



August ECU Student Guild Senate Meeting Minutes

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1.0 Attendance

1.1 In Attendance

President – Sam Martyn
General Secretary – Caitlin Gibbs
Vice-President (Academic) – Stewart Lee
Vice-President (Equity & Diversity) – Aqila Burhani
Vice-President (Social Activity) – Jason Duffin
International Officer – Rakhi Mahbuba
South West Officer – Rebecca Joyce
General Senator – Simon Waddilove
General Senator – Adnan Akram
General Senator – Shariq Ahmed

CEO - Brett Callender
HR & Administration Officer – Norae Fisher

1.2 Apologies

Postgraduate Officer – Vacant
Environmental Sustainability Officer – Oliver Kung (proxy Stewart Lee)



2.0 Preliminary Matters

2.1 Acknowledgement of Country

"I would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on Wadjuk Nyoongar land, and I would also like to acknowledge their elders, both past and present. We recognise that the land was stolen and never ceded, and it always was and always will be Aboriginal land."

2.2 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

[An opportunity for meeting attendees to declare any conflicts that they have personally or that they feel other meeting attendees may have]

2.3 Announcements

- Sam reminds Senators that being a Senator at the Guild should be their first priority and that we all need to remember that we are here to represent ECU Students. Senate meetings will be at 4:30pm on the 3rd Monday of every month unless prior notice is given and there shouldn't be excuses for non-attendance.
- The Human Rights Commission into Sexual Assault on University Campuses was released. The university held a special Vice-Chancellor's Student Advisory Forum to address this and ask for input from students. It was evident that they were more concerned with ticking boxes than implementing the recommendations that were given. ECU will be setting up a special working group to implement the recommendations with input from students and the Guild.

2.4 Office Bearers Reports

2.4.1 President

- Orientation Days were successful and the Guild had quite a few new students engage with us. Sam thanks the members of the Senate who were able to assist on the Day.
- He has met with Kathryn Clarke from Governance to discuss the changes to the Election Procedures and Guild Rules. It seems as though ECU is again involving themselves in Guild matters and the Proposed Election Procedures in their current form will not be allowed to pass through Legislative Committee unless we remove Schedule 1.
- It is good to see so many departments having events this semester.

2.4.2 General Secretary

- Guild Day was a success and the Guild had many people engage with not only the Guild, but with the clubs too. The animal farm was very popular.

2.4.3 Vice-President (Academic)

- Stewart has decided that the Guild will not be holding Conference Week this year as there is not enough time to prepare. He has been busy working on creating a framework for future years. After discussions with the Academic Clubs, they will attempt to run Conference Week in Semester 1 of 2018.



2.4.4 Vice-President (Equity and Diversity)

- Ran a Take a Stand Against Sexual Assault Events at both the JO and ML campuses.
- Has been helping the Equity Clubs find new Committee Members.
- Along with Adnan, is planning to host a Multicultural Day this semester.

2.4.5 Vice-President (Social Activity)

- Had a great Orientation Day and Guild Day. Clubs at these events got quite a lot of engagement.
- International Student Experience was a few days ago and was extremely successful. Both him and Shariq met a number of International Students who provided great feedback about the event.
- Had the Start of Semester Party Rewind.
- Has been working with Caitlin on the Guild Ball.
- Quiz Nights have been a success and will continue to host these.
- Has Oktoberfest coming up in just over a month and is focussing on that.

2.4.6 Environmental Sustainability Officer

2.4.7 International Officer

- Rahki is planning a number of events for the Semester.

[Rakhi excuses herself as she needs to leave early.]

2.4.8 Postgraduate Officer

2.4.9 Southwest Officer

- Rebecca has hosted a number of events over the last few weeks and has an event planned for every week for the rest of Semester.

2.4.10 General Senator (S.W)

- Simon has been watering the Student Garden.
- Has attended a number of student appeals.
- Has been helping Paul and the other Senators with events.

2.4.11 General Senator (A.A)

- Adnan reports that he would like to have food trucks come on campus and has been talking to a number of them to try and arrange this.

2.4.12 General Senator (S.A)

- Shariq attended the International Student Experience with Jason.
- He has been planning a number of events for the Semester with Rakhi.
- He has helped Paul and other senators with a number of Guild events.

2.4.13 CEO

- Brett states that the Mount Lawley renovations and painting is complete.
- The university are being difficult regarding the Proposed Election Procedures and Guild Rules. They should not be getting involved and attempting to hinder the



changes we need to make; these changes are imperative to having a smooth election without the same problems as last year.

2.5 Approval of Previous Senate Meeting Minutes

SM1708/01 - Motion that the ECU Student Guild Senate approves the minutes from the July Senate Meeting as formal, accurate and read.

Moved

Seconded

Motion Carried Unanimously



4.0 Discussion Items

4.1 General Senator Vacancy

- The Senate resolves that there is potential to fill this position, although it is not required as we have Shariq. The Guild will open applications and interview candidates, however are not committing to appointing a new Senator unless the person is the right fit.

4.2 Postgraduate Officer Vacancy

- This position has been advertised but no one has come forward. Sam has reached out to a student who has expressed their interest in the position, however she is going away; Sam will reconnect with her once she returns.

4.3 Urbi Bike Share

Please see Appendix A.

- The Senate resolves that the Guild will endorse Urbi in exchange for them providing a discount to Guild Members.

4.4 Preferred Vendor for Barbecues

- If possible, we would like to avoid ordering Barbecue food through Café 6 as they are very expensive.

4.5 Marriage Equality Positon

Stewart moves a motion from the floor:

SM1708/02 – Motion that the ECU Student Guild support the Marriage Equality “Yes” Campaign.

Moved

Seconded

Motion Carried

Nine for; one against.

4.6 Include Bunbury in Events

Stewart and Sam have spoken with Rebecca and any campaigns or initiatives that the Guild conducts at the metro campuses, will also happen at the Southwest Campus.