

**REPORT FOR  
GUILD COUNCIL**

**Guild President Dylan Storer (he/him)**

Period: 14/11/2025 – 19/2/2026

**Travel**

- NUS NatCon – 3/12/25-13/12/25
- NUS President’s Summit – 3/2/26-7/2/26

**Leave**

- Annual Leave – 21/11/25-24/11/25
- Holiday Closure – 20/12/25-4/1/26
- Annual Leave – 12/1/26-18/1/26

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**Summary**

It has been a strong start to the year for the Curtin Student Guild, with significant advocacy and representation underway across a number of key issues. Protected industrial action by the NTEU is now in effect, with staff seeking to minimise disruption through online delivery during the campus attendance ban. The Guild remains in solidarity with staff and maintains that it is management’s responsibility to reach a fair agreement and ensure students are not disadvantaged. We remain alert

to ongoing high-level discussions about a potential university merger, with no formal proposal yet presented, and stand ready to act to protect student representation and governance safeguards. The Guild issued clear public statements condemning both the Bondi terror attack and the Perth Invasion Day attack, standing in solidarity with affected communities and reinforcing our commitment to safety, inclusion and support for students. We are also closely monitoring the proposed university “scorecard” from the Special Envoy for Antisemitism and the Royal Commission into Antisemitism and Social Cohesion, working nationally through NUS to protect student voice, civil liberties and academic freedom. At the NUS Presidents’ Summit, national strategy was aligned around cost-of-living pressures, governance reform and coordinated campaigning for 2026. On campus, we continue to advocate for permanent parking and transport solutions following the loss of more than 1,100 bays.

Operationally, momentum across the Guild remains strong. Major capital works are progressing throughout the Guild Precinct, including new equity spaces, expanded Student Assist facilities and planning for Tavern and GC Central refurbishments. During the temporary Musalla closure, the Guild stepped up to establish a dedicated prayer space within the Precinct to ensure students were supported in the lead-up to Ramadan, while continuing to work with Curtin to expedite reopening. O-Week was a vibrant and well-attended success, with strong engagement across all events, including two popular Speed Friending sessions and a large Guild O-Day welcoming thousands of students. Following misinformation regarding stall allocations, the Guild issued a public clarification and Senator Payman has since apologised. Our food security initiatives continue to expand, including a new partnership with Curtin Nutrition and Dietetics that has already delivered 93 ready-made meals to supplement the Guild Pantry, with further cook-ups planned throughout the year.

In solidarity,  
Dylan

**Meetings**

**University Meetings**

| Date     | Meeting                         | Comments  |
|----------|---------------------------------|---|
| 17/11/25 | Vice Chancellor                 |   |
| 18/11/25 | Global Positioning Committee    |   |
| 18/11/25 | PVC Humanities                  | Discussion on AI with other Guild Reps  |
| 20/11/25 | Academic Board Executive        |   |
| 21/11/25 | Director of LITEC               | Discussion on joint projects regarding teaching excellence  |
| 2/12/25  | Curtin Legal & People & Culture | Discussion with Guild staff regarding the HE Code to Prevent and Respond to Gender Based Violence |
| 16/12/25 | Dr Sam Owen                     | Amplified Equity interview  |
| 21/1/26  | Vice Chancellor                 |   |
| 12/2/26  | Director, Assessment 2030       | With VPE  |
| 18/2/26  | Vice Chancellor                 |   |
| 18/2/26  | University Council              |   |
| 19/2/26  | Academic Board Executive        |   |

**Guild Meetings**

| Date     | Meeting                   | Comments  |
|----------|---------------------------|---|
| 20/11/25 | Pharmacy 777              | Discussion on improving pharmacy services on campus |
| 20/11/25 | Guild Council             |   |
| 15/12/25 | Health & Safety Committee |   |

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|----------|-----------------------------------|--|
| 15/12/25 | Executive Committee               |  |
| 16/12/25 | Managing Director                 | Discussion on PD's for GM Student Services and GM Corporate Services |
| 7/1/26   | MD, Governance Officer, Secretary | Introduction meeting   |
| 20/1/26  | Executive Committee               |  |
| 21/1/26  | GM Student Services Interview     |  |
| 21/1/26  | GM Student Services Interview     |  |
| 21/1/26  | GM Student Services Interview     |  |
| 27/1/26  | Tavern & GC Central Walkthrough   | With design firm regarding refurbishment works                       |
| 29/1/26  | Student Assist Manager Interview  |  |
| 29/1/26  | Student Assist Manager Interview  |  |
| 29/1/26  | Student Assist Manager Interview  |  |
| 30/1/26  | Manager, Student Assist           | Discussion on Student Assist Cate Type Review with VPE               |
| 18/2/26  | Chair of Guild Council            |  |
| 19/2/26  | Representation Board              |  |

**Other Meetings/Activities**

| Date    | Meeting                           | Comments   |
|---------|-----------------------------------|--|
| 12/1/26 | Australia Awards Scholars Welcome |  |
| 26/1/26 | Invasion Day Rally                |  |
| 7/2/16  | Graduation Ceremony               |  |
| 9/2/26  | O-Week Official Welcome Speech    |  |
| 9/2/26  | Toga Advertising on Promenade     |  |
| 9/2/26  | Guild Survival Guide Presentation | With VPE   |
| 10/2/26 | Speed Friending                   | In the Tav for the first time, fantastic turnout |

