

FULL TIME OFFICER GROUP MINUTES

12:00 – 13:00 Online Meeting (via Zoom)

Present

Danielle Murinas, Postgraduate Officer (PGO) (Chair)
Aaliyah Simms, Welfare & Community Officer (WCO)
George Christian, Sports Officer (SO)
Josephine Conway, Activities and Employability Officer (AEO)
Wei-Lun Chen, International Officer (IO)
Jules Singh, Education Officer (EO)

Also in Attendance

Jo Thomas, CEO, (JT) Sam Jones, Executive Assistant (SJ) (note taker)

Apologies

Mikey Brown, President (President)

The Chair opened the meeting at 12:00

No	ITEM FOR DISCUSSION	Notes	ACTION
1	Previous Minutes (26.07.21)	The minutes from Monday 26 th July 2021 were approved as an accurate record of the meeting.	Approved
2	Trip Up Old Joe	The Officer team agreed to arrange a trip to the top of Old Joe ahead of Welcome Week. SJ to diarise.	Noted
3	Liberation Associations	The Officer discussed the arrangements for elections to Liberation association committees. The Officer team agreed that the new model should incorporate self-identification requirements for both candidates and voters, in a similar model to existing elections for Liberation Officers. The Officer team discussed the next steps for the process of restructuring the Guild's liberation associations, following on from the Trustee Board away day on the 12th July. The WCO noted a range of options for timelines in terms of progressing. The Officer team noted the need for additional consultation on the proposed changes for all self-identifying students, who may not currently members of the relevant association. JT noted the importance of detailed and thorough consultation ahead of changes being made to the Guild's Byelaws. The WCO and AEO offered to lead on the further consultation required. The AEO agreed to meet with Student Voice to discuss.	Noted Noted Noted
4	University Colleges	The Officer team agreed which College Committees they would be covering for the year:	

		PGO – College of Arts and Law (CAL) SO – Engineering and Physical Sciences (EPS) WCO & President – College of Social Sciences (COSS) AEO – Medical and Dental Sciences (MDS) IO – Life & Environmental Sciences (LES)	Noted		
5	Diaries	President – A/L.	Noted		
		AEO – NUS Lead and Change Conference, UoBE Festival Training, Nightline Meeting, UoBE Festival meetings, NUS catchup, Welcome Week T&F group, SAE team meeting, Officer/Voice/C&M Catch-up.	Noted		
		Sports – NUS Lead and Change Conference, UB Sports heads of department meetings, Interviews, Club Development training, UoBE Festival Training.	Noted		
		Education – Student Voice Report meeting, APP operations meeting, NUS Lead and Change Conference.	Noted		
		PGO - NUS Lead and Change Conference, PGT lead from CAL.			
		International – UoBE Festival meetings, NUS catch-up, Welcome Week T&F group, SAE team meeting, Officer/Voice/C&M Catch-up.	Noted		
		WCO – Training Catch-Up, introductory meetings, UoBE Festival meetings, NUS catch-up, Welcome Week T&F group, SAE team meeting, Officer/Voice/C&M Catch-up.	Noted		
6	Officer Wins/Priority				
	Campaigns	President – BBC radio.	Noted		
7	Guild Communications and Social Media	The SO noted a very successful comms launch for Welcome Week 2021.	Noted		
		The SO left the meeting at 12:40.	Noted		
		The EO suggested an Officer blog post on their attendance at Lead and Change. SJ to include Lead & Change feedback on next week's agenda.	SJ		
8	Schools/Colleges Dubai Update	The EO noted a move in Physics to holding the majority of their assessment content in person, contrary to University policy. The EO noted that the situation was progressing and the Officer team would be kept up to date.	Noted		
9	Part-Time Officer	The Officer team agreed to reach out to their PTO buddies for initial meetings.	All		
10	Any Other Business (AOB)	The Officer team discussed next steps in relation to the Brumfess Facebook page, and if as Officers they should respond to queries from students raised on the Brumfess page.	Noted		

	The PGO and AEO noted their opinion that Officers should avoid responding to posts on Brumfess. The Officer team agreed to discuss with LS and EB in relation to communications in the long-term. The IO noted the need for clarity for students on how to contact the Guild and Officers via official channels.	Noted
	The Officer team discussed the 'Mother Goose' page at BCU, as a possible better long-term solution to the Brumfess page. JT updated the Officer team on legal advice received in relation to the Guild's monitoring and moderation of the 'Fab 'n' Fresh' Facebook page. JT noted that in June the Guild had taken down several posts which were deemed to be anti-Semitic following a range of complaints received. JT noted that the majority of the offending posts had been made by non-students.	Noted
	JT noted recent legal consultation on the Guild's legal responsibilities on the 'Fab 'n' Fresh' Facebook page. JT noted the Guild's responsibility to provide a platform to current students, rather than alumni or non-students in the community.	Noted
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The meeting closed at 13:00.

Signed	 	Date	