



Minutes of the seventh Executive Committee

9 June 2016, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm in Hel125, Cambridge and Tin301,
Chelmsford

Item No		Action
62	<p>Attendance</p> <p>62.1 Apologies</p> <p>Grace Anderson (GA) Academic Officer</p> <p>Hannah Chan (HC) LGBT+ Students' Rep (Chelmsford)</p> <p>Nicola Gillin (NG) FHSCE Postgraduate Research Rep</p> <p>Alice Goodheart (AG) Disabled Students' Rep (Chelmsford)</p> <p>Thea Maragkakis (TM) Environmental & Community Rep (Chelmsford)</p> <p>Precious Nwanze (PN) International Rep (Chelmsford)</p> <p>Leigh Rooney (LR) Experience Officer (Essex)/Chair</p> <p>Shaun Yates (SY) ALSS Postgraduate Research Reps</p> <p><i>In attendance</i></p> <p>Linda Collett (LC) Office Coordinator (Chelmsford)</p> <p>Matthew Ensor (ME) Chief Executive Officer</p> <p>Daniel Login (DL) Democracy and Representation Manager/Secretary to the Executive Committee</p> <p>62.2 Apologies</p> <p>Farah Abualsuod Postgraduate Rep (Cambridge)</p> <p>Shakil Ameerudden Communications Rep (Chelmsford)</p> <p>Jessica Austin ALSS Postgraduate Research Rep</p> <p>Selina Burdett FST Faculty Rep (Cambridge)</p> <p>Jessica Bush Sports Club Rep (Chelmsford)</p> <p>Rabbi Deloso Postgraduate Rep (Chelmsford)</p> <p>Sekemi Eshofonie Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) Students' Rep (Cambridge)</p> <p>Lauren Fidler Environmental & Community Rep (Cambridge)</p> <p>Sarah Haider Experience Officer (Cambridgeshire)</p> <p>Shona Hoey ALSS Faculty Rep (Cambridge)</p> <p>Emma Houghton Welfare Campaigns Rep (Chelmsford)</p> <p>Samer Mashlah LAIBS Postgraduate Research Rep</p> <p>Sophie May Communications Officer</p>	

	<p>Shrenik Munot Societies Rep (Chelmsford) Gregory Powell Societies Rep (Cambridge) Nanci Tareco International Rep (Cambridge) Stewart Watson Sports Club Rep (Cambridge) Sammi Whitaker President</p> <p>62.3 Absent</p> <p>Jonathan Adebisi FST Postgraduate Research Rep Samuel Akpoke FST Faculty Rep (Chelmsford) Carinna Aldworth FHSCE Faculty Rep (Chelmsford) Ben Coombes ALSS Faculty Rep (Chelmsford) Oluwafemi George FMS Postgraduate Research Rep Charlotte Hurden Communications Rep (Cambridge) Enombu John LAIBS Faculty Rep (Chelmsford) Victoria Martin Welfare Campaigns Rep (Cambridge) Nathaniel Miles FMS Faculty Rep (Cambridge) Uche Nwosu Black & Minority Ethnic (BME) Students' Rep (Chelmsford)</p> <p>Selina Okeke FMS Faculty Rep (Chelmsford) Dominic Ominowo FST Postgraduate Research Rep Niles Pedersen Disabled Students' Rep (Cambridge) Olivia Rees FHSCE Faculty Rep (Cambridge) Michelle Rogers Women's Rep (Chelmsford) Millie Smith Women's Rep (Cambridge) Grace Stanley LAIBS Faculty Rep (Cambridge) Rich Warner FMS Postgraduate Research Rep</p> <p>Declaration of Interest None</p>	
63	Acceptance of Previous Minutes The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as a true record.	
64	Executive officer reports President LR reported that Anglia Ruskin SU had achieved the Green Impact Students' Union gold standard this year and that officers would be collecting the award at the SU2016 gala awards dinner. Thanks were extended to SW and LC for their work on this. She reported that the Summer Ball in Chelmsford had a 200 attendance. Unfortunately the food stands had pulled out at the last minutes. Improvements would be made for next year. The Ball in Cambridge had been less successful, partly due to lack of staff and promotion.	
65	Academic Officer GA noted that she had been working on the white paper and stated that students	

