

Faculty Voice Committee (FVC) and Liberation, Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Committee (LEDIC)
 March 24th 2020, 13:00 – 15:00

1.1 Welcome, apologies and absences, including newly elected members	Matt Hayes	<i>To note</i>	
1.2 Terms of reference*		<i>To note</i>	
1.3 Minutes of the last meeting		<i>To approve</i>	27/20
1.4 Actions & matters arising from last meeting		<i>To discuss</i>	28/20
2.1			
3. Faculty Rep Updates <i>All representatives to discuss their projects and campaigns</i>	All Faculty Reps	<i>To discuss</i>	29/20
4. Campaign Rep updates <i>All representatives to discuss their projects and campaigns</i>	All Campaign Reps	<i>To discuss</i>	30/20
5. Executive Officer reports <i>Update on campaigns, projects, policy and ideas</i>			
5.1 President	Matt Hayes	<i>To discuss</i>	31/20
5.2 Vice President (Business & Law)	Mary Copsey	<i>To discuss</i>	32/20
5.3 Vice President (Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences)	Amanda Campbell-White	<i>To discuss</i>	33/20
5.4 Vice President (Health, Education, Medicine & Social Care)	Fraser Luther-Yarwood	<i>To discuss</i>	34/20
5.5 Vice President (Science & Engineering)			
6. Big Ideas* <i>New ideas to be discussed and taken forward</i>			
7. New Policies* <i>A discussion of any recently passed policy</i>			
8. Budget <i>An update on the budget / new requests</i>			
9. Any Other Business			
Date of next meeting			
TBC			

*Starred items will only be discussed if there are items under these headings

Executive Committee (FVC and LEDIC) Minutes; 24th February 2020

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1.3 Minutes of the last meeting
The minutes were accepted as accurate.

1.4 Actions Arising

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Carried Over Actions: October 2019			
3.1.4	Faculty Forums for Science and Engineering to be shared on the Angliastudent.com website	EL	Complete
7.3	ACW to propose a Canvas pop up to warn against external essay support companies.	ACW	To bring update to March Exec
7.5	IL / AJ to meet with BM to discuss interdisciplinary working in HEMS	IL / AJ	Complete – action plan created. IL to have meeting with FLY
Carried over Actions: January 2020			
2.1	MH to check attendance requirements / agenda for NUS Liberation Conference	MH	No set agenda – Complete but will update as received
2.1	GG / IL / ES and any other interested members to submit budget requests for attendance at Liberation Conference. See RW / RG for support if needed.	GG/IL/ES/All	Three responses received so far – all exec to drop a message to MH with spot interested in to ensure cover. MH to check deadline for attendance.
3.2	BM to share information on new government bursaries to EC Facebook group	BM	Complete
4.1	MH to contact NUS Disabled students Rep to support communication for ES	MH	Complete
5.1	MH to follow up on Exec Committee Review emails	MH	To bring update to March exec
5.3	ACW to consider placement student timetables when scheduling de-stress fest. BM to support	BM / ACW	Date TBC – will do a separate date for Peterborough and Young Street if needed
5.3	MH / ACW to consult with student at Compass House on accessibility to the building (GOAT)	MH / ACW	Complete
5.4	FLY to share Men Kind video with EC Facebook group	FLY	Complete

2. 2.1 Departure of VP of S&E
MH: As some of you may have seen from comms, SF has decided to stop down from her role as VP of S&E. In interim, before new officers take over, MH to act as VP of S&E alongside role of President. Rest of her work will be reallocated among other officers. We wish her the best of luck in the future.

