



Guild President 2023 June Report

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President's Guild Council Report

Covering Dates: 23/05/2023 – 20/06/2023

Submitted to: June Guild Council

Leave: Nil

1. University / External Meetings

Date	Meeting	Comments
24/05/2023	Acknowledgement Writing Workshop	Organised in collaboration with Cultural Capabilities.
24/05/2023	Evaluate Committee	Voting on software
26/05/2023	Student Partnership Agreement Discussion	With Paulene and Alan from DVCA Portfolio
26/05/2023	Academic Board	
29/05/2023	Digital Literacies and Visualisation	Meeting with Humanities PVC and staff on new initiative and SSAF funding
01/06/2023	Student Experience Hub Meeting	
02/06/2023	Walk for Reconilliation	
07/06/2023	Meeting University Sector Review Panel	
07/06/2023	Yes23 Meeting	
09/06/2023	NUS Welfare Officer Meeting	Grace from the NUS came to Perth!
12/06/2023	Gender Equity and Inclusion Advisory Group	
13/06/2023	DVCA Monthly Meeting	
13/06/2023	Student Experience Program Steering Committee	

14/06/2023	Make Renting Fair Catch Up	
15/06/2023	Library Catch Up	Library hours are extending in Semester breaks to accom for Trimester students. 24 hour swipe access resuming sem 2.
16/06/2023	Make Renting Fair Digital Catch Up	
19/06/2023	DVCG Monthly Catch Up	

2 Guild Meetings

Date	Meeting	Comments
25/05/2023	Executive Committee	
25/05/2023	Legal Committee	
25/05/2023	Higher Education	
25/05/2023	Guild Council	
26/05/2023	End of Sem Bash – Rave Cave	Congratulations to the staff and VP-A for a successful event
29/05/2023	President x Student Engagement	
29/05/2023	President x MD	
29/05/2023	FBL Rep Catch Up	
30/05/2023	Operations Committee	
01/06/2023	Higher Education	
02/06/2023	OO Catch Up	
05/06/2023	President x MD	
05/06/2023	President x Student Engagement	
07/06/2023	Health and Safety Constitution	
08/06/2023	Clubs Governance Discussion	
08/06/2023	Executive Committee	

08/06/2023	Higher Education	
12/06/2023	President x MD	
12/06/2023	President x Student Engagement	
13/06/2023	Commercial Strategy	
13/06/2023	Remuneration Tribunal	
15/06/2023	Legal Committee	
15/06/2023	Executive Committee	
15/06/2023	Higher Education	
15/06/2023	Representation Board	
19/06/2023	President x MD	
19/06/2023	Voice Campaign Brainstorming	

3. Items of Significance

3.1. WA Government Universities Review

The Guild's submission to the WA Universities Review Discussion Paper has now been submitted.

The meeting with the Universities review panel was effective insofar as putting forward the Curtin Student Guild's perspective on the sector. The student experience was focused on as well as the importance of student choice.

We await their report.

3.2. Liquor License Objection

The Application is now with the Director for a decision. The Guild as an objector and the Applicant (IGA Group) have now made four submissions each.

Our submissions focus on these key points.

- **Inadequate Safety Consideration & Locale Definition:** We argue that the applicant's safety measures and definition of the locality are insufficient. The proposed liquor store might lead to harm for the susceptible group of people under 25 years old living nearby.

- Need and Accessibility of Existing Stores: The applicant's evidence doesn't convincingly demonstrate a need for an additional liquor store, given the existing options and their convenient accessibility.
- Questionable Arguments and Relevance: The applicant's arguments about extended opening hours, one-stop shopping, and alignment with state strategy are seen as immaterial or irrelevant in the context of a liquor license application.
- Misinterpretation and Misquotation: We highlight inconsistencies and misquotations in the applicant's submission, undermining their credibility. Accusations against us for policy breach and stifling competition are firmly refuted.

3.3 Tenancy Reform

I am committed to improving student life and is actively voicing concerns for tenancy reform to protect student renters. We recently addressed a letter to the Minister for Housing, expressing our support for the "Make Renting Fair WA" campaign and its goal of secure, affordable housing including protecting student residents under the residential tenancy act. The alliance's focus remains on eliminating no-grounds evictions and advocating for fair rental practices, protecting students, lodgers boarders and to push for crucial tenancy reforms.

We have been invited to join the alliance which I have accepted.

3.4 Parking Campaign

The Parking Campaign at Curtin University is gaining momentum with a petition featuring nearly 8,000 signatures. This petition, accompanied by personal stories, has been delivered directly to the university's senior executives to underscore the necessity for fixing the problematic parking system.

