

Executive Committee Notes

Friday 14th of October

Present

Radhika Thiagarajan, Vice President Communities (RT)
 Muneer Hussain, Vice President Science & Engineering (MH)
 Jojo Croft, Vice President Welfare (JH)
 Saynab Shariff, Vice President Humanities & Social Sciences (SS)
 Charlie Sellar, Vice President Barts and The London (CS)
 Adi Sawalha, President (AS)

In attendance:

Alvin Ramsamy, Deputy Chief Executive Officer (AR)

Apologies

Notes of the meeting

	Notes	Actions
1	Jojo Welfare Board - First of the year, discussed that the name of the board should include communities, and international reps should be added to the membership. Everyone gave an update of their priorities for the year. RSG - Attended Residential Strategy Board, number of students on waiting lists for halls has been greatly decreased and installing new fire doors in halls is a top priority. Residences – met with the QM team and discussed how we can best have communication between us about feedback from students so we can address problems together where appropriate. Training – Had Immigration training, chair training and some intro meetings.	
2	Charlie Garrod Move - Collated data from Friday's open afternoon for the Garrod Plans, and used this data when attending meetings to finalise plans for BLSA Space within the project. Interviews - Assisted in the interview stage for new Students' Union Staff within the Societies team. Grant Funding - As part of his wider project behind ensuring easier access to BLSA Finances from student groups and individual projects, Charlie began the task of centralising both the Association finances and the information on how to apply as a BLSA Member. In particular, this involved finding information on all currently available sources of financial assistance and collating these on the Website	
3	Saynab Interviews - Took part in the interviews for Education and Course Rep Administrator HSS DEAG – first meeting with welcomes from the new Deans and Vice Principal HSS Induction – spoke at the International Foundation Year students induction and welcomed students	
4	Radhika Welfare Board - Attended and met with other welfare representatives and discussed plans for the year ahead Alumni Events - Met with alumni team to discuss next steps and further plans for upcoming Alumni Cafés IAM - Chaired the Islamophobia awareness month organising committee meeting to help organise events and promotions for IAM	

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5	<p>Interviews - Sat on recruitment panel for the Student Voice Intern role.</p> <p>Library - Attended the Library Roof Extension Project where installing bidets in the ground floor toilets were discussed as part of the refurb. The main concern is whether a shower drain would be required to avoid potential flooding and the impact that would have on costs.</p> <p>Training - Attended immigration training with the rest of the Exec covering what the immigration advice team offer and common problems student face in regards to this.</p>	
6	<p>Adi</p> <p>Degree apprenticeships - Took part in the first Oversight Committee and helped on a tour of some of the university spaces to one of the degree apprenticeship employers with Jojo. This is part of a continued discussion and focus about ensuring our Degree Apprenticeship students still feel able to get involved and enjoy the university experience, and can access the different services on campus.</p> <p>Strategic questions: Took part in many sessions, with Exec and staff, to explore how we as a Students' Union can fulfil some of the themes and priorities that arose out of the 'Glow Up' data earlier this calendar year. Many of these discussions will also shape the themes of the new strategic plan under development.</p> <p>Board of Trustees: We had our first Board of Trustees meeting this week, in which we appointed a new Deputy Chair (as is done annually) as well as fulfilling the various formalities of the first Board meeting (such as approving Terms of Reference and Memberships of subcommittees) and approve the new Mission, Vision and Values as part of the strategy development work.</p>	
7	<p>Iran</p> <p>Exec spoke about potentially support required by affected students. Exec will work on a statement and reach out to relevant societies about it and support needs.</p>	
8	<p>Policy Lapses</p> <p>The Student Voice & Insight Manager joined to talk through policies that are lapsing, to make recommendations to Student Council on how to proceed e.g renew, lapse or embed.</p> <p>Policy on Students' Union development – lapse as no longer relevant</p> <p>Lobby QMUL to update bursary payment dates – lapse as work is complete and dates have changed</p> <p>Live stream student council and AMMs – embed</p> <p>No crown on BL clothes – embed</p> <p>Investigate Mental Health support – lapse as investigation took place, and found a more sustainable way of achieving it which we worked with Advice and Counselling on.</p>	
9	<p>100 Voices</p> <p>Working with QMUL on this project, is a risk that this will be used to by-pass the representative structure, we are keen for this to work alongside it. Will continue to engage and raise with SET if necessary.</p>	

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