2.2 Opportunities available: Education Committee and Academic Standards & Quality Committee

	<p>MH: Related to 2.1, one of SF's responsibilities was to attend these two senior meetings which oversee a lot of very important academic items: implementation of Ruskin Modules, assessment practice, appointing external examiners, etc. There are two vacancies as a result, is anyone, including Officers, interested in sitting on these committees. Currently MH and EH sit on ASQC and FLY sits on EC.</p> <p>MC: I think I received something about this and I forwarded it on to FLY.</p> <p>EH: I believe they sent this out to the officer team for cover.</p> <p>MH: One of each meeting left this year, I can search for these dates</p> <p>FLY: EC is next Wednesday</p> <p>EH: EC is 4th March and 3rd June. And ASQC is 20th May. Short a PGT student rep for this committee as well.</p> <p>MC: I can pick up the ASQC as a post-graduate student and officer.</p> <p>GG: What is covered in these meetings?</p> <p>EH: Can everyone look in their diaries and see if they are available?</p> <p>MH: This may be a conversation better had offline, please have a look and let me know directly.</p>	All
3.	<p>3. Faculty Rep Updates:</p> <p>3.1 EL: Not much has happened recently, but I have attended some meetings and I have attempted to take up Athena Swan work relating to women in STEM subjects from SF. Working to get up-to-date but it seems like the faculty is enthusiastic about this opportunity.</p> <p>3.2 IL: Working with the faculty to discuss opportunities for scenario-based learning. Additionally 5th March is University Mental Health Day, next Thursday and we are doing an event for that.</p>	
4.	<p>4. Campaign Rep Updates:</p> <p>4.1 GG: Met with Julian Priddle and Apurba Kundu, want to contact societies around work BME advocates have done. Has data from RG from Let's Be Honest report and thought it would be good to get BME specific data. Reached out to societies and got no response. JP has come back with a series of questions.</p> <p>MH: My suggestion is to put you in touch with Abi Dolan to raise at Faculty Forum</p> <p>EL: This has taken place already. You can reach out to faculty reps and bring to Group Chat.</p> <p>GG: There will be a BME advocate event on 11th March. Katie Potts is facilitating.</p>	
5.	<p>5 Executive Officer Reports</p> <p>5.1 President</p> <p>MH: *Taken as read.</p> <p>In terms of updates, have had a response from Dom Bean, director of marketing, have not got anywhere yet. There have been a lot of marketing emails featuring Amina Hussaini, she was a refugee and graduated with a 1st degree in Law. Asked the alumni network to get me in touch with her, had an email exchange with her and asked her for an idea of the support refugee students get from ARU. She said there really wasn't any support so this is an interesting conversation to continue. Will have an update to bring to March Exec.</p> <p>Break the Cycle, not much to update on. Considering a temperature check. You may remember Let's Be Honest, not looking to do something at this scale but considering pulling out key questions and getting responses from students. Looking at April and May to do this.</p> <p>GG: Would you consider breaking this down into ethnicities?</p> <p>MH: Yes, I will make a note of this.</p> <p>Drug Harm Reduction – not much to update on</p> <p>Southern Conference was really good, great conversations of including off-campus students.</p> <p>Keen to kick up the engagement with Compass House and Young Street, if anyone has any</p>	MH

suggestions or speaks to students there regarding communication and involvement with the SU, please let me know.

EH: Can you share this information with our London team?

MH: Yes, I'll send it over to them.

5.2 VP: Business and Law

MC: Taken as read

Since writing, was at a standstill with Brexit support meetings. From conversations, I can confirm that the settlement status workshops will continue and there will be Brexit legal support provided by the International office. This has already begun, they have seen around 40 students. The intake of EU students was lower this year. As they were successful, they'll continue for the rest of the academic year. Should know more as well by September. Had students asking about support in Peterborough, the International Office has offered phone appointments but not clear about a physical presence. They will continue to monitor the effectiveness of this.

Central comms has removed the Brexit tile off the main website, currently they are pushing awareness of the Corona virus. Have sent suggestions on how they can make this information visible to students.

ARU Mindfulness proposal went to the Well-Being Steering Group, this was well-received.

Having conversations on funding and piloting locations. Have included suggestions for Young Street and satellite areas.

