



UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN STUDENTS' UNION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

University of Lincoln Students' Union Executive Committee 18th July
2016 at 10am in the Students' Union Boardroom.

Present:

Chair: Sammi Storey (SS) – President
Will Fry (WF) – Vice President Activities
John-Paul Dickie (JPD) – Vice President Academic Affairs
Aigerim Kuanysh (AK) – Vice President International
Tasnim Hassan (TH) – Vice President Welfare & Community
James Brooks (JB) – Chief Executive

Also in attendance:

Hannah Coleman (HC) – Head of HR and Operations,) Rowena Johnston-Aiken (RJ)
– Head of Finance, Eilidh Faccenda (EF) – Office Assistant and Lindsay Westgarth
(LW) – Student Voice Administrator (LW) (Agenda item 6)

1. 1.1 Apologies for absence

Charlie Garrod, Head of Commercial Services sent apologies.

1.2 Declarations of interest

Nothing to note.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting on the 4th July 2016 were approved.

3. Matters arising

Nothing to note.

4. Weekly Report

Nothing to note.

5. Weeks events

Noted:

- Tuesday 20th - Thursday 21st July 2016 – NUS Lead and Change
- Friday 22nd July 2016 – Architecture Summer School Buffet in Tower Bar.

6. Accommodation Survey

Noted:

- LW presented the findings of the accommodation survey held between April – January.
- 8% of SU population completed the survey.
- The Lighthouse property services boycott has now been lifted, as their services have improved to the minimum standard of 3 stairs put in place by ULSU.
- The survey results indicated that students' priorities changed after living in student accommodation.
- Before students moved in to accommodation, the condition of the property was the most important issue, whereas after, the service they receive from their landlord/rental agency is more important.
- The idea of an online portal for housing was suggested.

Agreed

- The report was approved by the Executive Committee.

7. GOATing (Going Out and Talk-ing)

Noted:

- SS and Scott McGinn (SM), Marketing Manager, had a meeting which it was suggested that the student leaders should allocate 3 slots of 2 hours a week in their diaries specifically for GOATing.
- GOATing demonstrates how the Student Leaders are using their time to increase accountability.

Agreed:

- GOATing should be a priority.
- Time will be set aside in the Student Leaders' diaries for GOATing. Student Leaders less busy are to help cover on an ad hoc basis each week.

Actioned:

- SM and EF to discuss and assign diary time each week to GOATing in the diaries of the Student Leaders from September.
- EF to add GOATing as a standing item on the agenda for the Executive Committees from September.

8. Tour

Noted:

- WF and SS met with 'I Love Tour' regarding the location of Tour 2016/17.
- Tour has previously been held in Salou, this year it will be held in Croatia.

- WF suggested that Tour be marketed at the Sports and Societies fairs.
- Tour will need a staff member to accompany the teams to Croatia as a responsible person, this is to be decided at a later date.

9. Rugby Union

Noted:

- The committee discussed the future of the Rugby Union team.

Agreed:

- The Student Union are no longer going to engage with the previous Rugby Union team members.

Actioned:

- WF to write to the old members and request kit back from the old team.
- WF to meet with RFU Richard Merilli to discuss creating a new Rugby Union Club.

10. Student Leader verbal updates

10.1 President

Noted:

- SS met with the library team, who announced that the new Library system will be launched on Monday 25th July.
- Attended the Board of Governors (BOG) strategic away day:
- It was suggested that an App would be a way of pushing student led businesses within the university.
- Placements are being pushed, which is something the Student's Union could discuss in the future.
- SS is working Satellite campuses into her Operational plans.

10.2 VP Activities

Noted

- WF Met with "I Love Tour" and discussed the tour location for this year.
- JPD and WF manned a stand at the Open day on the 16th July and gave a presentation to visitors. This was well received.
- Both JPD and WF recommended that this happen again at future Open days, as they felt that they engaged well with the visitors.
- Swanny was very well received and created hype on social media.
- JPD Suggested that SUMS be used to record footfall at Open Days.

10.3 VP Academic Affairs

Noted:

- JPD met with Craig Marsh, Director of Lincoln International Business School;

there are far more departments/divisions than anticipated this academic year.

- JPD will bring a cost proposal for the College of Business next week.
- JPD put forth that TEF (Teaching Excellence Framework) should be discussed at the next meeting.
- JPD attended the BOG dinner and feedback was positive.

10.4 VP International

Noted:

- AK met with Scott McGinn to discuss the welcome packs for new international students. International Website was suggested during this meeting.
- AK met with the Events team to discuss the International events to take place during freshers week and throughout the year.
- AK met with Jan Fitzsimmons and Bradley Smith to discuss a budget for the tea party/ street party. Jan suggested a budget of £2000 for this event.

Action:

- AK to get a purchase order number for this amount from Jan.

10.5 VP Welfare and Community

- TH submitted her Wellbeing Orientation Week (WOW) presentation.
- TH has set up a sexual health meeting to hear what services they offer.
- TH will meet 'Get Savi' with Rachel Lilley (RL), Advice Centre Manager, to discuss sexual abuse advice services.
- TH we be attending a follow up meeting with the council, Jane Kilby, Employability and Volunteering manager, Helena Buono, (HB) and WF.
- An article was published on the 29th of June regarding the council deciding to ban students from living in certain houses.

Action

- TH to ask for reports from the council about the student ban from housing, and try to be invited to future council meetings to discuss this in more depth.

11. Chief Executive verbal update

Noted:

- Bishop Grosseteste University are launching their strategic plan on the 28th July 2016, and the Executive Committee have been invited to attend.
- Mary Stewart, Vice Chancellor, gave positive feedback about the Student Union after he visit.

12. Health and Safety

- There were concerns that the Engine Shed floor was uneven, but the contractors have stated that the floor will even out with use. This will be monitored.

13. Any Other Business:

13.1 Student Team Merit Award nominations

Actioned:

- The decision was taken to defer the nominations until next week's meeting.

13.2 RAG Conference

Agreed:

- It was agreed that the RAG Officer can attend the RAG Conference if available.

13. Date of the next meeting: 25th July 2016

Signed _____

Date _____

Confirmed