

111th Guild Council Wednesday, 25th, September 2024 GCR @ 6pm

1. WELCOME AND OPENING

- 1.1 Attendance
- 1.2 Apologies
- 1.3 Proxies
- 1.4 Absent

2. DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

- 3.1 August Guild Council Minutes
- 3.2 Committee Minutes
 - 3.2.1 Equity and Diversity Committee
 - 3.2.2. Governance committee
 - 3.2.3 Student Services Committee
 - 3.2.4. Election Culture Committee

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

5. BUSINESS COMPLETED VIA CIRCULAR

6. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

- 6.1. Managing Director
- 6.2 Finance Director
- 6.3 Commercial
- 6.4 Student Services
- 6.5 Venture Student Innovation Centre

7. QUESTIONS TIME - Directors' Reports

8 STUDENT REPORTS

- 8.1 Guild President
- 8.2 Guild Vice-President
- 8.3 Guild General Secretary
- 8.4 Chair of Guild Council
- 8.5 Education Council President
- 8.6 Societies Council President
- 8.7 Public Affairs Council President
- 8.8 Women's Officer
- 8.9 Wellbeing Officer
- 8.10 Postgraduates Students' Association President
- 8.11 International Students' Department President
- 8.12 Residential Students' Department President
- 8.13 Environment Officer
- 8.14 Sports Officer
- 8.15 Access Department

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- 8.16 Pride Officers
- 8.17 Ethnocultural Officers
- 8.18 Volunteering Chair
- 8.19 OGCs

9. QUESTIONS TIME - Student Reports

10. BUSINESS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

10.1 The 111th Guild Council congratulates Nikhita Talluri on her election as the 112th Guild President.

Moved by: India Creed

Seconded by: James Hodgman

This motion passed.

10.2 The 111th Guild Council accepts the business proposal to use Wiise as our new Accounting Software provider, on recommendation of SRC.

Moved by: India Creed Seconded by: Nikhi Talluri

This motion passed.

11. ELECTIONS

12. MOTIONS ON NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

12.1 The 111th Guild Council accepts and adopts the Surveillance Device Policy as approved by the Governance, Societies Council, and Tenancy Committees.

Moved by: India Creed

Seconded by: Paige Brandwood

This motion passed.

13.0 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE (OPERATIONS)

14.0 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

14.1 The 111th Guild Council:

14.1.1Expresses solidarity with the Sikh community following the desecration of the Gutka Sahib at Canningvale Gurudwara Sahib (Sikh Temple) in Perth, recognising the profound spiritual significance of the sacred scriptures, 14.1.2 Recognises that this act offends the core values of respect, religious freedom, and mutual understanding that our society cherishes,

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- 14.1.3 Stands united with the Sikh Community across Australia and globally, condemning all forms of desecration and attacks on religious sites, regardless of faith,
- 14.1.4 Recognises that this incident, while distressing, has been met with an outpouring of support from diverse religious communities, including those of the Muslim faith, demonstrating the power of unity against hate,
- 14.1.5 Acknowledges the mental, emotional, and spiritual toll this incident has taken, particularly on the Sikh Community at UWA, and encourages them to access the support services provided by UWA and the UWA Student Guild for their wellbeing,
- 14.1.6 Directs the Ethnocultural Students' Department and the UWA Sikh Society to publish a statement expressing the following:
- A) Solidarity with the Sikh identifying students at UWA SEP
- B)Strongly condemning all forms of religious intolerance and attacks on sacred texts and spaces.
- C)Reiterating our commitment to ensuring that UWA campus remains an open and accepting environment for people from all religious backgrounds
- D)Encouraging education and dialogue among students ensuring that values of interfaith tolerance are embedded in our collective consciousness.

Moved: Mehardeep Kaur Seconded: Rama Sugiartha

This motion passed.

15.0 MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE (REPRESENTATION)

- 15.1 The UWA Student Guild:
- 15.1.1 Condemns the military assaults in Lebanon which have resulted in 500+ deaths and caused tens of thousands of people to flee their homes.
- 15.1.2. Recognises the unfolding humanitarian crisis and destabilising conditions in the Middle East region.
- 15.1.3. Expresses solidarity with the victims of assaults.
- 15.1. 4. Calls on the Australian Government to condemn the Israeli government and call for an immediate ceasefire.
- 15.1. 5. Reaffirms its stance against all expressions of Islamophobia, antisemitism and antichristian racism, and all forms of hatred.
- 15.1. 6. Recognises the distress the situation places on students and encourages students to seek support from Students Assist and their community networks.
- 15.1. 7. Requests the International Students Department, Ethnocultural Department and Public Affairs Council to publish a public statement in solidarity with the victim and condemning the attacks.

Proposed by: Rama Sugiartha Seconded by: Selina Al Ansari



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This motion passed.

15.2. The 111th Guild Council:

- 15.2.1. Notes the Cook Governments delay of promised legislation, that once introduced will ban LGBTQIA+ conversion therapy. The Council also notes that this has been delayed until after the next election.
- 15.2.2. Recognises the harm already caused by conversion therapy to the LGBTQIA+ community.
- 15.2.3. Acknowledges that conversion therapy is already illegal in the following states and territories; Queensland, Victoria. New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory.
- 15.2.4. Recognises the impact the legislative delay will have on the lives of LGBTQIA+ Western Australians.
- 15.2.5. Recognises the harm reported by survivors, in addition to the findings from a parliamentary inquest. Some of this harm resulting from the Esther Foundation facility in Kalamunda include;
- a. Sexual assault
- b. Psychological assault
- c. Use of illegal restraints without consent
- d. Withholding of medication
- 6. Condemns the Cook Government for allowing such practices to continue.
- 7. Directs the UWA Student Guild Pride Department to issue a social media post, offering support to the community and sharing resources provided by the university.

Proposed by: Alexia Wood Seconded by: Lorenzo lannuzzi

This motion passed.

16.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

17. CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **30**th **October 2024 at 6.00pm**. Please contact the Guild General Secretary (secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au) with apologies or proxies. If unable to attend, please advise which dates you are available to reschedule if a quorum cannot be met.