



## 2022/23 GUILD COUNCIL

### MEETING MINUTES

#### Acknowledgement of Country

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#### Details

**Date**        The 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023, Wednesday

**Time**        1400 AWST

**Location**   Board Room or Online via Teams

If any member of this meeting would like to submit an addition, modification, or strike an item from the agenda, please contact Christopher Nonis, Guild General Secretary.

## Attendees

Role	Member	Pronouns	Apology
Guild President	Heidee Austic	She/Her	
General Secretary	Christopher Nonis	He/Him	
Education Vice-President	Kevin Kurian	He/Him	/
MUPSA President	Adelakun Odunyemi	He/Him	
MUPSA Vice President	Mojib Temuri	He/ Him	/
MUPSA Vice President	Tina Phiri	She/Her	
MSA (Mandurah) President	Chloe Pech	She/Her	/
Women's Rep	Elaine Dessie	She/Her	
Queer Rep	Luke Morgan	They/Them	
Sustainability Rep	Elizabeth Tan	She/Her	
Disability Rep	Kieran Leeson	He/ Him	/
External Rep	Jaztine Kate	She/Her	
Council Member	Ariff Julainie	He/Him	
Council Member	Sami Rashid	He/Him	/
Council Member	Jesse Bellotti	He/Him	
Council Member	Sariah Eivers	She/Her	/
Council Member	Daisy Bond	She/Her	
Council Member	Jamilla Day	She/Her	

## Agenda

1	Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country
2	Items for Discussion and Decision

### 1. Welcome and Acknowledgement of the Country

The meeting commenced at 2.05 p.m. The Guild acknowledges the welcome and acknowledgement of the country.

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### 2. Items for Discussion and Decision

**Heidee Austic:**

Everyone welcomes Tina, she is our new MUPSA Vice President of Research. We approved the minutes for April, does anyone have any issues? All right, we will get on to the fun part of the reports. The first thing I have to report, and I'm not sure if you have all heard about it, but did you hear about the university's review happened? I don't know if anyone has heard about that university review. The state government formed a panel, and their job was to review the university sector in WA. The discussion paper was released, and they had some ideas they wanted to change structurally. There were two options; one was to merge the universities with TAFE, and another was to merge two universities. There was this rumour which I do not know is true, but they wanted to merge UWA and Murdoch together to create a new university. The Guild Presidents, Vice Chancellors, Presidents of the Academic Council and some other academics were invited to reply to the discussion paper and give their opinions. The questions are structured around university answers. It also has to do with finances and university

structure. We, the Guild Presidents, have to answer from the student perspective, and it was kind of hard to do that in the questions. They have scheduled a meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June, 2023. We will go and give a more in-depth view of our opinions and say that our opinion was to reject this motion. I printed out some copies of the answers that I gave them. You can pass it around to look at. Basically, we have said that we have closed this happening for a number of reasons. Firstly, one of the main reasons is that Murdoch is a very supportive campus compared to other universities. We have strong support services. We have our queer collective, EQAL plans, and support for disabilities. We feel that if we were to be merged with another university, especially UWA, these core services would diminish and wouldn't be as long as they are now. That would be a problem because we spoke to a few students, and many students say that they come here because of the support and because they don't feel judged. We are in the position for that. Secondly, our entry requirements to enter Murdoch University, like ATAR score, are slightly lower than other universities. I guess that would catch the students who may underperform or did not think they wanted to go to university. Some of these students graduated with the highest achievements. And we feel that if we were to be combined with another university, the requirements would go up again, and they think that merging them would make them more competitive. Hence it would increase the enrolment of students coming here. But, we think that it would decrease the enrolment because they would not get the students who did not make the cut, therefore, won't be able to get into university. So, I would love to hear everyone's opinion if they think a merger would be good or any other reasons why they think it would be awful. Feel free to think about it. You do not have to tell me now, but I would love everyone's opinion before attending the meeting with the review panel. Curtin University also sends their discussion and is against the merging. Curtin's Guild President and I had a chat, we worked together because we were both very against it. ECU was also against it, but they had some extra time to do this due to personal circumstances. We did not write ours together. The Vice-Chancellor told me he thinks it would be the merger with UWA and Murdoch, but he is very against it again. He even went on the news last week or the week before to say it would be a terrible idea.

**Ariff Julianie:**

Wait, so they want to merge because we have many support services?

