

Student Guild of Curtin University

Representation Board - Meeting #11

To be held at 5:30pm on Thursday the 19th of October 2023 In Council Chambers 100.301

AGENDA

1. Acknowledgement of the Traditional Owners

"The Curtin Student Guild would like to pay our respect to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander members of our community by acknowledging the traditional owners of the land on which the Bentley Campus is located, the Wadjuk people of the Nyungar Nation; and on our Kalgoorlie Campus, the Wongutha people of the North-Eastern Goldfields. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this university, city and this region."

- 2. Attendance
 - 2.1. Members Present;
 - 2.2. Others Present;
 - 2.3. Apologies and Leave of Absence;
 - 2.4. Absent;
- 3. Disclosure of any potential or perceived Conflicts of Interest
- 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Circular Resolution:
- 4.1. Previous Meeting Minutes:

Motion: That the Representation Board approves the minutes of the previous meeting, held on 17/08/2023, as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

Moved:

Seconded:

4.2 Resolved Circular Resolution CR #2/23

Motion: That the Curtin Student Guild endorse the protest called by United Against Bigotry and Racism against Jacinta Price on Monday October 2, 6pm.

Moved: Danica Scott (Ordinary Representation Board Member)

Seconded: Mitchell Craig (PSC President)

Motion Carried

Overturned by Guild Council CR#3/23

- 5. Matters Arising from the Minutes
- 6. Items Not for Discussion
- 7. Reports
- 7.1. President Submitted
- 7.2. Vice President Education Submitted
- 7.3. Faculty of Business and Law Representative* Verbal report
- 7.4. Faculty of Science and Engineering Representative Submitted
- 7.5. Faculty of Health Sciences Representative Not Submitted
- 7.6. Faculty of Humanities Representative Submitted
- 7.7. Student Assist Submitted
- 7.8. International Students Committee President Not Submitted
- 7.9. Postgraduate Students Committee President Submitted
- 7.10. Queer Officer Submitted
- 7.11. Women's Officer Submitted
- 7.12. Accessibility Officer Submitted
- 7.13. Higher Education Developments Submitted
- 7.14. Chair of the Representation Board Verbal report
- *FBL Representative has been on leave

Motion: That the Representation Board notes the reports.

Moved:

Seconded:

- 8. Items for Discussion and Resolution
- 8.1 Curtin Student Guild Stands in Solidarity with Palestine

Motion: That the Representation Board approve the following policy on Israel-Palestine matters:

The Curtin Student Guild:

- stands against the Israeli occupation of Palestine and condemns the ongoing ethniccleansing of Palestinians
- supports the self-determination of the Palestinian people and their right to engage in self-defence against their occupiers
- deems the use of Zionism to justify the illegal occupation of Palestine as racist and colonial
- recognises that Israel is an apartheid state in accordance with prominent human rights organizations like Amnesty International, B'Tselem, and Humans Rights Watch.
- opposes the adoption of polices that prohibit criticism of Israel by Curtin University, including aspects of the IHRA definition of antisemitism
- condemns any and all forms of antisemitism and notes that the actions of the Israeli Government have been used to fuel anti-Jewish hatred.
- notes that Israel's actions are not representative of the Jewish community. Similarly, Israel's crimes are its responsibility alone and not that of Jewish peopleworldwide.

The Representation Board recommends to the Guild Council that it adopt the following resolution:

The Guild Council approves a boycott on companies that support and profit from the Israeli apartheid in line with the global BDS guidelines and create a register for all staff and Officers that lists 'boycotted companies'. The register's maintenance is to be delegated to the President.

The Representation Board will enact the associated actions in full.

Moved: Dylan Botica (President)

Seconded: Jude Soussan (Humanities Representative)

8.2 Curtin Student Partnership Agreement 2024

Motion: That the Representation Board recommend that the Guild Council Approves the 2024 Curtin Student Partnership Agreement and the renewal of the Agreement.

Moved: Veronika Gobba (Vice President- Education)

Seconded:

8.3 Representation Board Constitution Amendments

Motion: That the Representation Board review the amendments to the Representation Board constitution

Moved: Dylan Botica (President)

Seconded:

8.4 Demand Curtin make its military ties public information

Motion: That the Curtin Student Guild demands that Curtin University make public and easily accessible information regarding the extent of the University's ties to Defence and weapons companies, including but not limited to a list of all companies the University has partnerships with and the amount of funding the University receives from these companies and the Australian Government for the purposes of defence research.

Moved: Danica Scott (Ordinary Representation Board Member)

Seconded:

8.5 Put the Protest back in Pride!

Motion: That the Curtin student Guild endorse and actively promote the protest called by Rainbow Rebellion WA and the UWA Student Guild Pride Department on November 25, 6 pm Forrest Chase against the rise of the far right and corporatisation of Pride.

Moved: Danica Scott (Ordinary Representation Board Member)

Seconded:

- 9. General Business
- 10. Meeting evaluation

Action: For Dylan Botica to provide the meeting evaluation

10. Next Meeting

The next ordinary meeting of the Representation Board is Thursday, the 16^{th} of November at 5:30pm to be held at Council Chambers. Documents and motions are to be submitted no later than 5pm on Thursday the 9^{th} of November to chair.representation@guild.curtin.edu.au and secretary@guild.curtin.edu.au