guildofstudents

SABBATICAL OFFICER GROUP MINUTES

From meeting held 4th AUGUST 2014

Present

Bethan Dovey, VP Democracy, Resources & Sustainability, Chair Jack Mably, VP Housing & Community Wadim Wesolek, VP Activities & Development Molly Browne, VP Sport & Nutrition Frankie Greenwell, VP Welfare

Apologies

Poppy Wilkinson, President Joe Armer, VP Education

<u>In attendance</u>

Jo Thomas, Chief Executive Amy Elliott, Executive Assistant (note taker)

The Chair welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 12:05.

No	ITEM FOR DISCUSSION	Notes	ACTION
1	Minutes from 08.07.14	The minutes from 28 th July were approved.	Approved
2	Matters arising	There were no matters arising.	Noted
3	Diaries	VPW – Last week attended Med School meetings. This week away day and action planning, and work on drug awareness training. VPHC – Last week CMC hearing, met with BCU regarding the future of the SHAC, attended TARA Forum and discussed article 4 and Selly Oak planning, and worked on a campaign for Housing Survey results. This week Tim Owen catch up, away day and annual leave. VPSN – Last week confirmed Sport Night dates, worked with EEO on green transition and cycling idea, completed officer journey, and worked on BUCS Student Officer training. This week away day, action planning, UBS management catch up and work towards putting sport onto Welcome Week agenda. VPAD – Last week worked on room booking policy, met with Guild and Careers Network and discussed alumni fund for enhancing student groups, HAS meeting and discussed Bramall Music as a potential room for students. This week societies fair, marketing and wall planner, and work on student development review. VPDRS – Last week worked on green transition and green impact, Energise Worcester interviews, and discussed link up to bio-diversity with HAS. This week admin, action planning, away day and work on green impact project.	Noted
4	Guild	The VPAD noted the University are to start paying the equivalent of	Noted
	Engagement	living wage to all student staff. The VPSN noted 21 current or alumni students competed at the Commonwealth Games.	Noted
5	Schools & Colleges Update	All Officers have been attending their College inductions, and positive interest in the new Student Rep Scheme has been received.	
		The VPDRS noted the potential of a new student lab being built for	Noted

		TDC .	
		EPS. The VPDRS asked the Officers to bring up the Student Voice Report and Student Rep Scheme at each college committee.	Noted
6	Social Media	The VPDRS is to write her first blog on Energise Birmingham. The VPHC is to write his blog about the Selly Oak planning document and is looking to get consultation in the Guild during the first week of Freshers.	Noted Noted
7	Non Sabb Buddies	The VPDRS is to be the LGBTQ Officer buddy in place of the VPE.	Noted
		It was noted the Women's Officer has resigned and a By-Election will take place along with the other vacant positions.	Noted
8	Officer Training & Development	This week Officers are attending their away day and action planning session. The VPE, President and VPDRS attending Lead and Change week commencing 18 th August, and the VPHC is attending Unipol at the end of August.	Noted
9		The Officers noted their interest in conflict and resolution training	Noted
,	AOB	Sperm Bank The VPW raised the discussion regarding the Medschool advertising through Job zone for sperm donation research. The Officers agreed it was positive to advertise but suggested finding another source of advertising, not through Job Zone. A suggestion to advertise through Student Volunteering was made, and the VPW is to speak to the President once she is back in the office to discuss further.	Noted VPW
		Rag Conference The VPAD noted he is unable to attend RAG conference 26 th – 28 th August and asked if any other Officers would be willing to attend in York. The VPW noted he would like to attend and is to check with RAG about his availability. It was further noted the cost of the ticket and travel would come out of the Officer Hospitality budget.	VPW Noted
		Publicise Sport The VPSN raised the discussion regarding 'Group Exercise' classes at the Guild in conjunction with the Fitness Society and whether the Guild has space to advertise these classes.	
		It was noted it would be a great opportunity to build the relationship between the Guild and Munrow, and the CEO noted all top NSS scoring Unions have sport in their Union.	Noted

Signed	Date