**Matters of Representation**

**NTEU Industrial Action**

The industrial dispute between Curtin University management and the NTEU Curtin Branch is continuing to evolve, with protected industrial action now underway and the potential for ongoing disruption across Schools and Faculties. Staff have sought to minimise the impact on students, including attempting to continue teaching online during the campus attendance ban, however management decisions have escalated the situation. The Guild remains in clear solidarity with Curtin staff and maintains that responsibility rests with management to reach a fair agreement and ensure students are not disadvantaged. Representatives are encouraged to stay informed and direct students to the Guild's dedicated Industrial Action page for the latest updates and FAQs: <https://guild.curtin.edu.au/theguild/projects/standingwithstaff/>

**University Merger Feasibility Study**

Discussions regarding a potential university merger continue at a high level, however at this stage I have not received any concrete detail beyond indications that further information may be forthcoming in the coming months. There has been no formal proposal, timeline or model presented to the Guild to date. While we await greater clarity, we remain vigilant and prepared to engage immediately should any substantive developments arise, ensuring that student representation, governance protections and the long-term interests of Curtin students are front and centre in any future discussions.

**Bondi Terror Attack**

Following the terrorist attack at Bondi Beach, the Curtin Student Guild issued a public statement condemning the violence, mourning the harm inflicted on the community, and standing with the victims, their loved ones, and the Jewish community. We made clear that antisemitism and hatred directed at people because of their faith or identity have no place in our society or on our campus. In our communication to students, we acknowledged how distressing this news can be and directed students to Curtin's counselling and wellbeing services, Guild support services, and Lifeline for immediate assistance. We also urged our community to act with care and humanity, asking people not to circulate graphic or intrusive footage that could retraumatise families and cause further harm. Since then, we have reiterated our commitment to campus safety and inclusion and continued working to ensure Curtin remains a place where all students feel safe, respected and supported.

**Invasion Day Terror Attack**

Following the attack at the Perth Invasion Day rally, the Curtin Student Guild issued a strong public statement condemning the violence and standing in unwavering solidarity with First Nations people. The rally was a First Nations-led gathering for mourning, truth-telling and remembrance, and the act of violence placed thousands in serious danger. The incident has now been declared terrorism. The Guild was in attendance on the day, including myself and other elected representatives, and we had a tent set up providing water, sunscreen and signs in support of attendees. We stand with First Nations organisers, speakers, attendees and students, and we support calls for this act to be treated as terrorism and as a hate crime. I have ensured that all Guild representatives who were present have been provided with referral details for the Guild's Employee Assistance Program, and this incident will be discussed at the next Guild Health and Safety Committee meeting. This has no place in our society. We must call out racism and hatred wherever we see it. It will not deter the Guild from standing in solidarity with First Nations people and their right to gather, mourn and speak truth safely.

**Special Envoy for Antisemitism & Antisemitism and Social Cohesion Royal Commission**

The Curtin Student Guild is concerned by the proposed university "scorecard" system advanced by the Special Envoy on Antisemitism, which would assess and publicly rate universities on their handling of antisemitism and campus protest. While antisemitism must be confronted wherever it appears, we are deeply cautious of mechanisms that risk conflating legitimate political speech, including peaceful protest against genocide and state violence, with hate speech. Universities must remain places of rigorous debate and protected academic freedom. Any framework that pressures institutions to suppress lawful protest or silence critical scholarship would undermine those core principles. At the same time, we are closely monitoring the development and work of the Royal Commission into Antisemitism and Social Cohesion. It is essential that efforts to address antisemitism strengthen safety and inclusion without eroding democratic freedoms on campus. The Guild is working with other student unions and the National Union of Students on a coordinated national response to ensure student voice, civil liberties and academic freedom are protected.

**NUS Presidents' Summit**

I attended the 2026 NUS Presidents' Summit held at Swinburne University on 5–6 February where student leaders from across the country came together to coordinate national strategy and share campus priorities. The summit included sessions on the National Student Ombudsman, TEQSA, gender-based violence prevention, SSAF negotiations, media strategy, campaigns, and governance, alongside roundtables with the NTEU and other peak bodies. A strong focus was placed on cost-of-living pressures, reversing Job Ready Graduates, strengthening student union independence, and building national coordination for 2026 campaigns. The summit provided a valuable opportunity to align Curtin's work with national advocacy priorities, strengthen relationships with other Student Union

Presidents, and ensure Curtin students are well represented in the broader national student movement.

