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SABBATICAL OFFICER GROUP MINUTES

From meeting held 18th AUGUST 2014

Present

Bethan Dovey, VP Democracy, Resources & Sustainability Wadim Wesolek, VP Activities & Development Molly Browne, VP Sport & Nutrition Frankie Greenwell, VP Welfare Poppy Wilkinson, President, Chair Joe Armer, VP Education

Apologies

Jack Mably, VP Housing & Community

<u>In attendance</u>

Emily Badger, Head of Strategy & Research Amy Elliott, Executive Assistant (note taker) Wiseborn Danquah, PGSO (for agenda item 3)

The Chair welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 12:00.

No	ITEM FOR DISCUSSION	Notes	ACTION
1	Minutes from 11.08.14	The minutes from 11th August were approved.	Approved
2	Matters arising	Speak Week – the provisional date is in the Officer's diaries. Student Voice Report – the VPE sent the report to Officers. Election Regulations – the VPDRS sent the revised election regulations to the Officers.	Noted
3	PG Students Event	The PGSO requested the Officers and the Guild to organise an event in the summer period for post graduate students. The PGSO noted it would be a Guild event not a PGMSA event and around 100 students will be attending. A discussion regarding the cost for the event was had and the Officers and the PGSO agreed to charge students £3 each to attend the event.	Noted
		The Officers agreed to host an event and a total of £700 out of the campaigns pot will be put towards the event; with £300 from ticket sales paid back in after. The VP Welfare volunteered to assist the PGSO in organising the event.	Approved
4	Diaries	VPSN – Last week worked on PSA online sports module, discussed QE fundraising event at Fisher House, and met with Nottingham Sports Officer. This week charity event and annual leave Friday. VPDRS – Last week worked on sustainability, green impact, energise Birmingham and my campus ride. This week attending Lead and Change. VPE – Last week worked on Student Rep Scheme and met with College Heads to discuss the implementation. This week met with DPVC Education, John Green to discuss a working group for student engagement and partnership, and attending Lead and Change. VPW – Last week met with the mentors to discuss the 'on call' procedure, met with Adam to discuss Fresher Fest emergency	Noted

		procedure, and met with MDS.	
		President – Last week referendum planning session. This week	
		attending Lead and Change.	
5	External Booking	The Officers approved the external booking for February 2015.	Approved
6	Sanaz Raji	The VPE raised the conversation regarding the support for Sanaz Raji. It was noted the VPE and President have been contacted by a Birmingham Student requesting the Guild to sign a letter in support to be sent to local MP's, Ministers of Universities and the home office.	Noted
		The Officers expressed their concern over signing a letter that has been written on their behalf and discussed the opportunity to write a more personal letter of support.	
		The President is to contact Leeds Union to discuss further, and once a conversation has been had, the Officers are to draft a personal letter condemning the process only.	President
		The President and VPE are to contact the student and inform them of SOG's decision.	President/ VPE
7	Guild	Social Media	
	Engagement	There was a discussion regarding Officers presence on social media. It was suggested the Officers to join Klout and track their social media presence.	ALL
		Halls The VPW is to call Tim Owen to get the updated student numbers and residence information.	VPW
		New Website The Head of Strategy & Research noted the number of issues received are significantly lower than last year and if any Officers receive queries, to forward them onto C&M Manager or the website email address.	Noted
		Freshers The VPE noted there are a lot of unofficial Freshers Fest promoters on social media contacting students. The VPW is to talk to RA's asking them to promote the Guild's official Freshers Fest to new students.	Noted VPW
		Place	
		Blogs The VPDRS, VPAD and VPE noted their trouble accessing their blog.	Noted
8	Schools &	The VPAD met with CAL and discussed the Student Voice Report. The	Noted
•	Colleges Update	VPAD and VPE are to meet and discuss.	
9	Social Media	The VPSN noted the DSO and herself are looking at opportunity to increase disability awareness in sport more this year.	Noted
10	Non Sabb	All Officers who have a Non Sabb buddy that fall into liberation of	Noted
	Buddies	representation group to email VPE name so they can be contacted about the inclusion curriculum working group.	
		The VPSN noted the DSO has booked a number of rooms out for Welcome Week so disabled students have somewhere to sit and relax away from the crowds of students.	Noted
11	Officer Training	No discussion was made.	Noted
10	& Development	Consul Floodies	
12	AOB	General Election]

The President is to discuss with SMT at the September SMT monthly meeting.	Noted
ISAS There was a discussion regarding ISAS plans for Welcome Week. The VPAD noted he is going to meet with ISAS to gain more information. It was requested the VPAD to ask ISAS about students registering with the local police and if police are coming onto campus to help students register.	Noted

Signed	Date