

Governance Zone meeting, 1pm on the 1st April 2011 in Meeting Room 2

1) ATTENDANCE

1. **Apologies:** Kora-Lee Holmes
2. **Register:** Aidan Mersh, Jonathan Chambers, Peter Moffitt, Phil Pocknee, Victoria Winterton & Sophie Reid (Democracy & Equality Co-ordinator)

2) MINUTES

1. **Minutes of the previous meeting:** Agreed as a true record.
2. **Matters arising:** None
3. **Previous points to action – results:** None

3) REPORTS

1. **Report by President:**
We had our SUEI audit yesterday and it was a big success. I want to say a big thank you to all the student officers and staff that made it such a success. Unfortunately we won't hear anything until July, so we won't know if we've got the Gold award till then. I have also preparing for the NUS Conference coming up.

No questions

2. **Report by Chair Campaigns and Democracy:**
Have been busy preparing for the NUS Conference, making sure that we are well prepared. We had a fantastic day yesterday with the stall that we set up in the foyer, to raise awareness that we will be attending the conference. Hopefully we'll be able to set the stalls up again before the conference. We are also looking into getting the conference streamed on hullstudent.com so that anyone can watch it. Hopefully this can be done. The posters for the event went up yesterday. We have confirmed the Jurys Inn for accommodation and have all our motions submitted. We seem to be having a problem with Chairs not feeding information back to their Sabbatical. And therefore they are not aware what is discussed in Governance. Therefore, can you all make sure that you are feeding back information to your zone please. We will put the NUS motions out to Union Council if people want to have a read through and then can feedback to us. As Chair Environmental and Ethical lives very close to the venue, we are trying to get him in as a day observer, which will be really good.

No questions.

3. **Report by Chair, Council:**
Not present.

4. **Report by Chair, Welfare:**

We had our latest Welfare Zone meeting yesterday. I am currently in contact with the Council and planning what I'm going to do when I take over as VP Welfare, so planning well in advance. Also planning to sit down with AOB and plan events for the year ahead. The Disabled student campaign is good with Daryl and Tanya now working together and he seems to be really involved and enthusiast, which is a good sign for when he takes up the role of Chair Disabled students. The different individuals from the different committee went to their relevant NUS Conferences recently and all have reported that they enjoyed it and it went well. We also have Imogen Martin steering the committee on a national level. We are running awareness of 'Hidden Marks', which we are going to set up in the Asylum toilets. There was no one present from the LGBT Committee at the meeting, so I not sure what's going there. LINKS had their AGM last week but this wasn't quorate so they held an EGM, which meant that the new positions have been put in place for next year. The statistics are looking really good as usual and they have been working on co-ordinating their team for the End of Year Ball, coming up shortly. They have new people starting, so they are also busy with training.

Suzie has been busy this week with the SUEI audit, which went really well. SHAG week is coming up next week, after it got cut short in December due to the snow. There are lots of things planned through the week for this. We are going to have condom fairies in Asylum on Wednesday night, with the 'pee in a pot' campaign. There will be voucher prizes for the society/sport team with the most people to get tested. There will also be a 'condom hunt', instead of an easter egg hunt and we will have the usual confessions wall, that we've had for a few years, I'll be shadowing Suzie until I take up the post and have been in contact with the Disability Officer in the University.

No questions.

5. **Report by Chair, Education:**

Both Matt and Lee have been working solidly on the library campaign, which is going well. It is estimated that it could take up to two years to get a redevelopment of the library but they will be making some immediate changes. For example, the planning to move around the short loan, with the photocopying suite so that the short loan can be used as an additional computer suite. They are also talking about moving the periodicals from the second floor that some space will become available. With this in place, they can put in place 'zone', which incorporates areas that can be used for students who want to make noise and talk about work. Then this will ensure that there are 'quiet zones', where students who want to work in silence, can do. They are also working ULTAC, specifically on a working group regarding library design.

We also had the Education Referendum results, which was a non-binding question. The most important issue that came out was 'teaching quality'. The results was as follows: 1. Teaching quality; 2. Book availability; 3. Assessment feedback; 4. Library ICT access; 5. Library noise; 6. Timetabling; 7. Academic support; 9. Library opening times; 10. Assessment submission.

No questions.

6. **Report by Chair, Sport;**

Not present

7. Report by Chair, Community:
Not present

8. Report by Chair Environmental and Ethical

We got a Silver Award for Green Impact, which obviously isn't the gold we hoped for but still good. The President mentioned that he had got the feedback report today but hadn't had a chance to look at it yet so he would report on it on a later date. Also working on the 'People on Planet Green League'. This is a really important league and we got a 3rd class before, so we now want to go for 1st class. However, there is so many criteria's to be met to achieve this so we are going to have to work really hard to get there. The allotments Scheme is coming along nicely and we are working in conjunction with a group called 'RawHull'. This will hopefully become a staff and student thing and the staff will hopefully help to recruit students. This will then allow those involved to keep what they have harvested, which is a really good incentive.

4) PROPOSALS

Any proposals for action. None

5) MOTIONS

1. Motions of caution/ censure/ no confidence. None
2. Questions to trustees. None
3. Questions for Council. Are there any feedback that Union Council want to give regarding the recent proposed Strategy for HUU?

6) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Phil Pocknee asked about Zero tolerance and about equality. The president announced that the Democracy Co-ordinator, Sophie Reid, is now the Democracy & Equality Co-ordinator and she will be working on equality issues.

Another question was asked regarding the re-development of the first floor and whether it will take place. The president replied that HUU will have sufficient funds with lower risks for the redevelopment to take place next year.

Meeting closed: 1.55pm