking very much forward to continuing GVs involvement in the sundowner, with the planning stage commence shortly

Staff Member Report

National Student Volunteering Week

- Coming in May
- GV will run a series of events over the week
 - Will have a stall on Oak Lawn, community AUSMAP survey finding micro-plastics at the beach, general beach clean-up
 - Also exploring the possibility of doing a ‘human library’ event
 - Involves opening up and sharing a meaning moment (related to volunteering, for example) with a group of trusted peers
 - Renee is going to make an EOI form
- Communication planned and ready for week





Results of GV Social Media Campaign

- Clare has worked with Caitlyn on a social media campaign for volunteering
- Reached over 25,000 people for only \$160
- Unsure how many will volunteer
- GV followers on social media accounts have continuously grown with over 52,000 ‘impressions’

Marketing & Comms:

- Continuing to look into developing a marketing and communication guide
- Renee and Clare running a program of the month initiative
- Keen to keep tabs on social impact clubs as well as acknowledge their successes.

5. ALL OTHER BUSINESS

Volunteer Hour Recognition for Student Leaders

- Wish to recognise the significant and enormous hours of dedication and time students’ representatives and leaders give to charities and clubs throughout UWA.
- Current hour-recording/recognition system does not recognise them
- Currently working with the UW Badging system; including leadership badges for program coordinators.
- GV Staff support Jack in applying for all club executives to be recognised with UWA badges, however, notes that the administration can be quite elaborate and cumbersome.
- Suggests that a form of application process needs to be implemented with set criteria.
- The issue of auditing such recognition for all clubs is a significant issue
- Antonia would like to sit down and discuss with Amitabh and Jak
- Antonia notes, once the University agrees, GV staff will be able to award badges to leaders
- Amitabh also notes that the current ERF system is significant lacking and having many issues (incorrect processing, won’t be verified for ages, signatures are required and difficult to get, very inefficient process.) He notes such could reflect as a further difficulty on proofing and revising all badge applications.
- Ethan asks about retrospective/in-arrears recognition. Antonia suggests could probably only get 2021 recognised and unlikely.



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- Amitabh asks what the major issues are
 - In response, Antonia notes that it is the approval processes. The process is confused and often unequal. Someone could do a significant amount of work, whilst another minimal, however, still end up receiving the same award and recognition.
 - SOC is also difficult due to its size. It is incredibly difficult to have all SOC clubs submit for awards, provide evidence of such, and then check each person and each submission.
 - Antonia suggests setting bare-minimum criteria's everyone needs to meet in order to be accepted.

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Volunteering Committee Minutes |
13:00-14:30 26th April 2022
Guild Meeting Room 1

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Apologies: Renee Nguyen

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 - Confirmed unanimously

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Chair's Report

Guild Volunteering x TedX (Second Update)

- Presenting a TedX style presentation centred around student life and “How can we give people more than a degree?”
- Unfortunately, plans have been derailed due to COVID
- Usually 8-12 weeks of speaker preparation, training, and rehearsals. However, COVID, absences and other logistical issues have led to downsizing of events and speakers and thus an inability to sufficiently accommodate
- Ethan has already begun discussions with TedX executive of possibly pivoting to have GV represented at the larger, end-of-year event
- It is a great networking event a good opportunity to showcase volunteering with a large (1000+) attendance of students and community members.





UWA Residential College Engagement (Second Update)

- University Hall has been a successful testing ground for Microvolunteering events
 - Involved packing safe sex packs of the WA Aids Council (WAAC).
- First event had high attendance of 40-50 people with very positive feedback from UniHall staff and students alike.
 - Staff and students particular mentioned the activities' ability to bring people out of their rooms and encourage social interaction in a time of isolation.
- Unfortunately, due to COVID, the second event had to be cancelled, though has been reorganised on a regular basis at the next available time
- Given the success at UniHall, Ethan wishes to continue college outreach and aims to expand into other colleges
 - St. Catherine's College and St. George's College have been shown interest already
- Ethan has also noted his wish to continue and possibly expand event availability over winter given the large number of international student who will be in Perth and unable to leave due to COVID.