**Heidee Austic:**

Merging the two universities will make the way for universities to be more competitive. At the moment, except for UWA sitting on the cut-off. Other universities are not in the top 100 globally, but their numbers and the data used in this review were based on 2021 and 2022 during COVID. So, they did not take into account our enrollment based on this year's or previous year's (before COVID) data. We are trying to say, why would we base everything off these numbers when they do not represent our or the other universities?

**Luke Morgan:**

I definitely support keeping them separate. I think Murdoch University is definitely in its strategic position in terms of its ability to advocate for minorities and their sort of demographics. Murdoch University is going through huge changes currently to increase equity and diversity—for example, the separation between education and equity portfolio on the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Chair portfolio. There's much increase in those sorts of equity sectors, something I don't see in UWA. When we, the Queer officers, all get together, UWA definitely receives the most funding. Still, that funding does not necessarily equal the greatest benefit to the students we see. Murdoch University is a young university, and I think that is actually a benefit to us because it means that we are able to make changes. We are not stuck in a certain way in the future like UWA, where it is much setting their ways, and they continue on forward. I do not think that it would be a positive for the merging.

**Tina Phiri:**

In addition to this point, I also see that Murdoch University have many international students. The other thing as we respond to them is to look at what where the main reasons for making the two institutions, and we can work from that point—for example, talking about the statistics for this year. If we can show them the statistics of Murdoch University doing way better than they thought, that would be good, If we have the information, it would make a very solid point. I think it would be very helpful. I do not see why big institutions should be merged together because we have different strategic plans. We have different visions, missions and what we want to achieve. It does not really make sense exactly. But if you talk about small institutions, empowering a small institute would make much better sense.

**Luke Morgan:**

I can see that TAFE and university merging would be very beneficial. That exception of support services could be really beneficial to the students and also increase the demographics of students.

**Tina Phiri:**

Also, with TAFE, they do diplomas, certificate programs and etc. It would be one way in which students from there can be encouraged to upgrade from there. But if you have those exemptions, and that would make sense.

**Heidee Austic:**

Awesome. I can send everyone a copy of the discussion paper and the Vice-Chancellor's response. The Vice-Chancellor's response did include his part and overall summary. Again, it was difficult, we have to come from a student's perspective, and if you read the questions, it can be a little bit difficult. Hence, we are having this meeting just to let it all out. I will take down all these points as well.

**Luke Morgan:**

I do not know how confidential this discussion is. I'm assuming it is not. Hopefully, sending a quick or standing on the Bush Court to get some rough data or feedback about what the students say can be very beneficial. It is something I do a lot with the collective. Pushing out a quick survey, you can get a quick 50 responses or whatever that gives you very rough but good data. It still shows that an overwhelming majority of people do not want the two universities to merge.

**Heidee Austic:**

We pulled out a few students, just a few different groups of students, from different areas and the majority of them did say that they would not like the idea of merging. Some students pointed out that they came to Murdoch University because of the support. If they go to UWA, they will feel too judged and not get that support like in Murdoch. With the merger, Murdoch's culture would disappear and become similar to UWA. They would either go fully online with their studies or well possibly terminate and find elsewhere to study.

**Daisy Bond:**

It is a good point that you brought it up the ATAR scores because I would not have gotten to go to UWA.

**Luke Morgan:**

And also, the general English pathway. I ended up having to do it.

**Daisy Bond:**

I also went to Curtin, and the reason why I came to Murdoch, and I like here better, is because of the small campus vibe, and you can walk around and see with everyone. You can actually make an impact within. With Curtin, you will fade into the numbers.

**Luke Morgan:**

Coming from the business standpoint, merging with UWA and Murdoch, such as the health campus, would be beneficial.

**Heidee Austic:**

Yeah, they might look good on their books, but in terms of students, and how they feel, I think they might lose out on this.

**Daisy Bond:**

Would they change the course? Like Forensics and Criminology courses are not a thing in UWA.

**Heidee Austic:**

That is another thing. It is supposed to be a merge. In reality, UWA will absorb Murdoch. They would chop them if they did not want any of our courses. Also, 50% of the academics at Murdoch University would be out of a job, they would not need double lecturers. They will keep our Vet school and Nursing schools because that are the two schools that they do not have. They probably will keep Forensics and Criminology.

**Luke Morgan:**

I think Murdoch University is also in a good position in terms of where its campus. I believe many courses would transfer to the UWA campus, which is probably their idea. But realistically, I do not think it is very accessible, in terms of public transport for students.

**Heidee Austic:**

Did anyone from online have anything to say?

**Jesse Bellotti:**

I have been listening to it the whole time, and this merge has more cons than pros. What are the benefits of the merger? It does not sound very beneficial to this merge issue.

