



Exec Committee Meeting Minutes

Time:	18:00
Date:	23 rd October 2013
Location:	B320
Present:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leah Edwards – CP Welfare & Campaigns [LE] Johann Barbe – CP Activities & Events [JB] David East – CP Democracy & Education [DE] Mustafa Zafar & David Suber – Academic Affairs Officer [MZ] & [DS] Emily Judson – Environment Officer [EJ] Ahmed Chaudhry & Muhaymin Maneka – International Officer [AC] & [MM] Simon Campbell – Anti Racist Officer [SC] Karmel Carey & Jivan Mohanty – Disabilities Officers [KC] & [JM] Vithyah Chelvham – Womens Officers [VCh] Georgina Robertson – Campaigns Officer [GR] Tom King – LGBTQ Officer [TK] Larni Phoenix – Accommodation Officer [LP] Post Graduate Taught – Caterina Inverso [CI] Connor Youngberg – Post Graduate Research [CY] Chair Vic Casambros – Governance & Communications Coordinator [VC]
Apologies:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grace Wilcock – Mature Students Officer [GW] Binto Bali – Anti Racist Officer [BB] Shahrzad Jahanbani – Entertainments Officer [SJ] Kabir Joshi – Black Officer [KJ] Resham Akhtar – Womens Officers [RA]
Absent:	

Action/Discussion	Who	When	Notes
First Aid			
KC Raised issues about first aid provision at Vernon Square. Security Staff seemed to have lack of training.			
Contact Estates to find out when a First Aider will be appointed to Vernon Square	LE	By next exec	
Contact student advice & wellbeing about issues at Vernon Square. CC in KC	LE	By next exec	
Unison/UCU strike action,			
CY points out people will be crossing the picket as not all staff are striking (outsourced staff)			
LE picket line should be outside main college building			

<p>DE This shouldn't affect student attendance</p> <p>GR mentioned a NSS boycott as a better alternative to Assessment Boycott if unions wanted to pursue that route.</p> <p>DE to talk to library about fines due on that day.</p> <p>DE to ask school if attendance will be taken during strike day.</p> <p>LE & GR - Students need to be informed about why the strike is happening, don't just shout at students who go to the picket. Need to maintain a safe space.</p> <p>GR - Hoping to use the iSoc Ramadan Tent for teach outs. Also going to provide speakers corner. SOAS is closed but want education to continue. Halloween Theme.</p> <p>LE - Would be great to see as many exec members at the Picket Lines</p> <p>Next Exec - Drinks in a pub/cafe</p>	<p>DE</p> <p>DE</p>	<p>27/10</p> <p>27/10</p>	
<p>History Department PPR</p> <p>DS explained the PPR to everyone.</p> <p>Changing rep training doesn't need to go through UGM, just speak to Antonia</p> <p>DS & MZ - to talk to departments and find out about holding feedback 'lecture/sessions' and end of year for students.</p> <p>LE Explained Fit to Sit to exec.</p> <p>DE Points out that Resits for Year 2 will be implemented next year.</p> <p>Add Mitigating Circumstances to next Exec Meeting meeting</p>	<p>DS MZ</p> <p>VC</p>	<p>30/10</p>	
<p>Campaigns and action at SOAS</p> <p>LE - asks if members are involved, can they feedback regularly so marketing isn't last minute.</p>			

<p>Share details about Strike Meeting/EGM</p> <p>DS – asks about the naming of G2. Can people refer to it as Lucas Lecture Theatre when possible. This has been mandated by previous UGMs.</p> <p>SC – Suggests holding a meet the union stall during the Carnivals of resistance.</p> <p>Send out All student meeting with strike motion and info about EGM.</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>GR</p> <p>DE</p>	<p>24/10</p> <p>28/10</p> <p>24/10</p>	
<p>SOAS Accessibility Survey</p> <p>KC explained the survey had been done, and information forwarded onto Anontia. Wants to encourage people to make complains through proper channels and not just through facebook.</p>			
<p>Diversity monitoring</p> <p>LE Points out the school doesn't do much Diversity Monitoring, asks what Union Exec thinks, does the union need to do this at events?</p> <p>LP - Feminist Soc is talking about monitoring participation within societies.</p> <p>TK – points out some DM is done such as race, gender etc, but nothing about LGBTQ. Can this be done during Enrolment?</p> <p>LE & KJ working with Deb Viney to look at solutions, where this information could possibly be collected</p> <p>VC – Points out many other University collects this type of information during enrolment.</p> <p>Look at what other universities do during enrolment.</p>	<p>LE</p>		
<p>Advertising/private companies at SOAS</p> <p>GR There is no need to sell advertising space in the JCR.</p> <p>JB The idea is more about people wanting to setup</p>			

<p>stalls selling things rather than selling wall space.</p> <p>Work on Policy to bring to exec, then AGM</p>	<p>LE VCh MM</p>		
<p>Halloween (Tuesday 29th) Elecktrowerkz and Day of the Dead (Friday 1st) G2 parties</p> <p>JB asks for help to promote and sell tickets to the events</p> <p>Add parties to all student emails that Peter Sends Out</p> <p>LE – Day of Dead Party will also be a fundraiser for Cultures of Resistance Scholarship.</p>	<p>JB</p>	<p>28/10</p>	
<p>Anti-Abortion Posters</p> <p>GR – Safe space policy isn't about censoring or curbing free speech. Should we clarify this policy to students.</p> <p>LP – Don't use words that may trigger students if a statement is made.</p>			
<p>Controversial Society Events</p> <p>Look at room booking form, add info about needing security.</p>	<p>VC JB</p>	<p>02/11</p>	
<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Add action point checkup from previous meetings to next agenda.</p>			
<p>Time & Date of next meeting</p> <p>31/10 – Bar/Café? Or Hold another day.</p>			