



EDUCATION ZONE MEETING MINUTES 20TH NOVEMBER 2019, MR2, STUDENT CENTRAL

1. Attendance

Register:

- Eeshaan Singh Basu, Faculty Rep, Arts, Culture & Education (ESB)
- Katherine Coats, Faculty Rep, Business, Law & Politics (KC)
- Casper Nicholas, Foundation Students' Officer (CN)
- Sanaa Sabir, Faculty Rep, Science & Engineering (SSa)
- Ellis McGlone, Education Coordinator, FBLP & FHS (EM)
- Simeon Orduen, President of Education (SO)

Apologies:

- Emily Birch, Postgraduate Research Students' Officer (EB)
- Marc Brooke (Chair), Mature Students' Officer (MB)
- Saalo Sparkes, Faculty Rep, Health Science (SSp)

2. Reports

a. President of Education

SO in discussion with Senior Fellow about BAME attainment gap. A focus group will be held to discuss and a consent form will be circulated. No updated as of yet to say whether approval has been received.

SO mentioned to Pro-Vice Chancellor of Education (Beck Huxley-Binns) than the attainment gap at the University of Hull is difference to the POLAR attainment gap. Has had a discussion with PVC and noted their support on this matter.

So in discussion with the University about creating a video showing the journey of the BAME attainment gap.

SO has followed up on international student placement costs. Was told that this is due to additional funding that Home and EU students receive. SO has request to see the documentation highlighting these finances.

SO raised eligibility of foundation students receiving grants. Contacted Claire Raines (Management Information Analyst) about this and set up a meeting. Was told in the meeting that part of the money for foundation students was spent on four Transition and Retention Tutors focusing on foundation students. It was noted in the meeting that commitment to retention of foundation students was the same as level 4, 5 and 6 students. It was highlighted, however, that level 4, 5 and 6 students were also eligible for scholarships.

SO reviewing the AST program as part of a committee.

b. Faculty Representatives



i Faculty of Business, Law & Politics

KC met with Course Reps after Student-Staff Forums (SSFs). Concerns have been raised about Rep attendance at SSFs. Reps are not turning up and not providing apologies. KC has told Reps they should report absence to the relevant people.

KC still waiting for feedback from recent meeting with Hull University Business School (HUBS). Claire Hookham is leading on this.

KC in discussion about the issues regarding upcoming Law social event.

ii. Faculty of Arts, Culture & Education

ESB highlighted a big disconnect in FACE between each department, meaning the Faculty is very segmented. Indicated that there is little to no communication between Course Reps. Looking to arrange a meeting to address this matter.

ESB mentioned a problem in Screen regarding lack of Panopto availability.

ESB looking to work with Activities Zone to establish a better line of communication between societies and Faculty regarding use of spaces and equipment, specifically for Drama, Film, and Music.

ESB also addressed issue of attendance at SSFs.

iii. Faculty of Science & Engineering

SSa addressed issue of Panopto recordings in mathematics. Has contacted staff about this.

c. Part-Time Officers

i Foundation Students' Officer

CN had nothing to report.

3. Other Business

KC, ESB and SSa agreed that Viviane Osorio (Deputy Faculty Rep, Health Sciences) can deputise for Saalo at Education Zone Meetings when required.

SO reminded everyone to send apologies if they are unable to attend.

All present agreed Wednesday afternoons remained the best time for Education Zone meetings.

Date for next meeting was not agreed.