### **Parking, Transport & Food for Fines**

Parking pressures on campus continue to intensify, with 520 bays closed due to the B316 project and more than 600 bays removed as part of the WA Government-led Australian Hockey Centre development. While we welcome several positive steps — including the new Curtin Link On Demand free bus servicing the immediate area, the announcement of free parking weeks later in the year, reduced pricing in some yellow-zone multi-deck parks, and Curtin’s commitment to open overflow parking — these are temporary measures in the face of a structural problem. Simply asking students to “deal with it” is not good enough. The Guild is calling for urgent planning and delivery of permanent parking solutions, including a large new multi-deck carpark, alongside improved public transport options such as express buses connecting Curtin to Canning Bridge, Oats Street and the CBD via the Murray Street Campus. We will be advancing this work in the coming months. We also acknowledge Curtin’s decision, following Guild advocacy, to expand Food for Fines to four times per year. However, with much of the parking pressure driven by the Hockey Centre closures, the WA Government must also step up and commit to proper transport solutions, including express bus services, to address the disruption their project has created.

## **Guild Operations**

### **Precinct Plan & Capital Works**

A number of capital works projects are progressing across the Guild Precinct. Works upstairs in B106F are advancing well, delivering new office spaces and expanded workstations aligned with the new Guild organisational structure approved last year. In B106B and B106F downstairs, approved concept sketches will now move into detailed design before Properties approval, tendering and construction. These projects will establish new equity spaces, including accommodation for the Ethnocultural Department, expand club storage, introduce swipe-card roller door access, and deliver two new shared Student Assist offices, consultation rooms, additional representative work points and an event preparation space. Planning is also underway for the Tavern and GC Central refurbishments, with site walkthroughs and a Request for Proposal process to identify project partners before design commences in Q1–Q2 and staged construction in Q3–Q4. The Clubs Hub capital project has now been finalised with new window decal signage installed, while the Student Kitchen signage project is nearing completion alongside planned installation of a noticeboard and TV screen before Semester 1. Guild Precinct signage updates are ongoing in line with the new branding, and the courtyards have been earmarked for further redevelopment, potentially integrated with the Tavern and GC Central works, to ensure these spaces better meet student needs.

### **Musalla Closure and Temporary Prayer Space**

Curtin Properties has temporarily closed the Curtin Musalla to undertake essential air-conditioning works, with limited alternative prayer spaces available in the lead-up to O-Week and the beginning of Ramadan. In response, the Curtin Student Guild has stepped in to establish a temporary prayer space within the Guild Precinct to ensure students continue to have access to appropriate facilities during this period. The Guild Club HQ Temporary Prayer Space (B106B) includes separate Men’s and Women’s Prayer Spaces, as well as a dedicated Ramadan Sister Safe Space which will remain open throughout Ramadan. The space will operate Tuesday 3 February to Friday 6 February from 7am to 4pm (closed weekends), and Monday 9 February to Monday 16 February from 7am to 7pm (closed weekends), with any changes communicated via the Guild Ethnocultural Department Instagram page. We are working closely with Curtin to ensure the Musalla reopens as soon as possible and to improve planning and communication around future disruptions so that student and staff needs are properly

supported. We also thank Curtin Multifaith Services for their collaboration during this time. Students may also access the Curtin Multifaith Prayer and Meditation Room (B109), which is available for prayer, meditation and other spiritual purposes.

**O-Week**

O-Week was a fantastic start to the year, with strong attendance across all events and a vibrant atmosphere on campus. A huge thank you to VPA Thani Rowe for her tireless efforts throughout the entire week — your leadership and energy made it all possible. Highlights included two incredibly successful Speed Friending sessions and a massive Guild O-Day that welcomed thousands of students to campus. A big shout out as well to all Faculty Representatives, and to the PSC and ISC Presidents, who delivered outstanding welcomes on behalf of the Guild. It is shaping up to be a big year ahead, and I am excited for what we will achieve together.

**Comments from Senator Fatima Payman**

The Guild issued a public statement clarifying the facts regarding stall allocations at Guild O-Day following incorrect claims made by Senator Fatima Payman. The Senator has since apologised to the Guild. We are now working to arrange a meeting with her to rebuild the relationship and will use that opportunity to discuss the Guild's priorities and advocate for the issues that matter most to Curtin students.

**Food Security Initiatives**

The Guild has launched a new partnership with Curtin Nutrition and Dietetics to cook nutritious meals to supplement the Guild Food Pantry. Our first cook-up produced 93 nourishing meals, which have been frozen and are now available to students accessing pantry support. This initiative strengthens our food security efforts by ensuring students can access ready-made, healthy meals when they need them most. A huge thank you to the student nutritionists who generously volunteered their time, to Dr Rebecca Russell for her leadership in bringing this partnership to life, and to VP Sustainability & Welfare Morgan Mills for coordinating the Guild side of the project. The goal is to continue this partnership across the year, with at least three more cook-ups planned.

