

Date: Monday 9 May Time: 18:00 – 20:00 Venue: Zoom

Union Executive Minutes

Chair:

Yasmeen Daoud, Welfare & Community Officer

| Members: | Р | AP | AB |
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| Abi Smith / Danilo Paganelli, Disabled Students' Officer (Job Share) | Х | | |
| Akosua Osei-Owusu / Paul Ho, BME Students' Officer (Job Share) | Х | | |
| Alex Skliros, elected member from Welfare & Community Zone | Х | | |
| Angel Ma, LGBQ+ Officer | | | Х |
| Arifa Aminy, Equity Officer | Х | | |
| Ayman Benmati, Education Officer | Х | | |
| Graham Van Goffrier, elected member from Education Zone | | | Х |
| Ilyas Benmouna, Activities & Engagement Officer | Х | | |
| James Maidment / Saiff Hamid, elected member from Activities Zone (Job share) | x | | |
| Johara Meyer, Sustainability Officer | | | Х |
| Osman Teklies, Union Affairs Officer, | | Х | |
| Priya Jain / Jade Ygouf, Women's Officer | | | Х |
| Viktoria Makai, Postgraduate Officer | Х | | |
| Yasmeen Daoud, Welfare & Community Officer | Х | | |

In Attendance:

Jeff Saddington-Wiltshire, Representation and Democracy Manager, minutes Julia Rooke, Representation and Democracy Coordinator

- 1. <u>Preliminary Matters Approval of notes from the last meeting</u> The notes were approved.
- 2. Preliminary Matters Follow up on action points from previous meeting No further action points from the previous meeting.
- 3. Announcements Students' Union Update

The Budgeting process is underway. Ilyas Benmouna (IB) asked members that if they have anything to raise or prioritise then speak to him.

<u>Banking arrangements</u> – A policy was passed at UE2101 regarding the Union's banking arrangements. A recommendation going to the next Board of Trustees meeting at the beginning of June.

<u>Mode of teaching</u> – Viki Makai (VM) and Ayman Benmati (AB) have been lobbying UCL to introduce a face-to-face teaching policy. This process has been successful with the outcome being an approach to teaching which largely aligns to the policy that was originally passed at UE2102.

4. <u>Matters for Approval – Honorary Life Membership Process</u>

IB outlined the process regarding the approval of Honorary Life Memberships (HLMs).

Arifa Aminy (AA), Yasmeen Daoud (YD) and VM were all interested and will decide amongst themselves who will be the Sabbatical Officer representative as part of this Sub-committee.

James Maidment (JM) and the BME Students' Officers volunteered to support this process.

Action: Ilyas to co-ordinate diaries between the members of Union Exec who put their name forward.

5. <u>Policy Proposals for Ratification – Number of committee positions per position</u>

| Yes | 8 |
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| No | 1 |
| Abstain | 0 |

DECISION: This policy was ratified and will become Union Policy. This policy has been assigned to the Activities & Engagement Officer.

6. <u>Policy Proposals for Ratification – Relax non-overnight guest policy in halls</u>

This policy was not discussed because changes have been made to the policy by UCL accommodation as nothing needs to be actioned.

7. <u>Amendment to Governing Documents – Election arrangements for Student Trustees</u>

| Yes | 9 |
|---------|---|
| No | 0 |
| Abstain | 0 |

DECISION: This AGD was passed and the Bye-Laws will be updated to reflect this.

8. <u>Amendment to Governing Documents – Volunteering Officer</u>

| Yes | 9 |
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| No | 0 |
| Abstain | 0 |

DECISION: This AGD was ratified and will become Union Policy.

9. Amendments to Governing Documents – Social Mobility & Class Officer

| Yes | 9 |
|---------|---|
| No | 0 |
| Abstain | 0 |

DECISION: This AGD was passed and will become Union Policy.

10. Matters for Information – Updates from and into the Board of Trustees

AB provided an overview of the latest developments from the Board of Trustees. The final draft of the new Union strategy will be approved shortly and shared with members of Union Exec.

An external trustee has been re-appointed to the Board and a new Chair for the Risk and Audit Committee has also been appointed.

11. Matters for Information – Update from NUS Conference

AB provided an update regarding the recent NUS National Conference held in Liverpool at the end of March 2022. 11 UCL students were democratically elected to represent the Students' Union at the National Conference.

Policy discussions were held in a round-table format which is different compared to previous National Conferences.

A new President was elected, AB stated that the delegates stand in solidarity with Shaima Dallali who is facing a smear campaign in the media.

AB and the delegates found the conference to be a positive experience, especially for personal development and networking.

12. Questions to Officers – Sabbatical Officers

13. Questions to Officers – Student Officers

14. AOB

| Minutes approved as a true and accurate record | | |
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| Chair: | Yasmeen Daoud, Welfare & Community Officer | |
| Signature: | Yasmeen Daoud | |
| Date: | 10 May 2022 | |