5.3 VP: Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

ACW: Taken as read

Waiting on RG to help analyse data from Bloody Mess.

MH: Do you have a timeline?

ACW: Yes, should be ready to go to the Well-Being Steering Group 16th March

MH: Will need to be sent to me by the 9th

ACW: Regarding Access work, we were a bit behind due to issues around Compass House. Final proposal will be done by the end of this week. Will be going to the S&E and AHSS FPT. Not sure where else to take this.

MC: USU would be a good place.

ACW: I could take it there

MC: Deadline for papers is 14th April

ACW: Good news! David Walmsley and Laurie visited Lincoln and they were really impressed with Big White Wall which means they will consider implementing this into ARU's offerings. Hoping for an update in March.

MH: The university would like a digital service to supplement SilverCloud, the license is up for renewal and including more offerings. Also considering FECA alongside Big White Wall. These two organisations will present what they can offer and at what cost to the Well-Being Strategy Group, will try to ensure ACW is invited to these meetings.

ACW: Good that the university is looking into increasing modules SilverCloud provides.

MH: I will keep everyone updated as well.

ACW: I can share the proposal for Big White Wall if you're interested.

Best Night Out – was supposed to have Terrance Higgins but they did not show up. Sent an email which did not receive a response. Had a board for LG up on HIV and had good engagement. Need to order more supplies including condoms.

MH: These were well-received at the LGBT Open Mic Night.

ACW: Yeah, all the packs are now gone, wasn't expecting them to be so popular.

ACW

MH

	<p>5.4 VP: Health, Education, Medicine and Social Care FLY: Taken as read Be Mankind – met with Lucas Oliver who is project lead on reaching out to hard to reach groups in Cambridge. MH: There is a project lead for all campuses, Charlie Nevison. Part of Well-Being Steering Group. FLY: Looking at provisions Counselling and Wellbeing have and how they apply to hard to reach groups. This is the Year of the Nurse and Midwife, because it's the bicentennial of Florence Nightingale's death. There will be events for that I'll be working on before July. With Julian Priddle, looking at how we can readjust the website to have better online services for distance learning students so they can feel more engaged. Was removed when they redesigned the website. Want to make this accessible.</p> <p>5.5 VP: Science and Engineering N/A</p>	
8.	<p>8 Budgets RW: No budgets were submitted for approval this month.</p>	
9.	<p>9. Any other business</p> <p>9.1 Proposal: New Student Trustee FLY: There is a student I met with who is interested in becoming a student trustee. He sent his CV to be approved by the Board of Trustees, now here to be approved. MH: We are not quorate, this vote will need to go online. RW: I may be able to get this in today and if so, I will update everyone Wednesday as I am off tomorrow. MH: Please can everyone vote.</p> <p>9.2 A look back...and a way forward RW: Let's look at manifestos</p> <p>9.2 ELECTIONS EH: Nominations close next Wednesday, just over a week left. Please get this done and let me or RW know if you are interested. Also think about Recommend a Friends, especially if you're moving on from your role. Feel free to arrange a meeting with me or RW.</p> <p>9.3 SU Awards EH: You guys are our volunteers, you've done great projects, nominate yourselves and other members of exec. We love it when students nominate other students. EL: There's a link on the website detailing how to write a good nomination. MH: Can you share this with the exec group? EL: Yes</p> <p>9.4 Bra Bank EL: The Bra Bank has said we have to pay to get them to send it or get loads more as we don't have enough. Does anyone have suggestions from other Bra Banks? IL: I did a small drive, we could combine and do a Chelmsford and Cambridge joint donation box. EH: Staff would be happy to drive this over in the pool car. ACW: Where did this come from originally?</p>	<p>RW/All</p> <p>EL/All</p>