**Heidee Austic:**

Yup, honestly, every single person that I have spoken to at UWA, Murdoch, Curtin and ECU, they all said that it is a horrible idea. I have not heard one person say that it was a good idea.

**Ariff Julianie:**

Even the people at UWA do not want this to happen, so who wants this to happen?

**Heidee Austic:**

UWA is not keen for it to happen because, at the same time, they are elite, and they do not want to be part of Murdoch. But from my understanding, which could be wrong. It is from the UWA Senate. It would be beneficial to have that degree, like a nursing degree which is already accessible. Instead of implementing a whole new system, that would be easier to absorb it. Initially, the UWA Guild's President was against it when we had the first meeting regarding the discussion paper. But since then, we have not heard from him. We believe they are being influenced by their Guild to say maybe a not 100% or have it as a neutral stand.



**Luke Morgan:**

I think if this were to go ahead, we need to lay down some very strict rules for the agreement to take place. For example, many academics would be out of their jobs.

**Heidee Austic:**

Because again, we would be absorbed; it would probably be the Murdoch staff that will be out of jobs.

**Adelakun Odunyemi:**

Murdoch University has more international students. That means that many international students would not want to come to Western Australia.

**Heidee Austic:**

Yup, Murdoch University and ECU are the cheapest for all international students. UWA is very expensive. Yet again, the IELTS entry score is higher as well. We catch the students who can speak and write English well but don't make things up to UWA's high standards. I'm happy to invite all of you and present our opinions if the merge result contradicts ours. Curtin's Guild President and I are going to meet before the meeting to make sure that we are on the same page. At the end of the day, even if there is a merger or not necessarily with UWA and Murdoch, it could be Murdoch and other universities. We will still admit that we are against the idea. For the meeting, it would just be the Presidents of the Guilds. If anyone is super interested in coming, I could ask if they would let other people attend.

**Jesse Bellotti:**

So, what is the big deal to this merge?

**Heidee Austic:**

They think that it would make us as a whole Western Australia, more competitive for tertiary study. Overall, the universities are ranked in different categories like graduates, students experience etc. Our university ranking and other universities, except for UWA, are not in the top 100. Therefore, they think that combining universities would pull someone into the top 100.

For example, they merged universities in South Australia last year or the year before. It was the University of South Australia and another small university which at the moment, it is still happening; therefore, they do not have any positive results based on the merge. Evan, General Manager of Murdoch Guild, said we cannot compare ourselves to other states. Perth is so isolated, and the way Western Australia operates is different and unique from others. Comparing us based on results from other mergers would not be accurate.

**Daisy Bond:**

Why are they even begin discussing this before they have got the data back from the first merge?

**Heidee Austic:**

I have no idea. We do not get much information. They are keeping it very quiet. Another funny fact is that no one from the panel is from Western Australia. Another point the Vice-Chancellor raised was that Murdoch is known for its support for First Nations people. There was no First Nations representative on the panel. But again, Evan's point of view was that if it comes that they think, there should be a merger, we should just fight hard and make sure that it does not happen.

**Adelakun Odunyemi:**

I do not know how robust UWA about their disability support but in Murdoch, there is very good support for it. It would be very good if we can get information from them.

**Heidee Austic:**

I can have a look at that. I will also keep you all updated. I will send in the discussion paper and the Vice-Chancellor's response as well to everyone. We will stay tuned.

Next, The National Union of Students (NUS) is having a conference in Brisbane next month. The Curtin Guild President has asked me to collaborate to create a workshop for the other Guild Presidents. The workshop basically explains our experiences of the review and why we think that the university should not merge together. And with that, hopefully, we get the NUS support. If we can convince them that it is a bad idea, nationally from Australia, they can also

advocate to others that it is a bad idea.

This month, it was International Nursing Day. We had a little event at our Mandurah campus. It was quite successful. We were giving out yogurt cups, and the Mandurah students were doing little DIY bags. Hopefully, next year, we have got that marked on our calendars. We will be able to make it bigger planning. We also have nurses here at our campus.

**Luke Morgan:**

The other thing was, I know it was specifically for International Nurse Day, but I'm not sure about the first- or second-year students., but the third year students were well under fully done by then. I thought the timing for the event was a little bit interesting to say.

