

SU Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Time:	17:00-18:00
Date:	01/11/17
Location:	4429
Chair:	Sophie Bennett
Exec Present:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hamish Anderson – Academic Affairs Officer [HA] • Blanca Serrano – Academic Affairs Officer [BS] • Comfort Enoch-Moye – POC Officer [CE] • Tawsin Ahmed – Anti-Racism Officer [TA] • Tom Ana – LGBTQ+ Officer [TA] • Lavinya Stennett – Working Class Students' Officer [LS] • Valeria Racu – Working Class Students' Officer [VR] • Fran Floris – Women's Officer [FF] • Danny Edwards – Sports Officer [DE] • Sophie Bennett – Sports Officer [SB] • Postgraduate Research Officer – Robyn Waite [RW] • Anna Gretton – Environment Officer [AG] • Jess Kumwongpin-Barnes – Trans & Gender Identity Officer [JK] • Max Gleissner – Campaigns Officer [MG] • Daryan Omer – Campaigns Officer [DO] • Katouche Goll – Disabled Students & Carers' Officer [KG] • Rachel Hau-Yu Tam – Postgraduate Taught Officer [RT] • Halimo Hussain – Co-President Equality & Liberation [HH] • Nisha Philipps – Co-President Democracy & Education [NP] • Dimitri Cautain – Co-President Welfare & Campaigns [DC] • Mehdi Baraka – Co-President Activities & Events [MB]
Others Present:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ian Cole – Activities & Events Coordinator [IC]
Apologies:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hannah Short – Governance & Communications Coordinator [HS] • Jonny Morrison - - Accommodation Officer [JM] • Amy Rosetta Joce – Mature Students' Officer [AJ] • Pauline Ankunda – Entertainment Officer [PA]

Agenda	Who	Discussion/Action
1. Ratify minutes from last week	IC	Ratified

2. Action points from last week	IC	→ Didn't look over this
3. Community Week of Action	MG	MG: Meeting this Friday - 3-4PM - room 467 MG: Joint initiatives on Enough is Enough and Decolonising SOAS needs to be featured MG: [AP] will send the document to everyone again
4. Proposal from Khaled for food in the Bar	KZ	KZ: Proposal is at least 100 portions per day / £80 pounds per day profits for the SU (according to calculation working on 40% profits and 60% costs) – from Alara KZ: It's a bit expensive but you would still have a Healthy meal for under £7 and under £6 MG: We are hoping to embark a consultation on catering services; the price is still inaccessible; we also need to think about not promoting the pop-up culture HA: We should not be taking profit from food, because we provide food as a need not to make profit; CM: £6 is too much; we cannot rely on Hare Krishnah as an alternative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A number of exec expressed concerns about the pricings and also how this fits within the current conversations about the catering at SOAS. VOTE: Majority vote of NO
5. Welfare @ SOAS	DC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liberation survey update • Ian Pickup meeting & restructuring of Professional services at SOAS
6. Widening Participation Access Agreement	NP	NP gave update on this and encouraged exec to come along to meeting on Friday 03/11 11-12pm JCR MG School should pay for Drs notes if handing in one is part of mitigating circumstances CM we should review how Bursaries and hardship funds work. → Students who are here need help and we are putting money into recruitment
7. Email from George Symonds that each of us have received regarding Amos and Detained refugees	ALL	Check the actions e.g: AITC Bill, 2004 (vote against giving asylum seekers more time to appeal) this bill including an aim of allowing gov to tag and track asylum seekers. → Basically, need to decide whether we are going to respond as an SU, or just ignore him. ACTION: DC to respond that discussion has taken place. Share with Exec prior.
8. Settling-in Week	NP & DC	Schedule: https://docs.google.com/a/soas.ac.uk/spreadsheets/d/

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9. Restructuring	NP	→ Postponed
10. Educational and Non-educational priorities	NP	https://docs.google.com/a/soas.ac.uk/document/d/1ETN-igoGlvn-n3pek3Kpfw3qalDOSqcfUv2_6Lr6pc/edit?usp=sharing
11. Microwave in Postgrad Common Room	HT	HT drawing up a plan for this
12. Additional microwave(s) in the student bar	MB	ACTION: Buy more microwaves
13. Support Amira	PA	→ Postponed
14. Banned students	ALL	ACTION: Compile list for next meeting
15. Next UGM (16th November)	NP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deadline for motions: 10th
16. Participatory Budgeting	NP & DC	NP & DC gave a short summary of an idea of how this could work → Major discussion postponed
17. Any other business + action points	ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Movement For Justice By Any Means open meeting - Nov 6 • https://www.facebook.com/events/1508243925878216 • Yarl's Wood demo • PGT Reps meeting → Shared Calendar for exec/meetings would be good • Can we change meeting times from 5pm?