	<p>EL: Was originally Jamie's campaign. ACW: We can raise awareness and do a drive. EH: Might be worthwhile having a chat with volunteering. EL: I'll also talk to RG.</p> <p>9.3 Date of next meeting TBD.</p>	
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2.2	All exec members to check diaries to see if they are available to attend ASQC or EC and let MH know	All/MH	
5.1	MH to ensure surveys for the 'Break the Cycle' campaign include ethnic background information	MH	
5.1	All exec members to consider ways to better engage with students on satellite sites such as Compass House and Young Street and send these ideas to MH.	MH/ALL	
5.1	MH to share information on off-campus students from Southern Conference with London team.	MH	
5.3	ACW to consider the best options for sharing the Access Report, to look into USU. The deadline for papers is 14 April.	ACW	
5.3	MH to keep exec committee updated with decisions made at the Well-Being Strategy Group.	MH	

9.1	RW to publish vote on proposal for new student trustee and all exec committee members to vote	RW/All	Complete (14/24 voted)
9.3	All exec members to consider nominations for SU Awards & EL to share link to the website to facebook group.	EL/All	
9.4	EL to chat with RG regarding Bra Bank and both EL/IL to collaborate on cross-campus donations	EL/IL	

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

FACULTY REPS

Campaigns, projects and other work

AHSS Faculty Rep (Cambridge): Sarah Strachan

Faculty Partnership Team meeting - raised issues of access to facilities, resources and affordability. Apparently a benchmarking process is underway re cost of resources
Attended Faculty Forum with ACW/RW & ER and course reps
Faculty Education Committee meeting - response to removal of booksplus cap for CSA students was a 'No' from Director of Student Services. Deputy Dean will follow up regarding specific use of the copy shop for printing for assessment etc and where any unspent bursaries are 'donated'.
Met with Rose Guy re strategy to reframe affordability (away from Bookplus) and address issues of equity of resourcing/provision between courses (across faculties?)
Sustainability SU strategy workshop attendance on 12/02/20

HEMS Faculty Rep (Cambridge): Tiegan Lawson

HEMS Faculty Rep (Cambridge): Beth Miller

Managed to have a brief discussion with Simon Butler about scenario based learning and he thinks it's a good idea and agrees. He would support. He mentioned even using other services if they agreed (fire service) from his past experience.

I contacted course reps to gain some feedback from what students had said but got 0 replies so currently have no student feedback.

Found out some people are actually unaware of the module feedback surveys where they can leave module feedback so have passed round word of that.

Meeting due to happen between Fraser and reps about scenario based learning 9/2/20.

HEMS Faculty Rep (Chelmsford): Imogen Lay

- Continuing with the Childcare for Placement Students campaign. Been looking at the Speak week and SSLC feedback. Now that the new NHS support fund is available, we can look into those options. Still planning on polling students within faculty.
- Been talking with Beth (HEMS Cambridge) to look at interprofessional scenario-based learning for the new nursing/paramedic teaching guidelines. Will be bringing this to FPT (Feb 19th) to discuss with HoSs.
- Organising and planning a mental health fair for University Mental Health Day (Thu 5th March) with charities including Mind and Samaritans!
- Chelmsford want a nursing society, will have a look into this with Ashleigh

HEMS Faculty Rep (Chelmsford): Ashleigh Jackson

- Held a mini course rep drop in Jan 2020. Spoke to an education student who would like to run for VP for HEMS or President. Spoke to paramedic students who said they have no issues within their school but would like to hold a summer ball - i will discuss with nursing society as they are planning something similar.
- Had Interprofessional learning day (IPL) for HEMS 29th Jan. Good feedback so far. Have yet to meet with the team to discuss formal feedback.

HEMS Faculty Rep (Peterborough): Marta Kalista

B&L Faculty Rep (Chelmsford): Damien Francis

B&L Faculty Rep (Cambridge): Alessia Mevoli

Has been working closely with Dan Berger and attending FPTs and FECs. Appreciated this opportunity to learn about education standards and ARU's partners. Really valuable to full

understand how the system works. Contacted all the course reps in B&L and acted on the feedback received, especially related to teaching and modules.

