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**Formal Meeting of the Executive Committee  
SU Board Room  
24<sup>th</sup> November 2011 from 10.30**

**In Attendance:**

Kayleigh Taylor, VP Welfare & Diversity, Acting President (Chair)  
Jennine Fox, VP Academic Affairs  
Andreas Zacharia, VP Activities (from item 5)  
Gemma Cobby, Student Officer  
John Fernandez, Sports Officer  
Obi Oguru, Postgraduate Students' Officer

**1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from:  
Kelly Nicholls, Maryam Saghir

**2. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Agreed:  
Minutes were accepted as a true record

**3. Matters Arising**

Noted:  
(item 3) Monthly reporting remains unresolved and is an ongoing issue for the Executive team  
(item 5) Ary has discussed gym opening hours and facilities with the Vice Chancellor  
(item 7) Senior Rep format has moved to a monthly programme of individual and group catch ups.  
(item 12) The 'did you know' poster is still to be circulated  
(item 14) Housing survey was completed by students at AGM  
(item 15) Ary met with students at Thomas Parker house

**4. TOP 6 Feedback**

*Teaching & Learning*

Noted:  
SU awards proposal was discussed and the committee were keen to establish a project group for the academic awards.  
The possibility of additional student seats was offered.

Discussed:  
The likely interest by students in this opportunity

Agreed  
JF will establish a project group for academic awards.  
JF will gauge interest in seats on Teaching & L among College Reps

**5. Student Feedback from GOATing**

Noted:  
Students raised concerns about the music at the Enginshed

Agreed:  
To be raised at Ops (Action AZ)

Noted:  
Student concerns about provision of drinking water in the Sports Centre  
The fountain in the Sports Hall has not worked since April

Agreed:  
To raise the concern with Estates



Noted:

Sports and Societies are concerned about not getting a full hour of training in the Sports Centre  
This is to allow for turnover of bookings  
Clubs and Societies are made aware of this at the beginning of the year  
AZ and JF will keep a dialogue open with the Sports Centre

Noted:

The Riseholme bus service is still causing students problems. The timings of the bus, the capacity, the bus drivers and obtaining taxi refunds are all of concern.

## 6. Campuses

Noted:

Jennine will be discussing with the Riseholme HE team to discuss the possibility of establishing a Higher Education Staff Student Liaison Committee as an HE equivalent of the FE Student Experience committee  
Seats for FE and HE students have also been agreed on the Campus Committee

Agreed:

Jennine will raise the Riseholme Bus concerns at the Campus Committee.

## 7. Democracy Update

Noted:

Hull Student Experience attracted no students  
Feedback from staff at the meeting was that student concerns had mostly been addressed.  
The next meeting in February may attract more interest as more information is likely to be available in relation to the sale of the Building.

*Possible co-option of a Societies Officer*

Discussed:

Whether or not co-option for some or all of the vacant seats was appropriate.  
The interest from a student in the Societies post

Agreed

That Societies Council would recommend to Executive committee a candidate for co-option. They would hold a secret ballot.  
That candidates for other posts would be sought via an all student email and web information to be posted after Christmas. Information would include the available posts, the process and the deadlines.

*Resignation of President*

Noted:

Resignation was received today  
A by-election is a requirement of our constitution

Discussed:

Concerns were raised about the time pressure to meet the constitutional requirements with the coming Christmas break  
The implications for students standing include a need to interrupt studies at a difficult time and then resume in Semester B next year.  
Concerns were raised about the SU's ability to resource a by-election given current staffing levels.

Agreed:

That a by-election would run in line with our constitution  
In order to fit around the Christmas break, we will need to work to the minimum timescales.

## 8. Finance

Agreed:

The management accounts were received.

## 9. Exec Reports

Discussed:

The format for Executive reports was discussed.



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## 10. Team Brief

Discussed:

The appropriate contents of a team update was discussed

Agreed

Staff team update to include KPI reporting, Staff meeting feedback and highlights and lowlights.

## 11. Project Updates

*Snowflake Ball*

Discussed:

Students' Union input into the planning of the Christmas event being run by the Enginshed  
The desire for additional activities to make the event a little more special

Agreed:

To use additional ticket income to subsidise additional provision.

## 12. Campaigns

*"Did You Know"*

Agreed:

A project team was agreed as the Executive team and Ross Ironfield  
Jennine will set up project meetings  
A development group will consider wider promotion than posters  
Stick men themed posters were approved

Discussed:

The possibility of using Sabbatical officer faces on the stick men was discussed.

## 13. SU Calendar review

No changes to the Calendar had been put forward.

## 14. Communications Priorities

Agreed

The priorities were agreed as the Housing Survey, Refreshers Fayre and the By-Election

## 15. Any Other Business

Noted:

Apologies were received from Gemma Cobby that she will be busy with Course related work between now and the end of January.

Discussed:

Concerns about the impact of the planned strike action on student lecture time were discussed  
The Union is supportive of the need for action and the purpose of the strike.  
Students should not feel intimidated to cross the picket line to continue studying  
Jennine has received no interest from the Socialist students in an NCAFC event on that day

Agreed:

The Union will publish information to students to educate them about the purpose of the action  
The Union will use a newsletter format to publicise, Sports & Society results, Information about the strike action, information about the by-election and refreshers. This will be circulated by the end of Monday.

## 16. Next meeting date - Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> December 2011 10.30am

I certify that the above minutes are a true and accurate summary of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2011, and have been approved by the Executive Committee. These minutes will now be publicly available.

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Kayleigh Taylor

(Chair)

Date