**Executive Committee Notes**

**Friday 22nd April 2022**

**Present**

Adi Sawalha, President (AS)

Robert Leo Tucker, Vice President Barts and The London (RLT)

Radhika Thiagarajan, Vice President Communities (RT)

Bilge Kacmaz, Vice President Science & Engineering (BK)

Saynab Shariff, Vice President Humanities & Social Sciences (SS)

**In attendance:**

Alvin Ramsamy, Deputy Chief Executive Officer (AR)

Charlotte Kendrick, Deputy Managing Director (CK)

**Apologies**

Muneer Hussain, Vice President Welfare (MH)

**Notes of the meeting**

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|  | **Notes** | **Actions** |
| 1 | **Bilge**  **Study Well Tea and Talks** – ran these with other Exec, spoke to a few students and gathered feedback on issues such as tuition fees. Some students weren’t aware these were taking place so want to look at how to improve this.  **Mixed Mode Education** – looking at how to increase engagement in feedback. Fed back to QM students need some guidance around lecture attendance, to make them aware of value of attending and to make them aware of the change of study style from school/college – as University is more self-directed that what most would have experienced before.  **Internship** – Met with Careers and Enterprise, will be getting involved in the Macro Internship project that is starting at QMUL. Wants to scope our possibility of credit bearing internships, and if QMUL departments need Interns. |  |
| 2 | **Radhika**  **PG Fortnight** – planning this event which should take place 6th of June to 17th, to be confirmed. First week being for PGT second week with PGR. Collaborating with QMUL on Grad Fest. Looked at what funding exists in the Students’ Union for this.  **Alumni Café –** looking at a suitable date for the next one, which is medical themed, that does not clash with exams. RLT suggested earlier the better as exams start and continue until July.  **International Tuition Fees -** have been speaking to other Students’ Unions for feedback and ideas. Looking at a survey that asks what a fair amount would be, as we already know and have data students want lower fees. Speaking to Students’ Union staff and BK about the survey and when to launch.  **Faculty Support Staff** – met with staff who provided advice and support on priorities.  **Advance HE** – going to a conference next week to speak about the Graduate Attributes with QMUL staff. |  |
| 3 | **Rob**  (Returned from Annual Leave today)  **BLSA Building –** discussing with QMUL the needs of BLSA when we need to move out of the building – e.g. the specific student activities we facilitate such as Societies rooms and storage, MFC, Music Room etc… |  |
| 4 | **Saynab**  **SBM Project Board –** A public consultation will be taking place; various aspects of the building are being changed. They need to resolve remaining points with Tower Hamlets.  **Recruitment** - discussed the QMUL strategy, how they will approach Widening Participation, International recruitment, and the process.  **Decolonise** – working on this project  **Time Tabling** – supporting Muneer with this. Currently creating a poll for our part-time officers to rank their preferences so Timetabling can use this to inform future changes.  **Industrial Action Group** – discussed potential disruption, current issues and how the impact on students would be mitigated. |  |
| 5 | **Adi**  **Canary Wharf Group -**  met with QMUL and this group about a celebrative event related to employability in Law. Will involve RT  **Study Spaces** – looking at how QMUL will prioritise rooms in need of maintenance. Halfway through that.  **Study Well** – also did the tea and talks with BK.  **Strategy** – working with staff on QMSU strategy and Adis ongoing projects. |  |
| 6 | **Virtual Learning Environment**  AS updated on an event being run by QMUL that is bringing experts and suppliers in this area to a conference/expo in the Octagon. Students are encouraged to attend; however, it is during the exam period. |  |

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