Would like to be able to access course rep emails to reach out to them directly, especially as there is a lot of collaboration with professional courses and reps.

S&E Faculty Rep (Cambridge): Em Long

- FSE hub follow up- working with teaching and learning staff to figure out how to enable the aimss on canvas. Monitoring is still an issue.
- Students asking for more faculty networking events.
- Student engagement quite low, 0 attendees to last faculty forum
- Athena Swan- representing women in STEM pathways.

S&E Faculty Rep (Chelmsford): Jose Hermosilla

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

CAMPAIGN REPS

Campaigns, projects and other work

Trans Students' Rep (Cambridge): Ethan Dredge

Completed:

- LGBT quiz night for Trans Awareness Week
- Help students with questions about LGBT terminology and being trans.

Things for the future:

- Events for LGBT History Month to be planned with LGBT rep.
- Workshop with tutors/lecturers about how to support LGBT students.
- Continue to answer student questions.

International Rep (Chelmsford): Gold Dominic

International Rep (Cambridge): Anna Kiss

Completed:

- Sent out upcoming events and reminders about it
- Helped students with their questions (Visa, societies, etc.)

Things I want to do in the future:

- International food day
- Continue to help students with their questions
- Continue to keep them updated

Women's Rep (Cambridge): Kerdisha Ali-Arab

Women's Rep (Chelmsford): Angela Atuahene

BME Students' Rep (Cambridge): Ganesh Gupta

BME Students' Rep (Chelmsford): Obinna Ogbbankwa

LGBT+ Students' Rep (Cambridge): Luca Girardi

LGBT+ Students' Rep (Chelmsford): Andrew Taylor
Completed:

1. Have attended Rep training with Rachel Wilkinson

Things For The Future:

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1. Organise a meet to bring LGBT+ students together to discuss what they would like to see happen / change within the university -I will then be able to gather so ideas for a campaign using this information
 2. Look at arranging some events for LGBT Month for Feb 2020
 3. Meeting With the new Chelmsford ARU Chaplain (Jackie-Dee Thorton) , to explore ways in which she may be able to help support the LGBT+ students across campus

Disabled Students' Rep (Cambridge): Emma Scriven

Sunflower Lanyards:

These have now arrived and I am in the process of working with the Disability and Dyslexia Manager as to how we will approach comms etc. Looking to get as many of exec involved in this as possible, this will most likely take place following elections.

Also working on:

- Session for disabled students on feeling confident in their employability
- Student feedback on working for the EB with a disability
- Policy completed for Hidden disabilities.

Disabled Students' Rep (Chelmsford): Caroline Hill

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

MATT HAYES - PRESIDENT

My campaigns, policy and other work



My campaigns

Refugee Scholarship Scheme	In progress
<i>Actions updated: 09/03/20</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Now in contact with an alumna who is used on a lot of the university's marketing who has a really interesting story - she came here as a refugee from Afghanistan aged 13 and is now a lawyer. I have asked her some questions which she has kindly answered - she broadly seems to have had a very positive experience at ARU but did not receive any specific support related to her refugee status.	
Break The Cycle	In Progress
<i>Actions updated: 09/03/20</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Looking at doing some kind of wellbeing survey maybe using some of the questions from Let's Be Honest - this way we could do a sort of "temperature check" of some of the problem area questions from the report.	
Drug Harm Reduction	In Progress
<i>Actions updated: 09/03/20</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not yet been able to trial other data gathering methods.	

