Executive Committee Notes

Friday 5th November 2021

Present

Adi Sawalha, President (AS)
Robert Leo Tucker, Vice President Barts and The London (RLT)
Muneer Hussain, Vice President Welfare (MH)
Bilge Kacmaz, Vice President Science & Engineering (BK)
Saynab Shariff, Vice President Humanities & Social Sciences (SS)
Radhika Thiagarajan, Vice President Communities (RT)

In attendance:

Alvin Ramsamy, Deputy Chief Executive Officer (AR) Mike Wojcik, Chief Executive Officer (MW)

Apologies

Notes of the meeting

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1	Bilge Library Tender – Worked with Students' Union staff to review a tender for an online assessment platform for the Library. Feedback was sent to the Library Graduate Outcome Operation Group – Attended this meeting Festival of Education – attended this group Projects – Met Queen Mary staff to progress Postgraduate funding project.	
2	Rob United Hospitals – discussed how to work together on spiking's and a campaign, talked about standards at each Students' Union bars. As well as reaching out to popular student destinations. Societies – Met with society leaders, was good to get feedback from them. Life Sciences – students are now aware of this. Coordinating with Queen Mary about doing a Town Hall meeting so students can get their questions answered.	
3	Saynab Exec on Tour – been doing this with most of the other Executive Officers, been good to talk to students and gather feedback. Paris – met to discuss training, support from the Students' Union and Course Rep responsibilities. Library Services – fed back on their long-term plan and fed pack to PGR Reps. Doctoral college – met with them, discussed what they are doing and mental health support for PGR. Library Refurbishment – met to discuss the next phases of refurb. Attended a separate Library Extension meeting.	
4	Radhika Exec on Tour – Also been doing this. Think it has been great and something that should be done regularly. Spoke to students about Strike and Mixed Mode Education. Communities Board – took place this week Mental Health – speaking to reps about signposting to appropriate services. Islamophobia Awareness Month – speaking to panel of speakers for an event Assessment Centers – speaking to Science & Engineering about a scheme they are running to get students ready for these, would like to see it in other faculties. Decolonise Society – meeting with the committee to discuss renaming Drapers Bar & Kitchen.	
5	Muneer Director Of Student Services – caught up with them, discussed the way students are notified by certain things e.g. plagiarism and the wording of them. Also discussed welfare checks and how these would be done and followed up on, and the need for more quiet/contemplation space on campus.	

	Student Facing Teams – attended a meeting between teams across Queen Mary to discuss plans, checking for overlaps and clashes. Exec On Tour – also spoke to students at these. Housing – met with them to discuss student feedback. There are no spare rooms at the moment. Intending to speak to residential services about how things are e.g. living standards.
6	Adi Exec on Tour – worked with staff to plan these, had to sort last minute issues and spoke to students at these. Partnerships Board – attended this and discussed Queen Mary partnerships and impact of those Training – supported some student liberation training MOA – chaired this formal meeting between the Students' Union and Queen Mary. Library Working Party – this will be starting up again Director of Student Services – had regular catch up with them
	UCU Strikes Results for the pension ballot has come out, Queen Mary UCU did meet the 50% threshold so cannot strike on this. The ballot on the Four Fights is out later today. It is likely UCU will re-ballot members, but this will be confirmed when their Higher Education Committee meet on the 12 th of November.

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