Throughout the campaign, the team has taken several actions:

- Public events and demonstrations were held to gather opinions about parking issues.
- On-vehicle advertising was executed across the campus.
- A petition was launched and key demands were promoted.
- The team presented their views directly to University executives.

Noteworthy accomplishments of the campaign include:

- A freeze on parking fee increases in recent years.
- Implementation of a permit system, aimed at student housing residents at Twin Dolphin and St Cats.
- Better enforcement of warnings instead of fines.
- More options for donations in place of fines.
- A decrease in cases referred for debt collection.
- The petition is now waiting for a response from the University's administration. The decision to address the issues in the current parking system lies with the University management.

The campaign has leveraged multiple social media platforms for sharing updates and engaging the community.

4.5 Other Matters

- Engaged in significant meetings with key figures, such as the VC, Management, and Academic Board. These meetings were focused on the alignment of the University's activities with the Guild's broader objectives.
- Continued to manage the coordination of multiple events, such as the National Reconciliation Week activities.
- Regulations are progressing, see the associated item for discussion.
- A competition to rename the newly to be launched student evaluation system is being sent out to students!
- The Executive Committee are reviewing the Guild's commercial strategy in coordination with the MD and Student Engagement Manager. More information will be shared with Guild Council once final drafted.
- I intend on setting an ongoing membership strategy once current work reduces down.

4 Travel

Nil

Vice President – Education

Guild Council – 19/05/2023 – 15/06/2023

Veronika Gobba – She/Her

Meetings

Date	Meetings	Comments
19/5/23	Academic Board Executive	Attended on behalf of the Guild President
	VPE x QO Check-in	
23/5/23	VPE x FBL Rep Check-in	
	Students as Partners Community of Practice	
24/5/23	DVCA student focus group	Key issues brought up were 1) lack of/expensive housing and 2) not enough academic staff to teach and that staff are overloaded.
	VPE x AO Check-in	
25/5/23	AI meeting with Curtin Student Conduct Coordinator and student discipline panellists	The general consensus was that an AI score on a discipline case is not enough to determine misconduct- there must be other factors that give an indication.
	Exec Committee	
	Legal Committee	
	Guild Council	
26/5/23	Meeting with SaP staff and Guild President	SPA discussion
	Academic Board	
29/5/23	VPE x PSC President Check-in	
30/5/23 – 1/6/23		On leave due to illness.
2/6/23	VPE x QO x President Check-in	
	Walk for Reconciliation at Kaarta Koomba	
6/6/23	VPE x FBL Rep Check-in	

7/6/23	Associate Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Learning Innovation & Transformation interview panel	
8/6/23	Exec Committee	
	Higher Ed	
9/6/23	VPE x QO Check-in	
	Guild Exec meeting with NUS Welfare Officer	Key topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National SSAF campaign and the issues with SSAF allocation in WA - Lower the Age of Independence campaign - Low-sensory spaces at universities - Student housing issues
	VPE x First Nations Officer Check-in	
12/6/23	VPE x PSC President Check-in	
	University LSEC	Delivered a presentation about the services the Guild provides and how we have improved the student experience- As well as some figures from our annual report and some issues we have identified.
13/6/23	Guild Exec & MD Meeting	
15/6/23	Legal Committee	Attended as minute secretary
	Guild Exec Committee	
	SAP Check-in	
	Higher Ed	

Projects

1. Student Partnership Agreement

We are working with the Students as Partners - Community of Practice to develop some shared principles which could go into a draft agreement. There have been

discussions of the possibility of proposing a contractual agreement rather than a memorandum of understanding.

2. Oral Health Student Complaints & Town Hall

Due to issues with changes in the curriculum of the Oral Health course, we will be organising a town hall and anonymous feedback form for Oral Health students to comprehensively give us feedback for us to analyse, collate and bring to the university to address such issues.

3. NUS Education Conference Workshop

I am working with the Murdoch Guild President to create a workshop presentation about the WA Universities review to be delivered at the NUS Education conference in a few weeks.

