

# SPECIAL SENATE MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE:	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	
MEETING TIME:	1530-1630 hours	
MEETING LOCATION:	JO 34.228 & SW 5.142	

## 1.0 - ATTENDANCE

1.1 - In Attendance

A Mehta

S Behrami (holds Sarah's proxy)

F Akram

E Chew

S Shah (Abbas)

V Khetiya

D Om

R Kumar

1.2 - Observers (Accredited)

M Johnston - CFO

1.3 Observers - NIL

### 2.0 – APOLOGIES

A Koech - LOA

S Cavanough – LOA –Proxy allocated to S Behrami

W Gichira-LOA

E Mayhew - LOA

G. M appointed for notes in absence. Previous meeting minutes were not included by GS and therefore no discussion in regards to that had taken place.

# 3.0 - PRELIMINARY MATTERS

3.1 - Acknowledgement of Country

"The Guild acknowledges that we are meeting on Wadjuk Noongar land and also Wardandi Nyoongar land, and acknowledges their elders, both past and present. We recognise the land was stolen and never ceded, and always was and always will be Aboriginal land."

- 3.2- Declaration of Conflict of Interest NIL
- 3.3 Announcements NIL
- 3.7 Observer Reports NIL
- 3.8 Suspension of the Standing Orders.

Motion that the Senate approves the suspension of standing orders for this meeting as the items need to be transacted in a reduced period of time, and with urgency.

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Moved: S Behrami Seconded: F Akram

Result: Motion carried unanimously.

### 4.0 – PRIORITY ITEMS

4.1 – 2019 Budget Approval

### Discussion

MJ CFO: Slightly over across all categories. Currently sitting at 2.07 million and adjustments required. Increase due to wages increases.

SB: In which categories are we over?

MJ: all by a little

S.S: What has driven the increase?

MJ: Wages; legal/HR spending insurance and rent.

# SM 1904/01

Motion that the Senate approves the 2019 budget in its entirety as prepared by the Guild's Financial Controller, M Johnston, and approves its submission to the relevant University bodies for approval.

Moved: G Maher Seconded: F Akram

Result: Motion carried unanimously

### 4.2 - Affiliation

### **Preamble**

A 'grace' period was granted to affiliates who missed the deadline for affiliation on 5<sup>th</sup> March by a reasonable margin, or whose prior application required further information and assessment. Additionally, department Vice-Presidents have conducted meetings with some clubs to raise and address concerns arising from the previous year (for those who were previous affiliates). It was imperative that these measures be undertaken in order to adequately assess eligibility for Guild affiliation due to the considerable SSAF funding and resources supplied to clubs for which the Guild must remain accountable. There were considerable non-compliances identified with some applications.

Below is a table of clubs that have been assessed as compliant, and therefore, either eligible for funded, conditional funded or basic affiliation status dependant on their application type and the eligibility criteria satisfied (as per the Guild Affiliation Policy).

### Discussion

Note: Georgia declares conflict of interest for club involvement.

SB: Engineering committee member conduct has been inappropriate with staff during examination of financial spending from 2018. Meeting to be convened to discuss and address. If behaviour continues may need to refer for disciplinary action. No affiliation to be granted until the matter is addressed and the Guild

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can be confident of financial compliance. Security can be called in future instances such as this where staff are being spoken to in an aggressive manner.

# SM1904/02

Motion that the Senate approves the following list of affiliation applicants, and for the details of those affiliates to be recorded in the Guild's official 'Register of Affiliates' for 2019.

Moved: F Akram Seconded: S Behrami Abstentions: 1 GM

Motion carried unanimously.

Name	Туре	Department	Notes
ECU E-sports Society	Funded	Social	APPROVED BY SECRETARIAT 28/3 Req to provide member register, and amend constitution for compliance with A/Policy. SC to email request.
Arts Management Student Organization	Funded	Academic	APPROVED BY SECRETARIAT 28/3  SC to email for 5.6 (j) clarification.
ECU Parties & Events	Funded	Social	APPROVED BY SECRETARIAT 28/3  SC to email to clarify sec role in club – both presidents on GM register. To provide to member register etc.
ECU Desi Subcontinental Society	Funded	Social	APPROVED BY SECRETARIAT 28/3  Sc to email and request member register (check inbox)
CASSA	Funded	Academic	APPROVED BY SECRETARIAT 28/3  Need to confirm status of 2018 \$ recon with MJ (SC).
Human Resources Management Student Organization	Funded	Academic	APPROVED BY SECRETARIAT 28/3  SC to email to request member register. Need to provide org email
WA Student Paramedics	Funded	Academic	Member list provided 8/4.
Collective Hope	Basic	Social	Awaiting further info to upgrade to funded. Eligibility criteria not met for funded. Emailed 9/4/19.
Enactus ECU	Funded	Academic	Emailed 9/4 to confirm member list, committee positions for reference.
Lady Cabaret (WAAPA)	Basic	Academic (tbc)	Applied for funded but did not meet criteria. Able to 'upgrade at end of S1.
ECU Badminton Club	Basic	Social	Applied for funded but did not meet criteria as yet. Awaiting confirmation then may be able to upgrade to funded.
Film Brats	Basic	Social	Applied for funded but did not meet criteria as of 9/4/19.

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ECU Centaurs (Quidditch	Funded	Social	
Club)	(Conditional)		

### 5.0 - DISCUSSION

5.1 Edith Cowan College – Associate membership prospect (Abhishek)

Approached by ECC for associate membership level to include GSA support and other benefits (not voting) for students enrolled there. Nominal fee discussed in lieu of SSAF payment.

Work in Progress. Abhishek to update when further advice from governance received.

5.2 Email responses – events.

Abhishek asked those running events to be proactive in responding to emails in relation to those events and to commit to coordinating events.

{Note: must liaise with relevant ops staff to ensure CSO compliance etc.).

### 5.3 IN CAMERA – HR matters

### 5.4 Club Training Days

Abhishek emphasizes the importance of the club training days and encourages these to be continued in the years to come.

Historically these have been poorly attended.

[Note: Clubs Handbook completed by Georgia earlier in the term contains all necessary information for clubs to reference as a guideline].

### 6.0 - OTHER ITEMS

NIL

# 7.0 - APPENDICES

7.1 - IN CAMERA- confidential

Meeting Closed at 1613 hours

Next Meeting Date:	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May (tbc)	
Next Meeting Time:	12:00 – 15:00 TB	
Next Meeting Location:	JO 34.228 & SW 1.110	