

# Executive Committee Notes

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## Present

Serena Jabbar, President (SJ)  
 Jovani Palnoni, Vice President Humanities & Social Sciences (JP)  
 Tahmid Khan, Vice President Welfare (TK)  
 Aisha Qadi, Vice President Science & Engineering (AQ)  
 Amaan Abbas, Vice President Barts and The London (AA)

## In attendance:

Alvin Ramsamy, Deputy Chief Executive Officer (AR)  
 Charlotte Kendrick, Deputy Managing Director, (CK)

## Apologies

Matthew Beach, Vice President Communities (MB)

## Notes of the meeting

	Notes	Actions
1	<p><b>Dealing With Emergencies</b></p> <p>Serena suggested setting up a smaller group to look at how the Executive Officers deal with emergencies that require a group response when several Exec aren't available.</p>	AR to set up meeting with TK, SJ & AQ
2	<p><b>Amaan</b></p> <p>Garrod – Furniture visits are progressing well, and finalising funding for the Games room.</p> <p>United Hospitals – went to the handover, met other Medic Presidents. Will meet regularly to share best practice.</p> <p>BLSA Board – took place this week. Was the first meeting with the new treasurer role, who is in charge of finances and external relation with sponsors. Also discussed Sports day happening in November, merchandise and cost of living and student expenses for those on placements.</p>	
3	<p><b>Serena</b></p> <p>Board – Chaired Board of Trustees which all Exec attended.</p> <p>Israel and Palestine – Met with the University and students about the crisis. Fed back students concerns and feeling to the University, worked with Executive Officers on the Students' Union statement.</p> <p>(SJ left a 9.50am due to a clash)</p>	
4	<p><b>Tahmid</b></p> <p>Study Well – began planning wellbeing events during the exam weeks. Looking at having some BAME careers focus to it.</p> <p>Israel and Palestine – supported the work around the Students' Union statement.</p> <p>Cost of Living – working with the University of how to support students, relaying data we have and what is needed.</p> <p>Financial Assistance Fund – asked all Executive Officers to fill in the form to be able to feedback on the process</p>	EXEC – fill in FaF application
5	<p><b>Aisha</b></p> <p>Students' concerns with assessment format - Logged the amount of students that came with concerns (either on behalf of themselves or their course) about examinations being online or in</p>	

	<p>person due to different years &amp; modules being communicated differently on assessments. Chased this up with faculty executives to ensure students are being communicated effectively, and the right measures are put in place for standardisation and preparation.</p> <p>Open day - Presented and delivered 'Student Life' talks to prospective students at the weekend open day. The talks were successful and fully booked.</p> <p>Liberation campaigns - The events timeline and organising for Islamophobia awareness month (IAM) has now been finalised, and promotion materials have also been requested. Prepping for the month will begin within the next few weeks. Also part of the organising committee for disability awareness fortnight (DAF) ; sat on the first organising meeting this month</p>	
6	<p><b>Jovani</b></p> <p>Library – met to discuss service opening hours, as to follow up on an existing student council policy. Discussed how this could be implemented.</p> <p>Liberation - Spoke to students about the events they want during Islamophobia Awareness Month and have discussed how we will do that and we also planned some events with Aisha during committee.</p>	
7	<p><b>Israel &amp; Palestine</b></p> <p>Discussed the evolving crisis and approach to supporting and representing students. Including approach to joint statements with QMUL, feedback back to the University and what the Students' Union can do directly.</p> <p>AR updated on approach to dealing with the variety of queries/concerns that are coming in to do with student group social posts.</p>	
8	<p><b>Earthquake in Afghanistan</b></p> <p>Will raise with QM about what support is being offered to affected students.</p>	
9	<p><b>Sustainability</b></p> <p>Exec disused a draft letter to be sent to SET about Climate Action. Executive Officers will review and get back to Matt.</p>	Exec to review letter and feedback
10	<p><b>Freedom Of Speech</b></p> <p>AR updated on the progression of the QMUL code of practice following the HE Bill. AR will see if QM can brief the Exec before Senate next week.</p>	

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