**Vice President – Education**  
**February Representation Board (08/12/2025 – 28/02/2026)**  
**Hadiya Naeemi ( She/Her )**

**University/External Meetings**

| Date                   | Meeting   | Comments   |
|------------------------|---|--|
| 8/12/25 –<br>11/12/25  | National conference of the national union of students | The conference was only two days long because of delays and lack of quorum.  |
| 31/01/2026             | NUS WA meeting  | Met with the State Branch President to discuss potential campaigns and Curtin-specific issues, including teaching placements and freedom of speech on campus.  |
| 03/02/2026             | Courses committee                                     | Presentation and discussion of new courses for recommendation. Changes to workload were considered, but overall benefits were aimed at improving student outcomes.   |
| 04/02/2026             | Student success strategy                              | This was a workshop done with the student success team it involved reviewing data on student support services to identify gaps, strengths and opportunities to better serve students. The audit focused on vulnerable cohorts, personalised versus general support and the overall student experience. |
| 5/02/26 –<br>6/02/2026 | WA teaching and learning forum                        | A two day forum held on campus, including seminars and workshops led by academics from universities across WA. Topics ranged from AI in classrooms to equity in teaching. This was insightful for understanding the most pressing issues among academics and strategies being used to address them.    |
| 09/02/2026             | Uni Survival Guide                                    | Presented with the President at Curtin Stadium. The turnout was strong, and students asked questions regarding parking, TOGA, and other services.  |

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| 11/02/2026 | O-Day Stall             | Hosted a stall with two giveaways and a survey. Distributed flyers explaining the Guild's services and promoting the First Year representative. Promoted NUS campaigns, including teaching placements and student rights, to raise awareness and provide support. |
| 12/2/2026  | Guild x assessment 2030 | Attended with the President and participated in discussions regarding the progression of Assessment 2030. Conversations focused on strategies to increase student awareness and engagement with the initiative, ensuring students are informed.                   |
| 19/02/2026 | Representation Board    | This was the first reps board of 2026; it was successful and constructive. It included lively debate from unions, to what to expect from the guild this year.   |

### **Guild Meetings**

| Date       | Meeting                         | Comments  |
|------------|---------------------------------|---|
| 20/01/26   | Exec Committee                  |   |
| 28/01/26   | All faculty meeting             | We took this time to brainstorm ideas, an interfaculty event and campaigns.             |
| 30/01/2026 | Student assist case type review | This was with the president and involved reviewing a case review one by student assist. |
| 10/02/26   | All faculty meeting             |   |
| 17/02/26   | Exec committee                  |   |
| 26/2/24    | Exec Committee                  |   |

Since starting this role, I have been actively attending meetings and engaging with students and fellow representatives to understand their concerns and identify the most pressing issues affecting them. This period has focused on listening, gathering feedback, and determining priorities for the year to ensure that the Guild is addressing what matters most to students. Through these discussions, it has become clear that key challenges include parking, placement difficulties, and other ongoing student needs. These insights are guiding my focus for the year and informing how the Guild can best support students, advocate on their behalf, and create meaningful opportunities for engagement on campus.

### **Events**

### Semester 1 O-Day

The Guide to Survive presentation went well; the President and I delivered this to students in the stadium. While over 100 students attended, the stadium was larger than necessary, so a smaller venue could be considered in future. Many students raised concerns about parking and had general queries regarding the Guild, our services, and TOGA.

At the Guild representation stall, my focus was on student outreach. I distributed flyers about the NUS WA and included links to the Guild website where students could learn more about their national union and their representatives. I also conducted a survey covering topics such as parking, placements, and assessment weightings. The goal of the stall was to ensure students understand what the Guild does and who represents them, know they have a space on campus for support and are aware that their unions advocate on their behalf.

57th Guild Council

# Vice President- Activities February Report

Tahni Rowe - Date Submitted: 23/02/2026

**CURTIN  
STUDENT  
GUILD**

| Date                     | Event/Meeting                                     | Comment   |
|--------------------------|---|---|
| 01/12/2025               | Induction   |   |
| 03/12/2025               | Student Activities and Engagement Meeting         |   |
| 03/12/2025               | Event Coordinator                                 |   |
| 09/12/2025               | VPA x Curtin Events Team Introduction             |   |
| 11/12/2025               | VPA x Clubs team introduction                     |   |
| 12/12/2025               | VPA x Events x Engagement Meeting                 |   |
| 12/12/2025               | Curtin's Gender Based Violence Action plan review | Concerns from clubs team and general events of Curtin's lack of mention of key high risk areas. |
| 12/12/2025               | VPA x Engagement: Script Ideas                    | The birth of Tahni Irwin  |
| 16/12/2025               | VPA x Engagement: O week Reels Filming            | The creation of Tahni Irwin   |
| 16/12/2025               | Curtin Inclusion Meeting Inclusive Events Project | Redoing maps and updates and what we currently do   |
| 18/12/2025 to 04/01/2026 | Leave and Office Closure                          |   |
| 07/01/2026 to 08/01/2026 | Showbag Packing                                   |   |
| 09/01/2026               | VPA x Events                                      |   |
| 13/01/2026               | TOGA Planning                                     |   |
| 15/01/2026 – 28/01/2026  | Leave – Philippines                               |   |
| 28/01/2026               | Queer Rep catch up                                | Talk queer meet and greet event and Ally training opportunities                                 |
| 29/01/2026               | VPA x Events x Engagement                         |   |
| 29/01/2026               | Meet with new Tav Manager Vanessa                 |   |
| 03/02/2026               | VPA x Events                                      |   |
| 03/02/2026               | VPA x Clubs                                       |   |
| 04/02/2026               | Tavern Event Calendar                             |   |
| 05/02/2026               | VPA x Events x Engagement                         |   |
| 09/02/2026 to 13/02/2026 | Guild Gardens                                     |   |
| 10/02/2026               | Speed Friending Session 1                         |   |
| 11/02/2026               | Guild O-DAY                                       |   |
| 12/02/2026               | Speed Friending Session 2                         |   |
| 13/02/2026               | Curtin AUJS SGM                                   | As returning officer to ensure compliance   |
| 17/02/2026               | Events x VPA                                      |   |
| 19/02/2026               | VPA x Clubs                                       |   |
| 19/02/2026               | VPA x Events x Engagement                         |   |

## A Little Note From Your VPA.....

Hi Y'all!