PROSH

- GV is onboard to help as usual
- Working with PROSH Directors to organise role and functions of GV throughout the PROSH event

Project Updates

WellBeans

- In transition period between coordinators
- Sarah is very new but very capable and enthusiastic
- Strong wishes for a recruitment/promotional 'blitz' of WellBeans
 - Serves dual purpose for recruiting more WellBeans as well as getting the WellBeans name out to SOCPAC clubs and other organisations that may benefit from their services throughout UWA
- Ethan is in discussions organising a SOCPAC presentation with Sarah to achieve the aforementioned
- Major upcoming event: RSD College Ball (Approx. 400 attendees)





Guild Gardens

- Friends of the Ground and Botany Annex
 - Enquiry and investigation continuing with the Friends of the Ground and Guild Garden team to explore possibility of expansion to Botany Annex
 - Significantly large space, increased flexibility of available and viable projects
 - Increased ability to engage a larger student group (particularly with Guild Gardens regularly being overbooked due to popularity)
 - Brynn has also noted that this could also create a social area in the Botany Annex which is notably empty and often unvisited.
- UWA Guild Gardens
 - Movement to a more floral focus
 - Allows for reduced water usage and increased aesthetic within the Guild
 - Hopeful shift to Botany Annex for more intensive planting and flora care
- Plant Sale
 - Very successful with positive reviews/popularity from students/staff
- Looking into setting up Guild Gardens Subcommittee/leadership team
 - In meetings with Ethan, Guild Gardens coordinator Brynn has mentioned to high workload, time commitment and future viability of the program as excellent rationale behind the establishment of a larger Guild Gardens group of 'Sub-coordinators'
 - Currently a 'Steering Group' exists which may continue at a larger scale

Events

- March and April Excursion reflection
- WA Marathon Club Assistance
 - Unfortunately cancelled due to COVID, however, contact has continued with support being requested at their next event to be held on the 1st of May or following event on the 15th of May.
- All events went very well this month with relatively high overall attendance and strong engagement.
 - Assisting Your Life to Achieve (April 8th), Beach Clean-up (April 14th at Cottesloe), Friends of Wireless Hill (April 26th) and Bicycle for Humanity (April 29th)
- Van capacity limits are proving somewhat difficult with more popular events





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○ However, self-transport is being encouraged and attendance is boosted when self-transport is an easy option.

SERAG (Swan Estuary Reserve Action Group)

- First event went very well
 - Highly rated and appraised for participants
- In the process of training a new coordinator as long-term coordinator is graduating
- Transition feedback and reflections have highlighted a strong need for increased marketing to ensure continued participation and program longevity.
- Possible need for a COVID/Isolation plan to be in place
 - Due to essentiality of coordinator and long-term organisation, COVID sickness and absence can significantly impact the program. Thus, a back-up coordinator or plan in place would be of benefit.

Intergen

- General COVID update
 - COVID has significantly hindered the program with nursing homes being shut to outside visitors
 - This has led to significantly reduced volunteering opportunities and ability for student groups to interact or be of meaningful benefit.
- Advocare
 - Unfortunately, there has also been a reduced in student interest over the COVID period. This can be attributed to the lack of in-person interaction and disruption as a result of COVID as well as the need for consistent and quite high weekly commitment
 - Due to COVID, the program also was unable to start in the first week of semester which is often a critical time for volunteer engagement.
 - This has been highlighted as an opportunity in Semester 2 to ensure effective, early-semester engagement.
- Chorus
 - Regular weekly volunteering has been going very well with highly engaged and interested volunteers
 - Mostly interactive, meaningful sessions
 - Chorus staff even happy to prepare activities for the team, so they can just facilitate and interact with the elderly
 - Issues
 - Although volunteers are engaged and enjoying, there is a limited total number





