Anglia Ruskin Students' Union

EXEPERIENCE OFFICER (CAMBRIDGESHIRE) REPORT

For the attention of:	Executive Committee	Taking place on:	07/04/16
Name:	Sarah Haider	Action:	To note

Summary: This paper provides an update on the priority campaign(s) of the Executive Committee member

Priority campaign(s) and objective(s)

Cambridge Activity and Social Space Creative Minds Inclusivity fund Open mic nights Global Week Distance Learner Packs Increase range of clubs and Societies

Progress on priority campaign(s)

Cambridge Activity and Social Space

This campaign is still ongoing however the policy to Save Our Space is now in place and I urge students to continue to lobby our University with the SU's support for any space that is made available to be turned into activity and social space as per the policy.

Creative Minds

The online platform is now well under way. Students can create their profiles by filling in this survey here: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/R9DZHB2</u>

There is a networking event on the 15th April for students to find out more, promotional tables all of that week planned and finally an Official Launch on the 27th April.

The website which can be found here: <u>www.angliastudent.com/creativeminds</u> will be launched on the 15th April.

Inclusivity fund

The fund has been launched with details given at the Societies Forum and mostly used by Executive Officer candidates in the recent elections. Please spread the word via any channels: societies, friends, housemates. This fund is to increase participation and inclusion amongst students, for more information go to: <u>https://www.angliastudent.com/advice/inclusivity/</u>

Open mic nights

These continue to run strong thanks to the help of open mic president Tim Court, we have our final planned one on the 14th of April but I have extended the budget to include a special 'Best of open Mic presents' at the Summer fest on the 18th May. Our promotional video is now on the SU YouTube channel. Let us know what you think!

Global Week

This was a success and I hope to see a society set up specifically with the intention of planning Global Week 2017. Thanks to the International office and their amazing support – the Global Week festivities are now part of the annual calendar and anticipated every year! The impact of this was 5 new societies set up and many January starter students engaged with their first ARU event.

Increase range of clubs and Societies

Cambridge has now reached over 100 societies 32 of which were started this year. The next steps are to introduce a way for students to encourage the start up of societies, one idea is to open a 'Societies Activators' (working title) voluntary position to support the Societies Rep. I am still to discuss the idea with the Societies rep as well as a develop an action plan for the next year. Please feel free to send me any ideas you may have or interest in developing this!

An update on engagement with coach and mentor/mentee(s)

Further support required from the Executive Committee/Students' Union