For those of you who don't know me or may have forgotten my name is Tahni Rowe (she/her) your friendly neighbour Vice President- Activities. Wow what a wild start to the year and term to our new Guild Council. There has been lots of change and movement in my area at the Guild, which is all very chaotic and exciting. I have been in full Toga and O-week swing from the get go! Although I have been reserving some time to start sowing the seeds of some other projects and cooking up what this year is going to look like so..... Watch. This. Space!

Good Vibes Always,

Tahni Rowe

## Introducing the Teams I Work With

**Engagement** – Our social media and communications team currently consisting of Maryanne, Katia and Dilly. I work closely with this team to work with event theming, marketing, content production and produce general information for students.

**Events** – A brand new crew of Ari and Caitlin. These two have wasted no time in jumping into their roles as your brand new events team. I work with this team to give direction of the event vibes and theming, and they spring into action making the vision come true.

**Clubs** – If you've ever been part of a club then Shelley and Luke need no introduction. Clubs team and I work on improving the experience and process of Clubs and ensure clubs follow good governance protocols.

**The Tav** – Our brand new Tav Manager Vannesa and I have been working closely together to start breathing a bit of life into our much beloved Tav. My love of hospitality and Vanessas drive to have a students input in the Tavs revamped direction has brought us together as a new team for my role.

**Guild Executive** – The line up of absolute GOATs Dylan, Noor, Hadiya, Morgan and myself work together on larger campaigns, issues and overarching items/operations at the Guild.

**Faculty and Equity Student Reps**- Ahhhhh the amazing reps. The office is very full this year with every position being filled as well as the addition of our brand new Ethnocultural Officer. I work with your Faculty and Equity Reps to help deliver their individual events and assist their involvement with larger events such as o-day.

## Events

### Guild Gardens

Guild gardens was our o-week activation which was open from 10am – 2 pm everyday except Wednesday during O-week. The theme and vibe was euro summer inspired with us serving up sodas as our giveaway each day and doing potting a succulent/herb as our activity.



There were initial concerns that the activation would be missed by students as Curtin condensed their O-week activities into the pines area. However, the activation was well attended especially by international students and overall students popped in between O-week activities and sessions for some downtime. The amazing Reps were there to promote Toga and talk to students about what we as the Guild do. Thank you to Tahsin, Dylan, Ebony, Morgan, Mia, Zobia, and Connie for allowing me to dress you in Togas!!

In terms of things I would do differently next time I would probably have the Guild registration booth next to the entrance of the event as I felt some students missed this while attending the Guild gardens and vice versa. I would also probably drop the planting of the herbs/succulents and just have the decorate the pot activity as many attendees just wanted the pot.



### Speed Friending



Speed Friending has truly been solidifying itself as a key event in the o-week calendar. Curtin O-week staff were even ushering and leading people to the sessions this year (which that didn't tell us they were going to do). Each session had over 200+ attendees which was much larger than the 70 approx. that I had been expecting.

This year I trialled running one of the sessions in the Tav and it was really well received. Some groups of students stayed on in the Tav well after the event had



finished. I'm hoping that this will allow first years to see and be aware of the Tav as a fun social hot spot at the start of their university Journey.

It would be my recommendation that this event be run everyday of o-week (except the Wednesday for O-day). I would recommend two of those days to be in the tavern and two to be in the undercover courtyard to ensure a mix of venues. Also be prepared for a capacity of 200 people

### O-day

The biggest day of the year!

This year we had 165 stalls at O-day which absolutely engulfed the Promenade.

Some highlights or points of interest to note from this year:

