

SU Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Time:	17:00-18:00
Date:	21/11/17
Chair:	Valeria
Location:	G51
Exec Present:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hamish Anderson – Academic Affairs Officer [HA] • Valeria Racu – Working Class Students' Officer [VR] • Fran Floris – Women's Officer [FF] • Danny Edwards – Sports Officer [DE] • Sophie Bennett – Sports Officer [SB] • Pauline Ankunda – Entertainment Officer [PA] • Hani Diriye – Entertainment Officer [HD] • Jess Kumwongpin-Barnes – Trans & Gender Identity Officer [JK] • Max Gleissner – Campaigns Officer [MG] • 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"> • Hannah Short – Governance and Communications Coordinator [HS] • Peter Baran – S.U. General Manager [PB]
Apologies:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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] • Amy Rose Joce – Mature Students' Officer [AJ] • Katouche Goll – Disabled Students & Carers' Officer [KG] • Rachel Hau-Yu Tam – Postgraduate Taught Officer [HT] • Halimo Hussain – Co-President Equality & Liberation [HH] • Robyn Waite – Postgraduate Research Officer [RW] • Anna Gretton – Environment Officer [AG] • Daryan Omer – Campaigns Officer [DO] • Jonny Morrison – Accommodation Officer [JM]

Agenda	Who	Discussion/Action
1. Charity commission letter	PB	<p>PB outlined Charity Commission letter which was sent out to exec yesterday & makes reference to room booking system failure last year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to respond by 11th Dec • Content seems quite harsh against SOAS S.U. <p>→ there may be other academics we could work with us on responding to this Need to have a discussion regarding some specific issues included in letter</p> <p>ACTION POINT: Organise a trustees meeting between now and then to go over charity letter in detail & respond to questions (e.g. questions on Prevent, gender segregation) HS to set up trustee meeting & send out GCal invites NP & PB to help organise the meeting</p>
2. Ratify minutes from last meeting	HS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 01117 minutes changes
3. Action points from last week	ALL	→ All happened
4. Communication strategy for officer events	ALL	<p>MG suggested including events coming up during the AOB section of exec meetings so that everyone has a chance to bring them up PA suggested having the officer name & event in a weekly officer-specific email to students FF suggested having a google doc for all events for officers to add to MG suggested this email will be good to highlight the work of all officers NP questioned who will do this → suggestion of HS DC perhaps doing it every 2 weeks would be good to reduce pressure of organising events MB we need to think about the number of emails that are being sent - lots of students feel there are already too many emails MG need to think about content of all-students email - perhaps having rules/ a format PA we should have SU exec section on other SU media e.g. fb, twitter, soasunion.org SB perhaps we could have soasunion.org list of events on the screen in the JCR FF could be good on desktops</p> <p>ACTION POINT: → further discussion about this Plan of action to be worked on by MB, LB, PA & HS</p>

5. Movement For Justice By Any Means	DC	→ Postponed until next week
6. Community Week of Action	MG	<p>MG happy with how it's going - solidarity book stall went well, → but pointed out it is difficult to put on a whole week of events</p> <p>ACTION POINT: SB & MG to clean out Enough is Enough stuff from room 238 → everyone to walk out on Friday during solidarity walk-out</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People should sign petition & open letter! <p><u>Discussion on Friday Walk out</u> HA sent an email to student reps to support the walk-out → some people are calling for a boycott of consultation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We need to discuss this & the implications of the boycott <p>NP outlined email to Ian Pickup about consultation working group DC explained more about situation with student welfare support & how this should relate to the consultation working group MG there is a generic statement that students can use when writing to the school about this consultation HA there are some positive suggestions included in the plans, so we need to have a clear message & seriously consider if a boycott is the best way forward → difference between student & staff boycott</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to bring equipment e.g. music, microphones, and to have people leafletting on the day → good to have all exec there <p>DC UCU are going to come out with a statement soon, and there is a UNISON/ UCU meeting tomorrow → if anyone would like to speak, please let DC know FF it would be good if there is a doc with different tasks & to meet up in advance</p> <p>ACTION POINTS: NP to make a document for allocation of tasks → everyone to meet at 12.30 in G8 for walk-out</p>
7. Mulberry School for Girls	HS	<p>Mulberry school for girls has contacted SOAS SU to ask if some people can attend their event 'Youth Got the Power' on Tuesday the 12th of December 2017 from 2pm to 3:30pm, with an arrival time of 1:45. The project is about bringing young people together, celebrating what unites us not divides us. They will organise an interactive 'Question Time' style debate with young people and individuals in frontline politics showing practical examples of how to make your voice heard and how young people can be more involved in politics while</p>

		<p>debating with key decision makers about the issues our community cares about.</p> <p>ACTION POINT: LB & PA to go</p>
8. Liberation officers' display board (corridor near library entrance)	ALL	→ to discuss in communications strategy meeting next week
9. Any other business + action points	ALL	<p>→ suggestion to discuss events etc. coming up during this part of the meeting</p> <p>NP outlined her discussions with HH about end of term late license</p> <p>→ if anyone is keen to get involved, feel free to get in touch</p> <p>MG suggested getting in touch with Ifeanyi about this</p> <p>DE good to think of timetable of events & when to have DJs downstairs/ upstairs → something to think about</p> <p>NP poetry 9-11PM, 11PM-onwards DJs</p> <p>VR working class community breakfast every week on different days of the week</p>