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- Thursday timing has been strongly attributed to be a bad day for many Uni students, however, is one of the only days Chorus can currently provide
 - Lack of advertising to recruit sufficient volunteers
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- Letter Writing with Brightwater
 - Opportunity for those who can't make it to chorus (busy on Thursday) to do this activity as an alternative
 - Provides an alternative back-up program in response to COVID and uncontrolled inabilities to access nursing homes.
 - Brightwater wants letters written to older people about how days are at UWA, how we study, relax, what we do, what we study etc. – like a weekly update
 - Hoping to have skype call with group of seniors and Intergeren to discuss and become familiar with team

General Updates

Upcoming Events

- Social Impact Sundowner
 - Guild Volunteering will have a stall
 - Hoping to have over 200 students attend
 - Great place to engage students to whom are particularly interested in social impact and getting involved.

Staff Member Report

National Volunteer Week Follow-up Update

- May 16th – 22nd
- Theme: Better Together
- Week Overview
 - Activities Monday through Friday
 - Cahoots Information Session, Special Microvolunteering, Step Into Volunteering Session, Perth Homeless Support Group, Microplastics at Matilda Bay, Excursion to Claremont Therapeutic Riding School, Guild Gardens, Friends of Mosman Park, Equipment Sorting for Donation (Fair Game)
 - Collaboration and support from Volunteering WA and LotteryWest
 - Grant from both organisations to run and provide for events





Micro Badging

- Launch is now confirmed with structural plans and GV integration discussed with staff
- Claire will be reaching out to help Sapphire and Jack get their department proposition and badging integration plan together
- Numerous inter-group collaborations available from GV

Marketing & Comms:

- Volunteer/Program of the Month
- NVW Communication Plan
- TikTok
 - Instagram Reels may be posted on multiple platforms to increase reach and visibility
 - Renee will be working on this over the coming months
 - Upcoming ideas
 - Claires doing a podcast with alumni engagement team and a group of alumni
 - Hopefully it will inspire some more engagement
 - Weekly Student Spotlights
- Strict Guild media policy has been noted as something that is being carefully taken into account throughout each post
- Overall
 - Social media has been working well and producing positive results

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1. Committee unanimously passed minutes

4. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Chair's Report

Joint June-July Volunteering Committee Meeting

- Ethan acknowledges the lack of June VOLCOM due to reduced student, volunteer and staff capacity and university operations during exam and post-exam periods. Thus, noted that July provides an opportunity to reflect upon the Winter Break volunteering activities, as well as future plannings for the upcoming semester in one.
- Committee is happy and accepts this rationale.

National Student Volunteer Week

- Over the past month and a half, Ethan has formed the NSVW steering committee.
 - Upon the committee's formation, immediate planning meetings through June had been conducted with key focuses on Event planning,





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10:00-10:43 25th July 2022

Guild Meeting Room 1
scheduling, organisations involved
are: Urban Bushland, Friends of

Wireless Hill, AYL, Awesome Art, Greyhound's, TLG, Human Library, WAUC, Students for Refugees, Amnesty, RoboGals, AIESEC, TedX, UniCamp for Kids, 180DC, S4EA, PROSH, Science Union, BPhil and WAMMS.

- The aim of these stalls is to let students directly see what organisations are available to volunteer at both at and through UWA, as well as get a real idea of what goes on in such organisations and how they can make a genuine difference.

Guild Volunteering x TedX (Semester 2 Re-Try)

- Beginning follow-up, discussion, and organisation process for aforementioned large-scale end-of-year event.
- Ethan has been in communication with new secretary after a change over a committee throughout Semester 1.
- TedX is still very much interested in having Ethan present on volunteering, its benefits to students and how it can be a part of student life.
- Ethan has been in discussions to be a part of the main TedX event of a year which attracts up to 2000 members of the student community and public. Ethan also notes this is a great two-pronged opportunity to engage with students and our target population as well as to raise awareness and visibility of Guild Volunteering to possible charitable and community organisations in need.

