

Vice President – Education

August Guild Council

Reporting Period 30/07/2024 – 16/08/2024

Veronika Gobba (she/her)

University / External Meetings

Date	Meeting	Comments
2/8/24	VPE x HS Rep X HS PVC	Introductory meeting with newly appointed Health Sciences PVC. Communicated concerns around fieldwork manuals and students getting poor communication around prac termination.
5/8/24	FBL Courses Committee	Attended on FBL Rep's behalf.
6/8/24	University Courses Committee	
7/8/24	Learning Platform Review Project	Investigation for future of Curtin's learning platform (Blackboard), as well as other systems such as AKARI.
	Disclosure, Divestment & Ethical Investment MOU 1 st working group meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-DVC-R will establish communication between research staff and Guild PSC Rep and Student Assist to ensure disclosure training for supervisors and to develop a factsheet for students undertaking research.-DVC-A & DVC-G will follow up on progress of 11.1d.-Briefly spoke about Guild's commitment to 11.2d, Guild suggested academic and cultural exhibits for Gaza on campus. Also discussed recent problematic panel lecture on which discussed Israel and Palestine.- Guild expressed opposition to Curtin's decision to be the major sponsor of the Indian Ocean Defence & Security conference, and requested that the university commit to not sponsoring events alike in future. DVC-R was resistant and dismissive of this. Citing that the conference was an opportunity for the university to connect with industries that can provide funding and opportunities for students.
9/8/24	Guild X Library catch-up re: textbook survey	
	ISC X VPE X Curtin language exchange staff	
12/8/24	Student Success Principles w/ Linda Adnyana	

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Guild Meetings

Date	Meeting	Comments
31/7/24	Events & Guild Exec catch-up	
1/8/24	HUM Rep x VPE catch-up	
2/8/24	Student Engagement & Accessibility Officer	Regarding Guild's affiliation with Hidden Disabilities and launch
8/8/24	Representation budget w/secretary	
	Exec Committee	
	VPE x HUM Rep catch-up	
12/8/24	Digital catch-up w/ student engagement	
	Operations Committee	
14/8/24	Catch-up w/ student assist regarding teach-out courses in HS	
15/8/24	VPE x HUM Rep catch-up	
	Reps Board	

Leave Taken: 25th-26th July.

Hidden Disabilities Sunflower Scheme

In line with the Motion passed at last Representation Board I have signed the Guild up with an account with Hidden Disabilities and the Secretary has purchased the professional membership. I am working with Filiz, Mitch and the engagement team to launch this to students, make sure Guild staff get the training and have the sunflower products available to them.

Fix Required Academics Texts availability/affordability

The survey that Hannah created for textbook availability/affordability was launched on Oday, featuring at the VPE and faculty rep stalls as well as on socials. 355 responses were received and gave a great overview of issues of textbook availability. The library staff have discovered that there are many UC's who are not inputting required readings into the reading list, thus making it difficult for the library to make required readings better available. The Library will soon be launching a survey to staff who prescribe readings to understand better how they select these textbooks. There has been a proposed amendment to the CQAM as a result of this advocacy to ensure that UC's only pick texts with decent availability (so if not open access, then it must be available through the library). This amendment has passed Courses Committee and will be finalised through further consultation by November.

Vice President – Activities

Max Zhang

Guild Council Report August 2024

19/07 – 15/08

Meetings

Date	Meeting
30/07	Talent for Tomorrow Working Group Meeting
31/07	VPA X Events Meeting
01/08	End of Year Block Party planning meeting
07/08	VPA X Events Meeting
08/08	Projects Tracking Meeting
	2025 Activities Budget Meeting
	Executive Committee
	Love Sex and Consent Week Meeting
12/08	Digital Engagement Meeting
	Operations Committee
14/08	VPA X Events Meeting

Events

Date	Event
24/07	O-Day
31/07	Grill the Guild, Faculty of Health Sciences
02/08	Solidarity demonstration with the Bangladeshi Student Association
06/08	Grill the Guild, Faculty of Science and Engineering
07/08	Talent for Tomorrow
12/08 – 16/08	Sustainability Week
13/08	ISC X Curtin Connect: Café Connect

14/08	Faculty Representatives Engagement Stall
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Upcoming Events

Date	Event
19/08	Grill the Guild, Faculty of Business and Law
22/08	Grill the Guild, Faculty of Humanities
26/08 – 30/08	Love Sex and Consent Week

Event Notes

Semester 2 O-Day had fairly good weather, as far as semester 2 goes, and despite a large number of new international students not having received their VISA yet, turnout was very good. All of the Guild representative stalls had good engagement, and our reps were kept busy.

At both Grill the Guilds, we had increased the number of free snags by 100, as a response to an upwards trend in number of students on campus, and number of students engaged with the Guild, which proved to be good, as we had increased the stall time for our BBQs to last around 1 hour, instead of the usual 15 to 20 minutes. This increased the time our reps had to engage with students and gather feedback from the students we represent.

