

MINUTES

Meeting opened at 1734

1. Acknowledgement of the Traditional Owners

The Curtin Student Guild pays 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; Dylan Storer, Noor Fella, Hadiyah Naeemi, Tahni Rowe, Morgan Mills, Max Zhang, Finn Gardoll, Joanna Kuo, Vivi Choi, Bridget Clifton, Emily Lassam, David Phillips, Ebony Whitney, Suhaila Jaffna, Isobel Cubong
- 2.2. Others Present;
- 2.3. Apologies and Leave of Absence; Hamide Kocer
- 2.4. Absent;

3. Disclosure of any potential or perceived Conflicts of Interest

Nil

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Circular Resolutions

- 4.1. Previous Meeting Minutes

Correction to add Suhaila to the members present list

Motion: That the Guild Council approves the minutes of the previous meetings held on 26/02/2026 as a true and accurate record of proceedings at those meetings.

Moved: Noor Fella (Secretary)

Seconded: Tahni Rowe (VP – Activities)

Carried

5. Reports and KPIs

5.1. President – Submitted

Dylan gives an update to council on the industrial dispute between the NTEU and Curtin University. The NTEU have voted to approve strike action for up to 24 hours at a time up to once per week. The first full day strike will be this coming Monday. We will look at how to communicate information about this to students. Dylan gives an overview of who can go on strike and how it affects their pay. The Guild's official stance is that we support the NTEU. Dylan will follow up with the union to ensure the Guild gets advance notice so that communication with students can be more effective.

Food for fines will kick off next week, we will get 50% of food donations for the Guild's food pantry. Food for fines is being expanded to 4 times per year. Curtinlink appears to be being utilized well, CABS busses had 100 people using per week, Curtinlink has over 200 people using it per day. If it continues to be successful the Guild will need to advocate for its expansion.

As an update to the housing campaign the Guild met as a coalition with Make Renting Fair WA, Dylan attended this meeting with Science and Engineering Representative Connie. A number of social services organisations and unions were present, the discussion was about the priorities going forwards. Make renting fair will be consulting with stakeholders including the Guild. We hope that this will be the groundwork for the inclusion of students in the Residential Tenancy Act protections including boarders and lodgers outside of student accommodation.

Dylan is working on collating the results of the housing survey last year into a report that lays out some of the key problems and solutions and the report will be presented to the next Representation Board. Dylan gives an overview of the content of the report and reports by other organisations that will be released soon and can be leveraged.

Dylan provides an update on the advocacy and support for students impacted by the war in the Middle East and has prepared a letter that has been sent to the Vice Chancellor outlining the points the Guild believes the University can pursue. This will be followed up at Dylan's meeting with the Vice Chancellor tomorrow.

Dylan gives an update about the Operations Committee and its planned disestablishment. It is intended to replace it with 2 committees that meet less frequently so that there are not additional meetings for people to attend. There will be one for student services, and one corporate and commercial operations. All Guild councillors will be standing invites to both committees.

Dylan touches on the plan for revitalising the Guild precinct and some delays in the equity spaces and Student Assist consultation room projects and indicates Vernon will go into further detail. Construction should begin soon on these projects and consultation is occurring with designers for the GC Central and Tavern refurbishments.

Dylan notes that long serving Manager Maryanne Shaddick will be retiring. Dylan thanks Maryanne for her knowledge, support, and deep commitment to students from Maryanne and wish her all the best for her many years of service to the Guild. Maryanne's work has been key to many of the successes of the Guild and she will be missed.

David thanks Maryanne as well.

There is a question from Tahni about when the other food for fines months will occur, Dylan believes they may coincide with periods when there are less students on campus and he will be speaking to properties about timings. The Guild's position is that food for fines should be all year round.

David asks about the planned strike action and how what has been decided now is different to what the NTEU decided to do last year. Dylan responds that last year the union voted to work from home and the University decided that anyone working from home wouldn't be paid so staff decided they wouldn't teach if they weren't going to be paid for working from home and offering the classes online. This time they have decided to go on strike for a full 24 hours and in theory all NTEU members will go on strike for the full 24 hours and no online or in person classes will

be held which will cause the maximum amount of disruption.