**Heidee Austic:**

I mentioned in the last meeting that we would sell PPE at the bookshop. You cannot get lab coats and safety glasses from Murdoch's bookshop. That has been confirmed. The order is going in on Friday. Hopefully, it will be well before semester two. Hopefully, we will have the last stock of lab coats and safety glasses. Evan also ordered a couple of stethoscopes as well. We found out probably last week that under the impression that Murdoch Bookshop. It was just going to close because it was dying. But School Locker, where you can get your textbooks and other equipment, is actually partnering with Murdoch. They are taking over the bookshop. We were offered to take over the Murdoch Bookshop and sell the Murdoch stuff on their behalf. But it has been organised with School Locker that they would take over. We have no idea of their plans. Apparently, that is the plan for Semester 2. Again, we contacted the VC about moving our bookshop to Bush Court because it is so far away. Not many students know where the Guild is. Murdoch University is trying to do a reshuffle of stuff on the campus now. The Vice-Chancellor and the head of PDCSO, which are the property development people, they are for us having our bookshop at Bush Court so that we can have more exposure. Do stay tuned and hopefully, we will get a bookshop. Hopefully, that will be good and there is more space room. We would like to bring back the lab manuals.

**Christopher Nonis:**

Who is going to pay for this? Is it the University, or is it us?

**Heidee Austic:**

Usually, the university does not charge us rent. They just let us have the space. It would not cost us anything to move it. There may be a slight power cost, \$100 a month or something, but it would not cost much. Hopefully, we can fill up stocks. We will have a print shop in there as well. If we get moved, we can do lab manuals again for science students. It actually costs more to print out all the pages at the library. That would be really handy.

There is a bit of one that I was unaware of: the rooms under the Student Hub where Access and Equity have their International Café. They are actually Murdoch Guild's one. We actually had the rooms given to us a few years ago. We don't really use them much, so the university just gave one of the rooms to the overseas health insurance people. We were fine with that because they obviously needed a place to go. There was also a room where Sarah Boomer, was used to counsel students that came to the Den informally. MISA formerly used the room. We have given the room to them. The signage was taken off. The room was quite small. Hopefully, when we get a new MISA representative, we can get a better room that is more suitable and not tiny. I believe that Jennifer had or is quitting her MISA President role. We will be looking for someone again. Please let me know if any of the OGCs seems interested in this role. If not, we will probably go around with the cultural clubs and ask if any committee would be interested in applying for the role. Our last option would be posting the vacancy on our social media page.

We had a meeting with the Village people, they just wanted to chat with us about the experience students are facing with the village. Unfortunately, we had to give them negative news. Students said it was an awful place to live, prices were too expensive, facilities were outdated, and there were no ceiling fans in the South.

**Luke Morgan:**

There was also not much focus on the six or eight-bedroom apartments.

**Heidee Austic:**

They have said to us that. I cannot remember if the South side would also be having an air-conditioner during Semester 2 or the end of the year.

**Daisy Bond**

Will the rent prices go up?

**Heidee Austic:**

No. They have said that the price is based on the usage over the summer with the air-conditioning, the prices should not increase dramatically with the air conditioning and stuff in the rooms. They have been doing renovations in a lot of the rooms. Any comments on that? Ariff, do you like the village?

**Ariff Julianie:**

I mean, I cannot complain. I have a roof over my head. But yeah, the air conditioner would be nice too.

**Heidee Austic:**

About the laundry, we are having a problem with the free laundry in the village. People keep breaking their machines. These machines cost us much money. Hence, we have not had a very big budget this year because I was unaware it came out from the Council Budget. But it does. We will put up some signage outlining the rules of not putting your shoes in the washing machines, all those rules. We are also looking for other ways to combat the laundry issue. Chris had this idea for the laundry machines, he said that rather than using coins, we could implement an EFTPOS machine. It is because many students do not have coins. So, if you have any ideas on how you live in the village or how we can improve the village, do let me know. I know we upgraded the washing machines, they are breaking less and not shutting down much. But I still think the students are just misusing them, which is the main problem.

I have done a couple of academic misconduct cases, and I have a few next months. They are Kevin's job. He has been doing a few. He has been sick this week, so since he couldn't come to the meeting today, I wouldn't get him to update everyone on the misconduct cases when he gets back.

**Ariff Julianie:**

What are misconduct cases?

**Heidee Austic:**

Students come to us, such as appeals. If they think they have been unfairly punished or marked or something like that. We can support them through the process. Kevin, myself or Chris also sit on the Board when this is discussed. We usually advocate for the students because this is our role. There are some circumstances where the student is clearly in the wrong, we can advocate for a lighter punishment if we think, but sometimes, we cannot advocate if they have done something terrible.

