

Full-Time Officer Group (FTOG)

12:00 – 13:00, Online Meeting (Zoom).

Present

Danielle Murinas, Postgraduate Officer (PGO) (Chair)
George Christian, Sports Officer (SO)
Mikey Brown, President (President)
Josephine Conway, Activities and Employability Officer (AEO)

Also in Attendance

Adam Sheridan, Director of Engagement (AS) Sam Jones, Executive Assistant (SJ) (note taker)

Apologies

Wei-Lun Chen, International Officer (IO)
Jules Singh, Education Officer (EO)
Aaliyah Simms, Welfare & Community Officer (WCO)
Jo Thomas, Chief Executive (CEO)

No	ITEM FOR DISCUSSION	Notes	ACTION
1	Minutes from 13.12.2021	The minutes from the 13th December 2021 were approved as an accurate record of the meeting.	Approved
3	COVID-19	The Officer Team discussed the current situation with COVID-19 and the Omicron variant following the Christmas break. The President noted limited additional guidance form the Department for Education on face coverings in teaching settings. The President noted advice on more substantial masks advised for indoor settings. The President noted several University departments had now adjusted plans to deliver some elements of teaching and assessment online. The President noted that the current COVID-19 rates were much higher than when students returned to campus in September 2021.	Noted Noted
		AS updated the Officer Team on the Guild's monitoring of Co2 levels at the Guild's club nights, whereby additional ventilation would kick in. AS suggested asking for additional information on ventilation provision in teaching spaces. AS noted a advisable level of 1200ppm of Co2 for good quality air. AS suggested discussing with the University's estates team. The PGO noted difficulties accessing COVID-19 testing, noting a national shortage of LFT devices. The PGO noted the difficulty for students being able to access LFT devices in order to follow the University's guidance. The President suggested raising the accessibility of testing for students with the University. AS noted a concern for Guild staff being able to access testing, and possible implications Guild operations.	Noted

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	SJ updated the Officer team on plans for the upcoming Trustee Board away day, planned for Monday 10 th January. SJ noted that currently the away day was planned to go ahead in person, despite 'Plan B' COVID-19 restrictions.	Noted
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