Other relevant updates

<i>Actions updated: 09/03/20</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attended the Students' Unions 'Strategic Planning Meeting'. It's essentially where we sit down with the most senior people from the university and outline our plans for the coming year. From this, they establish how much money they will give us.• Been getting back into faculty stuff - started by meeting with the Dean of the faculty in order to get caught up on what is big on their agenda. Currently, the dominant conversations are around student wellbeing, the British Science Festival (being held in Chelmsford in Sept), and "unprofessional feedback in Module Evaluation Surveys"• Plans for the bar are now underway - initial designs have been agreed. Amanda's consultation will hopefully (have) shed some more light on how students want the bar to feel etc.	
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

**MARY COPSEY - VICE PRESIDENT
(BUSINESS & LAW)**

My campaigns, policy and other work



My Officer update

Brexit campaign	Working on
No progress made since last exec committee.	
Brexit: Impact on Education (ACTIVE POLICY) Link to policy: https://www.angliastudent.com/pageassets/represent/thegroupchat/april19/Minor-amendment-GC1919-Policy-submission-Brexit-Policy-The-Group-Chat-April.pdf	

ARUaccessible?	Working on
<p>Thank you to all the students that took part in the ARUaccessible campaign last semester! I am now in the process of condensing all the data into themes (currently gone through 200 comments!) I have provided a breakdown below of the committees I have sat on and the changes influenced by the ARUaccessible campaign.</p> <p> Assessment Review: Guidance on Assessment workstream - This workstream was only formed this semester and I have been attending monthly meetings reviewing all aspects of assessments, assignment deadlines and exams. From this, I have taken feedback forward and making recommendations to support student's best interests. For instance, we have successfully removed bunching of deadlines in the business and law faculty and reviewing how we can make this change across all schools.</p> <p> Disabled Student Satisfaction task and finish group - This committee has reviewed the NNS results over the last 3 years as well this we held focus groups with current students in Tri1 to bring forward any barriers to inclusion. My job mainly on this committee has been to represent the student's voice and work in partnership with the university to create a list of recommendations to review hidden barriers which can negatively impact the student experience. For instance, I have recommended reviewing lecture notes content making sure the information is clear and concise and put on canvas in a timely manner.</p> <p> Student Experience Senate Committee (SEC) - This week I attended SEC where we discussed barriers to inclusion and general accessibility challenges that are negatively impacting student experience. The outcome of this meeting led to an agreement that the university marketing department will review the new branding and create an accessible option and this review will lead to a wider review of course materials and any other barriers to inclusion.</p> <p>Wrote a initial data findings paper and presented this at USU - **veral update**</p>	

Other relevant updates

ARUmindful

No updates since last exec committee.

Policy

Began writing the accessibility policy for the group chat

Southern Conference at Kent

Matt, John and I traveled to Kent alongside many other unions from the southern region. During this conference we attended a variety of workshops including the future of higher education, how to engage with our PGR and PGT students and many more! To share best practice and network with other student' unions.

Retail Manager Interviews

This month I have been involved in the recruitment process for the retail manager role.

University meetings that I have attended this month

Student experience Committee

Academic Regulations Subcommittee

advice team meeting

Officers Fortnightly Meeting

SU awards

Brexit Meeting

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

AMANDA CAMPBELL-WHITE - VICE PRESIDENT (ARTS, HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES)

My campaigns, policy and other work



My campaigns

A Bloody Mess	In Progress
Currently now going through the data analysis of the survey. Also writing up the Bloody mess report. This will be going to the next uni wellbeing steering group in March	

Mental Health (Team Campaign) - BWW proposal	In Progress
Still waiting on what is to happen next. I have written an article here: https://www.angliastudent.com/news/article/union/Break-the-Cycle-Access-to-mental-health-services-at-ARU/	
BIG NEWS UPDATE: David Walmsley (student services) and Laurie (Dean FSE) visited Lincoln University to look at their student wellbeing offer. Lincoln were very positive about the benefits of the Big White Wall. The Uni need to ensure that the BWW fits with our existing provision, but they have told us that they think they do need to look at this again as a priority - THIS IS A BIG WIN! Will update on what else happens when I know more.	