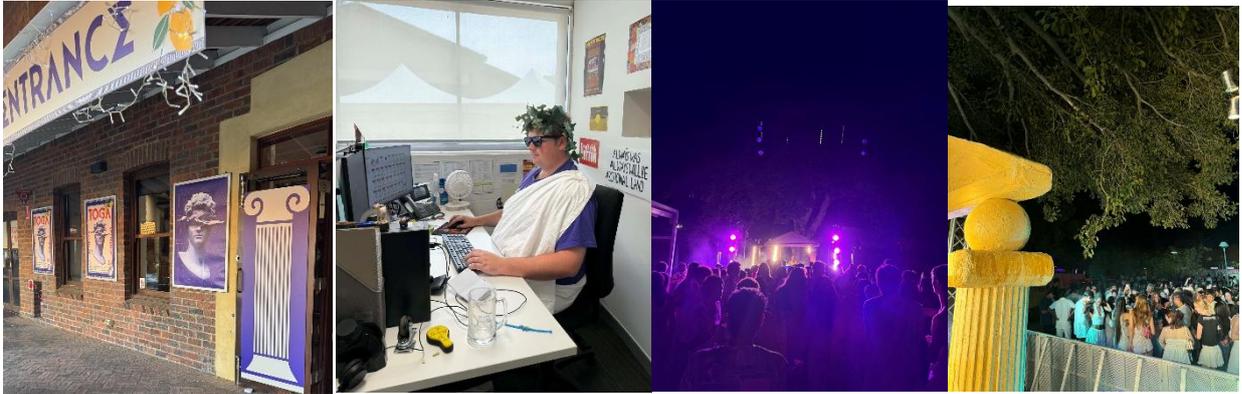
- Redbull who activated the far end of the Promenade and I felt liven up what is usually a bit of a drop off of the event.
- The Rep social media takeover which the Engagement team asked for. Allowed clubs to be highlighted on our page as stories and I had a whole lotta fun with it.
- The Presidents dunk tank again this year which is always a hit. Dylan you are a trooper for doing that hours on end.
- This year we hired in videographers for the event as we have not had O-day footage done in four year! I'm so excited to see how they turn out.
- We had an extra chill out zone in clubs hub this year which allowed more spaces for students who struggle with sensory issues or just needed a little break from the event.
- Had good feedback on the contents of the o-day showbags this year.
- Clubs, staff, students and myself all identified the whole vibe of the event felt calmer than years previously.

A huge thank you the Clubs team and Caitlin who were delegated this mammoth of a task with all the staff changes. Especially to Shelley who was a huge support to me personally and worked well beyond what her job description demands of her. The overtime she poured in to ensure this event even happened is truly something worth highlighting.



## Toga

One good thing about a late report is you get one extra event squeezed in ... tehe. This year it was out with the old and in with the new! Brand new branding for the event which really brought Toga into the modern era. The event was well attended and we saw the Tav taken over by a sea of bed sheets being used as clothes.



Some highlights or points of interest to note from this year:

- Brand new branding/marketing felt fresh and exciting.
- Redbull silent disco, although attendance fluctuates largely throughout the event.
- Angora Stage was absolutely gorgeous all done up and provides a large dance floor.
- The chill zone was well used by patrons and provided a good meeting point for patrons
- Best Dressed put on as a main stage event.
- Lollipops at the end of the event. Astor sent me a reel about a student union in London that used lollipops at the end of an event to reduce noise.
- The rows of tables at the back of the main stage were really effective at keeping a large number of people on the action while being seated.
- The reduced event menu suited the vibe of the event so well and a few special items that were well received.

A couple things I would have done differently would to open the alleyway where Simply delicious is to link the Angora Courtyard and the Guild courtyard to ease congestion of foot traffic through the tavern. I would recommend next time putting the entrance to the silent disco at the centre leading onto the walkway and reducing the area so that the bifold doors next to the main bar could be opened up. I would have also liked to add a low sensory zone in clubsHQ, which was requested although must have been missed in the handover with all the

staffing changes. Also considering how popular the chill zone was more seating would be a good idea and in particular comfortable seating.

A huge shoutout to Tanya who was shifted onto this very last minute and did everything in her power and a few late nights to make this event come together.

## Campaigns and Projects

### **National Higher Education Gender Based Violence Code**

Background - The Code was developed following the *Action Plan Addressing Gender-Based Violence in Higher Education* (February 2024), which was in turn part of the broader *National Plan to End Violence against Women and Children 2022–2032*. All Australian Universities are now going to be required to have protocols and plans on not only responding to Gender based Violence but also how they plan to prevent it. All universities were required to prepare a draft by the end of 2025 in preparation for the implementation of the code as of the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2026.

The professional staff and student representatives briefly reviewed the drafts and had concerns that key areas with high risk of Gender Based Violence were missing from the draft and points that were raised lacked clarity. Although these documents were only intended as early drafts the various departments of the Guild felt it was necessary to flag these concerns early on in the development of this policy to ensure they are not omitted entirely. The drafts were opened for feedback and the Guilds staff submitted feedback with our concerns.

This is an ongoing project and something myself, other reps and the Guilds professional staff are eager to be part of shaping.

### **Inclusive Event Practices**

Imari, a previous Guild rep, now works as a Project Officer at the Equity and Inclusion department at Curtin reached and asked to meet about discussing what our process was regarding inclusivity especially in regards to accessibility was here at the Guild. They are looking into consolidating information and Inclusivity practices at events run by the various stakeholders here at Curtin. I informed them of our current practices which include key stakeholder consultation, keeping up with current and standard industry practices and providing an accessibility matrix for all for our events. I look forward to seeing Imaris progress.

## **Tav Events**

As of Week 2 of Semester there is Trivia Tuesdays and Live Music Fridays in the Tav! Live music is a huge passion of mine and something Vanessa and I felt could elevate the Friday night vibe at the Tav.

The first four weeks of live music and first three weeks of Trivia have been outsourced, however, these will be switching to student Clubs and talent as the semester progresses and momentum picks up for these new weekly events.