VICE PRESIDENT OF ACTIVITIES REPORT

Athina Hilman

22/05	Meeting with Claire from Library	Checked Makerspace for a potential Guild rep event and also to see bookable rooms on level 4 for clubs. Also toured level 7 for function spaces
23/05	Stress Less Meeting with Student Engagement	Discussed future stress less events and how we were promoting it
24/05	International Student Community Event	Organised 5 clubs to be part of the International Student Community Event put on by Curtin Connect team. Got a good turnout
24/05	Migration Session	Held the semester's second Migration Session event and had 47 attendees
25/05	End of Semester Bash	The event went well, had just under 700 people at it's peak. Issues with busses leaving the premises but have flagged this with Tanya
29/05	Stress Less Food Drops	Did a food drop of snacks and goodies to the south end of campus (engineering, design, education)
30/05	Stress Less Brinner #1	Held Brinner (breakfast dinner of pancakes) outside the library. Served over 200 servings of pancakes to students.
31/05	Stress Less Guild Kart	Went around the library and offered hot coffee/tea/milo from a cart.
31/05	Stress Less Relax and Reset	First time event held in Makerspace. There was infused water, snacks, face masks and henna tattoos for 3 hours. Had a good turnout and had to actually turn people away
1/06	Stress Less Brinner #2	Did a second brinner. Again, had a good turnout, some students missed out and were displeased but served more than 200 servings

2/06	FBL X ISC Mental Health Initiative	ISC is organising a mental health workshop for international students and wanted to collab with FBL engagement team to see if there could be a collaboration
6/06	Talent for Tomorrow Meeting	Finalised the offerings for Talent for Tomorrow (Curtin's talent show). We will be manning the sausage sizzle stall, serving 650 sausages
6/06	Exam Food Drop #1	Dispersed free food to students who are studying in the library
8/06	Above and Beyond Working Group Meeting	Spoke about Guild events in the past month, contributed to discussions on what type of events the university should hold. I mentioned mature age event with free babysitting, music festival and lollipop fundraising drive
9/06	Clubs Governance Meeting	Discussed structure of clubs on campus, ways to incentivise clubs to complete paperwork
12/06	Meeting with Curtin Alumni and Advancement team	Met to discuss how Alumni can be utilised to help Curtin club events. Discussed sponsorship of clubs for Alumni
13/06	Guild Commercial Strategy meeting	Discussed ways to improve commercial operations and offerings on campus
13/06	Exam Food Drop #2	Dispersed free food to students who are studying in the library
14/06	Meeting with Curtin Stadium Events	Meeting to discuss collaboration of events between Guild and Stadium
15/06	Meeting for Sem 2 Events with Student Engagement	Discussed semester 2 events in detail and what was being done for promotions

Past Events

International Student Community Event: We had booths for Curtin Palestine, Curtin Japanese, Curtin AMS and Curtin PPIA alongside ISC. Good turnout.

Migration Event – Good turnout. 47 attendees. The previous one had a lot more, so for second semester I have changed the dates to get more attendance.

End of Semester Bash “Rave Cave” – Good turnout with 700 at its peak. Marketing for the event was really good, buses were a great offering.

Stress Less: We offered a whole week of activities and giveaways, it was well received by students

Exam food drops: Kirribilli catered the food drops consisting of hot food, fruits and baked goods. Students were extremely appreciative

Upcoming Events: (July)

Digital Storytelling Challenge x Adobe: Adobe is coming to Perth to present a workshop for Curtin Clubs. They will assist clubs with planning, shooting and editing a mini promotional video for the Club’s own marketing purposes.

OWeek : The guild is a partner for O-week, where we will be turning the Guild courtyard into a “mythical forest”. Guild will host a survival guide session as well as friends speed dating. ISC will be running a BBQ on the last day of O-week for the International Student Showcase

Oday: Oday is happening first week of semester on the Wednesdays. Reps will be attending on the day with their own stalls.

Start of Semester Party “Y2K Fever” : We are holding a start of semester party, which we haven’t done for a while. Last year we held Toga second semester due to restrictions and we had 350 in attendance. We are hoping to meet that amount but hopeful we will attract closer to what we got for Rave Cave

Bigger University Event :

Talent for Tomorrow : Last minute touches. Finalising entrants and organising the delivery of the event. Landed the food deal which will give \$2600 straight into Guild.

Notes :

Semester 2 is shaping to be a fun, jam packed eventful semester!

