



UNION COUNCIL MEETING
Monday 20 October 2014, Meeting Room 1, 6:00pm

MINUTES

Attendance

ATTENDING	ABSENT WITH APOLOGIES	ABSENT
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Governance Zone			
Richard	Brooks	President	
Adam	Allnutt	Chair Environment and Ethics	
Dehenna	Davison	Chair Campaigns and Democracy	
Welfare and Community Zone			
Jennifer	Day	VP Welfare and Community	
Angela	Suriyakumaran	Chair LINKS	
Michael	O'Donnell	Chair Advice Centre Volunteers	
Adil	Qureshi	Chair LGBT+	
Soniya	Limbu	Chair Community Reps	
Enoch	Osae	Chair Black BAME	
VACANT	VACANT	Chair Women's Committee	
VACANT	VACANT	Chair Disabled Students	
Elto	Alexandrov	Councillor for Scrutiny	
VACANT	VACANT	Councillor for Scrutiny	
Education Zone			
Gareth	Ikin	VP Education	
Nicola	Marsden	Chair Mature Students	
Moipone	Mokone	Chair Part-time students	
VACANT	VACANT	Chair Postgraduate Association	
VACANT	VACANT	Faculty Co-ordinator Hull York Medical School	
Matthew	Evans	Faculty Co-ordinator Faculty of Science and Engineering	
Thomas	Wardman	Faculty Co-ordinator Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences	
Wendy	Drake	Faculty Co-ordinator Faculty of Health and Social Care	
VACANT	VACANT	Faculty Co-ordinator Faculty of Education	
Gemma	Naylor	Faculty Co-ordinator Hull University Business School	

TBE	TBE	Academic Council Rep	
TBE	TBE	Academic Council Rep	
Ayesha	Mazumder	Councillor for Scrutiny	
Daniel	Walker	Councillor for Scrutiny	
Activities Zone			
Victoria	Cliffe	VP Activities	
Kathleen	Brook	Chair SEC	
Chuby	Okide	Chair ISA	
Cassandra	Heath	Chair HUSSO	
VACANT	VACANT	Chair Media	
Simon	Bagg	Chair RAG	
Leon	French	Councillor for Scrutiny	
Abbie	Edwards	Councillor for Scrutiny	
Scarborough Executive Committee			
Tom	Swainson	VP Scarborough	
Aimee	Clancy	Scarborough Community Officer	
VACANT	VACANT	Scarborough Sports Officer	
Emily	West	Scarborough Welfare Officer	
Simon	Hernandez	Scarborough Education Officer	
Jacob	Jagger	Scarborough Campus - International Officer	
VACANT	VACANT	Scarborough Campaigns Officer	
Sports Zone			
Nichola	Jackson	VP Sport	
William	Tinney	Tour Rep	
Laura-Anna	Huntenburg	Kit & Equipment Rep	
Gurmok	Sanghera	BUCS Rep	
Elisa	Battersby	Events Officer	
David	Gamble	Communication Rep	
Laura	Hutch	Secretary and Varsity Rep	
VACANT	VACANT	Councillor for Scrutiny	
Emma	Latham	Councillor for Scrutiny	

1. Welcome from HUU President

Introduces Union Council and what it does/how it will run.

Introduces staff members.

Introduces Chair and Deputy Chair election.

Talks through agenda.

Introduces HUU's Week 6 elections – encourages officers to talk to students and consider running for NUS delegate themselves.

Establishes ground rules for Union Council with an open floor discussion.

Change to agenda point – '8. c. Student Journey' moved before Motions.

2. Election of Chairperson

President conducts election.

2 candidates: Chair Campaigns and Democracy and Faculty Co-ordinator Science and Engineering.

Ballots vetted and distributed.

Questions from: Chair Environment and Ethics, Chair SEC.

Ballots cast.

STV used, RON used.

25 ballots cast, all valid. Simple majority of 13 required to win.

Chair Campaigns and Democracy is elected Chairperson of Union Council.

8. Discussion and Consultation

c. Student Journey

Questions from: President, Faculty Co-ordinator Arts and Social Sciences, Chair Environment and Ethics, Scarborough Education Officer, AU BUCS Representative, AU Communications Officer, Faculty Co-ordinator Science and Engineering, VP Education.

Discussion about input of sport on student retention.

3. Election of Deputy Chairperson

President conducts election.

2 candidates: Faculty Co-ordinator Science and Engineering and Scarborough Welfare Officer.

Ballots vetted and distributed.

Questions from VP Education.

Ballots cast.

STV used, RON used.

25 ballots cast, all valid. Simple majority of 13 required to win.

Scarborough Welfare Officer is elected Deputy Chairperson of Union Council.

4. Apologies

Scarborough International Officer, AU Secretary and Varsity Representative, Councillor for Scrutiny (AE), Councillor for Scrutiny (AM), Chair HUSSO.

5. Matters Arising

None

6. Approval of Minutes

Some Council members had trouble with the formatting of the minutes.

In future all Union Council papers will be sent out in pdf format.

