

# Executive Committee Notes

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021

## Present

Adi Sawalha, President (AS)  
 Robert Leo Tucker, Vice President Barts and The London (RLT)  
 Muneer Hussain, Vice President Welfare (MH)  
 Bilge Kacmaz, Vice President Science & Engineering (BK)  
 Saynab Shariff, Vice President Humanities & Social Sciences (SS)  
 Radhika Thiagarajan, Vice President Communities (RT)

## In attendance:

Alvin Ramsamy, Deputy Chief Executive Officer (AR)  
 Mike Wojcik, Chief Executive Officer (MW)

## Apologies

## Notes of the meeting

|   | Notes  | Actions |
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| 1 | <p><b>Bilge</b><br/>                     Library Services – sat on a interview panel for a member of staff for the Library.<br/>                     Taught Programme Board – attended this.<br/>                     Postgraduate Funding - met with Students' Union staff to discuss this project, creating information to go up on the website.<br/>                     E-Resources – meeting University staff to discuss the provision for this. May be creating videos with Leaner Analytics team, other Executive officers are welcome to be involved.<br/>                     Task and Finish Group – looking for student reps to be involved in these with the University.</p>   |         |
| 2 | <p><b>Muneer</b><br/>                     Graduate Fund – met with some Executive officers and Students' Union staff to discuss this and where to source more funding to continue this. Muneer will take place.<br/>                     Queens Building – met the University with Adi to discuss the refurbishment of the building.<br/>                     Friday Prayer – Discussed the issue around classes clashing with prayer with senior university staff, discussed putting a case forward at EQSB<br/>                     Misconduct – discussed issues around conclusion of cases not being announced due to confidentiality reasons and impact on students affected by those cases.</p>                              |         |
| 3 | <p><b>Rob</b><br/>                     Working with Quality Assurance (QA) lead - focusing over the next few weeks on each hospital placement in meetings with staff &amp; students to find issues.<br/>                     Working on life sciences building ideas with academic &amp; estates staff - making sure this is a useful space for all students.<br/>                     Adding to the statement of need for BLSA building, with plans over the next few weeks to facilitate students input into this.<br/>                     Attended SMD education strategy away day - networking with staff, planning for large aspirational targets and inputting students opinion into what we see as the current issues.</p> |         |
| 4 | <p><b>Saynab</b><br/>                     Festival of Education – looking through proposed contributions, which are variety of talks and panels. Saynab was keen to approve discussion on Animal Research at Queen Mary but rest of panel disagreed as didn't fit theme of event.<br/>                     Taught Programme Board – discussed module creation and external partners<br/>                     SBM Project Board – this was an update on the plans of the building.<br/>                     Funding Project – met with Students' Union staff and Bilge. Looking at resources and putting together information for students on where they can find funding.</p>  |         |
| 5 | <p><b>Radhika</b><br/>                     VP People Culture &amp; Inclusion – discussed investing more in on campus security. Following up with the crime prevention team. VP will contact Nightline directly to help with Radhika's project, who has</p>   |         |

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|   | <p>emailed other Universities and Nightline directly to enquire about setting up a Queen Mary equivalent.</p> <p>Global Engagement – met with this committee made of the team and Queen Mary VP. Discussed International student involvement in recruitment, Radhika raised visa issues due to re-sit deadlines. They are discussing if they can speed up the process.</p> <p>Postgraduate Board – productive meeting. Reps want to create a Postgraduate hub on the website and have put together a draft. The aim is to go live before the January intake.</p> <p>Exec on Tour – a Postgraduate student discussed an interdisciplinary collaboration event, which Radhika is looking into.</p> <p>Islamophobia Awareness Month – speaking to speakers about their events and if they can do in person.</p> |  |
| 6 | <p><b>Adi</b></p> <p>SET &amp; Student leaders Networking – attended this with Exec, gave student leaders a chance to meet the University Senior Executive Team and discuss issue they wanted to raise.</p> <p>Faith Space – met with Muneer and Mike Wojcik (CEO) to discuss how to resolve extra demand for this space so far this term.</p> <p>Queens Building – workshop discussd phase 2 of the development. Fed in student needs, seemed to take onboard students/Students' Union feedback. Will be broken into 5 workstreams and discuss with Executive Officers dividing up.</p> <p>QMSU Services Board – first one of the year, attended with Rob. Discussed commercial services performance and improvements.</p>  |  |

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