My goal is to create a platform for clubs to benefit from the Tavs services and have a platform to run trivia nights. Live music Fridays I aim to be an opportunity to showcase and uplift talent here at Curtin. To bring forward all the incredible singers, DJs, bands and provide a chance for students to book gigs.

## **Rep led events booking system and Accessing Budget**

After feedback from the Events team and previous Reps I have implemented a new system, I am hoping will allow Reps to more easily access their event budgets and run small scale event autonomously and reduce the strain on the Events team. This system consists of an Event Application form, Spending request form which and the Event category classifications that aim to streamline Rep led Events. This model was very closely modelled off of the clubs event application process as it is a familiar structure to many reps. This process is currently in its infancy and I will be gathering feedback from key stakeholders to gauge how it can be improved.

## **Teary Eyed Goodbyes** 😞

Jess and Karla – The former power houses of Guild Events unfortunately have decided to move on with other opportunities and projects. Their funky flare and bubbly vibe have been a cornerstone of Guild Events my entire time at Curtin. It truly is the end of an era!

Bec – For those of you who didn't know Bec, her role as Student Experience Manager had her over seeing anything from the front desk to Clubs to Events with the sole mission of making the life of students one filled with joy and support. Bec started here working as a barista in Concept Café 16 years ago! Bec was a huge personal support to me in navigating all the changes in the area of the Guild I work with and always had time for my questions, no matter how silly they were at times. But after 16 years at the Guild it was time for a new chapter!



## Vice President Sustainability and Welfare

February Guild Council (01/12/2025 – 26/02/2025)

Morgan Mills (they/them)

### University/External Meetings

| Date       | Meeting                         | Comments  |
|------------|---------------------------------|---|
| 15/12/2025 | We All Need to Pee              |   |
| 12/01/2026 | Student meals and food charter  | Met with Dr Rebecca Russell regarding the production of frozen meals for the Guild Pantry |
| 15/01/2026 | Curtin Sunflower Program launch | Met with Imari regarding Curtin's upcoming Sunflower Program launch                       |
| 02/02/2026 | University Health and Safety    |   |
| 03/02/2026 | Circle 8 smart bin negotiations |   |
| 16/02/2026 | RAHU meeting                    |   |

### Guild Meetings

| Date          | Meeting  | Comments  |
|---------------|--|---|
| 11-12/11/2025 | Handover   |   |
| 01/12/2025    | Induction day                                      |   |
| 05/12/2025    | Accessibility Officer initial meeting              |   |
| 12/12/2025    | Queer Officer initial meeting                      |   |
|               | Women's Officer initial meeting                    |   |
|               | Gender-based violence Policy and Procedures review | Tahni, Shelley and Luke   |
| 15/12/2025    | Guild Health and Safety                            |   |
|               | First Nations Officer initial meeting              |   |
| 16/12/2026    | Exec meeting                                       |   |
| 05/01/2026    | Ethnocultural Officer initial meeting              |   |
| 07/01/2026    | Draft Procedures for HDR students                  | With Andrew, Jael and Hadiya  |
| 13/01/2026    | Exec meeting                                       |   |
| 27/01/2026    | Exec meeting                                       |   |
| 28/01/2026    | Food pantry discussion                             | With Myles and Andrew   |
|               | ISC President initial meeting                      |   |
| 18/02/2026    | Queer Collective Discussion                        | With Astor  |
| 19/02/2026    | Collectives procedure update                       |   |
| 24/02/2026    | Exec meeting                                       |   |
| 25/02/2026    | VPSW x ISC catchup                                 |   |
|               | Housing campaign                                   | Discussion about implementation of cool bags in student accommodation |
| 26/02/2026    | VPSW x AO catchup                                  |   |
|               | VPSW x Ethnocultural catchup                       |   |
|               | VPSW x QO catchup                                  |   |
|               | VPSW X First Nations catchup                       |   |

## **Updates**

### **Food Charter**

Work towards the food charter has commenced, with the creation of frozen meals for the food pantry in O-Week. This is the initial stage of the proposed food charter, with further additions being made as the charter is developed and implementation begins. Once fully developed, the food charter will endeavor to encompass at 5 key areas – those being: Nutrition, Accessibility, Culture, Sustainability, and Education. Below is a brief breakdown of what each of these areas will likely focus on.

*Nutrition:* This area will investigate ways to ensure our meals are nutritionally balanced and provide a variety of food products from each of the 5 food groups. The intention is to provide affordable meals that promote balanced diets and help students reach their recommended daily dietary intakes.

*Accessibility:* Accessibility encompasses factors such as price, food availability at outlets and the opening hours of outlets.

*Culture:* Culture will aim to look at increasing food options that align with varying dietary requirements, as well as providing foods from a variety of different cultures and cuisines.

*Sustainability:* Reducing waste and increasing the use of reusable materials are at the forefront of this area.

*Education:* This area will aim to improve the food literacy of students by providing resources such as recipe cards in the Guild Pantry.

### **Guild Courtyard**

Renovations of the Guild courtyard outside of the Tav have begun, with the fake grass having been removed. New trees have been planted in the courtyard, adding a sense or renewed life to the courtyard. Research into mural artists for painting the pots is currently underway. I would like to thank Dylan, Tahni, Tom, and Mitch for their assistance with this project.