7. Motions

a. Gender Neutral Toilets in Wilberforce

Proposed by Jack James-Fagg.

Questions from: Faculty Co-ordinator Science and Engineering, Councillor for Scrutiny (LF), VP Education, Chair Environment and Ethics, AU Communications Officer.

No speech against.

No speech to abstain.

Ballots cast.

Motion passes.

b. Standing Order Changes for Raising and Giving Committee SO2008

A drafting amendment was submitted by the proposer in advance, therefore Council will vote on the amendment and then on the resulting Standing Orders.

VP Activities proposes.

Questions from: Chair RAG.

Voting on Drafting Amendment.

Request to Vote on the Amendment in parts.

Questions from: Chair Part-Time Students, Chair SEC, Councillor for Scrutiny, VP Scarborough, Chair RAG.

Voting whether to table for next council or vote (in parts) at this council.

Motion is Tabled till next Union Council.

c. Standing Order Changes for LGBT+ Committee SO5005

Chair LGBT+ proposes.

Questions from: Chair ISA and Councillor for Scrutiny (EA).

Amendment to the proposal proposed by Chair ISA, Councillor for Scrutiny (LF) and Councillor for Scrutiny (EL). Chair ISA speaks for the amendment.

Proposal to vote whether to table till next council or vote at this council.

Questions from AU Communications Officer.

Vote take place.

Motion is Tabled till next Union Council.

d. Standing Order Changes for HUU Week 6, Semester 1 Elections SO800?

President proposes.

Question from: VP Education.

No speech against.

No speech in abstention.

Motion passes by ascent.

8. Discussion and Consultation

b. NUS Free Education Demo

President brings and leads.

Wants Council to discuss – is it worth it?

Questions from: Faculty Co-ordinator Arts and Social Sciences, Chair Environment and Ethics, VP Education, Chair Environment and Ethics, VP Scarborough, Chair LINKS, Chair ISA, Faculty Co-ordinator Arts and Social Sciences, Chair SEC.

President asks attendees to vote whether they support the demonstration 'in principle'.

President gets everyone to stand up and arrange themselves on the basis of to what extent they support the demonstration.

Chair encourages Council to consult with students and email feedback by 27/10/14.

Questions from: VP Scarborough, AU Communications Officer.

a. Governance Changes Discussion

President introduces.

Everyone has survey to be filled out and returned by 27/10/14.

Questions from: Faculty Co-ordinator Science and Engineering, Chair RAG, Councillor for Scrutiny (LF), Faculty Co-ordinator Science and Engineering, VP Activities, Councillor for Scrutiny (EA), Scarborough Education Officer, VP Scarborough, Chair Environment and Ethics.

9. Ratification of Societies

Brief introduction to process by President.

All societies brought by Chair SEC approved.

10. Officer and Zone Updates

- a. Governance presented by Chair Governance Zone
- b. Education presented by Chair Education Zone
- c. Welfare & Community presented by Chair Welfare Zone

WELFARE AND COMMUNITY Officer and Zone Update

1. Sabbatical Update on Objectives

- a. **To increase and improve the mental health services delivered by the university and the union as well as reducing the stigma of mental health illnesses through events.**

I have met the New Head of Student Support Services, I am conducting research into other mental health services delivered by universities. I engaged with students on World Mental Health Day to ask what mental health services they expect from the university and the union.

- b. **To review, assess and reconstruct the roles, purpose and methods of the Liberation Campaigns.**

- I have met both executives of the campaigns and I am in the middle of engaging with them on what they would like to get out of the year. I am supplying forms to see if they need to additional support when advising students, this will help me create a plan on how to develop the support that they receive during this year.

- c. **To implement a community strategy, alongside HUU Strategy and with collaboration of the University.**

- The community strategy will be created over the year as part of a University project that I co-own called Students as Citizens. Discussion are being held to create a forum between key stakeholders and the university and union.

Engagement.

I attended a variety of Give it a go. Advice centre volunteering training. I have attended, Links, LGBT+ and BAME exec meetings.

Update on Fossil Fuels Motion.

Sabbaticals and the Finance manager have been in contact with the investment company – casanove that is used. The board of trustees have instructed us to find out how much money is invested in fossil fuels. This company believes that it is unable to divest. Therefore, we will hold a meeting with them and alternative options throughout the next months, the official review will take place in January.

2. Zone Update

- a. What have the officers been up to?
- a. Chair of B.A.M.E and the B.A.M.E campaign held a meet and greet a few weeks ago. It is currently Black History Month – they are holding a Show Case at the end of the month.
 - Chair of LGBT+ and the LGBT+ campaign have been holding their regular workshops, coffee mornings and other regular events. Plans are in place for fundraising events and speakers to attend events throughout the year and in the middle of planning a candle-lit vigil.
 - Chair of community reps will be focusing on forming a committee this semester and will be looking into rewarding volunteers.

