Curtin Japanese Club

Annual General Meeting - CURTIN JAPANESE CLUB

Member Invitation

All members are invited to attend the club's Annual General Meeting (AGM). This is your opportunity to help shape the future of the club by participating in key decisions and voting for the new committee.

Your voice matters and your vote ensures the club continues to operate in the best interests of its members. To vote, you must attend and proxies are not accepted!

Purpose of the AGM

- Elect the **2026** committee in accordance with the Guild's Default Club Constitution
- Review and report on the club's activities and finances from **2025**
- Provide a platform for ordinary members to raise motions and discuss club matters. Ordinary members will have the opportunity to:
    - Speak about items on the agenda,
    - Vote on any resolutions proposed,
    - Vote to elect the **2026** committee.

Note: Only ordinary members (currently enrolled Curtin students and current club members) may vote and nominate. Proxy votes are note accepted. Non-ordinary members may attend if invited, but may only observe unless invited to speak by the Chair.

Attendance

Members may attend in-person or online. To help us manage attendance and meet quorum requirements (minimum 10 ordinary members), please **accept the calendar invitation** for this meeting. This helps the club track expected attendance and ensure we can proceed with the AGM.

Submit a Motion

Ordinary members may submit motions to be added to the agenda.

Submissions Close: 21st October 2025

Call for Nominations

Nominations for 2026 committee roles are now open!

You can view a list of available roles, their responsibilities, and the benefits of becoming a committee member **[here]**.

- **Who can nominate?** Any ordinary member (currently enrolled Curtin student and current club member). You can still submit a nomination even if you cannot attend the AGM, however, only ordinary members who attend the AGM will be eligible to vote. Proxy votes are note accepted.
- **How to nominate?** Submit your nomination via **[curtinjapaneseclub@outlook.com]**
- **Nominations Close: 21st October 2025**

Executive roles (President, Treasurer, Secretary) will be elected at the AGM. Other roles may be

filled later by the incoming committee. Expressions of interest for additional roles are also welcome.

The meeting will run in accordance with the agenda items.

When	21-10-2025 at 12:00
Location:	106A.108, 106A.108
Chairperson	Andrew Exon
Minute taker	Kanon Naito

Minutes

1. Attendance

All in-person attendees must sign in so that your membership status and voting eligibility can be assessed.

Those online should sign-in via a private chat message to the meeting organiser by entering the following information:

- Full name,
- Curtin Student ID,
- If you are not a Curtin student, please identify who you are: ie. Curtin Staff, Club advisor, Chaplain, Guild representative, Curtin College Student, UWA Student or other.

1.1. Quorum

The secretary (or minute taker) will:

- review the attendance list against the club's membership database to identify who may not be eligible to vote.
- Assess whether or not quorum has been met in order to proceed with the formalities of the AGM.
    - A quorum of 10 ordinary members (Curtin student members of the club) is required at the minimum (unless your Guild approved Society Rules requires a higher quorum).
    - Quorum must be maintained throughout the meeting.
    - If quorum has NOT been met within 30 minutes of the meeting start time, the AGM must not continue. A new AGM must be organised at a suitable date as per the club's constitution. We will consider addressing potential issues with lack of quorum.
    - If quorum has been met, we will proceed with the meeting.

The following person/s who are in attendance and are ineligible to vote and must observe at the meeting unless invited to speak by the chair:

- Euca Sinclair

The secretary (or minute taker) declares quorum **[has]** been met.
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2. Open Meeting

Acknowledgement of the Traditional Owners:

"We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on, the Whadjuk people. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this university, city and this region"

The meeting will now commence at **[12:28pm]**.

3. Disclosure of any potential or perceived conflicts of interest

Would anyone like to raise a potential conflict of interest?

A conflict of interest arises when a committee member has an opportunity to use their position, or information they know from being in that position, for personal gain or the benefit of someone else.

Our duty is not to prevent conflicts of interest. They can be common and in some cases they are beneficial, such as when a committee member is also part of a business that may be able to supply cheaper or free goods or services to the club. Rather, our duty is to ensure that conflicts of interest are declared and appropriately managed.

Declaring a conflict of interest is simply a matter of announcing it at meeting or in writing between meetings. The club have a register of declared interests. If a conflict of interest is declared at a club meeting, as well as being noted in the minutes, it will also be entered into the register of declared interests.

As an example, conflict of interest could arise if our club is calling for quotes to complete some printing work in its offices, and your family runs a printing business. As soon as you realise that you are in a position to influence a decision of the committee that could benefit your immediate family, you are in a conflict of interest situation.

No conflict of interest raised.

4. Minutes of the Previous AGM [attach minutes]

Members present **approve** the **2024** Annual General Meeting Minutes and that they are a true and accurate recording of proceedings.

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5. Reminder of the Guild's Policy

In order to remain a club at Curtin, the club is bound by the Curtin Student Guild's Club Governance policy documents which are also located on our club website:

- Club Constitution
- Clubs Charter
- The Safe Spaces Agreement

6. Outgoing Committee Reports

The committee reports will now be delivered.