UWA Residential College Engagement (Semester 2)

- Ethan has continued outreach to each UWA college from last month and last semester
- There has been quite a positive enquiry responses from St. Catherine's and St. George's, interested in expanding their volunteering opportunities and breadth. There has been minimal interest from Trinity, possibly due to existing programs. UniHall has served as an excellent starting example for the success and engagement of residents.
- Ethan is continuing to reach out to Lead RAs of St. Catherine's, St. Thomas More and St. George's to see where best to begin organising an event.
- Ethan has also been in preliminary discussions with the President of University Hall's Residents Club to explore possibly hosting a College Volunteering Day centred at University Hall. Other colleges will then be able to come to University Hall and explore the available volunteering opportunities and organisations present on the day.





Project Updates

WellBeans

- Ethan is still in discussions with SOCPAC to finalise the best date for a Guild Volunteering presentation. As previously mentioned, the first SOCPAC meeting of Semester 2 was aimed for, however, due to clashing schedules could not be confirmed. The second SOCPAC is now in discussion.
- Ethan aims to use this platform as a point of outreach and advertising to clubs of UWA to highlight the mutualistic benefit Guild Volunteering can bring to them and their activities, both through transcript recognition, but more so, through collaboration.
- Ethan also intends to bring Sarah from WellBeans to present to highlight the significant benefit having a trained team of Wellbeing volunteers can have on events, small and large – particularly those with alcohol.

General Updates

Staff Member Report

Engagement events

- Guild on the Green and Undergraduate Welcome Expo
 - Event was a great success with over 200 newsletter signups and noted interest in days following from students attending the GV office for follow-up questions and involvement.
- Upcoming: UWA Open Day & Post Grad Connect
- GV has engaged over 140 volunteers throughout these events and would also like to acknowledge the work of the Guild Events Team (Mei, Josef, and Lucy) for all of their hard work and planning.
- There has been a great number of new student engagement, many of which are looking to be very involved and eager to participate. This first week has been very promising, particularly in regard to interest shown, and hopefully will translate into increased involvement.

National Student Volunteer Week

- Major Events:
 - Human Library
 - Renee will be organising a Human Library event in collaboration with the Human Library team.





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- Human Library focuses on creating meaningful, intimate sharing spaces for volunteers to share stories and experiences of their volunteering moments, highlights and troughs included, and do serve as a safe space for sharing and discussing these experiences.
- Panel
 - This panel will be organised in conjunction with the UWA Careers Department with key speakers included the CEO for VWA, student representatives and other key speakers.
 - This will hopefully serve as a platform to both inspire current students as well as answer and educate students on the vast array of volunteering opportunities both on campus and throughout WA and the impact these can have in their respective areas.
- Inter-Uni Beach Challenge
 - IUBC will be organised in collaboration with PerthNRM and will consist of UWA, Curtin and Notre Dame universities coming together.
 - This large event seeks to combine WA universities efforts in a competition-style tree planting activity.
 - This event will be coordinated in conjunction with VWA's new Youth Coordinator.
- VolunteerFest
 - VolunteerFest aims to be one of GV's major events for NSW that will include a variety of external and internal clubs and organisations held in a 'festival' style at the Guild Courtyard.
 - This will allow for all UWA students to have the opportunity to interact with numerous volunteer organisations GV collaborates with and to hopefully find areas they are passionate about and look forward to exploring further.
 - Pre-event marketing launch is set to be launched by the end of this week

Winter Volunteering Reflection (Renee)

- Engagement has continued to be positive although without much growth from last update
- Renee would like to also acknowledge the work of the Events Team and all of their efforts throughout the past month.





Marketing & Comms

- Winter Holiday Planning
 - Clare and Renee have been worked with Caitlin to develop a large collection of clips
 - Aim to use these clips to gain a new generation of followers as well as reconnect dropped of students.
- Semester 2 Advertising Campaign is being devised
 - It aims to ultimate focus on gaining as many new student followers as possible as well reengaging followers that may have been lost or inactive during COVID.
 - The growth and continuation of new projects, including TikTok, Instagram Reels, Volunteer of the Week and more.
- New Merchandise!