A question is asked about the housing campaign and a lot of carparks being shut down around twin dolphin and whether parking permits will be available to residents. Will parking be a focus on the parking campaign. Dylan responds that parking will be covered as hidden fees but that it will fit better within the parking campaign that Hadiya will be leading. Dylan will be advocating for additional parking at the upcoming academic board. He is interested to know what impact not having a car would have on students in accommodation and the impact not being able to find parking has on students who don't live on campus.

There is positive feedback about Curtinlink, particularly during this hot weather. There is negative feedback on Curtinlink that a driver has told a councillor about it taking them to the wrong places and other logistical issues that affects the drivers.

5.2. Vice President – Education – Submitted

Hadiya gives an update on some of her campaigns that weren't in her report. She has contacted the first year reps to set up the first meeting, she has decided to change it up to have additional first year reps. Hadiya has contacted the Chief Operating Officer about overflow parking being yellow when it isn't close or accessible. Hadiya believes that enough students are upset with parking that the Guild should be able to get good traction with the University and Government.

Hadiya thanks Tahni and everyone involved in organising the union fair, she looks forward to holding more events and having more of a union presence on campus.

Hadiya updates that the placements campaign is moving forward and she is working with reps including Tom, Zobia, and Rama. She particularly thanks Rama for helping to set up meetings as NUS WA State Branch President.

Vivi asks a question about Universal Submission Times and what the details of the trial period are. Hadiya clarifies that all units are required to follow the universal submission time, the main issue is reminding academics of the new policy and when they have been contacted they have been quick to update due dates to the universal submission time.

Vivi asks about student retention rates declining and what is meant by retention rate.

5.3. Vice President – Activities – Submitted

5.4. Vice President – Sustainability & Welfare – Submitted

5.5. Secretary – Submitted

5.6. Managing Director – Submitted

Motion: That the Guild Council approves the reports.

Moved: Noor Fellah (Secretary)

Seconded:

6. Business on Notice

6.1. Safety Report

Motion: That the Guild Council **notes** the Safety Report.

Moved: Noor Fella (Secretary)

Seconded:

6.2. Finance Report

Motion: That the Guild Council **notes** the Finance Report.

Moved: Noor Fella (Secretary)

Seconded:

6.3. Returning Officers Report 2025

Motion:

That the Guild Council notes the Returning Officer's report for the 2025 Annual General Election

Moved: Noor Fella (Secretary)

Seconded: Dylan Storer (President)

6.4. 2025 Financial Statements and Audit

Motion: The Committee **recommends** that the Guild Council:

- a.) Notes the audit report and opinion;
- b.) Authorises the President and Secretary to certify that:

In the opinion of the Guild Council:

- i. The Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income and Statement of Cash Flows are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the performance of the Guild for the year ended 31 December 2025;
 - ii. The Statement of Financial Position is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Guild as at 31 December 2025;
 - iii. The Guild has complied with the *Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements*, the *Curtin University Act 1966*, the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012*, and the *Associations Incorporated Act 2015 (WA)* and
 - iv. At the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Guild will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.
- c.) Recommends to the Annual General Meeting that it adopt the Audited Financial Statements of the Student Guild for the year ending 31 December 2025

d.) Recommends to the University Council that it note the Audited Financial Statements of the Student Guild for the year ending 31 December 2025

Moved: Noor Fellah (Secretary)

Seconded: Dylan Storer (President)

6.5. General Managers as Standing Invites for Guild Council

Motion: That the Guild Council:

Approve the General Managers of the Curtin Student Guild as ex officio standing invitations to all meetings of Guild Council.

Moved: Dylan Storer (President)

Seconded: Noor Fellah (Secretary)

7. Minutes of Committees Reporting to the Guild Council

7.1. Representation Board – 19/02/2026

7.2. Executive Committee – 24/02/2026, 10/03/2026

7.3. Finance & Risk Committee – 04/03/2026

7.4. Operations Committee – N/A

7.5. Legal Committee – NA

Motion: That the Guild Council:

Approves the minutes of the Committees Reporting to the Guild Council.

Moved: Noor Fellah (Secretary)

Seconded: Dylan Storer (President)

8. General Business

8.1. Ideas and Suggestions

8.2. Other Business

9. Meeting Evaluation

10. Next Meeting

The next ordinary meeting of the Guild Council will be held on the 23rd April 2026 at 5:30PM in Council Chambers 100.301/305