### **Temporary Prayer Space**

Following the closure of the Musalla, the Guild opened a temporary prayer space in Clubs HQ to provide students with an alternative space. The space came about as an alternative following information that the closest prayer space available (excluding the multifaith room) was the Belmont Mosque. This temporary prayer space will be reopened in June, when the Musalla closes for the second phase of renovations. I would like to thank Dylan, Vernon, Max, Tahsin and others for their assistance in the quick set up and turn around of this prayer space.

The Guild has also provided a sister space again this year to be used by women during Ramadan. This space will also be in Clubs HQ.

### **Recycling Hub**

Earlier this year, Dylan and I emptied the recycling hub for the first time. The number of items being recycled, especially blister packs, in the four-month period that has been out has truly highlighted the importance and success of this initiative. Bottle caps are another highly donated item.

## **Racism@Uni Survey**

The findings of the Racism@Uni Survey have been officially released. This was a project from the 2024 Vice President of Sustainability and Welfare Razanne Al-Abdeli worked closely on developing with the Australian Human Rights Commission last year.

## **Events**

### **Semester 1 O-Day**

Semester 1 O-Day was a raving success. For my stall, I created a selection of freebies containing reusable straws, plantable paper to-do lists, skin care samples and a flyer advertising the welfare and sustainability initiatives the Guild currently runs.

I was able to gather some feedback regarding what students want in terms of sustainability and welfare on campus, which I will endeavor to include throughout my term. This includes tree planting events, community gardens and increasing the number of period products on campus.

### **Filling Plates, Fueling Futures**

On the 12<sup>th</sup> of February, the Guild in conjunction with Dr Rebecca Russell from the School of Population Health prepared and cooked 93 meals. These meals have been frozen and are now available as part of the Guild Pantry initiative. The meals made are all halal and high in nutritional value, offering students a premade option to supplement their other pantry products.

A mixture of vegetarian and meat meals were made, with options being either Pumpkin and Red Lentil Dahl with Rice or Moroccan Chicken and Chickpea Tagine with Rice. Recipe cards for both meals will be made available at the pantry for those who wish to recreate them using the ingredients that are available.

Not only is this initiative part of an ongoing plan to improve food security on campus, but it also provides students with an opportunity for learning basic food literacy skills and gain volunteer experience.



## Secretary's Report

SUBMISSION DATE: 19/02/2026  
FOR MEETING DATE: 26/02/2026

NAME: Noor Fella  
POSITION: Guild Secretary

### GUILD MEETINGS/EVENTS

| Date       | Meeting                                  | Comments                                    |
|------------|--|---|
| 02/12/2025 | Induction Day                            |   |
| 02/12/2025 | Guild Council Meeting                    |   |
| 02/12/2025 | Executive Meeting                        |   |
| 02/12/2025 | Representation Board Meeting             |   |
| 08/12/2025 | NUS National Conference                  | 08/12/25-12/12/2026                         |
| 06/01/2026 | Executive Meeting                        |   |
| 07/01/2026 | Governance Officer Introduction          | With MD and President                       |
| 23/01/2026 | Bec Farewell                             |   |
| 04/02/2026 | NUS President Summit                     | 04/02/2026-06/02/2026                       |
| 11/02/2026 | O-Day                                    |   |
| 18/02/2026 | GM Corporate Services Manager Interviews | 3 Interviews held, all within the same day. |
| 19/02/2026 | Representation Board Meeting             |   |

### UNIVERSITY MEETINGS

| Date | Meeting | Comments |
|------|---------|----------|
|      | Nil     |          |

### Additional Comments

Hi everyone, I'm really happy to be back for another term as Secretary.

Over the past few months, I've been a bit busy finishing up an internship, which has now wrapped up. I'm really glad to be able to fully shift my focus back to the Secretary role and the work ahead.

One of my main priorities this year is working through the constitutions and by-laws that are up for review. I want to make sure these documents are clear, up to date, and actually reflect how the Guild operates in practice. While this work can be behind the scenes, it's important for setting us up properly for the year and beyond.

I'll also continue focusing on supporting the Executive and Representatives in their work, particularly with events, budgets, approvals, and general Secretariat processes. I'm always happy to help where I can and want to make sure reps feel supported in what they're trying to achieve.

Since the last reporting period, we've also seen some internal changes. The Governance Officer role was introduced and is currently vacant, a new General Manager, Corporate Services has commenced, and work has begun towards rebuilding the Student Assist team.

I've attended both the NUS National Conference and the NUS President's Summit. At NatCon, a big focus was on governance, policy direction, and how student unions nationally are responding to ongoing pressures around cost of living, housing, and student representation. President's Summit was more practical and skills-focused, with sessions on governance responsibilities, financial oversight, media, and campaign planning. Both were valuable and have helped shape how I want to approach the Secretary role this year, especially around strengthening governance and supporting reps more effectively.

I've really loved working with all the Representatives so far and I'm genuinely looking forward to a big year together. My door is always open, so please don't hesitate to reach out if you need support, have questions, or just want to talk something through.

Excited for the rest of our year ahead !!