Program Update and Feedback

Guild Gardens

- Current acting coordinator, Bryn, has had to stepdown from his position
 - He is, however, still very much keen to stay a part of the group, possibly as a Steering Group member
- Steering Group Formation
 - Recruited four people with conservation backgrounds to continue this
 - The steering group will ultimately provide a level of student leadership to help support and grow this program. Particularly given its time intensive nature, having multiple leaders collaborating together will ensure no event needs to be postponed or run short due to COVID or other absences.
 - This will also allow for larger events at a greater scale to be run, accommodating for more students with an often full waiting list.

Intergen

- Induction to new members and the nursing home has been completed
- Planning processes and sessions have begun to prepare and organise the group and its activities for the coming semester.
- The first sessions this semester will be this Friday (29th)
 - This will be held at Regis Nedlands in coordination with Advocare on a regular Friday morning basis each week. The venue has a capacity of just over 100 rooms, ensuring a large number of residents can be helped.





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- Students must still do RAT tests upon entry – thus allowing for volunteering to be continued and not effected by COVID, however, also ensure residents are not worried about the possibility of infection.
- 10 student volunteers will be able to attend each session.
- We are currently unsure if this will be possible to convert into a long-term venture, however, we are looking into this possibility, or potential pivot to café trips with elderly residents or other potential projects.
- Possible idea: Bring certain aged care residents to campus after semester to allow for a trip out of the home they spend most of their time in, as well as experience modern university life which they take great joy from hearing about through discussions.

SMFG

- SMFG has officially been handed over to Renee
- This semester saw a fantastically high number of application, however, far more than was able to be accommodated.
- An Info Session stage has been incorporated into the recruitment process, resulting in a halving of the number of applications through design brief
 - Halved number of applications through design brief
- Training sessions have been organised involving external organisations coming into UWA to host a training session for all recruited members. The organisation has previously worked with VWA in creating volunteer-based websites and so has strong experience in the area.
- Partners for semester 2 will remain the same as semester 1 through re-engagement as delivery and engagement was not adequately possible throughout semester 1 due to COVID.
- Noted issues:
 - There was a limited number of individuals that turned up to the training sessions.
 - It was noted that the application process, although serving its purpose to delineate the most apt volunteers, may have been too stringent, leaving too few recruits for a successful program.
- A significant hurdle to overcome is reputational risk. Given the published nature of websites and their creation by UWA students, if volunteers drop off after working with an organisation for 1-2 weeks, this will have negative impacts both on the Guild Volunteering reputation as well as UWA as a whole.





Bread Run

- A new coordinator, Jolin, has recently taken over the BreadRun program starting from today.
- The BreadRun program will continue to run weekly bread pick-up and drop-up rounds in collaboration with local bakeries on drop off points in UWA.
- Currently looking into possible expansion avenues both in and out of UWA with Ethan reaching out to stakeholders in UWA to expand distribution points, as well as external organisations that could provide additional donations in the event of expansion to meet supply.

PROSH

- We are in the process of recruiting much needed volunteers to help out on the day of PROSH.
- Writers' nights have been going very well so far with continuous content being generated in great amounts.
- Classes have been confirmed to be cancelled on the Wednesday of PROSH.
- PROSH Gala night has also been confirmed as a major engagement night, as well as the running of PROSH Olympics. All of which hopefully works to raise an even greater amount of money.

Building Bridges

- Final event held in June, culminating with the last of four leaderships days run by Assets.
- This event involved booking out the Shakespeare theatre to run a 'Graduation ceremony'.
- The event and program as a whole went very well. All volunteers were fantastic and highly committed – lasting the entire duration of the year.
- GV would love to work with Assets again if they do apply for another grant to work with young people.





