

Present

Mikey Brown, President (**President**) (Chair)
 Jules Singh, Education Officer (**EO**)
 Wei-Lun Chen, International Officer (**IO**)
 Josephine Conway, Activities and Employability Officer (**AEO**)
 Danielle Murinas, Postgraduate Officer (**PGO**)

Also in Attendance

Adam Sheridan, Director of Engagement (**AS**)
 Lucy Gill, Voice & Representation Manager (**LG**) (Agenda Item 2 only)
 Sam Jones, Executive Assistant (**SJ**) (note taker)

Apologies

Aaliyah Simms, Welfare & Community Officer (**WCO**).
 George Christian, Sports Officer (**SO**)

No	Item for Discussion	Notes	Action
1	Minutes from 07.02.2022	<p>The minutes from the 7th February 2022 were approved as an accurate record of the meeting.</p> <p>The SO noted several outstanding actions from the minutes. The EO noted they were meeting with the relevant student later in the day in relation to a previous action.</p>	<p>Approved</p> <p>Noted</p>
2	Priority Campaigns	<p>LG noted the results of the 'Change in Mind' campaign to date, indicating the current state of UoB student mental health;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High levels of loneliness during the COVID-19 pandemic. • Poor communication about UoB Wellbeing Services • Difficulties with rent and cost of living • Impact of drinking culture at University on mental health/. • BAME Students issues with racist incidents. • Issues with responses and turn-around times from UoB Wellbeing Services. <p>LG noted that they would shortly be leaving the organisation, with a new Campaigns and Policy Coordinator starting after they were due to leave. LG noted that due to the Guild Elections period over the coming weeks, progress on the campaign was likely to slow.</p> <p>The Officer Team discussed possible next steps with the campaign. AS suggested circulating highlighted information from the 'Change in Mind' campaign to date to elections candidates. The IO noted the importance of sharing the information across all levels of the University's operations.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>

		<p>The President suggested having a one-page summary of the findings of the campaign to-date, to present to the University at the next UEB/Guild meeting. LG to prepare.</p> <p>The President noted the University's parallel 'Time to Talk' survey, which had included a high proportion of postgraduate's students. The PGO noted that the Guild should receive data from the survey prior to the next UEB/Guild meeting.</p> <p>The President suggested including the campaign on the next Guild Officer Group (GOG) agenda. The President suggested a focused effort over the coming two weeks, prior to Guild Elections, to raise the number of completed conversations and collect more data. The PGO agreed to reach out to the existing campaign volunteers.</p> <p>LG left the meeting at 12:20.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
3	UEB/Guild Agenda Items - 07.03.22	<p>The Officer Team discussed additional agenda items for the upcoming Guild/ University Executive Board meeting on Monday 7th March 2022.</p> <p>The EO updated the Officer team on developments with University's delivery of a canvass course on sexual harassment. The EO noted that the University EDI team had agreed to meet with the Guild prior to the next UEB/Guild meeting. The President suggested including 'Consent Training' to the next UEB agenda. The EO agreed to draft a paper.</p> <p>The Officer Team noted the following possible items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guild Elections Update – EO • Student Voice Update – President • 'Change in Mind' Campaign Update – SO • Student Engagement Update – AEO • Consent Education – WCO and EO 	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
4	NUS Strike	<p>The EO noted that the NUS had called for a Student Strike on Wednesday 2nd March as part of their campaign for a 'New Vision for Education', including a demonstration march in central London.</p> <p>The President suggested offering support via the campaigns pot to support students who intended to travel to London to the March, however the Guild was not planning on organising a delegation.</p> <p>The Officer Team discussed communications to students about the NUS march. The President suggested holding an event or rally to coincide with the day. The President noted the difficulty of the date falling during the Guild's elections week.</p> <p>The PGO noted that in their view, if the Guild were to hold a sympathetic event for NUS's campaign, they should also look to organise a event in support of UCU strike action on campus.</p> <p>AS noted that a range of student opinion was likely, and suggested enabling students to take the lead and offering Guild support. AS</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>

		<p>noted the issue of international student's visa conditions in relation to missing teaching dates.</p> <p>The President suggested offering to support student's planning to travel to London for NUS's march. The President suggested avoiding holding a Guild event during elections week due to resource limitations.</p> <p>The IO left the meeting at 12:50.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
5	Officer Key Meetings	<p>President – Russell Group SU's Consultation on the Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF), Guild Officer Group.</p> <p>IO – n/a.</p> <p>EO – National Education Officers Meeting, 1:1 w/ Head of Student Services, Audit & Risk Committee, NUS Tour of Guild building.</p> <p>SO – n/a.</p> <p>WCO – n/a.</p> <p>AEO – University Misconduct Hearing, Guild Officer Group, Technical Coordinator Interviews, Activities Committee, Audit & Risk Committee.</p> <p>PGO – Graduate Taught Board, Head of Graduate School 1:1, Wellbeing meeting, LGBTQ+ History Month event, Comms for LGBTQ+ History Month.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
6	Schools/ Colleges/ Dubai Update	No Items noted.	Noted
7	Guild Communications & Social Media	<p>The Officer team noted the following items for promotion via social media:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UCU Strike Information. • NUS Strike Information. • Cupid's Corner. • Guild Renters Union launch. <p>The PGO noted plans for a video to promote LGBTQ+ History Month events on ally-hip.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
8	Part Time Officers	The EO noted recent meetings with the TSO to plan events for trans students for LGBTQ+ History Month. The President noted a recent positive Trans Student's Forum, where a number of students had fed back on concerns with the new VC's previous record.	Noted
9	AOB	The President noted the need to clarify the University's mitigations for students during UCU strike action. The EO noted a recent meeting with the University where the Guild's requests had been discussed. The EO updated the Officer team on the outcomes, including the University's plans for deadline extensions.	Noted

		<p>The Officer Team discussed the need for specific commitments from the University, communicating to students the provisions in place to avoid disruptions to learning and significant detriment to students.</p> <p>The President noted that the Guild's was launching today. The President asked Officers to promote the launch on social media. The President noted an upcoming press release and a planned campaign.</p> <p>The AEO noted lower than expected interest so far for Guild Awards 2022. The AEO noted significantly lower numbers of nominations than in previous years. The AEO asked Officers to promote the nominations process online. The President noted the difficulty of a lack of awareness in the event, which had not taken place for since April 2019.</p> <p>AS updated the Officer Team on a recent health & safety incident in the Guild building.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
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The Chair closed the meeting at 13:10.