Another thing is the Panic Buttons. I am not sure if you remember. The university said we need a panic button in our offices. For example, the Student Assist Team really needs them as some students they deal with can get agitated quickly. The Panic Buttons arrived yesterday. It was a very long delay. The university has been hassling us for quite a long time, but it was delayed due to COVID.

There have been a few internal issues with some clubs. Thankfully, those have been resolved now. It was mainly just things with committees and members. I'm also unsure if anyone approached you about issues with club funding and grants. It is pretty much resolved now. Belicia is back, and Sarah is returning next month. Club stuff will happen a lot quicker. If any of you were in clubs or had friends or people that are in clubs that have this issue, please tell them it won't be too long.

We are negotiating our new Tavern lease. It will be looking for a 15-years lease which is really good. I have also been attending Boola Katijin meetings every week. The building is kind of fine now. There are not many issues with the building as well.

I will pass it over to Chris to give his updates.

**Christopher Nonis:**

I will give a short update from my previous meeting regarding the Gila Liga, the Multicultural Sport Competition. We have chosen and set the date. It will be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> of August 2023, which is on a Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. It will be between Murdoch Guild and Murdoch Active as the collaboration team, including the cultural clubs. At the moment, the planning is stalled stage because not getting external funding replies. We are using this

income to reduce expenses because our budget is \$3000 (without tee shirts) and \$5000 with tee shirts. These t-shirts will be given to participants. There will be food, drinks etc. The sports include dodgeball, table tennis, futsal, and basketball. We prioritise international students, but non-international students can also attend this event.

We met on the 4<sup>th</sup> of May with the Guild Ball Committee. We have six committees including myself: Jaztine, Ariff, Jesse, Daisy and Elizabeth. We have decided to go to the Hyatt option. It will be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October 2023, which is on Saturday. The theme had been chosen. The theme is Enchanted Garden.

*\*Council were shown the Guild Budget during the meeting\**

Just taking note of the budget, the budget is based on 180 guests, and we will see how things go. We are trying our very best to keep the net loss in \$7000 range. The venue hire fee will be waived if we reach 220 guests. Ariff can inform you more about the trip to the hotel venue.

**Ariff Julianie:**

The hotel is great. It has a great nice, big hall that can easily fit. It can fit hundreds of people. It is definitely better than last year's venue. They are willing to give a discounted price for the rooms.

**Christopher Nonis:**

There will be a 15% discount for those who booked the rooms during that night. Also, the Guild Ball Committee decides whether to go for a 2-course meal or buffet dinner. I will give you an update once we confirm everything. For the roles and responsibilities, Jaztine and Daisy will be in charge of the decorations; Ariff will be in charge of the performances; Jesse and the Guild will be in charge of the DJ; Elizabeth will be in charge of the flowers; I will basically involve the budget and overall supervision. We will start selling the tickets when Sem 2 starts. At the moment, it is all in the planning stage. We want to start early so that everything runs smoothly. We have not paid the deposit yet. We will get it done by this week or next week. We have to align with our Finance Manager.

**Ariff Julianie:**

What is the budget for decorations? For performers, would you be able to charge it?

**Christopher Nonis:**

The budget for the decorations is \$800. On the budget, we included a \$700 for performers. We do not expect performers to pay the full price. We would give either a 15% or a 20% discount. That \$700 is the expenses for the discounts that the Guild would have to pay.

Kevin, Heidee and I went to the farewell and welcoming of the new chancellor – Gail McGowan.

**Luke Morgan:**

So, obviously, June is usually considered Pride Month, especially in the United States (US). We usually celebrate Pride Month in November. I am not sure if last year, what we did was with took with the Village, on an event at the end of the month. I can contact them to see whether they are doing it again. If not, the Queer Collective and I can work with them and do a small event with them. What I did want to discuss, though, is the possibility of. I know we are talking about in the chat that sort of thing about a different circumstance that putting out a message, especially since Monday. Uganda was the 73<sup>rd</sup> country to have the death penalty for gay people. Putting out a statement would be beneficial. I'm happy to write something up. I think especially since we also have many international students. I think it would be very good to put a united front to say that we support people. Australia is a welcoming country. So, that is when the Pride Celebrations are in the Northern Hemisphere. Usually, Perth does its Pride Month Parade sort to the end of November. However, that is the time around exams and those sorts of things. We also want to try and do something in the middle of June, even though it would be cold. Doing it with the village was really beneficial because they absorbed 90% of the costs. We just did decorations, and so that might be another thing that we look at again. I know it was a very successful event or sorry, and we were able to raise funds for local charity here as well.



