



Student Guild of Curtin University

Representation Board - Meeting #10

17 August 2023

In Council Chambers 100.301
Meeting opened 5.30pm

Minutes

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; Hannah Northey, Dylan Botica, Veronika Gobba, Ryan Kirby, Max Zhang, Jude Soussan, Imari Morris, Hiba Alsoeedy (online), Bhaarath Kathiravan (online), James Cabrera, Rey Nairn (online), Veer Singh (online), Mitchell Craig 5.34pm
- 2.2. Others Present; Jasmyne Tweed, Athina Hilman (online), Jo-Ann Naidu (online), Maryanne Shaddick, Jobim Areias da Mata, Ellen Schaper
- 2.3. Apologies and Leave of Absence; Danica Scott
- 2.4. Absent; Aleena Shaji, Elicia Lelliot

3. Disclosure of any potential or perceived Conflicts of Interest. None

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 20/07/2023, as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

Moved: Rey Nairn
Seconded: Imari Morris
Carried

4.2 Resolved Circular Resolution

CR #1/23

Motion: That the Representation Board endorse the #IDeserveSafety Campaign driven by End Rape on Campus Australia and Fair Agenda and that the Curtin Student Guild supports the call for the establishment of a national independent mechanism that holds universities accountable for failures relating to sexual violence.

Moved: Aleena Shaji (Women's Officer)
Seconded: Dylan Botica (President)

Motion Carried

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes. None

6. Items Not for Discussion.none

7. Reports

- 7.1. President – Submitted. Dylan Botica updated the committee about the university response to Guild's parking campaign. Dylan said that the Chief Operating Officer, Fiona Notley, believed parking was fit for purpose. It was noted that the University would send data about forgiven fines to the Guild. The university agreed in principle to running the fines for food alternative year-round. Donations would go to the Curtin Pantry. Another option would be for students to do Curtin volunteering. It was noted that an extra warning notice had been implemented. The COO would assist Guild with funding for barbecues in semester 2. The President noted that he and the Vice Chancellor Harlene Hayne had discussed counselling wait times. Discussed well-being and early intervention. It was noted that the VC was open to Guild taking on Curtin Volunteering. The President noted that the Guild website required updating with respect to Guild wins. It was noted that the draft portal was not always available especially if students have had extension.
- 7.2. Vice President – Education – Submitted. As tabled. Veronika Gobba discussed the submission for the national rental crisis enquiry. The VPE thanked representatives for their attendance at the fire up meetings.
- 7.3. Faculty of Business and Law Representative - Submitted. As a tabled. No questions.
- 7.4. Faculty of Science and Engineering Representative – Submitted. As tabled. No questions
- 7.5. Faculty of Health Sciences Representative – Submitted. As tabled. There was an update about the ongoing issues in the school of Oral Health. It was noted that the school not open to hear from the Guild. It was noted that Jo-Ann Naidu, Manager Student Assist, was doing a lot to assist. Mitch Craig said he met with Curtin Faculty Executive and was told that they were increasing staff resourcing. Jo-Ann Naidu said that students had highlighted concerns about the quality of teaching and learning.
- 7.6. Faculty of Humanities Representative – Submitted. Noted the event on Monday 21 August was from 12-2pm.
- 7.7. Student Assist – Submitted. As tabled. No questions.
- 7.8. International Students Committee President – Submitted. As tabled. No questions. There was a query about ISC meetings.
- 7.9. Postgraduate Students Committee President – Submitted. It was noted that there was a new DVC Research Lindy Fitzgerald. There were a few changes of staff. Students as Partners meeting outcomes were noted.
- 7.10. Queer Officer – Submitted. The work of the Deadnaming Working Group was highlighted. It was noted that the university was hiring business analysts to look at roadmap issues. There was demand for training from Curtin staff. Dylan Botica noted the work and progress of Imari Morris. There was discussion about Pride and the fact it would be more focussed on our community. There would be an 11 October event.
- 7.11. Women's Officer – Submitted.
- 7.12. Accessibility Officer – Submitted. Rey Nairn noted that the accessibility audit would be available at the next meeting of Universal Design Working Group. It was noted that inherent requirements information was not always available.
- 7.13. Higher Education Developments – Submitted. As tabled. No questions.
- 7.14. Chair of the Representation Board* - Verbal report. Hannah Northey noted that she assisted at numerous events, attended university meetings and assisted with a Quick Assist video.

Motion: That the Representation Board notes the reports.

Moved: Rey Nairn

Seconded: Ryan Kirby

Carried

8. General Business

Mitchell Craig asked about the interim accord submission and where the Guild would be positioned for final submission. Representation Board members were encouraged to send feedback via email to Dylan Botica and/or Veronika Gobba. There was discussion about issues including hybrid learning, student guild representation on university governing bodies, improved rights and powers for

representation, minimum SSAF, the shift toward teaching skills not knowledge, support for students on placements, rural education, increasing equity participation, improved student experience and funding certainty concerns. It was noted that the Accord was our mechanism for change.

Jasmyne Tweed spoke about the future of the parking campaign and the opportunity for action when the Cellopark contract was renegotiated. Imari Morris asked about faculty programs dealing with inclusion programs. There was discussion about a university wide mapping project.

9. Meeting evaluation

Action: James Cabrera provided the meeting evaluation noting that updates were informative, ISC minutes were needed and that the tone of the meeting was respectful.

Closed 6.34pm.

10. Next Meeting

The next ordinary meeting of the Representation Board is Thursday, the 14th of September at 5:30pm to be held at Council Chambers. Documents and motions are to be submitted no later than 5pm on Thursday the 7th of September to chair.representation@guild.curtin.edu.au and secretary@guild.curtin.edu.au

