

## **Full-Time Officer Group (FTOG)**

Officer's Office

## **Present**

Harry Brooks, Activities & Employability Officer (AEO) (Chair)
Joseph Hill, Education Officer (EO)
Dean Turner, Welfare & Community Officer (WCO)
Amira Campbell, Guild President (President)
Cat Hardiman, Sports Officer (SO)
Tianjie (Alice) Liu, International Officer (IO)

## Also in Attendance

Jo Thomas, Chief Executive (JT)
Amber Challinor, HR Coordinator (AC) (Note taker)

## **Apologies**

Benjamin Lockley, Postgraduate Officer (PGO)

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

No	Item for	Notes	Action
	Discussion		Action
1	Minutes of the Previous meeting (05.02.24)	The Chair presented the minutes of the previous meeting, dated the 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2024, for the Officer Team's approval.	Noted
		The Officer team approved the minutes as an accurate record of the meeting.	Approved
2	Redbrick Proofing Week	The AEO noted that this had been moved to w/c 4 <sup>th</sup> March and asked the Officer team who was available for this.	Noted
		The WCO noted their availability.	Noted
3	Sikh Society	The President noted a recent incident whereby the University had mislabelled an Instagram story about the Sikh Society's Langar as part of 'Discover Islam Week'. The President also noted that the Guild had been tagged by commenters, although the Guild was not involved with the post.	Noted
		The Officer team noted their concern around this incident and expressed that they wanted to ensure that the Sikh Society was supported.	Noted
		The President asked the Officer team to agree on if the Guild should send a formal response to the Sikh Society.	Noted
		It was noted that there had already been a response from the Guild to the Sikh Society, advising that a Student Groups Coordinator would be in touch to discuss the incident with them.	Noted

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		The Officer team agreed that they would not send a formal response, as the incident was being handled by a member of staff.	Noted
4		The President noted that they had a clash between attending the Guild Compact Meeting and a HEPI funding meeting. The President asked for input from the Officer team about where they would be best placed.	Noted
	Compact Meeting	The Officer team discussed the merits of the President attending each meeting and agreed that it would be possible for an Officer to attend the Compact Meeting instead of the President.	Noted
		It was agreed that the Officer team would consider if they would like to attend the Compact Meeting and would reply to the President about this by Wednesday.	AII.
5	Officer Diaries	The Officer Team discussed their key meetings for the week ahead:	
		BUCS West Midlands and East Midlands meeting.  The side LIP Country and Library in the side of th	Noted
		<ul> <li>Talk with UB Sport comms team and University comms team.</li> <li>Student Volunteering Week</li> </ul>	Noted
		<ul><li>Guild Education Committee</li></ul>	
		Language Café	
		Catch up with Emma Robinson	Noted
		EO	
		Survey Action Group	
		Prep for SRSAB	
		President	Noted
		Guild Officer Group (GOG)	
		<ul><li>Mayoral election working group</li><li>Meeting with the Jewish Society</li></ul>	
		Meeting with the sewish Society     Meeting with UOB Friends of Palestine	Noted
		WCO	
		<ul><li>WCO</li><li>Welfare and Liberation Committee</li></ul>	
		Student Volunteering Week	
		Meeting with John to talk about commuter students	Noted
		AEO	
		Reviewing the Student Groups Policy	
		<ul><li>Ethical and Environmental Committee</li><li>Writing Scrutiny Panel report</li></ul>	Noted
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6	Officer Projects	The SO noted that they were working with UB Sport to organise rainbow laces for sports teams for LGBTQ+ history month.	Noted
		The IO noted their upcoming Language Café that week, which would be a Valentine's edition.	Noted
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7	Schools/Colleges/ Dubai Update	The IO noted that the upcoming trip to Dubai has been postponed to March. They noted that this would mean they would be unable to attend the Officer away day.	Noted
		JT noted that they would speak to the IO about the scheduling conflict. JT and IO to discuss.	JT/IO
8	Part-Time Officers	The President noted a meeting they had had with the Ethical & Environmental Officer.	Noted
9	AOB	The AEO noted that MedSoc had asked for the Medball after party to be held at the Guild after their original venue fell through. The AEO asked for Officer support on this.	Noted
		The Officers agreed to support the Medball after party being held at the Guild.	Noted
		JT noted that they would speak to the Director of Engagement about the details of the event.	JT
		The EO noted that it would be Lord Bilimoria's last time attending the Guild Awards. The Officer team discussed how this would be recognised.	Noted
		The WCO noted that it was Student Volunteering Week and asked for Officer support with this.	Noted
		The President noted that they would attend the litter pick in Selly Oak. The SO and EO noted that they would be attending the canal clean up.	Noted
		The IO noted the success of the Chinese New Year concert that was held at the University. The IO noted that the Guild should do more to acknowledge student-run events.	Noted
		JT and the IO agreed to discuss this item further with the Student Groups department.	JT/IO

The meeting finished at 13:00