

Student Guild of Curtin University

Representation Board - Meeting #11

To be held at 5.30pm on Thursday the 20th of October 2022

Council Chambers 100.301 Meeting opened 5.30pm

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, Dylan Botica, Hameed Mohammad, Amber Hilston, Veronika Gobba (online), Ashok Radhakrishnan, Mitchell Craig, Cassidy Pemberton, Salwa Kilzi, Rey Nairn (online) Marcus Fernihough (online), Imari Morris, Sophie Scott, Zoe Wing
- 2.2. Others Present; Joshua Cooper (secretary), Maryanne Shaddick (minute secretary)
- 2.3. Apologies and Leave of Absence; Rachel Taylor, Jo Ann Naidu
- 2.4. Absent;
- 3. Disclosure of any potential or perceived Conflicts of Interest. None
- 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 15/09/2022, as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

Moved: Cassidy Pemberton Seconded: Salwa Kilzi

Carried

- 5. Matters Arising from the Minutes. None
- 6. Items Not for Discussion. None
- 7. Items for Discussion and Resolution
 - 7.1 Solidarity with Iran

Motion: That the Curtin Student Guild stands in solidarity with the protests in Iran and

demands the release of Iranian student activists.

Moved: Marcus Fernihough

Seconded: Hameed Mohammad

Carried

Marcus spoke to the motion noting that the uprising was inspiring. It was a political movement that had the potential to topple the regime. Hameed Mohammad said he was at the Curtin speak out. Dylan Botica said there would be a demonstration at Forrest Place on Saturday.

8. Reports 1

8.1. President – Submitted. Dylan Botica noted that the Guild had received 5000 signatures so far for the petition to fix parking at Curtin University. Work would be undertaken over the next few weeks to look at next phase of the campaign - specifically exam parking. Dylan noted the need for students on disciplinary panels and called for assistance from representatives and council members. Dylan reported that he was on a team assessing a replacement for eVALUate. The goal was to make it better for staff and not have it used as performance management tool. A pulse check would be introduced next year to provide real time feedback. Dylan noted that he had met with the Vice Chancellor, that the placement issue was ongoing and that there was an opening event for The Lab. Dylan reported that he was liaising with regard to establishing a Multi Faith Centre at the north end of campus. As well, he was working to revive clubs and make administration less onerous.

- 8.2. Vice President of Education Submitted. Hameed Mohammad spoke about the parking campaign. He said that he was working to recruit a First Nations Officer. No questions.
- 8.3. Faculty of Business and Law Submitted. No questions.
- 8.4. Faculty of Science and Engineering Representative Submitted
- 8.5. Faculty of Health Sciences Representative Submitted. As tabled. Dylan Botica asked whether there was going to be a review of the number of health units. Amber Hilston said the university was not looking to review anything at this point.
- 8.6. Faculty of Humanities Representative Submitted. As tabled. No questions.
- 8.7. Student Assist Submitted. Dylan Botica asked if Jo-Ann could include undergraduate and post graduate students as categories.
- 8.8. International Students Committee President Submitted. As tabled. No questions.
- 8.9. Postgraduate Students Committee President Submitted. As tabled. Mitchell Craig noted that the last research committee meeting was sent out after break and would be tabled next year. Mitchell spoke about the gateway update.
- 8.10. Queer Officer Submitted. As tabled. Cassidy spoke about the Pride Parade protest. The risk management plan included Aboriginal and intersex voices. A NUS officer was coming to Perth. There was discussion about the getting message about the protest out to the wider community. Cassidy noted that there were posters up in Northbridge and Fremantle. Dylan Botica said that some people in the community might not know why there was a problem with Pride. There was a discussion about media liaison and paid digital advertising.
- 8.11. Women's Officer Not Submitted. As tabled. No questions
- 8.12. First Nations Officer Vacant
- 8.13. Accessibility Officer Submitted. Rey Nairn said there was an incident at the School of Education and they had met with the deputy head of school. Dylan Botica recommended that Rey should attend the Diversity Inclusion Committee's first meeting in November. No questions.
- 8.14. Higher Education Developments Submitted. As tabled No questions.
- 8.15. Chair of Representation Board* Verbal Report. Jasmyne noted the parking campaign and the necessity for more signatures to the petition. Jasmyne said that feedback suggested that students were happy that the Guild was still working on the issue.

Motion: That the Representation Board notes the Reports.

Moved: Imari Morris Seconded: Salwa Kilzi

Carried

- 9. Minutes of Committees Reporting to the Representation Board
 - 9.1. International Student Committee 13/09/22 & 11/10/22
 - 9.2. Postgraduate Student Committee 29/09/22
 - 9.3. Queer Collective N/A
 - 9.4. Women's Collective N/A
 - 9.5. First Nations Collective N/A
 - 9.6. Accessibility Collective N/A
 - Student Housing Advisory Committee N/A
 - 9.8. First Year Committee N/A

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

Moved: Mitchell Craig Seconded:Rey Nairn

Carried

10. General Business. Dylan Botica noted that the constitutions of equity collectives had been revoked and procedures to replace the documents had been circulated to sub committees reporting to Representation Board for feedback. Cassidy Pemberton asked if collective members would have a person to contact if they felt the conveyor was not doing their job. There was discussion about the processes in place. There was a discussion on how membership would work. Dylan Botica said that an expression of interest would be adopted to recruit members. It was noted that there would be a more limited structure for the First Year Committee. It was noted that elections were an onerous process for an advisory body. There was discussion about the struggle to fill some collectives.

Dylan Botica moved to suspend Standing Orders.

A vote to suspend standing orders was carried.

Motion. The Representation Board notes the First Year Committee Procedure and Equity Collective Procedures and recommends the Guild Council adopts them.

Moved Dylan Botica

Seconded Rey Nairn

Carried

There was discussion about whether the motion would replace existing positions. Dylan Botica noted that it would replace the current First Year Committee and Equity Collectives. It was noted that these were advisory roles and did not make decisions. The proposed change would be more inclusive of all students. Hammed Mohammad asked for assistance for next week's parking campaign.

11. Next Meeting

The next ordinary meeting of the Representation Board is Thursday the 17th of November at 5:30pm to be held at Council Chambers. Documents and motions are to be submitted no later than 4:30pm on Thursday the 10th of November 2022 to chair.representation@guild.curtin.edu.au and secretary@guild.curtin.edu.au

Meeting closed 6.09pm.