Discussion/Feedback

- There has been a notably high interest from International students attending the International welcome event for Volunteering
- It has been noted from the International Students Department that the majority of enrolled international students are now on campus – Ethan notes this present a great opportunity for previous discussion points on engaging international students and making the most of the post-COVID eagerness and willingness to get involved.
- The launch of UWA Advance (Micro-badging) will also be occurring during NSWV. GV is preparing to best integrate with the program , both internally through awarding badges were applicable to its program coordinators and committee members, as well as facilitate any other awards or advice to other UWA SOCPAC clubs.

5. ALL OTHER BUSINESS

- Notably good, highly engaged students on campus which has given great energy and engagement to events throughout campus, and in particular, volunteering.
- Clare asked how many clubs are actually in the volunteering space?
 - Amitabh responds that unless it is obvious, it is quite difficult to tell, particularly with smaller clubs.
 - Ethan notes that it would be incredibly beneficial if SOCPAC would be able to put together a categorized list of all existing clubs and delineate them into specific groupings, such as sports, faculty, social impacts etc. for outreach and event impact reasons.

6. Next Volunteering Committee

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Voting Members: Amitabh Jeganathan, Ethan Nicholas, Daniel Roden, Jak Beard, Sapphire Carter, Maria Waters
Staff: Clare MacNish, Renee Nguyen, Jenny Ophel

1. WELCOME AND OPENING

Attendees: Jit Singh, Jenny Ophel, Clare MacNish, Amitabh Jeganathan, Ethan Nicholas, Renee Nguyen, Sapphire Carter

Apologies: Daniel Roden

Absent: Jak Beard, Maria Waters

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The UWA student Guild and Guild Volunteering recognise the Whadjuk Noongar people as the rightful and original owners of the land we are meeting on. The UWA Student Guild would like to acknowledge Indigenous leaders past present and future and extend this to all First Nations people.

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

1. Confirmation of Volunteering Committee minutes from meeting held on 23/8/2022

1. Confirmed

4. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Chair's Report

College Volunteer Fest Day @ UniHall

- As mentioned in last month's VOLCOM, this event centred around an All-of-College-Row Volunteering Day based at University Hall
- Set to be held on the October 26th 2022
- The event will include:
 - Numerous volunteering activities
 - Microvolunteering (3 x activities throughout the day)
 - Offsite Volunteering to FoodBank WA
 - Led by Guild Volunteering staff with capacity for 10 college residents
 - Range of Social Activities and events co-organised by University Hall





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- All colleges will aim to be invited to the University Hall grounds where activities will be available throughout the duration of the day, culminating in a Volunteer End-of-Day picnic.

Guild Volunteering Committee Social

- The end-of-semester Guild Volunteering Committee Social was held this week
- Included boardgames, a range of food and ended with a Quiz Night.
- Had a great committee turnout with many taking the well-deserved break from studies and work.

Project Updates

BreadRun

- Review of BreadRun distribution expansion and focus on students in need
 - All newly established distribution points (International Student Lounge, Robert Winkler Clinic, Guild Student Centre) are fully functioning and producing fantastic results (no bread wastage and usage before the next delivery).
 - EN notes positive feedback has also been received regarding the impact the supplies for bread to those who need it most have been having. Notably, international students under financial hardship (ISL) and members of the community experiencing financial difficulty (Robin Winkler).
- Future expansions, both internally and externally
 - EN notes his intention and current planning with Jolin to expand the current BreadRun program after a successful expansion in the two new sites to further sites across UWA, as well as expanding to potential external charities.
 - EN notes this included current supply site recruitment and expansion to ensure continued and sufficient donation supply. It also included reaching out to external organisations, establish where genuine needs are, and establishing means to effectively undertake off-site deliveries to locations such as Homeless shelters, Soup Kitchens etc.
 - RN suggested to begin chatting with established Food Banks around Perth and potentially make GV one of their distributors.
- AJ brought up the potential for frozen food to also be included in the delivery process, or, as a means of preservation to prevent food wastage





Staff Member Report

Volunteering Awards

- The annual Volunteer Awards served as the End-of-year volunteering award ceremony to celebrate all of the dedication, time and effort of all Guild Volunteering and UWA Community volunteers.
- The awards include all UWA students that volunteer either with Guild Volunteering directly, or, through recognised clubs or organisations.
- External individuals, members of the public, UWA staff, NFPs, and UWA students can nominate awardees
- Nominations are currently live with links on the Guild Volunteering Facebook page and Instagram
- Links are currently on Guild Volunteering's Facebook and Instagram
- Award night to be held on November 9th (Thursday) at the Water Sports Complex

Program Coordinator Recruitment

- The recruitment process of 2023 is currently live
- The process is aiming at recruiting of student leaders for all of the existing Guild Volunteering Programs, as well as Guild Volunteering Ambassadors and Chair.

