

UNION COUNCIL 16-02-23

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| **Present, Apologies and Quoracy** | |
| Chair of UC,  no voting rights | Will Jones |
| Part-time Officers, full voting rights | **Present at this meeting**  Part-time Students with Disabilities Officer – Olly Moody  Part-time BAME Officer – Tafadzwa Nyambuya  Part-time Postgrad Research – Ahmed Hamad  Part-time LGBT+ Officer -Robert Nutkins  Part-time Societies Officer – Charly Beeson  Part-time Trans and Non- Binary Officer – Alex Griffin  Part-time Welfare Officer- Radhika Dave  **Co-opted at this meeting**  **None** |
| School Reps, full voting rights | School of Society and Culture – Louis Wilson  School of Art, Design and Architecture – Rob Dyson  Dental School Rep – Maryam Al-Dubooni  Medical School Rep- Marjolein Hewlett  School of Computing Engineering and Maths – Mya Symister  School of Nursing and Midwifery - Amy Bishop  **Co-opted at this meeting**  **None** |
| Sabbatical Officers, full voting rights | VP Wellbeing and Diversity – Josh Borokinni  VP Education – Tonari Arikekpar  UPSU President – Daniella Marley  VP Activities – Mitch Laughton |
| Other attendees, without voting rights | Representation and Engagement Co-ordinator – Alice Clarke  Deputy SeCaM Rep: Tharzana Thavaranjan and Umar Tahir  **Vacant Roles**  Accountability Board Members |
| Apologies | Amy Bishop  Cheryl Addo- Quarshie  Michelle Cotter |
| Not present at the meeting and did not send apologies | Nyerhovwo Akpoquma  Chidiuto Ukachi-Nwata  Aaron Huggett  Olayinka Kareem  Esther Obayomi  Beverly Yeboah  Tina Hunt  Saffron Taylor  Adam Holt  Alangel Joseph  William Kerry  Ramin Zeynali  Apolline Tran |
| Quoracy | In order for a motion to be passed 75% of the elected voting members need to be present, quoracy was 24. |

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| **Minutes** | |
| Welcome | The Chair welcomed everyone in attendance  This meeting will be conducted in accordance with the SU Safe Space Policy, the M&A’s, Bye-laws and policies of the Union. |
| Matters from the Last meeting  Accuracy of minutes | There were no matters arsing  The minutes were not available will be postponed since last |
| Notice of Any Other Business | None given |
| Matters To Discuss |  |
| Digital Learning Environment (DLE) – School of Society and Culture Rep  Louis Wilson is looking to set up a focus group to look into these changes. Will suggests this is shared in the teams chat so anyone who is interested can engage. |
| Reports | Updates from attendees |
| See part-time officer reports.   1. **Sabbatical Officers Campaigns/Key Information Update**   **Mitch-**  **Here if you need campaign launch went well**  7 wellbeing advocates trained in order to support an signpost students  Mitch has created a danger map and passed this on to the police. Met with Tracy Godfrey who is the university representative about how police can have a presence on campus and encourage the reporting of incidents.  Varsity in March: raises money for charity and increases student wellbeing.  SU award preparation  Mindful Teams Plymouth- Men’s mental health social media campaign has been in contact which has the potential to grow.  Give it a Go programme expanded further outside of sports e.g. trip to theatre, Lush bath bombs.   * Daniela noted that give it a go is keen to have more students involved. Encourages the room to share this with friends. * Wil suggested Cremyl trips and Alex suggested   **Joshua**  EDI- Josh  Diversity 10th of march- emails have been sent out to societies to register their interest.  De-stress event  Guarantor issues are continuing however these issues are less notable than last term.  Community larder  Stress less campaign  Afrobeat’s party  **Daniella:**  Sustainability Sub-committee  Sustainability team from the university attended, planning for Green Week  University is looking at using reusable coffee cups which could be designed by students  Green week planning and dates to be confirmed – debate hoping to be held and trips to be planned.  Wellbeing Committee Accessibility of buildings was discussed- the university has had the accessibility of all university buildings assessed.  Gender neutral toilets and signs within the toilets   * Rob has ensured all new builds are accessible   Widening access to give it a go with activities such as gaming.  Meeting with Board of Governors  Strikes discussions meeting with the UCU and the university.  International women’s day event Plymouth- invited to have a 10-minute slot to speak at  Volunteers for the community larder- to be shared in the teams chat.  Student volunteer week  Talk about sex week.  LGBT History Month   * LGBT Wellbeing Fair went well. * LGBT Rights and History next week * Club night and movie showings   University Challenge application put in. |
| AOB |  |
| **Accountability Board Update**   * Will lets everyone know that Ramin is working on discussions regarding strikes.   **SSTAR Awards**   * **Ahmed** noted these awards need publicising. |
| Dates for the Diary |  |
| None |
| Next Meeting | **16th March: Rolle 307 18:00pm** |