

Governance Zone Meeting Minutes

Friday 27th March 2020

Attendance: Isobel Hall, President of the Students' Union (IH); Jess Clunan, Union Council Chair (JC); Huey Arslan, Society Mentor – Activities Zone Chair (HA); Sioban Pickering, Environment and Ethics Representative; Miguel Beedle, Councillor of Scrutiny Governance Zone (MB); Evie Kyte, Women's Officer – Inclusivity and Diversity Chair (EK); Ryan Parker, Councillor of Scrutiny Sports Zone – Sports Zone Chair (RP);

Apologies

Still no Education Chair.

Pronouns

Ground Rules

Current list – anything to add?

- Pronoun policy at the start of every meeting
- Respect
- Attendance *NEW to December 3rd Meeting
- There is no such thing as a wrong opinion *NEW to January 28th meeting

Approval of Minutes and Actions

Minutes to be circulated.

Accountability Reports

Verbal reports to be received by the committee

Isobel Hall, President of the Students' Union

- Working to move all Union activity online
 - Representing student issues concerns and worries about the Covid-19 and how it is impact them and their studies
 - Working to build a community to tackle student loneliness and isolation
 - Doing lots of work behind the scenes to support the Students' Union through these challenging times
 - Working on ensuring the Union is accessible to students
 - Working with the University to ensure student concerns are addressed
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- Jess Clunan, Union Council Chair
 - Moving UC online
 - Sioban Pickering, Environment and Ethics Representative

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- Working on online modules (e-learning module)
 - Getting Climate Group online

- Miguel Beedle, Councillor of Scrutiny – Governance Zone
 - Raised concerns about tuition fees, lecturers being receptive to emails and quality of lectures

Discussion about Standing Orders

- The Governance Zone voted to ratify the amended SO's (7 votes for out of 7 members present)

UC discussion

- MB asked why we are removing the Breastfeeding policy
- MB raised that GZ seconded motion but was not on motion.

Zone Updates

Verbal report to be given by each Zone Chair

- Activities Zone
 - AGMs online
 - RAG looking at how to move online
 - Motion for UC on standing order is causing some controversy
- Education Zone
 - No update as no chair appointed still
- Sports Zone
 - Varsity cancelled and refunds being given
 - AGMs online
 - Lots of activity cancelled
- Inclusivity and Diversity Zone
 - Looking to keep an online presence
 - Tik Toc video
 - Working on handover documents for PTOs
 - Looking to move consent open forum online

AOB

Raised about date still needed for select committee.