Photos



Secretary Guild Council Report

Jasmyne Tweed

25th of May – 15th of June

1. Meeting Log

Date	Meeting
22/05/23	Policy overview with David and Nika
24/05/23	Acknowledgment of Country Workshop
25/05/23	Executive Committee
	Legal Committee
	Higher Education
	Guild Council
30/05/23	Reps Finance Check in
	Operations Committee
31/05/23	Parking petition delivery
01/06/23	Higher Education
02/06/23	Walk for Reconciliation
07/06/23	Health and Safety Committee Discussion
08/06/23	Clubs Governance Discussion
	Executive Committee
	Higher Education
12/06/23	Filming
15/06/23	Legal Committee
	Executive Committee
	Higher Education
	Representation Board

2. Key Areas

2.1. Colombo Student Guild

The draft of the memorandum of understanding has been completed and discussed by the Executive committee. The MOU covers the key areas the Guild will be providing resources and the expectations that will be placed on the Curtin Colombo Guild. I have been in contact with the people who originally spoke to the Guild about the possibility of have a Guild Branch in Sri Lanka and am waiting for their response.

2.2. Guild By-Laws

The Guild By-Laws 2023 are 99% completed. The only area that needs further amendments is the size of the Postgraduate Student Committee and the International Student Committee. The current size of the committees is too large and makes it difficult to have high quality, engage committees. Once the size of the committees are finalised, the amendments will be published on the Guild website for member feedback. The Guild By-Laws will then be brought to the July Guild Council for approval.

2.3. Club Governance

There has been some issues with the governance of some problematic clubs that are not acting in the best interest of Curtin Students. These issues have been occurring for several years and are currently being addressed. The key concerns are with clubs who have a joint committee and finances with UWA clubs and clubs who are not registered.

2.4. Acknowledgment of Country

Following the Acknowledgement of Country workshop that myself and other reps attended, the Guild will be updating the acknowledgments of country that are included in agenda and meetings.

2.5. Constitutions

With the changes to the Guilds regulations the Guilds Committee constitutions need to be updated. I have been working on updating them and in particular, making amendments to the Representation Board constitution that would allow for students to submit questions to the Representation Board and have time reserved for discussion.

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GUILD COUNCIL – 22/06/23

SAFETY REPORT

Submitted: David Luketina (Managing director)
Moved: Jasmyne Tweed (Secretary)
Seconded:

Preamble:

The Guild to discuss and note the Safety Report and determine any actions arising.

Motion:

That the Guild Council notes the Safety Report.

Safety Performance:

- Safety inspections conducted on time (as % of planned inspections): 100% for May
- Workers compensation claims (as hours of paid compensation over the past 12 months): 0 Hours

Incidents and Hazards to note

Items of concern to follow up on as a result of the Workplace Inspections:

- B105 (Library Café) had numerous items identified that were not Guild related or issues relevant to the recent refurbishments, these will be raised with the appropriate manager in the University and/or contractor.
- B105 requires wet floor signs and installation of a second jugs washer in a more convenient location (to reduce twisting/turning).
- B106C (Tavern) photo wall fence panel requires securing so it does not create a fall hazard
- B106C rear gate from the public to the loading dock has a damaged latch, therefore when self-closing cannot be secured in a closed position.
- B106C temporary marquee structure attached in places to the glass fence support posts – this may not be sufficient for the wind loads that a canopy can generate. Will investigate if concrete (with attachment points) needs to be cast into the ground between the posts.
- B106G GMart - review cabling requirements and install more circuits/GPOs so that the number of extension leads can be reduced.
- B106G GMart storeroom - replace double sized crates with singles to reduce the weight lifted.
- B106G The Lab - a potential leak from the display fridge to be investigated and anti-fatigue mats corners raising producing a trip hazard.
- B204 (Basement) and B210 (Mallokup) require a tray for in use chemicals to easily, neatly and safely access
- B204 rear shelves are not fixed to the wall

- B210 has a power point that requires to be replaced with a water-resistant rated power point socket

Guild injuries, near misses or hazards reported: Nil

General Safety Update for the Month:

Building 106 Evacuation

- Triggered evacuation for B106 at approximately 8.45am 09/06/2023, full evacuation required.
- Alarm triggered in B106E (the HDR building), fortunately it was a faulty sensor.
- Safer Communities Office did not get a notification and only were aware when the Fire Services called for entry to the campus. This meant there was a slower response time from Safer Communities, roughly 5 minutes slower. The guard that attended was also not aware on where to go and where the fire panel was for B106. This has been raised with the Safer Communities Team for investigation
- Some office bearers were under the impression it was a drill and did not respond to the situation. All Staff and Office Bearers have been advised that the building must be evacuated immediately whenever there is an alarm. It doesn't matter whether you think it is a drill or otherwise.
- GMart staff were not able to locate warden vest - warden vest to be hooked behind store room door for ease of process.
- Due to the time of the evacuation and day in the week, the number of wardens available was limited and individuals were opted in to assist.
- Noting that there was an evacuation around 5am on the same day also caused by the same