

Executive Committee Notes

Friday 20th 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)
 Matthew Beach, Vice President Communities (MB)
 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

Notes of the meeting

	Notes	Actions
1	<p>Matt</p> <p>Magazine Making – finished planning workshop before going on leave, which went well.</p> <p>Climate Action – worked with staff on letter about Climate Action to Senior Executive Team, co-signed by the Executive Officers and Sustainability representatives. Also met with the Sustainability team to discuss how to progress with divestment.</p> <p>Post Grads – met with reps to discuss the consultation group and board.</p> <p>Liberation – Charing Islamophobia Awareness Month (IAM) chairing meeting to discuss events for this. Also supporting Black History Month events.</p>	
2	<p>Amaan</p> <p>Student Council and Strategy Launch - all Executive Officers attended these which went well.</p> <p>Senate – attend this with faculty VPs</p> <p>Rites of passage – currently planning this, working through issues around dates.</p> <p>BATLAA – attended their AGM, spoke to alumni and gave a talk on hardship and quality of life for students in comparison to when they studied.</p>	
3	<p>Jovani</p> <p>Student Council policy – working on the policies that have been assigned to him with staff.</p> <p>IAM – supporting this, working on ideas for events and planning these.</p>	
4	<p>Aisha</p> <p>Student Voice Intern – sat on the panel for these, the role has been offered to candidate.</p> <p>S&E Reps – met with the part time officers, discussed projects and potential collaboration.</p> <p>Employability – caught up with Faculty VP's about a working group that brings different Queen Mary departments together to address issues and improvements on this.</p>	

5	<p>Tahmid</p> <p>Financial Assistance Fund – worked with some of the Executive Officers to go through the process and feedback to Queen Mary about how this could be improved for students. Highlighted issues around the application form. Aiming to work with Queen Mary to rework the website and form online.</p> <p>Cost Of Living – met with a Queen Mary Director about the Food Pantry who will provide more support and funding for this. Substantial improvements will be made and regular contact with Queen Mary about. Also meeting with the Director of Student Services about vouchers for students.</p>	
6	<p>Serena</p> <p>NSS Taskforce – attended and discussed faculties approach to dealing with the results. Speaking to each Dean of Education to ensure student voice is their highest priority.</p> <p>Crisis in Israel and Palestine – ongoing meetings with students and staff about support needs. Feeding back to Queen Mary about their approach.</p> <p>Student Council – passed two bye-laws amendments around Executive Officers responsibilities and decision making and student staff ability to complain to ensure they are protected.</p>	

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