# **Executive Committee Notes**

## Friday 14th May 2021

## Present

Mat Robathan, Vice President Barts and The London (MR) Tiana Dinard-Samuel, Vice President Communities (TDS) Jack Juckes, Vice President Welfare (SA) Cameron Storey, Vice President Humanities & Social Sciences (CS) Aphrodite Liddington, Vice President Science & Engineering (AL)

#### In attendance:

Alvin Ramsamy, Deputy Chief Executive Officer (AR) Mike Wojcik, Chief Executive Officer (MW) Michael Alsop, Customer Service Manager (MA)

## Apologies

Charlotte Kendrick, Deputy Managing Director (CK)

#### Notes of the meeting

	Notes	Actions
1	<b>Israel/Palestine Statement</b> Executive Officers discussed the impact of the situation in Israel and Palestine and anti-Semitism experienced by students, particularly online. Some Jewish students have been facing harassment. The Exec acknowledged that students have been reaching out to the Students' Union for support. Students' Union staff and Tiana are working closely with QMSU Jewish and Israel Society to address these issues and support our students. Executive Officers agreed that the Universities draft statement was inaccurate and would not cosign at this stage. The Executive Officers will look to create a statement acknowledging the suffering.	
2	<b>Graduation</b> Executive Officers discussed preparing for graduation speeches and assigned areas for discussion. Shamima suggested adding a section on the importance of building a QMUL community and ensuring there is a focus on wellbeing. Cameron suggested adding a section on what students have achieved this year (to be included in key moments).	
3	<ul> <li>Highlights of the Week</li> <li>Cameron: work is progressing on the Course Rep Hub, with all content drafted and ready to be uploaded and built into the Students' Union website.</li> <li>Aphrodite: working on a report to encourage 'Teaching with Historical Perspective' across faculties as part of the Inclusive Curricula work stream.</li> <li>Jak: <ul> <li>Attended the university's first Sexual Violence and Misconduct Working Group - I successfully proposed that the group should receive updates at each meeting on any new reported incidents of SVM that had occurred since the previous meeting, and so this will now happen for each future meeting</li> <li>Interviewed candidates for the new QMSU Education and Course Rep Intern, and successfully appointed one of the candidates</li> <li>As part of my Values-based Engagement workstream with the university, I have written guidance for Advisors on how to discuss the university's Values in Action with students</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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