**Heidee Austic:**

If you want to write something up. I am super happy about the project and post it on socials.

**Jesse Bellotti:**

I do remember what my question was. I did have my hands up. So sorry about that. It is horrible that Uganda is doing this stuff. I want to talk regarding the Tavern. It is good to see they have got more food there. Like the meat box? But I still cannot see the hot sauce that I keep asking. Sorry.

**Heidee Austic:**

I asked them to get the hot sauce, and they said they would get the hot sauce. Again, if you have any ideas for any celebration or event. I do believe that we put some money away the budget for Pride Month as well. The next thing I would like to discuss is Kieran, who wanted to make a post for Roger Cook as the new WA Premier. Roger Cook was either the Education Vice President or the Gen-Secretary of Murdoch Guild quite a few years ago. Personally, I do not think we should post anything because I do not want to give anyone the impression that we are supportive of only one of the parties through politics. I don't want to think we're only posting it because we're maybe pro- Labor, and I feel like everyone has different views and everyone's pro a different one, different party. Happy to discuss that if anyone has any other ideas. So, I just wanted to acknowledge that someone from Murdoch is now in such a high position.

**Daisy Bond:**

I reckon it could still be a good idea, but just be very careful not to include any political branding or anything but just a recognition.

**Luke Morgan:**

Has it been something that we have done historically though?

**Heidee Austic:**

We have not usually acknowledged someone from the Guild previously being in that position. Probably something we should not say, but if everyone thinks differently.

**Luke Morgan:**

We can always say that the Guild tries to remain impartial to State Politics and that sort of thing. However, we would like to congratulate past Murdoch alumni and Murdoch Guild representatives. Given his role, it would be more supportive. Also, supporting our students to take big reaches.

**Heidee Austic:**

I'm getting the flag that we are happy with doing a congratulatory post as long we keep it neutral in terms of parties. Second, we spoke the last meeting about Winter Festival and O-Day being combined. Unfortunately, it hasn't happened for next semester, but it is looking hopeful that it could happen next year. Belicia is currently coming up with ideas. I also gave the notes of what we spoke about in the last meeting. She's going to come up with a couple of different proposals, and when she sends them to me to pick one, I'll circulate it around, and then we can discuss which one we think is best. One of the options was to have an ice arena. She is following up on how that is accessible to everyone. Other options include food, merch, and goodie bags.

Another thing, last meeting, we spoke about the workshop's ideas such as First Aid, Mental Health, Financial Literacy etc. I am keen to get up and running during Semester 2. I will put a poll on the group chat to see if anyone of you are interested in joining the Workshop Committee. It is a pretty big job. Sariah is not here, but she offered to help out as well. I'll give more kind of detail about what it will be, but the plans are very vague at the moment.

**Daisy Bond:**

The Council did a barista course as well previously, right?

**Heidee Austic:**

I believe it hibernated during COVID, but we are trying to regain it. Same with the forklift driving license.

**Luke Morgan:**

The university does not supply, but I would like to recommend a third party to do manual handling and CPR course registrations for the nurses. Is that something we can look at as part of the Guild to raise more funds? The Guild may do an even cheaper cost.

**Heidee Austic:**

That is definitely, I can ask Veronica and Evan if this idea is possible. That would be good. I would love to have the workshops for Semester 2 because I think it is important that everyone has access and then basic financial literacy skills or even digital literacy skills. Hopefully, we also get a lot of different groups of people.

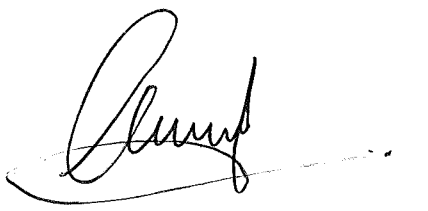
Then finally, I just had a meeting with our lovely MUPSA people. We want to get MUPSA back and running. MUPSA is also incorporated into the Guild, same as MISA and Queer Collective. We are going to be looking at a common room. They do have some great ideas. We are looking at a regular Postgraduate Networking Event, a conference night between Undergraduate and Postgraduate students. This would be good for connecting between Undergraduate and Postgraduate students. There would also be a networking event for the research postgraduates looking for job opportunities. If anyone would like to help out with these events, that would be greatly appreciated.

I think that is all from me. Did anyone have any questions or anything?

*The meeting concluded at 3.04 p.m.*

Prepared by:

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Christopher Nonis  
Murdoch Guild General Secretary

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