



## Student Guild of Curtin University

### Representation Board - Meeting #5

Held on Thursday the 21st of April 2022

Meeting opened 5.36pm

## AGENDA

### 1. Acknowledgement of the Traditional Owners

*"The Curtin Student Guild would like to pay 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; Jasmyne Tweed; Sophie Scott, Madison Ainsworth, Cassidy Pemberton, Marcus Fernihough; Salwa Kilzi, Hameed Mohammad, Rey Nairn
- 2.2. Others Present; Maryanne Shaddick (minute taker); Aleena Shaji (observer)
- 2.3. Apologies and Leave of Absence; Theodora Rohl, Dylan Botica, Amber Hilston, February Metcalf, Rachel Taylor, Zoe Wing, Jo-Ann Naidu, Sofia Gonzalez Torres
- 2.4. Absent, Adam Reader

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

### 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

#### 4.1. Previous Meeting Minutes:

Motion: That the Representation Board approves the minutes of the previous meeting, held on 17/03/2022, as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

Moved: Madison Ainsworth

Seconded: Marcus Fernihough

Carried

### 5. Matters Arising from the Minutes. None

### 6. Items Not for Discussion. None

### 7. Items for Discussion and Resolution

#### 7.1. Curtin University Divest from Fossil Fuels

Motion: That the Guild demands that Curtin University divests from and ends its business partnerships with fossil fuel companies. That the Guild endorses the divestment campaign launched by Uni Students for Climate Justice. That the Guild will investigate any ties that it has to fossil fuel companies, including (but not limited to) investments and receiving of funding related to fossil fuels, and publicly release this information.

Moved: Marcus Fernihough  
Seconded: Cassidy Pemberton  
Carried

Marcus Fernihough spoke to the motion saying that resource companies were forces fighting climate change and Curtin had direct relationships with these companies. Marcus said that universities should be at the cutting edge of alternative energy research. Cassidy Pemberton said it was good that that the Guild had a strong stance on this issue. Hameed Mohammad asked about students doing internships and those studying mining courses. Madison Ainsworth said science and engineering students were responsible for securing their own partnerships. Hameed said PHD students worked with companies as required by their supervisors. Marcus said it was more important to save the planet rather than work for resource and mining companies. University should find alternatives for students. Madison said Curtin needed to speed up the process developing partnerships with alternative energy companies.

## 7.2. Curtin University "Presenting Partner" John Howard

Motion: That the Guild condemns Curtin University's endorsement of John Howard by sponsoring his speaking event.

Moved: Marcus Fernihough  
Seconded: Salwa Kilzi  
Carried

Marcus Fernihough and Salwa Kilzi said that John Howard's record was despicable in a number of areas. Curtin was endorsing him and his politics. Madison Ainsworth said that Kevin Rudd was also at a sponsored speaking event at the university. Madison asked what John Howard was talking about. Rey noted that voter registration closed on 18 April.

## 8. Reports

8.1. President – Submitted. Marcus Fernihough asked for feedback from the meeting with NETU representative. NETU indicated that course delivery issues would not be taken care of by a pulse check. Marcus asked about the Guild's next steps.

8.2. Vice President – Education – Submitted. As tabled. No questions

8.3. Faculty of Business and Law Representative – Submitted. As tabled. No questions.

8.3.1.KPIs submitted for approval

8.4. Faculty of Science and Engineering Representative – Submitted. As tabled. No questions.

8.5. Faculty of Health Sciences Representative – Submitted. No questions

8.6. Faculty of Humanities Representative – Not Submitted. No questions

8.7. Student Assist – Submitted. No questions

8.8. International Students Committee President – Submitted. As tabled. No questions

8.9. Postgraduate Students Committee President – Submitted. No Questions

- 8.10. Queer Officer – Submitted. As tabled. No questions
  - 8.11. Women's Officer – Submitted. As tabled. No questions
  - 8.12. First Nations Officer – Vacant
  - 8.13. Accessibility Officer – Submitted. Rey Nairn noted that the Accessibility Collective had its first meeting.
  - 8.14. Higher Education Developments – Submitted. No questions
  - 8.15. Chair of the Representation Board\* - Verbal report. Jasmyne noted that she had not yet met with Chief Operating Officer Fiona Nottley with regard to parking.
- Motion: That the Representation Board notes the reports.

Moved: Rey Nairn

Seconded: Madison Ainsworth

Carried

Motion: That the Representation Board approves the KPIs set by members.

Moved: Salwa Kilzi

Seconded: Cassidy Pemberton

Carried (one abstention)

#### 9. Minutes of Committees Reporting to the Representation Board

- 9.1. International Student Committee – Nil
- 9.2. Postgraduate Student Committee – Meeting held 30/03/2022
- 9.3. Queer Collective – Meeting Held 28/03/2022
- 9.4. Womens Collective – Meeting Held 26/03/2022
- 9.5. First Nations Collective - Nil
- 9.6. Accessibility Collective - Nil
- 9.7. Student Housing Advisory Committee - Nil
- 9.8. First Year Committee – Meeting Held 13/04/2022

Motion: That the Representation Board notes the minutes of the committees and collectives en bloc.

Moved: Jasmyne Tweed (Chair of Representation Board)

Seconded: Rey Nairn

Carried

Cassidy Pemberton noted a couple of typos in the minutes.

10. General Business. None

11. Next Meeting

The next ordinary meeting of the Representation Board is Thursday, the 19<sup>th</sup> of May at 5.30pm to be held at Council Chambers. Documents or Online and motions are to be submitted no later than 4:30pm on Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup> of May 2022 to [chair.representation@guild.curtin.edu.au](mailto:chair.representation@guild.curtin.edu.au) and [secretary@guild.curtin.edu.au](mailto:secretary@guild.curtin.edu.au)

Meeting closed at 6.09pm