- b. Chair of Links and the committee conducted the Interviews for first aiders and they should have 25 people trained by the 6th of December. Chair of Links has also had a budget meeting with VP Welfare and Community.
- c. Chair of the Advice Centre Volunteers noted that the interviews for volunteers have been completed and the training of 20 of these students commenced last week. The Chair of the Advice Centre and the Volunteers will be the leads on the extended opening hours of the Advice Centre on Tuesday until 6:30 pm.

- b. What happened at the Zone Meeting?
Engagement with students and representation was pushed clearly.
1-1s have been completed or arranged.
The working documents were briefly outlined to the volunteers.
Scarborough's welfare officer will attend at the next zone meeting.

- c. What's coming up?
 - It is Black History Month.

3. Actions of the Zone

- VPWC to search for Mailing list and handover documents for Chair Community Representatives.
- VPWC to looking to changing name on website and office doors for liberation campaigns.
- Chair BAME to email VP Welfare and Community with information for website.
- VP Welfare and Community actions everyone to advertise elections as there are 3 positions in zone up for election.

- d. Sport presented by VP Sport (in the absence of Chair Sports Zone)

SPORT - Officer and Zone Update

4. Sabbatical Update on Objectives

- a. **PROMOTION** - Aim to introduce fixtures boards around campus signposting what fixtures are on and where, in order to increase attendance and support the awareness of sport both competitive and intramural.
 - Meeting with Chris Paget set for Friday 31st October to discuss means of where they will be placed, bringing them in at night, whose responsible etc.
 - Marketing briefed on what Fixtures Boards would look like (design) and what fixtures would be included.
 - Hopeful to get them up and running by end of November
- b. **PARTNERSHIPS** - To have set up a successful partnership between at least one National Governing Body (NGB) and an AU Club in next 12 months, based in/drop in Sports/Fitness and providing funding for AU Club.
 - Met with England Netball to discuss this, very interested.
 - Interest into sports which are popular in the area, i.e. Boxing, Netball, MMA and Badminton. Research in the process to these NGB's.
 - Meeting to be arranged within the next few weeks.
- c. **PARTICIPATION** - Widening accessibility to an active lifestyle for all students. (Probably need a bit more in here)
 - Working alongside SFC to introduce a greater number of participation sessions.
 - Working out what students want, what sort of sessions, how long, how often.
- d. Engagement

I attended several Give at a Go sessions, AU Fair, Presidents and Treasurers Training, Ice Hockey Match, Right To Pay Charity Tournament, Trials/taster sessions, Sport Health and Exercise Students Day.

5. Zone Update

a. What have the officers been up to?

- Events (Ellie Batt) – Decided AU Ball theme, booking confirmation with Staff House, sorting out Photo Booth, after party at Piper, Balloons, Naked Calendar Month allocations.
- Bucs (Gurmok) – Collected results last week, sorted out all the match packs for this week's games.
- Comms (Dave) – Kept Presidents informed of what they need to do on a weekly basis regarding matches, retweeting/replying to club tweets, posting on AU page important event details.
- Sec/Varsity (Hutch) – Helping with Naked Month allocations, in touch with Presidents regarding sponsorship workshop.
- Tour (Tinney) - Present at Tour Presentations/AU Council last week, will be doing more this week/next as Tour Provider has been decided. Facebook Group to be constructed this week.
- Kit/Equipment (Hunter) – In touch with Danny (Surridge Kit Rep) and equipment suppliers.

b. What happened at the Zone Meeting?

-Tour Provider Presentations and how this went.

Zone feedback was;

- Worry that Sports Vest is too small.
- I <3 Tour had nothing to do in day.
- Not enough reps from each club in attendance.
- Didn't like the idea of reps on buses.
- Idea of voting on provider good but VP should have final decision – presidents were voting too much on the presentation.
- A week of polling would've been better – more consultation with club members, more scrutiny of packages.
- Providers shouldn't advertise what president's get – effects voters.
- Votes should've been proportionally representative of how many people club's take on Tour.
- 2 voters per club would be pointless.
- Some though there was going to be a vote for everyone who turned up.
- Presidents worked as sounding-boards for club and acted as rep.

-Talked about Sports Zone objectives and what objectives as a team we want to focus on this year.

-Talked about upcoming events.

c. What's coming up?

- AU Ball – 14th November
- Tour Social – 5th November
- Naked Calendar – 7th November

6. Actions of the Zone

VP Sport to enquire with Ents/Facilities Manager about price of Snakebite and Cider & Black to be the same, due to wheat intolerance. And also to ask about an increase in the number of pitchers.

7. Key Projects

- AU Ball
- Naked Calendar
- Tour Social
- Team objectives”

e. Activities presented by Chair Activities Zone

f. Scarborough presented by Chair Scarborough Zone

11. Any Other Business

Faculty Co-ordinator Arts and Social Sciences – predecessor brought vote on Water Provision which passed last year. There has been no progress in the Larkin building, why? – President actioned to investigate and sort out.

VP Welfare update on Fossil Fuels motion from last year. There has been discussion with the investment company and Green Society – going to be a long process.

12. Date, Time, Location of Next Meeting

18:00, Monday 17th November, Meeting Room 1

Approved by Union Council: 17/11/14