

Full-Time Officer Group (FTOG) Online (Teams)

## Present

Joseph Hill, Education Officer **(EO)** Dean Turner, Welfare & Community Officer **(WCO)** (Chair) Amira Campbell, Guild President **(President)** Cat Hardiman, Sports Officer **(SO)** Tinajie (Alice) Liu, International Officer **(IO)** Benjamin Lockley, Postgraduate Officer **(PGO)** 

## Also in Attendance

Jo Thomas, Chief Executive (JT) Sam Jones, Executive Assistant (SJ) (Note taker)

## **Apologies**

Harry Brooks, Activities & Employability Officer (AEO)

The Chair welcomed everyone and the meeting started at 12:05.

No	Item for Discussion	Notes	Action
1	Minutes of the previous meeting (16.01.24),	The Chair presented the minutes of the previous meetings, dated the 16 <sup>th</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup> and 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2024.	Noted
	(22.01.24), (29.01.24)	The Officer Team approved the minutes as accurate records of the meeting.	Noted
2		The President noted their upcoming 1:1 with the Vice-Chancellor, and asked the Officer Team for items they would like to raise:	
	Vice-Chancellor 1:1 - 09.02.24	<ul> <li>Vice-Chancellor's Question Time</li> <li>West Midlands Mayoral Elections</li> <li>Student Experience impact from higher student recruitment.</li> <li>Harm Reduction</li> </ul>	Noted
3	UEB/ Guild Agenda - 11.03.24	<ul> <li>The Officer Team discussed agenda items for the upcoming UEB/Guild Meeting, planned for the 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024:</li> <li>NSS</li> <li>Harm Reduction</li> <li>Campus Masterplan Update</li> <li>New University Train Station</li> <li>Students at work report</li> </ul>	Noted
4	Joined Up Conversations Agenda – 20.02.24	<ul> <li>The Officer Team discussed agenda items for the upcoming Joined UP Conversations meeting:</li> <li>Cark Parking for Commuter Students</li> <li>NSS</li> </ul>	

		Food on Campus/ Staff Survey.	Noted
5		The EO updated the Officer Team on the University's current drafting process for their new Access & Participation Plan (APP).	Noted
	Access & Participation Plan Update	The EO noted plans for the Guild to prepare a student submission on the APP, to be included in the University's submission. The EO noted a target in the previous APP to eliminate the black student's awarding gap, which had been missed and the gap had in fact grown. The EO noted that the current new draft of the APP included a target to halve the existing black attainment gap, which was less ambitious than the current plan. The President noted the work they had done as part of the black students campaign to secure the University's existing commitment on the black awarding gap. The Officer Team discussed the University's proposed targets.	Noted
		The Officer team discussed the Guild's submission to the APP, and the timeline for developing this.	Noted
6	Officer Diaries	The Officer Team discussed their key meetings for the week ahead:	
		<b>PGO –</b> Student Experience & Engagement Group, Catch-up with Dean of Postgraduates, 1:1 with University Head of Student Engagement.	Noted
		<b>SO</b> – LES Student Comms meeting, Sports EDI Focus Group.	Noted
		<b>IO</b> – University Council, Activities Committee, Audit & Risk Committee, Filming for PTES promotion, Lunar New Year student concert.	Noted
		<b>EO</b> – Giving Evidence at Parliamentary Education Committee, Audit & Risk Committee, STARS Steering Group meeting.	Noted
		<b>President</b> – University Council, Council Catch-up, NUS Delegates Lunch.	Noted
		<b>WCO</b> – Langar on Campus, Student Volunteering Week Catch-up, Officer mentoring session.	Noted
7	Officer Projects	The President updated the Officer Team on plans for the Black Students conference, planned for the 7 <sup>th</sup> March.	Noted
		The President noted plans for a West Midlands mayoral husting as part of work to encourage students to vote.	Noted
8	Schools/Colleges/ Dubai Update	The IO noted a recent positive meeting of the COSS student liaison committee, where the student rep's items had been included on the agenda and given good space for discussion.	Noted
9	Part-Time Officers	The IO noted plans for a wellbeing walk for international students to Winterbourne House, arranged with the EMSO.	Noted

		The President noted ongoing work with the EEO to promote opportunities to engage with activism on campus.	Noted
10	АОВ	The President updated the Officer Team on the University's plans to celebrate it's 125 <sup>th</sup> anniversary during the next academic year, including plans to engage with student societies to raise money for charity and fund additional activities, and connect societies with interested alumni for community engagement work.	Noted
		The IO noted an upcoming visit from student representatives from the University of Amsterdam. The IO asked officers to join them to give a tour of campus. All to review.	All
		The IO noted their recent meeting with a student representative from Ukraine, and plans for further meetings online.	
11	Reserved Business	The Officer Team discussed two items of reserved business.	Noted

The meeting finished at 13:00