

Annual Student Meeting

20th February 18:00, UPSU

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| **In attendance** |
|  | Chair & President – Dindu OkechukwuVP Activities – Josh FrostVP Wellbeing and Diversity – Krupa NaikUPSU Chief Executive – Sarah DaveyExternal and Student Trustees Jane Hopkinson Dave de-BergerNaomi Wrigley Christopher Styles There were a maximum of 4 students in attendance across the course of the meeting.Apologies from Darcie Jones (VP Education) |
| **Reports and the finance presentation can be found online at**<http://www.upsu.com/studentvoice/agm/> |

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| **Minutes** |
| Welcome | The Chair introduced himself and encouraged everyone to stand up and speak to people that they hadn’t met before to introduce themselves. The Chair welcomed everyone in attendance and explained that as a charity UPSU has a legal requirement to present accounts to its members each year for approval.As well as general matters of housekeeping, the Chair then went on to run through the following points:* Please respect the opinions of other people and their right to speak, if you get involved in a debate then please make sure that you are questioning the issue and you do not get personal.
* Any inappropriate language or behaviour will not be tolerated and anyone being inappropriate or offensive will be asked to leave.
* Any student registered on a University of Plymouth course is classed as a full member, unless they have chosen to opt out. All full members can speak and vote on any issue. Other people present may speak but cannot vote.
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|  | This meeting will be conducted in accordance to UPSU Memorandum & Articles and its by-laws as well as all other relevant policies. |
| Notice of Any Other Business | No Other Business |
| Matters to Discuss | Dindu (ASM Chair) explained that students had the opportunity to submit questions online before the meeting, but no matters were received. |
| UPSU Financial Report Presentation | The Chair delegated the presentation of the Accounts and Finance report to Sarah Davey, UPSU Chief Executive Officer.Sarah explained the basic composition of the members of Board of Trustees.The accounts cover the period from 1st August 2023 - 31st July 2024. |
| Questions | **Questions:**There were no questions regarding the Financial Report.  |

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| Affiliations | The Chair explained the affiliations that we currently have as a Students’ Union.There were no questions about affiliations.  |
| Reports | Board of Trustees Report |
| There were no questions concerning the Board of Trustees report. |
| What your SU has been supporting you with |
| The Sabbatical Officers collaborated to address themes which the team have been working on this year and gave examples of specific events: academic support, cost of living support, mental health and wellbeing, and building a community. There were no questions for the Sabbatical Officers  |

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|  Any other Business | There was no other business raised.  |

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| Election candidates | The screen showed a sneak peak of the Full Time President Candidates for 25/26. |
| Meeting ends | The Chair thanked everyone for attending and reminded them at concerns and ideas can be raised at any point through the year, either with academic reps, Sabbatical Officers or members of staff. |