# **Student Guild of Curtin University**



**Representation Board - Meeting #03** 

To be held at 1730 on Thursday the 15th of February 2024

In 101.301 Council Chambers

# **MEETING MINUTES**

# Meeting Opened @5:32PM

# 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;

Veronika Gobba(Chair), Jasmyne Tweed (President), Jacquie Bicanic(VP Sustainability/Welfare), Hannah Northey(FBL Rep), Nini Siddiqua(FHS Rep), Imari Morris(FH Rep), Zavier Wileman(Queer Officer), Cadence Gant(Women's Officer), Thane Roberts(FSE Rep), Max Zhang (VP Activities), Bustanul Arifin(Postgrad Students Comms Pres), Kimberley Pinto(Int. Students Comms Pres), Filiz Keles(Accessibility Officer)

# 2.2. Others Present; Andrew Williams (Guest Student ID#19344519), Max Zhang (VP Activities), Paul Xavier Alvarez (Minute Secretary), Jo-Ann Naidu(Student Assist),

- 2.3. Apologies and Leave of Absence; Mitch Craig (Secretary)
- 2.4. Absent;

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

Jasmyne states that for the NUS delegates - there will be a conflict for the initial affiliation amount of the NUS/some of the KPI's. However, this is fine as Jasmyne and Veronika are handling this.

# 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

4.1. Previous Meeting Minutes:

# RB#06/2024

Motion: That the Representation Board **approves** the minutes of the previous meeting, held on 11/01/2024, as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

Moved: Imari Morris Seconded: Cadence Gant Carried.

#### 5. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None.

#### 6. Items Not for Discussion

None.

#### 7. Public Question Time

Veronika Gobba asked Andrew Williams if he wanted to ask questions before or after the reports. He said he'll ask after.

After KPI's were discussed, Andrew Williams was allowed 2 questions. His first question was for Zavier Wileman to talk a bit more about their comprehensive feedback that they received today. Zavier responds that they had three meetings already, but they weren't having any comprehensive updates in terms of what the business analysts were doing. They said they were shown a slideshow put together of what systems the analysts were looking into, and part of that was a prioritisation exercise with over more than 100 systems, and they found that 77 were high priority, and 50 are needing solutions. Zavier still had questions to the analysts about what was the process with deciding which ones were high priority or not. An explanation is that a system is of high risk if there are a lot of students interacting with it. Analysts also discussed what interventions were needed (such as staff being notified). Zavier stated lastly, that once they get the documents, they will provide a more comprehensive update. Imari also adds that of those 77 systems they identified, not all of them were student focused.

Andrew's asked Imari Morris for a more information about her report. Imari responded that Curtin had recently reactivated the one-year Graduate Diploma for students who wanted to change their career paths. She stated that all of the units had been taken out of pre-existing units within current Masters of teaching (a 2-year course). However, the Graduate Diploma was not nationally accredited and the graduates would only be able to register to work only in WA. She stated that there were quite a few gaps and concerns about it

# 8. Reports & Key Performance Indicators

- 4.1. President Submitted Jasmyne Tweed added to her report, saying that the housing campaign was a broader part of student poverty. She and Veronika Gobba met with the campaign's officer from the NUS and there would be some coordinated national action for the Change the Age Campaign. They also talked about the way they could get the broader student community engaged with the housing campaign. No questions.
- 4.2. Vice President Education Submitted. As Tabled. No questions for Veronika Gobba.
- 4.3. Vice President Sustainability & Welfare Submitted. *As Tabled. No questions for Jacquie Bicanic.*
- 4.4. Faculty of Business & Law Representative Submitted. *As Tabled. No questions for Hannah Northey.* 
  - 4.4.1. KPIs Submitted

4.5. Faculty of Science & Engineering Representative – Submitted. *As Tabled. No questions for Thane Roberts.* 

4.5.1. KPIs - Submitted

4.6. Faculty of Health Sciences Representative – Submitted. *As Tabled. No questions for Nini Siddiqua.* 

4.6.1. KPIs - Submitted

4.7. Faculty of Humanities Representative – Submitted. *Imari Morris gave a quick summary* of her concern about bringing back the one-year graduate diploma for teaching. No questions asked.

4.7.1. KPIs - Submitted

- 4.8. Student Assist Submitted. As Tabled. No questions for Jo-Ann Naidu.
  - 4.8.1. 2023 Overview
  - 4.8.2. February Report
- 4.9. International Students Committee President Submitted. *As Tabled. No questions for Kim Pinto.*

4.9.1. KPIs – Submitted

4.10. Postgraduate Students Committee President – Submitted. *As Tabled. Nothing to add. No questions for Arifin Bustanul*.

4.10.1. KPIs - Submitted

4.11. Queer Officer – Submitted. Zavier Wileman stated that there would be more updates about the Curtin systems review in their next report. Otherwise taken as Tabled. No questions for Zavier.