In standing together with the Bangladeshi students in their demonstration, we had the chance to help broadcast their voices, to bring the knowledge and information on what is happening to a wider audience. And in the process, making our stance clear in standing against injustice and bloodshed across the world.

I had the opportunity to represent the Guild as a member of the judging panel at Curtin's Talent for Tomorrow, which was co-hosted by our own Honourable Chair of the Guild Council himself, and in addition to providing event attendees with some snacks for the duration of the event, we had the chance to see some of our own peers, fellow students, display their talents for the chance to perform at this year's Graduation ceremonies.

Projects

Still making solid progress towards gathering more information on the handing over of club leadership, having shared my current notes with our Clubs Support staff between the previous meeting and the writing of this report. As that information is being collated and turned into something presentable to clubs, I have been continuing engaging with clubs who have had less successful handovers, to see what they would have wanted when they were struggling with taking leadership of their club.

Vice President – Sustainability & Welfare

August Guild Council Report (11/07/2024 – 16/08/2024)

Jacquie Bicanic (she/they)

University / External Meetings:

Date	Meeting	Comments
11/07/24	Department of Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions – Grant Funding	Met with Bree, Tanya and Emma to discuss what the grant is and if we're eligible and what we'd need to do.
16/07/24	Mental Health & Resilience in Students Reference Group	
19/04/24	RACSAC	
29/07/24	University Health & Safety Meeting	
07/08/24	Sustainable Development Working Group (SDWG)	Presented my draft proposal on RVMs for a vibe check to see if the group would support my final proposal.
12/08/24	Student Success Principles	

Guild Meetings (Or Guild-Related Meetings):

Date	Meeting	Comments
11/07/24	Love Week / Rad Sex & Consent	Discussed what we will be doing this semester.
15/07/24	Lush Booragoon	Collected wastage and samples for O-Day
15/07/24	Operations Committee	
16/07/24	Andrews Succulents	Collected donations for O-Day
17/07/24	Queer Officer Check In	
17/07/24	Health & Safety	
17/07/24	VPA & Events Team meeting	
17/07/24	Pride Meeting	Sheldon, Imari, Zavier, Max and I met to discuss the plan for Pride on campus.
18/07/24	WAAC	Collected Condoms for O-Day and reception
18/07/24	Officeworks Cannington	Collected donations for O-Day
18/07/24	Women's Officer Check In	Met with the events team, Max, Chloe and myself.
18/07/24	SA/SH Flyer	Met with Ariane Cummins from Curtin Counselling to discuss the flyer I am creating for reporting options for students for sexual assault/harassment.
18/07/24	Reps Board	I was unable to attend reps board, but I will review the meeting minutes when they are released.
19/07/24	MATE Training	Met with the Guild exec team, Sheldon, Robyn and Imari to discuss MATE training.
23/07/24	SA/SH Flyer Meeting	Tried to meet with Jack from the Wellbeing Team. They were unavailable so I met with one of their colleagues briefly. Decided to email Jack later and try and re-schedule the meeting.

25/07/24	Guild Council	
29/07/24	TOMRA	Met with Shane from TOMRA to discuss RVMs on campus.
29/07/24	Jessie Parish	Met with Jessie Parish to discuss sustainability on campus and what events are coming up re sustainability.
31/07/24	VPA & Events Team meeting	
01/08/24	End of Sem Bash	Met with the events team, student engagement and exec to discuss EOSB.
05/08/24	Student Meeting	Impromptu meeting with student to discuss sustainability on campus.
07/08/24	Talent for Tomorrow	
07/08/24	VPA & Events Team meeting	
08/08/24	Reps Budget meeting	Mitch (Secretary), Veronika (VPE) and I met to discuss reps' budget for next year.
08/08/24	Check-In	Max (VPA), Veronika (VPE) and I briefly checked in and shared progress updates on various projects.
08/08/24	Activities Budget	Mitch (Secretary), Max (VPA) and I met to discuss the activities budget for next year.
08/08/24	Exec	
08/08/24	Love, Sex & Consent – comms	Exec met with student engagement & events team to discuss comms strategy for Love, Sex & Consent Week.
08/08/24	Recycling Hub Update	Met with Maryanne for an update on the recycling hub
12/08/24	Digital Catch-Up	Met with student engagement to discuss digital strategy.
12/08/24	Operations Committee	
14/08/24	VPA & Events Team meeting	
15/08/24	Women's Officer Check In	

Leave Taken:

None

Further Notes:

Topic

Details

SA/SH Flyer

I am working on a flyer for students outlining what options they have when reporting sexual assault and/or sexual harassment. It will be a two-sided flyer with one side focusing on reporting within Curtin with the other side outlining reporting options outside of Curtin University. I am in the process of meeting with Curtin Counselling, Wellbeing & Safer Communities (within the Uni) to discuss what link to include for the QR code and what information to provide students on the flyer. I will also set up a meeting with Student Assist to discuss the same thing for the external side of the flyer. The other two options on this side will be the police and SARC. I am hopeful that I can get this sorted in time for *Love, Sex & Consent* week in week 6.

