



## UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN STUDENTS' UNION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

University of Lincoln Students' Union Executive Committee 17th October  
2016 at 10am in the Students' Union Boardroom.

### **Present:**

Chair: Sammi Storey -(SS) – President  
John-Paul Dickie (JD) – Vice President Academic Affairs  
Tasnim Hassan (TH) – Vice President Welfare & Community  
James Brooks (JB) – Chief Executive

### **Also in attendance:**

Eilidh Faccenda (EF) –Office Assistant

### **1. 1.1 Apologies for absence**

Will Fry (WF) – Vice President Activities  
Aigerim Kuanysh (AK) – Vice President International

#### **1.2 Declarations of interest**

- None declared.

### **2. Minutes of the previous meeting**

#### **Noted:**

- The minutes of the meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> October were agreed as an accurate record.

### **3. Matters Arising**

#### **Noted:**

- TH responded to the West End Housing Group by the time they requested.
- JPD passed on the website error to the appropriate department to fix.
- The Boxing Club insurance is being followed up by JB.

### **4. Weekly Report**

#### **Noted:**

- The automated system which sends out the finance reports resent last week's figures in error.

#### **Actioned:**

- EF to send out the correct weekly figures to the rest of the Executive Committee as soon as the system is fixed.

## 5. Weeks Events

- Nothing to note.

## 6. SUGgestions

### Noted:

- JB suggested that the new SUGgestions scheme could be altered to be more effective.
- It was suggested that ideas put forward that were deemed the best by the Executive Committee could be fast tracked and brought to Executive Committee for approval without being voted for.

## 7. Floorball Application

### Noted:

- The Floorball application was taken as read.

### Approved:

- The application for a new Floorball club was approved by the Executive Committee.

## 8. Carers Report

### Noted:

- The Carers report will be resubmitted to Executive Committee when all the Executive are present, so that full oversight can be given.

## 9. Student Leader Verbal Updates

### 9.1 President

#### Noted:

- SS Reminded all the Student Leaders to send her appropriate updates to her every two weeks or her Vlog.
- Attended a "Great Minds" talk, and met with Dame Carol Ann Duffy, Poet Laureate.
- Is working on the Swan's Den scheme, and on her plans for graduate employment.
- SS attended the Live UK awards, and congratulated the Student Union on being nominated.

### 7.2 VP Academic Affairs

#### Noted:

- Went to the Holbeach campus, and spoke to students there. JPD stated that he found the visit enlightening, and that he now felt more prepared to represent students from both campuses.

- Is looking at ways in which to engage with distance learners.
- Met with Estate services from the University of Lincoln to discuss the plans for learning space on campus.

### **7.3 VP Welfare and Community**

#### **Noted:**

- World Mental Health day was attended by around 40 students.
- Fed back that for next year, TH would suggest that the venue be changed, as The Advice Centre was still open, and TH felt they were all crowded in a small space.
- Met with the West End Residence Group to discuss the noise complaints made against students in the West End.
- JB suggested the TH keep the Executive Committee informed about the issues in the West End through Executive committee each week.
- TH is to continue to speak to students about street lighting in Lincoln.

#### **Actioned:**

- EF to add "West End noise complaints" as a standing item to the Executive Committee agenda.

### **10. Chief Executive Verbal Update**

#### **Noted:**

- The meeting was cut short, and this item on the agenda was not discussed.

### **9. Health and Safety**

#### **Noted:**

- The meeting was cut short, and this item on the agenda was not discussed.

### **10. Any other business**

#### **10.1 Quack Mexican theme**

#### **Noted:**

- Executive Committee discussed the negative comments left on the Quack! Facebook page by some students who disapproved of the Mexican Quack! theme.

#### **Agreed:**

- The student leaders agreed that all future Quack! themes be brought to Executive Committee for approval.

#### **10.2 Home Affairs Select Committee**

#### **Noted:**

- The Executive Committee have been approached by a journalist to make a statement on the recent allegations made against Malia Bouattia, President of the National Union of Students and by extension, the NUS.
- Malia Bouattia has been labelled “anti-Semitic” and “racist” by the Home Affairs Select Committee, whose report was released over the weekend.

**Agreed:**

- That Lincoln Students Union release a neutral statement to the journalist stating that the SU is continuing to work with the NUS.

**11. Date of the next meeting**

The date of the next meeting is Monday 24th October 2016.

**Chair**

**Signed**

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Confirmed