	needed to give feedback. She had also been to Lancaster for a governance review visit.	
66	Communications Officer LR reported that SM had been working on quizzes, the video, Tumblr, the freshers' guide, SU TV and the impact report.	
67	Experience Officer Cambridge LR reported that SH had been working on Creative Minds which was now up and running following the successful networking event. She went on to say that if students in Chelmsford were interested in becoming involved, they should contact LR.	
68	Experience Officer Essex LR reported that she had made several visits to other unions for the democratic review. She had also been working on social space and had met with Steve Bennett and Sandy Lynam regarding the Dance Studio. She had also been meeting with David Humber about the Student Hub in Chelmsford.	
69	Green Impact report LC gave a report on the Green Impact award. ME thanked LC for the years of work which had gone into achieving this standard and for helping to embed sustainability into the organisation.	
70	Incoming NUS full time officers DL introduced the incoming NUS full time officers. A discussion was held on the negative press received by Malia Bouattia and officers confirmed that they were happy with her leadership. A further discussion took place about the benefit of NUS affiliation which includes training, support, networking, advice, best practice for staff and officers and discounts via NUSSL. It was noted that Anglia Ruskin SU received more value from NUS than the annual affiliation figure. It was noted that NUS seemed to be disconnected with post graduate students and that NUS were aware of this and working to correct it. DL announced that a new position had been created within Anglia Ruskin SU: that of Democracy and Campaigns co-ordinator. This role would support the committee on a monthly basis.	
71	Update on implementation of policy Policy 1 – Up your grants 1. Complete 2. This would be considered when re-writing the bye-laws 3. Complete 4. Still in progress – ongoing Policy 2 – Where my rent went Other priorities took over this campaign, but GA confirmed that she was working on the University acting as guarantor for students. Policy 3 – Gender neutral toilets GA had written a paper for Estates and Facilities for this to be considered in new builds. It was also brought up in space meetings.	

	<p>Policy 4 – Save our space LR had taken to Space Sustainability and Campus Management meeting.</p> <p>Policy 5 – We want the living wage The SU was now paying the living wage and the University were following suit.</p> <p>Policy 6 More No progress.</p> <p>Lapsed policy was noted and it was also noted that students could resubmit lapsed policy.</p>	
72	<p>Disabled students’ rep Chelmsford</p> <p>AG reported that she had been talking to Debbie Paradise regarding the survey to ask disabled students what they would like to change or see. The survey would be sent out to new students. AG also confirmed that she was continuing to work on the pack. GA to assist. GA was also looking at whether AG could attend the ED&I working group.</p>	GA
73	<p>Environmental and community rep Chelmsford</p> <p>TM reported that she had worked on the rucksack project but had received a very disappointing response on campus, although a more promising one in her home village. It was agreed that the project would be re-launched during Freshers’ – LR to arrange 2 tables at the freshers’ fairs on each campus.</p> <p>LC to advise TM of the dates of the Biodiversity meetings and the freshers’ fairs.</p>	LR LC
74	<p>FHSCE Post graduate research rep</p> <p>NG reported that there was an acute shortage of research space and that research students needed access to desks away from open plan offices. It was suggested that she liaise with EHo for an update. It was noted that in Cambridge a post graduate student had raised the issue of there being no lockers at the Student Experience committee. GA to investigate. It was agreed to arrange a once per semester meeting with post graduate research reps.</p> <p>A discussion took place about GradSoc, of which post graduate students were automatically members. The society had not worked well last year. Membership would not be automatic next year so there would be tighter control. It was suggested that there be two separate committees next year, one for each campus.</p>	GA
75	<p>International rep Chelmsford</p> <p>PN introduced herself and explained that she would be Activities Officer Chelmsford next year. She went on to say that she had been involved with the International festival which had been very successful and had attended an Open Day to promote the SU. She had also requested certificates for the hours that students had volunteered and that they were very pleased with these. She had also been working on liaising with local estate agents to gain agreement that international students with a regular job would not need a guarantor.</p>	
76	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>ME thanked DL for getting the Executive Committee up and running and noted that the increased engagement from reps was a welcome and positive step.</p>	
	Date and Time of next meeting:	

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