4.11.1. KPIs - Submitted

- 4.12. Women's Officer Submitted. As Tabled. No questions for Cadence Gant .
  4.12.1. KPIs Submitted
- 4.13. Accessibility Officer Submitted. *As Tabled. No questions for Filiz Keles.* 4.13.1. KPIs – Submitted
- 4.14. Higher Education Developments Submitted. Absent. No questions.

After the discussion of the report, Jasmyne Tweed added that with the Accord final report coming out this month, it would be a very busy time and there would be lots of discussion in the media, etc. She said that if anyone from the media contacted a Representation Board member, please forward the query to her, as it is part of the president's duties was to deal with media requests. Jasmyne said that once the accord dropped, the Guild would respond.

#### RB#07/2024

Motion: That the Representation Board **notes** the reports. Moved: Hannah Northey Seconded: Jacquie Bicanic Carried.

# RB#08/2024

Motion: That the Representation Board approves the submitted KPIs.

Moved: Imari Morris Seconded: Nini Siddiqua Carried.

#### 9. Items for Discussion and Resolution

9.1. Darlington Statement

#### RB#09/2024

Motion: That the Representation Board:

approves the Curtin Student Guild endorsing and committing to the Darlington Statement.

Zavier Wileman spoke to the motion saying that at least 1.7% of people are born with intersex variation, the same number of people as there are redheads in the world, showcasing the small amount of people with intersex variation in the world. They stated that intersex identity was not something in general we were able to openly talk about. They stated that from the moment of birth, discrimination followed them throughout their life. Zavier stated that intersex people faced body shaming, social exclusion, and stigmatisation. As a result, intersex people were silenced. Zavier proposed that Curtin embraced the statement and bring us in line with the University of Melbourne Student union. Imari Morris added that the talking points of the statement already were in line with what the queer, women, and accessibility departments did. Imari also said that there was also a specific section for education awareness and employment.

Moved: Zavier Wileman Seconded: Imari Morris Carried.

#### 9.2. All Students Strike for Palestine National Day of Action

#### RB#10/2024

Motion: That the Representation Board: **endorse** the National Day of Action on Friday 1st March for all students to attend the Strike for Palestine organised by Students for Palestine WA.

Jasmyne Tweed noted that this motion was to support the National Day of Action and that three other states would be participating in a school strike for Palestine, She highly recommended everyone to come.

Moved: Jasmyne Tweed Seconded: Nini Siddiqua Carried.

#### 9.3. NUS Annual Report & Financial Statements

# RB#11/2024

Motion: That the Representation Board notes the NUS Annual Report & Financial Statements.

Jasmyne noted that the activity report was good - and that the NUS last year was quite active and engaged with their member organisation across the country in 2023. She also noted that it was good to see that their financial report was taken by an independent auditor.

Moved: Jasmyne Tweed Seconded: Cadence Gant Carried.

- 9.4. NUS National Conference Reports
  - 9.4.1. Danica Scott Submitted
  - 9.4.2. Athina Hilman Submitted
  - 9.4.3. Hameed Mohammad Submitted
  - 9.4.4. Hiba Alsoeady Submitted
  - 9.4.5. Veronika Gobba Submitted
  - 9.4.6. Jasmyne Tweed Submitted

#### RB#12/2024

Motion: That the Representation Board **notes** the NUS National Conference delegate and accredited observer reports.

Moved: Imari Morris Seconded: Jacquie Bicanic Carried.

9.5. National Union of Students KPIs Motion:

# RB#13/2024

Motion: That the Representation Board:

**recommend** to Guild Council the approval of the 2024 National Union of Students Key Performance Indicators and initial affiliation.

Jasmyne Tweed noted that the Guild had sent KPI's to NUS and this was the compilation of ones that Dylan Botica has put together. Jasmyne stated that she has added some new ones, such as the - reestablishment of the policy platform (#18) to make sure that the policy was published. She also had another one for the accessibility of conferences that the NUS hosted to make sure that the NUS was meeting people's accessibility needs. Jasmyne noted the the initial affiliation fee around \$70,000. Though at the moment, the budget was just \$50,000 for the affiliation fee. KPI's would be approved by the Guild Council.

Moved: Jasmyne Tweed Seconded: Jacquie Bicanic Carried.

#### 10. General Business

None.

#### 11. Meeting Evaluation

Hannah Northey evaluated the meeting. She stated the meeting presented benefits for students, advocacy, supporting the NUS, Darlington Statement, and student welfare. Hannah noted that the community papers were provided and they were mixed up at the start, though it was solved at the end. Suggestion for improvement was for the agenda to be released earlier about 2-3 days before meeting to read through everything. Guild values and voices were met and heard.

#### 12. Next Meeting

The next ordinary meeting of the Representation Board is Thursday, the 14th of March at 1730 to be held at Council Chambers. Documents and motions are to be submitted no later than 1700 on Thursday the 7th of March to secretary@guild.curtin.edu.au and educationvp@guild.curtin.edu.au

Meeting Closed @6:05PM