

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

06.03.19 14:00 – 15:00

Item No		Action
1	<p>1.1 Attendance</p> <p>Laura Douds (Chair) President Amanda Campbell-White Vice President (Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences) Fraser Luther-Yarwood Vice President (Health, Education, Medicine & Social Care) Tiegan Lawson HEMS Faculty Rep (Cambridge) Kyia Thompson Women’s Rep (Cambridge) Michael Turner Trans Students’ Rep (Cambridge)</p> <p>Observers</p> <p>Emma Howes Engagement Manager Rose Guy Campaigns and Education Enhancement Coordinator</p> <p>1.2 Apologies</p> <p>Ben Morris HEMS Faculty Rep (Chelmsford) Mary Copsey Vice President (Business and Law) Matt Hayes Vice President (Science and Engineering) Niamh Cubitt LGBT+ Students’ Rep (Cambridge) Roy Magwenzi S&E Faculty Rep (Chelmsford)</p> <p>1.3 Absences</p> <p>Alex Mead AHSS Faculty Rep (Cambridge) Angela Sizer Disabled Students’ Rep (Chelmsford) Antonio Dimitrov Disabled Students’ Rep (Cambridge) Blessing Raimi BME Students’ Rep (Cambridge) Courtney-Lee Collins Women’s Rep (Chelmsford) Iqrah Afzal B&L Faculty Rep (Chelmsford) Jamie Smith S&E Faculty Rep (Cambridge) Louis Abou Nader International Students’ Rep (Chelmsford) Miranda Gayle BME Students’ Rep (Chelmsford) Vesela Mihova International Students’ Rep (Cambridge) Rafael Araujo B&L Faculty Rep (Cambridge) Tatiana Sapiano HEMS Faculty Rep (Chelmsford)</p>	

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3.	<p>3.1 The Group Chat / Policy</p> <p>LD: SU policies expire each year and we need to resubmit any policies we wish to see continued. Officers have been reviewing, consulting with students and amending policy and would like Executive Committee members to support. There is a focus on evidenced student opinion for stances and policies.</p> <p>Currently there are 16 policies are live, 9 are being resubmitted and 3 new ones are being proposed. LD will share via Facebook group with Officer names attached.</p> <p>The deadline for papers is the 19th March.</p>			LD	
4.	<p>4.1 Officer updates</p> <p>4.1.1 Amanda Campbell-White (Vice President Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivered body positivity take over week, online events and a showcase. Thanks to those who supported. • Involved in Student Volunteering week including acts of kindness. • Election has just been completed. LD: congratulations on ACW re-election. • Continuously working with faculty to get reps onto Canvas – we have been told this is an IT issue and will raise with relevant staff. • Attempting to remove the cap on arts materials available for purchase via Booksplus. • Working for access to facilities including arts rooms. • It is day 3 of De-stress Fest and we held a Crafternoon. We have cards and web-links to promote. 				

<p>4.1.2 Mary Copsey (Vice President Business and Law) (MC provided an update, LD read out)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned 2 events in Global Week and worked with departments within union / university. Co-hosted the Parents in Education launch event and gathered student parents feedback. Chelmsford re-fresher's fair Supported other teams during volunteering week and hosted volunteering trip and completed acts of kindness SMT and officers attended VCG. Officers present the Union's strategic plans and discuss current student impact and future plans for engagement. FLY and MC hosted two successful "Find a Flatmate events" in both Cambridge and Chelmsford. Had an introductory meeting with Dr Dan Berger (FBL Deputy Dean; Education). Took him on a tour around our student spaces and introduced him to staff members. Working hard on building the Brexit Policy and gathering a wider student voice using a variety of communication methods (The Group Chat, emails, Facebook and flipchart in student spaces). ACW: the Brexit consultation has been very popular interaction with students. 	
<p>4.1.3 Fraser Luther-Yarwood (Vice President Health, Education, Medicine and Social Care)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Society of the month award is going out for the #lovesocieties campaign. Hosted 'Find a Flatmate' events in Chelmsford and Cambridge. The activities were well received including roommate Quiz and photo-booth. Numbers were down on last year, but we think was due to the location in Kelsey Kerridge (off campus). Park and Ride consultations are taking place on Chelmsford and Cambridge Campuses (until 23rd / 31st March). The campaign should relieve concerns about parking on campus if we can provide alternative solutions. Peterborough may be covered by extensions to the Cambridge arrangements. ACW: Are university marketing supporting the consultation? FLY will be speaking to them in the near future and consider adding to the travel page on ARU website. 	
<p>4.1.4 Matt Hayes (Vice President Science and Engineering) (LD delivered due to MH absence)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> University will no longer support the drug harm prevention testing kits and this has been discussed at USU (University and Students Union steering group). Matt has been engaged with committees and has been elected as the new SU President. 	
<p>4.1.5 Laura (President)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Involved in CEO recruitment Qualitative analysis of the rent survey which has taken longer than expected. Now around 2/3rds of the way through. Results and headline figures will be shared when ready and Executive committee will be involved in designing recommendations for the report. 	

5.	<p>5.1 Campaign Rep Updates</p> <p>5.1.1 Niamh Cubitt (LGBT+ Rep, Cambridge) (LD read in NC absence)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pronoun Badges • LGBT history month • LGBT Society relaunch <p>5.1.2 Kyia (Women's Rep, Cambridge)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collier Road project has been completed and lights are now in place (earlier than expected). Students have commented that this has been beneficial. ACW: what time do the lights come on? KT: When it gets dark. • RG: We met to discuss the inaugural conference for UN women's university champions network and the 'HeForShe' campaign. KT is keen to work on this project <p>5.1.3 Michael Turner (Trans Rep, Cambridge)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pronoun Badges are out! We ran out of 'she' badges quite quickly. We now need to collate feedback. We also asked all SU staff to include pronouns in their email signature. • Working on LGBT history month; The 'Rainbow' event was cancelled due to maintenance issues at the venue and has been rescheduled to 5th April. 	
6.	<p>6.1 Faculty Rep Updates</p> <p>6.1.1 Tiegan Lawson (HEMS Faculty Rep Cambridge)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young Street: met with FLY and catering and agreed a trial period of microwave and hot water facilitates to run alongside the current cold food café. FLY: This was also raised at Faculty Partnership Team where challenges were raised regarding costing. We are awaiting a quote which the faculty will cover (we hope). There were also concerns regarding the café alongside the facilities. 3 options were raised: the café and facilities are combined, the café is removed, or, the café and the facilities are separate but alongside each other. 	

<p>7.</p>	<p>7.1 Any Other Business:</p> <p>KT: Staff have asked students to consider the whole students' experience not specific module issues. A staff member has also suggested that poor scores will reflect on students degrees and that higher scores would be beneficial.</p> <p>FLY: this kind of comment is not acceptable: FLY and HEMS have addressed this due to similar concerns and Deans have been proactive in addressing this with staff to clarify rules.</p> <p>LD: The NSS feedback will not affect an employer's opinion of where your degree comes from.</p> <p>RG: Please raise these concerns with faculty reps and RG; we can contact relevant senior staff to address this for specific courses / faculties. KT to email RG to raise this issue with relevant Deans.</p> <p>KT: I also feel harassed by the phone calls and emails regarding NSS.</p> <p>RG: The phone calls come from Ipsos Mori which the university has no control over and the university leads on some of the emails.</p> <p>LD:</p> <p>Nominate yourselves and each other for SU awards. www.angliastudent.com/awards</p>	<p>KT</p>
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