

Present

Florence Craddock, Sports Officer **(SO) (Chair)**
 Tinajie (Alice) Liu, International Officer **(IO)**
 Reeve Isaacs-Smith, Welfare & Community Officer **(WCO)**
 Benjamin Lockley, Postgraduate Officer **(PGO)**
 Vanessa Chigariro, Education Officer **(EO)** (arrived at 12:45).
 Acacia Matthews, Guild President **(President)**

Also in Attendance

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

Apologies

Isobel Lawson, Activities & Employability Officer **(AEO)**

No	Item for Discussion	Notes	Action
1	Minutes from 03.01.23	<p>The Chair presented the minutes of the previous meeting, dated 3rd January 2023.</p> <p>The Officer Team approved the minutes as accurate record of the meeting.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Approved</p>
2	Elections Leads	<p>The Officer Team discussed their involvement in the upcoming Officer Elections, noting that if Officers were planning to re-run, they would be required to step back from any involvement in planning and delivery of Guild elections.</p>	Noted
3	Parents and Carers	<p>The PGO updated the Officer Team on plans to re-launch a new network of events for students who had caring responsibilities, for either dependent children or other dependents. The PGO noted that the new network would give a space for student parents and carers to meet and discuss their needs.</p> <p>The WCO suggested working with the University Wellbeing Team to promote the network and access additional resources.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
4	Democracy Review	<p>The SO and PGO updated the Officer Team on progress to date with the Guild's planned democracy review, to be delivered in Semester Two. JT noted that the Guild's internal task & finish group had now met several times before and after the Christmas break to plan for the scope of the review and appoint external consultants. JT noted ongoing discussions on the future form of the part-time officer roles and the Guild's liberation associations.</p>	Noted

		JT noted that the Guild would shortly be recruiting student representatives to be part of the consultation group, involving committee members from the liberation associations.	Noted
5	FTO Projects List	The Officer Team discussed their Project Tracker list. The Officer Team agreed to update the list in full ahead of the Officer/MMT Away Day on the 12th January.	Noted
6	UCU Action	<p>JT noted recent announcements from UCU in relation to a potential marking and assessment boycott as action short of a strike (ASOS). The PGO noted a mixed picture across the UK on which local branches would be taking ASOS. The PGO noted their concerns about the impact of a marking boycott on students, and the lack of alternative capacity in the University to mark student assessment paperwork.</p> <p>JT suggested discussing potential communications with the student voice team. The Officer Team discussed possible communications to students ahead of a possible marking boycott, which could affect timelines of students graduating.</p>	Noted Noted
7	Officer Diaries	<p>The Officer Team discussed their diaries for the week ahead and possible clashes.</p> <p>IO – Trustee Board Away Day, Officer Elections Briefing, University Council De-briefing, University Relationships, Officer Disclosure training, MMT/Officer Away Day.</p> <p>PGO – 1:1 University Head of Engagement, CAL meeting, Registry Meeting, PG Admissions project work, MMT/Officer Away Day.</p> <p>WCO – Community Pantry Funding, Pan Birmingham University Safety Meeting, MMT/Officer Away Day.</p> <p>EO – Careers Network meeting, Med School drop-ins, Library meeting, MMT/Officer Away Day.</p> <p>SO – Activities Committee, Sustainability Meeting with the University, MMT/Officer Away Day.</p> <p>AEO – MMT/Officer Away Day, Elections Briefing, Disclosure Training, Trustee Board Away Day, TOIL.</p> <p>President – 1:1 IO, 1:1 University Head of Engagement, MMT/Officer Away Day.</p>	Noted Noted Noted Noted Noted Noted
8	Remits/ Projects	No Items noted.	Noted
9	Schools/Colleges/ Dubai Update	The IO updated the Officer Team on plans for UoBE Festival events at the UoB Dubai campus in January. The IO noted that they were continuing to work with the new Dubai Student Leaders.	Noted
10	Part Time Officers	The SO updated the Officer team on the work of the Ethical and Environmental Officer on increasing the number of prayer rooms on	

		campus. The Officer Team discussed their support for the PTO in this work.	Noted
11	AOB	JT updated the Officer Team on the expected publication of the investigation report into antisemitism at National Union of Students (NUS), and action plan. The Officer team discussed their response to the report and engagement with Jewish and Muslim students at the Guild following its publication.	Noted

The Chair closed the meeting at 13:00.