

Student Guild of Curtin University

Guild Council – Meeting #03

Thursday 17April 2025

In Council Chambers 100.301/305

Minutes

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; Ryan Kirby, Dylan Storer, Jacquie Bicanic (online), Callum Baxter, Razanne Al-Abdeli, Ben Burgess, Max Zhang, Bridget Clifton, David Phillips, Ebony Whitney, Mitch Craig, Coben Foster, Hadiya Naeemi, Noor Fellah
- 2.2. Others Present; Vernon Thompson, Tom (?)
- 2.3. Apologies and Leave of Absence; Emily Lassam, Hamide Kocer
- 2.4. Absent;
- 3. Disclosure of any potential or perceived Conflicts ofInterest. None
- 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Circular Resolutions
- 4.1. Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion: That the Guild Council approves the minutes of the previous meeting held on 27/03/2025 as a true and accurate record of proceedings at that meeting.

Moved: Noor Fellah (Secretary)

Seconded: Mitch Craig

Carried

5. Reports

- 5.1. President Submitted. As tabled. Dylan Storer noted that the Guild worked to redraft the Curtin student charter and that there would be no more student charter breaches. He said that the Guild had challenged Curtin's ties to an Israeli university. Construction had commenced on the student kitchenette. Dylan noted the Guild organizational review and commercial review. The new Clubs Hub (stage one) was being well used and stage two was in progress. He said that the Guild was working on a proposal to bring the Curtin Pantry under the Guild and for it to offer wider support.
- 5.2. Vice President Education Submitted. As tabled. No questions.
- 5.3. Vice President Activities Submitted. As tabled. Jacquie Bicanic said that the Guild was on track to deliver a free weekly food drop.
- 5.4. Vice President Sustainability & Welfare Submitted. As tabled. Razanne said that the she was nearing the end of the project to install the recycling hub and that the app for the smart bins had been developed.
- 5.5. Secretary Submitted. As tabled. Noor Fellah said that the AGM was on 7 May and she reminded all councillors to attend.
- 5.6. Managing Director Submitted. As tabled. Vernon Thompson said that the Student Kitchenette handover should be during the second week of May. The WASM lease was with Curtin's legal department. Improvements to outlets were underway. An ICT review would soon commence. Vernon noted that the Guild was tracking favourably in terms of budget. Commercial results were improving this year. New microwaves had been installed. There was a query about the ECA. Vernon explained the process to the council.

Motion: That the Guild Council approves the reports.

Moved: Noor Fellah (Secretary)

Seconded: Max Zhang

Carried

6. Business on Notice

6.1. Safety Report

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

Moved: Noor Fellah (Secretary)

Seconded: Dylan Storer

Carried

Noor Fellah said that the report noted that safety inspections were done on time and some incidents were noted. There was a query about the cracking in the Cafe Central building. Vernon Thompson said it would be addressed by Curtin in the precinct master plan. Query about what caused the issue with the microwave. Vernon said the issue was caused by the type of container used in the microwave. Signage and instructions might need to be clearer. It was noted that the microwaves would be inspected weekly. Access to the fire equipment had now

been resolved. There was a query regarding the furniture that was obstructing accessibility.

6.2. Draft Guild Precinct Plan

Motion: That the Guild Council:

1. Notes the Draft Guild Precinct Plan

2. Approves the President, Executive and Managing Director investigating the best use of Guild space moving forward and the most timely and cost-effective ways of

implementation for the consideration of Guild Council

Dylan Storer made a presentation to the Guild Council listing the priorities and potential uses for Guild spaces in the future. Jacquie Bicanic said a lot of consultation had taken place.. David Phillips asked whether this proposal required further investigation or whether it could be approved. Dylan said that the concept required additional information and costings. Vernon Thompson said that he understood that the current precinct plan was not a result of adequate consultation with council and student representatives. It was management driven. He said the motion was seeking approval of the general concept and then the President and the MD could deploy the strategy in the most effective way. The concept was being presented to see if there were any material objections. Vernon said any detailed plans would be brought back to the Council. David Phillips asked what the next steps were. Dylan Storer said he wanted to move as quickly as possible. Jacquie said that they wanted to speak to the people who were using the

rooms.

Moved: Dylan Storer (President)

Seconded: Jacquie Bicanic

Carried

6.3. Framework For Development of New Guild Strategic Plan

Motion: That the Guild Council

approves the proposed Framework for the development of a new Guild Strategic Plan

2026-2029

Moved: Dylan Storer (President)

Seconded: Noor Fellah (Secretary)

Carried

Dylan Storer noted the under the statute, the Guild was required to adopt and publish a

strategic plan for at least the next three years. He noted that the current strategy has been in

place for some time. David Price from Elevate had agreed to assist the Guild with this process.

Once completed, the new strategic plan will come back to Council for approval.

7. Minutes of Committees Reporting to the Guild Council

7.1. Representation Board – 13/03/2025

7.2. Executive Committee – 25/03/2025, 08/04/2025

7.3. Finance & Risk Committee – Nil

7.4. Legal Committee – Nil

Motion: That the Guild Council

approves the minutes of the minutes en bloc

Moved: Noor Fellah

Seconded: Dylan Storer

Carried

8. General Business

The motion is to suspend standing orders 12.4

Moved Callum Baxter

Seconded Ben Burgess

Carried

Motion: That the Guild Council sends well wishes to Emily Lassam and Hamide Kocer at the Marxism Conference. Callum Baxter thanked Emily and Haide for their contribution to the

quick proceedings of this month's Council Meeting.

There was discussion about amending the motion.

Dylan Storer moved the motion be put. This was carried

9. Meeting Evaluation

Ben Burgess carried out the evaluation meeting. He said that there was open dialogue and explanations were provided. Ben thanked Mitch Craig for following up the microwave incident.

10. Next Meeting

The next ordinary meeting of the Guild Council will be at 6:00 pm on the 22nd of May 2025, to be held in the University Council Chambers.

Meeting closed at 6.58pm