



**3rd September, 2018, 16:00-17:00**Mitre Lecture Theatre, BOC

#### **Minutes**

## Membership

# **Voting Members**

Chair of Student Council Amber Kelly (AK)

Environmental Officer Alexander McIvor (AM)

International Students' Officer Luis Mujica (LM)

LGBQ+ Officer Ryan Shepard (RS)

Mature & Part-time Students' Officer Sandy Newman (SN)

President Jack Greenwood (JG)

Sports Federation President Katie Allan (KA)

Trans Students' Officer Jay Ford (JF)

Vice-President Dom Haward (DH)

Welfare Officer Kaila Bell (KB)

Women's Officer Jade Sullivan (JS)

### **Non-voting Members**

Head of Student Engagement Mike Riley (MR)

# 1. Welcome & Apologies

a. Apologies: LM, JF, KB, JD, AM

b. Attending: AK (Chair), JG, DH, KA, SN, RS

Meeting is quorate at 6 voting attendees

### 2. Approval of Minutes and Matters Arising

Update on Actions / Tasks Record from previous meeting

 Sexual assault awareness workshop outgoing officers to invite incoming. AK attended already, remaining officers to take forward.

#### 3. Reports

- a. President Report
  - i. 1st July 2018, attended Open Day speaking to incoming and potential students
  - ii. Attended SU2018 conference and Lead and Change



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- iii. Freshers' week Friday 21st: Update, changed some of the events,
  VK Festival and BRC Pub Crawl Thursday eve open invite to
  officers to attend Freshers' events
- iv. Campaign design and construction:
  - Alcohol Awareness, Sexual Harassment, Ready to Rent, Black History Month, LGBT History Month, Men-talk Health, Feed Your Flat, SHHH! Campaign,
- v. Attending University Committees to get a sense of what's going on in the University
- vi. Freshers' Crew recruited
- vii. Discussed idea of disaffiliating from NUS
- b. Vice-President Report
  - Attended SU2018 conference and Lead & Change training in Leeds. Networking and socialising most useful aspect of the training sessions and conference.
  - ii. Environment and sustainability campaign working with the sustainability office
  - iii. Welcome Rep interviews undertaken
  - iv. Attending University meetings
- c. Questions to Officers
  - i. Freshers' question
  - ii. SN has a friend who has written a book on Mental Health and Suicide intervention, happy to share contact info with JG and DH.
  - iii. Part-time Officer's work with full-time officers for specific campaigns.

# 4. Motions

a. None submitted

### 5. Update

- 6. All Student Meeting (AGM)
  - a. Last year's was held quite late with very small attendance.
    Potential Times of when to do the AGM: October? Week before reading week. November, Monday 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup>



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Officers to think of topics for discussion

## 7. Any Other Business

a. NUS Disaffiliation proposal:

JG attended NUS conference and Lead and Change, and didn't seem to get too much from it.

Looking at saving around £17,000 from affiliation and training costs. Would students still be entitled to an NUS card? Yes, regardless of affiliation of an SU. Also, there is Unidays for discounts.

Totem doesn't work or isn't clear what the issue is.

JG spokes to St Mary's, Gloucester, Oxford Brooke's – currently all affiliated but looking to disaffiliate.

If have the motion to disaffiliate, the SU need's to have clearly set out the facts of the pro's and con's of being in the organisation.

Pro's – Shop gets a supplier for all their stock (3000) items, single brewery replacing NUSSL.

Thinking through the practicalities of disaffiliating – even for example, sourcing new suppliers for alcohol, will take time to do and source. Being part of a large group makes life easier because the works been done. You can always cut something out of business, but if you do then that expectation falls on someone else without the extra resource/funding. Extra responsibility off not having that support anymore may be an extra burden onto someone already at capacity. Don't need to make a decision today, but can have a discussion and do some research.

# **Action**

Officers to investigate pros and cons and feedback. Look at more effective options and costs involved.

Emergency Council, first week of October, Thursday 4th.

b. Sports Therapy Roles to fill – follow the same process as last year?
 Doesn't have to be someone on Sports Therapy course, open to all and can be pairs or singles.



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c. Welcome Talk to university – Cover basic areas of how to treat people with equality of opportunity within the LGBQ+ community.

RS to contact (Dave Corcoran) DC, regarding the welcome sessions. Can attend welcome talks for the big courses and their inductions.

Can come to RS if face issues and how he can assist and signpost.

8. Date, time and location of Next Meeting – Emergency Council Meeting: Thursday 4th October, time and location tbc.

