

University of Lincoln Students' Union Senior Rep Group Minutes 14th December 2020

Present:

Ginevra Rata Pucciarini (LIBS College Officer)

Rhiannon James (School of Psychology Rep)

Garry Clawson (School of Computer Science Rep)

Talia Adams (College of Social Science Officer)

Alex Saunders (School of Film & Media Rep)

Erin Mann (School Rep for Department of Marketing, Tourism & Languages)

Cameron Wiles (School of Architecture & The Built Environment Rep)

Katie Smith (College of Arts Officer)

Jack Eames (College of Science Officer)

Emily Dale (PGT Officer)

Holly Armitage (School of Sport & Exercise Science Rep)

Margaret-Ann Withington (School of Maths & Physics Rep)

Gabriela Clarke (School of Chemistry Rep)

Jacob Vause (PGR Officer)

Charles Wilson (School of Education Rep)

Angela Harwood (School of Social & Political Science Rep)

Millie Banner (Law School Rep)

Grace Tompkins (School of Health & Social Care Rep)

Also present:

Georgia Petts (Vice President Education)

Liz Mossop (Deputy Vice Chancellor)

Hannah Coleman (SU Deputy CEO)

Liz Wylie-Smy (Academic Representation Coordinator)

Apologies:

Sophie Leggott (School of Geography Rep)

Christian Foster (School of Design Rep)

Charlotte Winspear (School of Life Sciences Rep)

Charlotte Blackman (School of Fine & Performing Arts Rep)

Paige Rymer (School of English & Journalism Rep)

Fiona Gillespie (School of History & Heritage Rep)

Patrick Carty (School of Engineering Rep)

Valeria Mendez Jaramillo (School Rep for Department of Management)

Angelica Dahil (Medical School Rep)

Absent:

Sam Blouri Far (School of Pharmacy Rep)

Daniel Fitzer (School Rep for Department of Accountancy, Finance & Economics)

Returning to University in the New Year – Liz Mossop

Thank you to Reps for passing feedback and messages on. Reps have done an excellent job in difficult circumstances.



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There will be a staggered return in January. Access to asymptomatic testing on return, this will be optional. 2 Tests will be needed ideally, taken 2 days apart. Students should return a week before face-to-face sessions begin to allow for testing. There is a 5-week travel/testing window to get everyone back in campus. Testing will take place in Engine Shed; tests can be booked online. Students should also consider getting tested before they start using specialist equipment for their studies.

Further comments following Senior Rep questions:

Returns were scheduled by Programme, not by School, but has to be factored in with the testing capacity and not having too many students returning on any given day. Some students may return before face-to-face teaching sessions to accommodate this.

Semester B Timetables will be out after Christmas, estimated second week of January.

Safety Net – not completely possible as no previous term to base on but does still exist for a limit number of students. Resit cap has been lifted, but 40%-mark cap is still in place.

Senior Rep updates

Social Science:

Social Events planned for New Year.

Social Group for those with Disabilities and Chronic Illnesses is being established.

Regular catch ups with staff are helping to resolve issues faster.

Some assessment issues raised, but are being resolved. Assessment dates moved in line with change in term dates.

Arts:

Reps are raising lots of valuable feedback and are working with staff for swift resolutions.

Science:

Assessment concerns have been addresses, with more guidance given for TCAs. Not all assessments have been moved in line with the change in term dates. Guidance and allowances for TCAs for International Students who are at home are being considered. Regular catch ups with staff are helping to resolve issues faster.

Business:

Work to improve communication between staff, Reps and students is ongoing. Some extensions have been given for whole groups due to Rep feedback.

Postgraduate:

Drop ins being developed.

More PG Reps elected recently, who are raising valuable feedback.



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Officers are working on Social Media accounts to help them reach more PG Reps and students.

Updates from Georgia

Elections – if anyone would like to run for their current post again, or for another post, please let Georgia know. All Reps are asked to consider who could run for their current role. Hoodies have been ordered.