



Exec Committee Meeting Minutes

Time:	17:00
Date:	26 th February 2014
Location:	B101 – Brunei Gallery
Present:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David East – CP Democracy & Education [DE] • Johann Barbe – CP Activities & Events [JB] • Mustafa Zafar – Academic Affairs Officer [MZ] • Tom King – LGBTQ Officer [TK] • Caterina Inverso - Post Graduate Taught [CI] • Grace Wilcock – Mature Students Officer [GW] • Leah Edwards – CP Welfare & Campaigns [LE] • Kabir Joshi – Black Officer [KJ] • Karmel Carey – Disabilities Officers [KC] • Emily Judson – Environment Officer [EJ] (Chair) • Connor Youngberg – Post Graduate Research [CY] • Vithyah – Womens Officer & [VCh] • Georgina Robertson – Campaigns Officer [GR] • David Suber – Academic Affairs Officer [DS] • Vic Casambros – Governance & Communications Coordinator [VC] • Luis Armando –Justice 4 Cleaners [LA] • Ezequiel Zalacain – Justice For Cleaners [EZ]
Apologies:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Larni Phoenix – Accommodation Officer [LP] • Shahrzad Jahanbani – Entertainments Officer [SJ] • Resham Akhtar - Womens Officer [RA] • Jivan Mohanty – Disabilities Officer [JM] • Simon Campbell – Anti Racist Officer [SC]
Absent:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Binto Bali – Anti Racist Officer [BB]

Action/Discussion	Who	When	Notes
Cleaners Strike			
EZ spoke to the Exec about plans for their strike next week.			
UGM Motions			
Egypt motion – email sai	LE		
Send Vic resolves from motions 7.3 + 8.4	DE		
Space Review			
EJ - Can someone do a room audit of who uses what and when.	LE	By next exec	
GW – Lets create a working group to come up with			

<p>proposal to bring to the next UGM.</p> <p>LE – A review of space would be pointless at this time. A campaign for more space would be more useful with a bigger impact. (RB01 + Russell Room)</p> <p>EJ - Add a book an appointment functionally to the website.</p> <p>TK – taking to UGM – Moving people isn't feasible at this time. We are planning the campaign to get more rooms.</p>			
<p>Meat Free Monday</p> <p>EJ – Meet free Monday is not working. This week there was two stalls out in the precinct selling meat.</p> <p>KJ – There are three caters/suppliers the big one is meat free but the two smaller ones don't seem to be.</p> <p>Find out from Events/School where there will be stalls outside.</p> <p>EJ & LE to meet with Khaled and go over the issues and taking this campaign further</p>	<p>LE</p> <p>LE</p>	<p>Next Exec</p> <p>Next Exec</p>	
<p>Cleaners Strike Bar & Shop</p> <p>CY – Most of the mess comes from the student shop. Closing the shops gets rid of this mess.</p> <p>KJ – Closing the shop forces workers to cross the pickett.</p> <p>GR – There will only be a picket on the second day. The money the union has raised and previous support would be for nothing if the strike is not a success. Keeping the shop and bar open on the first day would not be support the strike and go against the UGM.</p> <p>EJ – The Time Strike is open from 4am to 5pm Can we open the bar in the evening. Have a Picket Party.</p> <p>TK – There is lots of support from students and staff, not just now but from UGMs over the years.</p>			

<p>We should ensure that our services are closed. We are not a profit driven business.</p> <p>CY – We need to be careful, students are starting to question strikes. I don't agree with the customer services mindset but we need to look at how they feel. This will be the third the Strike.</p> <p>LE – This strike affects everyone regardless if there is picket line.</p> <p>GR – The picket line to there to show solidarity from the staff and student community to show management that the campaign is supported.</p> <p>KJ – We need to make it clear to people that the picket is not on both days.</p> <p>VOTE to Keeping bar and shop open - Failed Shop and Bar will close and open at 17:00</p> <p>VC – What will the case be with non-unionised Students' Union employees on these days.</p> <p>GR – If we close the shop, then we'll ensure other union staff are paid and not forced to come in and cross the picket line.</p>			
<p>Attitude is everything- Access Challenge</p> <p>LE introduced the charity to exec. They are a charity who audits venues on accessibility and award levels like Green Impact. The union is aiming to gain a Bronze Award.</p> <p>Add to next weeks agenda: UGMs – Access: Whooping, Clapping, Venue etc</p>	VC	Next Exec	
<p>NUS conference motions</p> <p>TK – introduced the motions that SOAS can submit to NUS National Conference.</p> <p>TK to email motions to Exec</p>	TK	Before Submitting motions	
<p>Library Fines & Attendance during cleaners strike</p> <p>LE has already spoken to the uni about this and are</p>			

awaiting full response before sending an email to all students			
<p>Democratise SOAS update</p> <p>GR gave an update on the Democratize SOAS Campaign</p> <p>Next Forum will be in the last week of term (Wednesday Afternoon)</p> <p>Add NSS to next week's Exec Agenda</p>	VC	Next Exec	
<p>Election dates</p> <p>GR asked about polling early open date. VC said the earlier time was for students abroad voting online.</p>			
<p>Report from Connor</p> <p>CY gave a report on some of his recent meetings and outcomes with regards to Postgrad Students.</p>			
<p>Any other business</p> <p>TK – Harassment survey has been quite successful with a good diverse level of responders.</p> <p>MZ – ATM Sells like there is a dead rat in there...</p> <p>MZ asks for an update on the credit union. EJ gave an update, asking for feedback. They gave a presentation during green week. Next step is to form a working group and eventually get this project out of the SU Hands as this aims to be a self sustaining project.</p> <p>LE – Does everyone know that the Fire Muster point has changed and is near Woburn Square near the Doctoral School.</p> <p>GR – 50 J4C posters have been removed, please let people know who is doing it if you see it.</p> <p>KC – Can we ask the school to keep the Accessible toilets locked and keep a key with reception?</p> <p>VC - Nominations close in 22 and a half hours!!</p>			
<p>Time & Date of next meeting</p> <p>26th February 2014 – 17:00 – B101</p>			