



EXPERIENCE OFFICER (ESSEX) REPORT

For the attention of:	Executive Committee	Taking place on:	09/12/15
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Summary: *This paper provides an update on the priority campaign(s) of the Executive Committee member*

Priority campaign(s) and objective(s)

- Experience Feedback Board
- Developments in Chelmsford
- Global Week
- Increase in clubs and societies

Progress on priority campaign(s)

Experience Feedback Board

- I have bought the wooden easel
- I have had a first draft of a design for the board itself, Charlie our new graphic designer has been a great help
- I am aiming to have the board printed and ready to go by the end of January
- I am hoping to also have an anonymous way of giving feedback, similar to a ballot box.

Developments in Chelmsford

- I have been undertaking vision visits to different universities around the country exploring the different interpretations of 'student hubs'.
- Some of the universities I have visited include Hertfordshire and Bournemouth
- Alongside these visits myself and Matt have had regular meetings with David Humber the Chelmsford Provost to discuss the possible developments of a 'student hub' on the Chelmsford campus. These conversations have been wide spread around what the purpose of the building will be, what will be inside and how it will benefit students.

Global Week

- I have had several meetings with Caroline Shannahan, Evis Bakiri and different groups of students to discuss ideas and possible things to include in global week
- There has been a working group set up via email with the students who attended the meeting and those interested in taking part in global week
- I have contacted all clubs and societies to engage them with the project – I have had little responses but I will talk about it in the next societies forum
- We have decided a vague deadline in December to have ideas to be able to create a plan for the week

Increase in clubs and societies

- Following the Chelmsford Freshers' Fair in September, we have had 4 new societies set up by students. These include a Yoga and Wellness Society, Alpine Society and Mental Health Awareness Society.
- I have had 1-1's with these committee members to help them to understand what is required to successfully run a society and develop their leadership skills.
- Sarah and I have been working on liaising with the university faculties to encourage the development of course based societies. We have had responses and are hopeful that this will flourish.

'Don't Judge a Book By It's Cover' Campaign

- I aim to launch this campaign in semester two to educate and engage students with the world of equality and reality. I will update further on my plans for this nearer the time. If you have any questions regarding it I am happy to talk about it verbally.

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

I have met with Tom Manville a number of times – he is a great help in terms of listening and providing support on a daily basis

Further support required from the Executive Committee/Students' Union**Experience Feedback Board**

- My initial thoughts were to have post-it notes available for students to write on and stick on the board freely. If anyone has any other ideas of ways to collect feedback using the board please suggest.

Global Week

- I ask that reps inform students of the project and encourage them to contact myself if they are interested in being involved and get involved yourselves!

Developments in Chelmsford

- I would like students to get their input into the development of the 'student hub' building – please share ideas with me to ensure that the building will benefit the students as highly as possible