6.1. President Report

Highlighted main points of this year, talked about doing more events and recruiting more members.

Talked about importance of communication and having more leadership.

Suggestion of structure of meetings:

- Have leaders in each section of committee.

- Ensure committee are able to do their share of work

- Make sure to prepare properly BEFORE semester starts so that things run smoothly.

Presidents_Report.docx

6.2. Treasurer Report

Finances was not ideal, Semester 2 was the point of major losses.

Highlighted the need of keeping track, and communicating finances to all executive committee.

CJC_Treasurer_Report_2025.xlsx

6.3. Secretary Report

Mentioned membership statistics, meetings, what events were held and how to progress things for next year so that activities run more smoothly.

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7. Elections

The 2026 committee roles are declared vacant and the club's mandatory committee roles as per the Guild's Default Club Constitution.

Delete one of the below options before the AGM depending on your club's situation:

1. The chairperson is contesting the AGM and a **Returning Officer** must conduct the committee elections.

7.1. Returning Officer

We will now appoint a returning officer that is not contesting the election and agrees to conduct the election fairly and without bias.

The following person/s have been nominated for Returning Officer:

- **Kenny Phan**

Decision / Outcome: [Kenny Phan] was elected **[unapposed]**.

The Returning Officer will now take the chair to conduct the elections.

7.2. 2026 Committee

The chair (or returning officer) explains the election process to the members:

The elections will now be conducted and the process will be as follows:

- **[if you have Guild-approved Society Rules, please add any additional election process requirements stipulated in your Society Rules to the below dot points]**.
- Both the nominees and those voting must be Curtin University students and a member of the club.
- Curtin College students are NOT considered as Curtin University students.
- We will conduct the elections in accordance with the club constitution.
- If there is only one nominee, that person will be elected unopposed.
- Where there are multiple nominees for a role, each nominee will be invited to speak before votes are cast by secret ballot.
- You may vote for yourselves if nominated.
- The chair of the meeting may vote, but not have a casting vote.
- If there were no nominations for a role, we may take nominations from the floor (within this meeting).
- The outcome will be announced by clear identification as to whether the person is elected unopposed, by majority vote or unanimously (which means that no other votes went to the other nominees).

The following person/s have been nominated for committee roles:

President

- **Andrew James Exon**

Vice President

- **Aidan O'Clery**
- **Yi-lin Tsai**

Treasurer

- **Nathan Hadir Doan**

Secretary

- **Kanon Naito**

Each Nominee is invited to speak.

Votes will now be cast by secret ballot.

Decision / Outcome:

1. President: **Andrew James Exon** was elected **unapposed.**
2. Vice President: **Aidan O'Clery** was elected **by majority vote**.
3. Treasurer: **Nathan Hadir Doan** was elected **unapposed.**
4. Secretary: **Kanon** was elected **unapposed.**

8. Club Bank Account Signatory Changes

Unchanged as president and treasurer remain the same as 2025

9. Committee Handover

An official handover between the outgoing and incoming committee will be arranged **by online call in the coming weeks.**

In this meeting however, the new committee are immediately verbally advised of the important details to ensure they are aware of the requirements and expectations required to be a Curtin club.

The new committee is made aware that:

- The Guild is the club's regulator. The Guild is tasked by the University with managing, supporting and administering non-sporting clubs and societies at Curtin.
    - The usage of TidyHQ is required. TidyHQ is the Club software management platform. Required usage is outlined on the Guild website's resources for clubs.
    - Clubs must renew their registration with the Guild annually by finalising the AGM & Renewal Project tasks in TidyHQ as soon as possible. Any additional requirements will be outlined on the Guild website.
    - Without an active registration, clubs are prohibited from operating in any way.
    - The Guild's powers in relation to clubs are laid out in policy as listed on the Guild website's resources for clubs. These should be reviewed by the new committee asap.
    - Clubs will adhere to the Guild's Rules and Policy, obey their constitution & Guild-approved Society Rules, behave transparently and work in the best interest of the club and its members.
- The Guild Club Support team are the first point of call for all club queries and are there for support/guidance. Contact them on clubs@guild.curtin.edu.au.
- All club events/activities, on and off-campus must be notified to the Guild via a submission of an event application form on the Guild website for liability coverage and risk assessing purposes.
    - All club events must be approved by the Guild. Check the website for more information before considering running any event.

10. Close Meeting

The meeting will now end at **1:01pm**.

Tasks: Continue completing the final AGM & Renewal project tasks in TidyHQ

End of minutes.
Summary of matters arising are tabled on the following page.

Minutes of Annual General Meeting - CURTIN JAPANESE CLUB on 21-10-2025

Summary of Attachments

Attachments

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1.1.	image.jpg
4.	AGM-Minutes-Finalised_2024_(5)_3.docx
6.1.	Presidents_Report.docx
6.2.	CJC_Treasurer_Report_2025.xlsx
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Attachments can be found under your TidyHQ admin account at:
Storage > Meetings > Annual General Meeting - CURTIN JAPANESE CLUB