PROSH Recruitment

- Recruitment for 2023's PROSH Editors and Chairs is currently underway
- CM notes that there will hopefully be more applications for Directors this year as the role is too big for one person to do alone.
- CM notes that the co-chair approach to PROSH, similar to Relay for Life, could be effective.
- The application deadline has been extended until Sunday, 2nd October
 - This may be further extended with applications are still lacking at closing.
- SC recommends Charlotte Kennedy as a potentially successful PROSH chair to reach out to.

Casual Staff Update

- Josef Czeschka has started as a temporary casual staff member of the Guild Volunteering team as of Wednesday 29th September.
- Josef will be working on Wednesdays.





New Excursion Partners

- Guide Dogs WA
 - Guide Dogs WA is the only Western Australian based provider of Guide Dog training services in the community.
- Echo Community Services
 - Registered charity providing care to the elderly and people living with disability to help them continue to live in their own home independently

Sustainable Fashion Week Recap (19th to 28th September)

- Event Recap
 - Slow Fashion Market & Panel (Sep 28nd)
 - Highlighting sustainability and a circular economy in fashion at all levels and price points.
 - Included external vendors: Good Sammies, Vinnies and Anglicare and Local sustainable designers: WRIGHT, Systems, Object House, Pure Apparel, Volim & Spiral Wetsuits
 - The event turned out to be very busy with a significant number of students engaging with the event.
 - All involved external parties were very happy with the turnout and impact that was able to be made.
 - Panel
 - Unfortunately, the panel was not as popular as other events. Students did not seem overly engaged or driven to stay and listen, nor interact with the panel.
 - Positive feedback was received from those who did engage, noting they enjoyed the insights from industry professionals on current happenings, events and area movements.
 - Microvolunteering x Relay For Life (Sep 19th)
 - Collaboration creating scrunchies out of recycled fabric to sell as fundraisers for Relay for Life 2023
 - The event was very successful with all items made being sold as they were made on the day
 - CM notes there is a possibility for tweaking this event in the future to ensure there is a greater number of sewing machines present and thus an ability to make a greater number of products to sell.





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- CM also notes there is a lot of raw material leftover that can be used for another event in the future.
- CM noted that the event also seemed to engage new members of the community from all areas of UWA.
- Fashion Repair Lab (Sep 20th)
 - Event centred around encouraging students to repair their favourite clothes & jewellery and reduce consumer-culture ‘use and throw’.
 - The event was incredibly popular with a large portion of the College community with a very successful turnout and impact result.
 - Lines arose almost immediately
 - CM notes that K Common was definitely a good choice of central location to attract foot traffic, as well as those coming from dinner.
 - UniHall has expressed interested in possibly making a regular event out of the Repair Café
 - EN notes this could be a potential long term opportunity for volunteering engagement with colleges, as well as an overall engagement of an often untouched college student community.
 - EN also notes the potential for such events to also be used as an opportunity to provide upskilling to attending UWA students through voluntary sewing workshops and more.
 - EN continues that there the potential for expansion across college row would be a beneficial initiative to look into next year. He adds that this is the same for multiple volunteering opportunities, such as the successful Microvolunteering events at UniHall.
- Dress for Success Donation Drive (Ongoing)
 - Donate your unwanted new or nearly-new professional attire to help out women working towards financial independence
 - This has had a moderately well level of success with donations gradually coming in. However, as an ongoing project, further evaluations will need to be done in order to measure success.
- Overall Reflection
 - SFW was a fantastic success and an event-week that GV would definitely run again





