

# MINUTES OF A UNION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

## Held at 9 am on Friday 18 November 2011 at University House

Present: President (in the Chair)  
Vice-President Welfare  
Vice-President Community  
Vice-President Sport

Attending: James Brooks, Director of Commercial Services & Marketing  
Laura Curtis, Manager of Membership Services & HR

Absent: Vice-President Education

### 1 **Apologies**

Received from Vice-President Scarborough, Paul Tatton, Wayne Cullen

### 2 **Minutes of Previous Meeting** - agreed

### 3 **Matters Arising** - none

### 4 **Community Zone**

#### a) Achievements & Progress

- VPC reported that Societies Finance Officer had stood down and a replacement has been seconded. Societies Council was well attended.
- Neighbourhood network – trustee meeting attended and VPC elected as Chair.
- Christmas Lights on Newland Avenue on 30 November 4-8 pm. VPC said it is a great fundraising opportunity for stalls to be set up. Student bands will be playing and support for the evening would be appreciated.
- VPC very pleased to report 54 hours of engagement.

#### b) Fundraising report

- VPC summarised Naomi Alty's report which detailed the Funder Finder trusts available and those considered to be potential funders – 71 out of 1,300 as we are not eligible for many of them. No applications have yet been made although NA is working on three bids with Chair HUSSO. 27 brick orders have so far been received for Buy a Brick – the profit for which amounts to £800.

DCSM expressed concern that as it stands a net loss had been incurred as the costs for NA working during vacation are greater than the income. Alternative methods of fundraising should be investigated.

### 5 **Education Zone** - no report

### 6 **Governance Zone**

#### a) Achievements & Progress

- A letter template was sent out to all UFA students for them to send to PVC L&T about being involved with the consultation process through tutors. Negotiated access to all UFA student addresses for direct communication. President has a place on the working group to ensure continuing students will be provided for adequately.
- The Scheme - President will be trying to get information out to students, discouraging them from signing up until after exams. Housing Roadshow 5, 6 and 8 December and all Sabbs should be involved at the Halls of Residence. **Action: President**

#### b) CE Update - no report

- 7 **Sport Zone**
- a) Achievements & Progress - no report
  - b) Standing Orders Governing Sport Zone & Athletic Union
    - Minor changes to SO4002 and SO4003 agreed and can go to Union Council and D&EC.
- 8 **Welfare Zone**
- a) Achievements & Progress
    - VPW had agreement from FJO for her support to get Nightline fully operational again.
    - Liberation Away Day was not a success with poor attendance. President said it is the first time this has been attempted.
    - VPW recorded his thanks to Lee Usher for making the “Big Red Box” for Hate Crime experiences.
    - Interfaith week is going to plan with all the main societies involved – the main event will be on global poverty on Tuesday 22 November.
- 9 **Scarborough**
- a) Achievements & Progress - President read through VPSc’s report in his absence
    - Academic Council was attended by 15 students and Scarborough Exec met again with only one absentee.
    - VPSc completed his report on Commercial Space & Social Space which is now with Wayne Cullen for checking.
    - Attended VC’s open meeting – “very good overview”.
- 10 **Any Other Business**
- a) Student Welcome Packs DCSM said he and President will lead the approach across Hull and Scarborough campuses and a meeting had been arranged with stakeholders.
  - b) 30 November Strike President circulated an explanatory paper about the protest at Government proposals over increasing the pension age of public sector workers and increasing employee contributions. An open information forum will be held on 24 November. There will be a picket line from 7.30-10 am, before heading into the city centre, and President proposed that Sabbs should not come onto campus at that time. Decision to be made when UEC quorate. **Action: President**
  - c) Staff room DCSM expressed concern that the staff room was being used by students and PCSOs when it is intended as an area for staff only. Agreed to put up a notice.
  - d) AU Ball DCSM requested that consideration be given for future AU Balls to be held on a Saturday as this year’s event on a Thursday had a serious impact on Bars trade. **Action: VPS**
  - e) KCOM DCSM has been approached by KCOM to survey students about their services. Agreed that we would undertake it on their behalf and present findings to KCOM.
  - f) Use of recorded music DCSM advised that PPL are proposing to increase the charges on playing recorded music, which could amount to an additional £30K pa for us.
  - g) Building work DCSM said work will be taking place on the Wilberforce car park and will cause some disruption. He will keep everyone updated.
  - h) Christmas DCSM advised that the shop would be closed on Friday 23 December. Sabbs were asked if they would take part in a “mince pie trolley round” – this was agreed. **Action: MMS&HR**
- 12 **Next Meeting** – Friday 25 November at 10 am.