

MINUTES OF A UNION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Held at 9 am on Thursday 3 February 2010 at University House

Present: President (in the Chair) Apologies: Vice-President Community
Vice-President Education Wayne Cullen, Scarborough Union Mgr
Vice-President Welfare
Vice-President Sport (part)
Vice-President Scarborough (via video link)

Attending: Paul Tatton, Chief Executive
James Brooks, Director Commercial Services & Marketing
Julie Watson, Director Membership Services & HR
Jon Chambers, Chair Campaigns
Sally Bates, minute-taker

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1	<u>Apologies</u> – VPC and Wayne Cullen.	
2	<u>Minutes of Previous Meeting</u> - agreed.	
3	<u>Matters Arising</u> - none.	
4	<u>Community Zone</u> - absent.	
	VPW on behalf of VPC requested ratification for: HU Politics Society – CE to review Hull York Wilderness Medicine Society - approved	CE
5	<u>Education Zone</u> a) <u>Achievements & Progress</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic Council will be held today – the agenda is looking good. • Preparation for the Academic conferences on 17 and 18 February has gone well and confirmation has been received from most of the external guests. • The launch week for the NSS starts on 21 February. VPE thanked JB and Marketing for their assistance with all the promotion. • VPE reported that they had had formal agreement for the redevelopment of library. He met with the VC last week who gave some recommendations for the next steps, including looking at short term plans as well as a longer term vision and working with the IT department. VPE to liaise with Marketing to publicise this “good news” story. 	VPE
6	<u>Governance Zone</u> a) <u>Achievements & Progress</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Governance zone meeting held yesterday went well. Topics covered included SUEI, strategy planning and the University strategy. • President went on a midnight campus walk last night and was impressed by how well lit all areas are. Agreed that this should be publicised to students. • President advised he is on the free elective working group. They will be fast-tracking proposals to keep Wednesday mornings free from core teaching, which will be another good news story. 	President

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	<p>b) <u>CE Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Trustee Board had been held and went well. • CE now preparing a draft on strategy planning for consultation with the UEC. 	
7	<p><u>Sport Zone</u> - absent.</p>	
8	<p><u>Welfare Zone</u></p> <p>a) <u>Achievements & Progress</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VPW reported that a number of landlords had been questioned about breaking the rules of the Lettings Policy and one has since left the Scheme. • Discussions are being held with Bayer Medical about their involvement with SHAG week. • All SUEI evidence has been sorted and coded. • Wheelchair day was arranged for next Tuesday and VPW hoped Sabbs would be able to participate. • VPW is currently working on the liberation campaign film and music festival. 	
9	<p><u>Scarborough</u></p> <p>a) <u>Achievements & Progress</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VPSc reported that there are candidates for all positions at Scarborough. • The Welfare Committee had done very well with events for the refreshers event. • Senate went well. • VPSc had a personal achievement – his graduation last week. 	
10	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <p>a) <u>Hullfire</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President circulated a proposal regarding interviews of all Sabbatical candidates to be conducted by Hullfire journalists. Concerns were raised about a potential lack of time if large numbers of candidates were put forward. • Concerns had also come out of the Student Satisfaction Survey about Hullfire conducting these in the future as the quality of the interviews would be influenced by the ability of the current editor. • JB and JW to prepare a summary of election related issues from the Student Satisfaction Survey 	JB/JW

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	<p>b) <u>Elections</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VPW submitted a proposal for maximum and minimum times spent on each campus during the elections to address issues raised from the Student Satisfaction Survey regarding Scarborough. CE advised that there is a legal requirement that student officers are cross-campus but it is different for local positions. The recruitment of part-time candidates was also discussed – Sophie Reid to put a proposal to UEC for next year. President recommended that Sabbs running for office for a second term should consider taking holiday 28 February – 3 March when polling opens. To ensure they are not seen to have any unfair advantage, they should not use their offices for anything election-related, meetings with campaign co-ordinators should be held in meeting rooms, correspondence should be sent out through admin co-ordinators. Also Sabbs should not use guest passes for Wednesday nights. A summary of this should be circulated round all staff. It was agreed that President should present a Referendum paper at the next UEC with input from each zone, prioritising a single issue. <p>c) <u>Advice Centre</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VPW circulated a proposal for extended hours for Advice Centre staff during vacations to meet the requirements of students – particularly international students. CE asked VPW to collate statistics from the Advice Centre for last summer together with additional staffing costs and this will be included as part of the strategic review at the next Trustee meeting. 	<p>SR</p> <p>President</p> <p>President</p> <p>VPW/JW</p>
	<p>Meeting closed</p>	