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- Cm does not think that it may potentially be more of an Environment Department and Guild Collaboration than it is Guild Volunteering. However, Guild Volunteering would also happily run it again, or in collaboration.
- SC adds that she was unaware the SFW was organised by Guild Volunteering.
 - SC notes that the advertising, although great, could have been clearer in advertising that Guild Volunteering were the main organisers. This would also be good as to give credit to Guild Volunteering
 - CM responds that the Guild Volunteering Logo was included in every advertisement but that the Guild Volunteer name was not overtly advertised along with it
 - CM continues that SC makes a good point and that future advertising should be made more obvious. Advertising may have gone too far on subtly.

Grand Challenges Eat Up Session

- Sustainable development week coming up
 - Run by the same key individuals and working groups as Grand Challenges
 - Focused on advocating and contributing to the UN Sustainable Development Goals
- GV to do Eat Up Session
 - Eat up is an NFP that does large volunteering sessions
 - The organisation makes thousands of sandwiches and packed lunches each week
 - Eat up then packs them in takeaway containers and freezes them. When needed, the frozen meals are then taken to low-socioeconomic schools in Perth Metro for distribution to students.
 - The Eat Up session will be a collaboration with PSA
 - The event is set to be held on October 11th (Tuesday)

Media and Communications

- Overall social media on all accounts have done reasonably well this month with the main KPIs and targets being met.
- A photoshoot has taken place with newly arrived shirts and merchandise.





Program Updates and Feedback

- Intergen
 - Regis partnership update
 - The program and partnership has been running well
 - However, CM note that GV does not want to partner with Regis in the future. CM adds that they are too difficult to organise and collaborate with, as well as want overly structured attendences and confirmation of attendance prior to event.
 - CM notes this is too much of a task and that students do not operate in this manner, particularly in voluntary roles.
 - Furthermore, CM notes compulsory induction sessions make it difficult for students to immediately participate
 - CM notes she prefers to go somewhere that is more casual and lenient
 - May be other age care facilities that are more in need
 - POTntially look at different partner urther away that is more in need
 - SC asks whether or not companionship si still more importsnt, despite the challenges. However, she also acknowledges Regis does have significant funding and thus activities provided may already be highly stimulating. She also adds that such activities are often not run in less well-off aged care homes, referring to CM's point of swapping to a partner in more need.
 - EN notes that he believes it is important for GV to focus its fantastic efforts to causes and organisations that need us most. As such, although GV's partnership with Regis does have benefit, a potential partnership shift could produce greater benefit to the community and more meaningful volunteering to the UWA students.
 - JO adds that she believes the GV team should go with their gut; if the feeling, interactions and volunteers aren't positive and achieving set out goals then it is worthwhile looking for better oportuntieis elsewhere.
- Guild Gardens
 - The first Guild Gardnes sessions is happening on the 30th of September.
 - CM notes that great interest has been present, with previous events booking out.





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- WellBeans
 - EMAS event
 - The entirety of the EMAS event went very well.
 - WellBeans coordinators Sarah and Emily note that the EMAS committee was very well organised and included WellBeans in pre-event briefing sessions.
 - Future events that have been booked in
 - Guild Ball, Relay For Life and WAMSS
- Social Media for Good
 - First Face-to-Face lab has been held with a great turnout.
 - Ultimately, SMG can be continued with a greater portion of in-person training workshops and sessions as opposed to previously complete online settings during COVID.
 - EN suggests that moving forward, as is already in place, a blended format approach is taken. Whereby, in-person workshops are preferred and run, however, an online option is still available to join those workshops either for international students will unable to make it to campus (hopefully becomes a rarity), or for those unable to make a particularly session due to extraneous circumstances.

Discussion/Feedback

- Relay for Life
 - Guild team will be present throughout the event.
 - GV will help in the initial setting up and logistic set-up
 - AJ will present and thank all at Relay For Life

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