

S.U. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Time:	17:00-18:00
Date:	12/12/17
Chair:	Dimitri Cautain
Location:	4426
Exec Present:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hamish Anderson – Academic Affairs Officer [HA] • Blanca Serrano – Academic Affairs Officer [BS] • Robyn Waite – Postgraduate Research Officer [RW] • Hani Diriye – Entertainment Officer [HD] • Max Gleissner – Campaigns Officer [MG] • Daryan Omer – Campaigns Officer [DO] • Jonny Morrison – Accommodation Officer [JM] • Halimo Hussain – Co-President Equality & Liberation [HH] • Dimitri Cautain – Co-President Welfare & Campaigns [DC] • Mehdi Baraka – Co-President Activities & Events [MB]
Others Present:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hannah Short – Governance and Communications Coordinator [HS]
Apologies:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nisha Philipps – Co-President Democracy & Education [NP] • Rachel Hau-Yu Tam – Postgraduate Taught Officer [HT] • Fran Floris – Women's Officer [FF] • Jess Kumwongpin-Barnes – Trans & Gender Identity Officer [JK] • Anna Gretton – Environment Officer [AG] • Danny Edwards – Sports Officer [DE] • Sophie Bennett – Sports Officer [SB] • Lavinya Stennett – Working Class Students' Officer [LS] • Pauline Ankunda – Entertainment Officer [PA]
Absent:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Katouche Goll – Disabled Students & Carers' Officer [KG] • Amy Rose Joce – Mature Students' Officer [AJ] • Tawsin Ahmed – Anti-Racism Officer [TA] • Valeria Racu – Working Class Students' Officer [VR] • Rama Sabanekh – International Students' Officer [RS] • Comfort Enoch-Moye – POC Officer [CE]

Agenda	Who	Discussion/Action
1. Ratify minutes from last meeting	ALL	➔ Ratified

2. Action points from last week	ALL	→ Revisited
3. Communication strategy	ALL	<p>MG suggested having a 5 minute slot at the end of the meeting to discuss upcoming events → highlighted issues with supporting each other's events</p> <p>DC suggested making a big calendar for term 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Also working to increase capacity within the Union to edit videos → perhaps running a training to skill people up to be able to do this <p>Internal communication vs. to the student body</p> <p>ACTION POINT: Dedicate 10 minutes to reflect on what went well & how to work together moving forward DC to email round something in relation to this by the end of this week</p>
4. Emergency Oyster Card	FF	→ Postponed
5. Care packages (Christmas drive)	CE & LS	This has been taken forward by SOAS Helps the Homeless & Food For Luca societies
6. Taking Back Power - open student forum	CE & LS	To take place today – will hear feedback next time
7. SLiICE funding	CE & LS	<p>Inclusive environment workshops</p> <p>DC & CE have been discussing this</p> <p>RW suggested looking into a research student aspect to this There will be a meeting on the 10th of January in relation to SLiICE → open to anyone interested in the projects that this will go towards</p> <p>ACTION POINT: DC to write up brief report for exec about this</p>
8. Mental Health support	DC	<p>ACTION POINT: DC to start up an email thread & work with HH on this</p> <p>HS to look into possibility of special election in January for LGBTQ+ officer</p> <p>HS to email exec about current officer situation</p> <p>Sabbs to email round absent officers</p>
9. Coffee cup campaign	AG	→ Postponed
10. Participatory budgeting	NP	<p>NP absent</p> <p>→ Looked at updated website page with info</p>

		ACTION POINT: Advertise this more
11. No Borders! No Slavery! Campaign & working with Slavery Remembrance: Invitation to join Free My Tribe campaign	DC	Discussion of this campaign & whether or not SOAS S.U. wants to support this → SOAS S.U. helped organise a protest they did 2 weeks ago <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was a slavery in Libya event organised at SOAS which got quite heated → they invited us to support this campaign ACTION POINT: DC, MG & DO to discuss how to organise events to support this campaign
12. Students Not Suspects Campaign	DC	[dimitri - update and discussion on strategy] DC will be writing a submission for the parliamentary human rights section this week → do we want to submit one as a Union exec BDS was flagged up as something that is worth mentioning ACTION POINT: DC to write up a submission on Prevent MG to work with DC to write the BDS-focussed submission → deadline is Friday 15 December
13. Next UGM	HS	Motion deadline January 11th Wednesday January 17th 5-6PM in the JCR ACTION POINT: NS to book space & chair
14. Any other business + action points	ALL	MG raised a question about restructuring proposal decision