

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; Dylan Storer (online), Bridget Clifton (online) Noor Fellah (online) Emily Lassam (online), Hamide Kocer (online), Ben Burgess (online), Mitch Craig, Ryan Kirby, Callum Baxter, Max Zhang, David Phillips, Ebony Whitney, Razanne Al-Addeli
- 2.2. Others Present; Julie Parolo, Vernon Thompson (Managing Director)
- 2.3. Apologies and Leave of Absence; Jacquie Bicanic, Coben Foster
- 2.4. Absent;

3. Disclosure of any potential or perceived Conflicts of Interest.

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 22/05/2025 as a true and accurate record of proceedings at that meeting.

Minutes to be amended to reflect comments from Callum Baxter. This item will be voted on at the next Guild Council meeting.

Moved: Noor Fellah (Secretary)

Seconded:

5. Reports

- 5.1. President – Submitted. As read. Dylan Storer reported on progress in providing a better food security framework for Curtin students. It was noted that Curtin had cut ties with Ben Gurion University. Dylan acknowledged the work of Ben Burgess and Mitch Craig in negotiating Academic Board amendments to the assessment and student progression manual and securing the earlier scheduling of the first tuition free weeks in semester one to the Academic Calendar. He noted that students would receive feedback for centrally scheduled examinations no later than the result release date and to ensure that students doing any assessment (other than an exam) during exam periods would get their feedback no later than 20 working days after the due date or individual submission date (whichever was later). Dylan said that the Guild had ensured that decisions on assessment extensions were consistent when a student asked for an extension across multiple units. Dylan noted that Student Assist's role in the Student Progress Appeals Committee had been protected. He said that Student Assist provided an independent perspective that helped ensure decisions were made in accordance with relevant academic policies and procedural fairness. Consultation about the Strategic Plan was sent out to council members. Dylan visited the Singapore Campus recently. Dylan thanked Will Burfort for accommodating Guild officers who were attending online in Queensland for this meeting. Dylan noted that he was looking forward to hitting the ground running on progressing student housing concerns.
- 5.2. Vice President – Education – Submitted. As read. Ben Burgess highlighted how the Guild approached negotiations on the Academic Board to ensure student burnout did not happen in future years with negotiation of earlier timing of tuition free weeks in semester one.
- 5.3. Vice President – Activities – Submitted. As read. Bridget Clifton noted the organization of "Stressless Week" and working with the Accessibility Officer Lorien Watts and Student Engagement to promote the accessibility matrix.
- 5.4. Vice President – Sustainability & Welfare – Submitted. As read. No questions
- 5.5. Secretary – Submitted. As read. Noor Fellah noted that the past month was busy and that she had been reviewing constitutions.
- 5.6. Managing Director – Submitted. As read. No questions

Motion: That the Guild Council approves the reports.

Moved: Noor Fellah (Secretary)

Seconded: Callum Baxter

Carried

6. Business on Notice

6.1. Safety Report

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

Noor Fellah noted all safety inspections were carried out for May. Mitch Craig queried an item that had been on the safety report for some time. Vernon Thompson said he would take the query on notice. Dylan Storer asked about progress in fixing the heating/cooling in the administration building and Vernon responded that the piping was functional. However, the

variations in temperature were thought to be a design fault and finding a solution was ongoing.
Moved: Noor Fellah (Secretary)
Seconded: Max Zhang
Carried

6.2. SSAF, ISAF & Guild Grants Agreement

Motion: That the Guild Council:

discusses and approves the Agreement between Curtin University and the Curtin Student Guild titled *SSAF and ISAF Expenditure and Guild Grants Agreement* and authorise the Guild President to sign the agreement on behalf of the Curtin Student Guild.

Dylan Storer noted that this was an update to the agreement in place since 2017 which includes ISSAF (international student services amenity fee). The agreement outlined that the Guild would receive 50% of this funding as well as the annual grant from Curtin. Dylan said that the Guild grant had not been raised since 2017. There was discussion about whether the Guild should seek an increase to the Guild grant. There was a query about the collection fee in the agreement. Mitch Craig noted that ISSAF was not an additional fee for international students, it was taken from their course fee.

Moved: Dylan Storer (President)
Seconded: Noor Fellah (Secretary)
Carried

Callum Baxter left the meeting at 6.30pm

6.3. Appointment of an Acting Officer

Motion: That the Guild Council:

Ratify the appointment of Bridget Clifton as Acting Vice President – Activities

Moved: Noor Fellah (Secretary)

Seconded: Dylan Storer (President)

Carried

7. Minutes of Committees Reporting to the Guild Council

7.1. Representation Board – 15/05/2025

7.2. Executive Committee – 20/05/2025, 03/06/2025

7.3. Finance & Risk Committee – Nil

7.4. Operations Committee – Nil

7.5. Legal Committee – Nil

Motion: That the Guild Council notes these minutes and moves them en bloc

Moved: Mitch Craig

Second Noor Fellah

Carried

8. General Business

David Phillips asked for an update about the introduction of Guinness at the Tav. Vernon Thompson confirmed that the introduction of Guinness for sale was imminent.

Julie Parolo requested her boyfriend be allowed back on campus and spoke about initiatives and rights for students.

9. Meeting Evaluation

The meeting evaluation was carried out by David Phillips who said that the meeting was effective.

10. Next Meeting

The next ordinary meeting of the Guild Council will be at 6:00 pm on the 24th of July 2025, to be held in the University Council Chambers.

Meeting closed at 6.56pm