Best Night Out	On Going
Created all the LGBT friendly sexual health packs - these are available from the SU in cabs currently. Will be sending some across to chelms	

Other relevant updates

<p><i>Actions updated: 22/01/20</i></p> <p>General update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- De-Stress fest planning - exec input and help would be great please!! Who wants to be involved?!- Policy writing - Period poverty (new one) and Student sex workers (rewritten) potted them on the exec group, have had no input from anyone in exec yet...	
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Been writing the Compass House paper, it is finally completed. Going to the AHSS and FSE FPTs. and other people within the institution. | |
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

FRASER LUTHER-YARWOOD - VICE PRESIDENT (HEALTH, EDUCATION, MEDICINE & SOCIAL CARE)

My campaigns, policy and other work



My campaigns

RENT	In Progress
<i>A student accomodation audit took place with UUK ACOP (Universities UK, Accomodation Code of Practise). Once the results and findings are available to share i will provide an update to Exec.</i>	
Men's Mental Health	In Progress
<i>We are currently looking at using already existing activities such as sports and how this can be used to embed men's mental health.</i>	
<i>Additionally we are looking at additional support the university can provide and/or promote to support our students both physically and digitally. This includes Good Gym partnerships and Run, Talk, Run.</i>	
Sustainability	In Progress
<i>In April 2020, ARU and ARUSU will be hosting the responsible futures support day where other unions can come along to find out about the changes we have made, what can be done to become more sustainable and what they can get involved with.</i>	
<i>We will also be looking to do a sustainable fashion event in Cambridge at the Grafton Centre in April!</i>	
<i>The Universities Sustainability Strategy is to be discussed at CMT on the 18th March</i>	
NHS Funding	Complete
<i>Paramedic students will get a £5000 support payment each year</i>	
Peterborough	Complete

The work to be done in Peterborough is complete

Other relevant updates

Open Library (Complete)

The library senior management has made the decision to allow cold snacks on the ground floor!

Athena Swan (In Progress)

The next deadline for the draft to be sent off for review and consultation is June! We are currently gathering all the staff and student data in preparation for the submission write up

2020 Year of the Nurse and Midwife (In Progress)

I am working with the faculty, societies and reps to plan out events for the year! Some ideas that have been put out is an Addenbrookes conference, i appreciate nurses because event, Nurse and Midwives fair, End of Year celebration, Mental Health support, Women in Nursing and Midwifery and Men in Nursing and Midwifery.

PGR support (In Progress)

The workstream for renovating the ARU website to make it more interactive and accessible for Distance Learners and PGRs has begun. The development and testing is due to be finished in June and then rolled out over the summer if it all goes well.

Society of the Month (Complete)

This campaign has been handed over!

Citizens UK (In Progress)

Citizens UK, is an organisation that looks at and promotes community campaigning. The University has developed a partnership with Citizens Essex and the Union is also a big part of this partnership. So far we have hosted a Citizens Workshop here in Chelmsford. The next step is hold a much larger event in April which is in preparation for the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner (PFCC) elections. The overall goal is to get local communities better engaged and more familiar with what are ARU and the union do.

E-Textbook Governance Group (In Progress)

This Group started before the start of the last academic year and was setup to ensure a smooth implementation of the Books Plus replacement scheme. We have spent time looking at the systems, the communications, student feedback and accessibility. We are currently looking to ensure as many staff members as possible who deal with students know how to use the system and then in we will review the first year with the books plus replacement

Policy updates

Against NHS Cuts **(Complete)**

Paramedic students will get a £5000 support payment each year

Sustainability Awareness **(In Progress)**

This policy is being resubmitted to Group Chat

Wheels in Motion **(Complete)**

The resolves of this policy have been completed!

Trans inclusion in Sport **(In Progress)**

The registration processes for BUCS has been fixed. BUCS are currently holding their student consultation!

Action updates

Exec action updates/ Group Chat action updates