Containers For Change

I met with Shane from TOMRA to discuss how RVMs can be delivered on campus from their end. Since then I was able to do a 'vibe check' with the SDGW to see if they would lend their support for my final proposal. The proposal is incomplete with much information still pending. WARRL has advised they are reviewing their plan for rolling out RVMs across the state. At the moment this poses the main road block for this project. I will continue to provide updates through my reports on my progress of this project.

Recycling Hub

I am waiting on confirmation when the cubby can be built by. This project will be a manual process with me taking charge of the returns /dropping off the recycled material to start with. I will do this to get the project up and running and once it's installed I can see if there is a less manual option, or if this will become part of the VPSW folio to check the cubbies twice a week for returns.

Sustainability Week

Sustainability week has been delivered for semester 2 2024 in week 4 (12th – 16th August). It involved a mending workshop on Monday which was unfortunately cancelled, Thrift stalls Tuesday – Thursday, a stall day on Wednesday with local vendors and I had a stall where students could start their own benchtop veggie/herb garden. Friday was an online campaign with the delivery of an online cookbook designed to reduce food waste. A few copies were printed off and made available at reception.

Secretary's Report

SUBMISSION DATE: 15/08/2024
FOR MEETING DATE: 22/08/2024

NAME: Mitch Craig

POSITION: Guild Secretary

Travel: 30/07/24 – 02/08/24, Kalgoorlie Campus Visit

GUILD MEETINGS/EVENTS

Date	Meeting	Comments
25/07/2024	Guild Council	
31/07/2024	Meeting w/ WASM Social Club	Met with the Social club regarding lease and other issues affecting clubs at kalgoorlie
31/07/2024	WASM Guild + Kalgoorlie Club	Met with WASM Committee regarding Kalgoorlie Clubs affiliating with the Guild, benefits, requirements. It was also the regular clubs catchup for Kalgoorlie so event programming was discussed.
31/07/2024	Weekly Kalgoorlie BBQ	They do things a little different out there but I helped cook sausages for the Kalgoorlie Students.
01/08/2024	Kalgoorlie Budget and Constitution	Went through he 2025 WAS Budget and the WAS Constitution with the Branch President and Secretary
01/08/2024	Industry Night at WASM Social Club	Socialised with the Kalgoorlie students, reinforced a positive message about the Guild
05/08/2024	Higher Ed	
06/08/2024	Kalgoorlie Debrief	Met with David and Jasmyne to discuss the Kalgoorlie Branch
06/08/2024	President Budget	Met with Jasmyne to go through the 2025 President Budget
08/08/2024	Representation Budget	Met with VPE and VPSW to go through the 2025 Representation Budget
08/08/2024	Activities Budget	Met with VPA and VPSW to go through the 2025 Activities Budget
08/08/2024	Exec	
08/08/2024	Love, sex and Consent meeting	
08/08/2024	Kalgoorlie Clubs Meeting	Met with the clubs team to give information on clubs in Kalgoorlie
12/08/2024	Digital Catch up	
12/08/2024	Operations Committee	
13/08/2024	Budget 2025	Met with the Management accountant to go through the 2025 Guild Budget, focussing mainly on the Representation Division
14/08/2024	Club Constitution Meeting	Met with a club to assist them with rewriting their customconstitution

UNIVERSITY MEETINGS

Date	Meeting	Comments
30/07/2024	Visiting students from China	Along with WASM Committee and Kalgoorlie club reps I greeted and exchanged gifts with Chinese students visiting WASM from a University in China.
31/07/2024	Meeting w/ WASM Director	Met with Kalgoorlie President, Sci-Eng Rep, and WASM Director to discuss issues affecting students in Kalgoorlie.
02/08/2024	Meeting w/Manager of Agricola	Met with the Kalgoorlie accommodation manager, discussed the housing situation in Kalgoorlie.
06/08/2024	SSAFEAC	

Projects

- Have been working on new branding rollout and replacement of branded assets ready for Semester 2, nearly complete, mainly waiting for website updates.
- Working on Club tax requirements with the Club Support Team. The item coming to this meeting regarding by-laws relates to this.
- Guild Donations, we have received the charitable collections licence, work is being done to add a donations page to the Guild Website.
- Committee Constitutions update, work is nearing completion
- Charge Card Facility – The Bankwest facility is closed
- Kalgoorlie payments – getting an eftpos reader for the Kalgoorlie branch, final stages
- 2025 Budget – I have been working with the management accountant to write the 2025 Budget for representation.
- Chair of the Discipline Tribunal – we have had the new chair approved and they have been appointed.
- I have been working on the Kalgoorlie elections timeline and format, we had some issues with the electoral roll for Kalgoorlie being inaccurate but that is sorted now.
- I spent a few days in Kalgoorlie and had a wonderful time!

Pictures





KPIs

- Attended all required meetings
- All payments submitted on time
- I have been responding to/actioning all appropriate emails
- Policies have been getting updated
- This report was submitted
- Constitution review has been progressing
- Most of my hours have been from the office

tl;dr

I went to Kalgoorlie, been doing budget stuff and governance stuff..