

Full-Time Officer Group (FTOG) 12:00 – 13:00, Hybrid Meeting (Mandela/Zoom)

Present

George Christian, Sports Officer **(SO)** (Chair) Wei-Lun Chen, International Officer **(IO)** Aaliyah Simms, Welfare & Community Officer **(WCO)** Jules Singh, Education Officer **(EO)** Josephine Conway, Activities and Employability Officer **(AEO)** Danielle Murinas, Postgraduate Officer **(PGO)**

Also in Attendance

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

Apologies

Mikey Brown, President (President)

No	Item for Discussion	Notes	Action
1	Minutes from 11.04.2022	The minutes from Monday 11 th April 2022 were approved as an accurate record of the meeting.	Approved
2	'SafeZone' App	 The WCO updated the Officer Team on the University's planned launch of the new 'SafeZone' app, which was already in operation at multiple University's across the UK. The WCO noted that the App allowed student's to quickly contact University Security staff if necessary and emergency requests could be located by University security via GPS. The WCO noted that the app was fully accessible and available in multiple languages. The WCO noted that the app was a welcome addition to improve student's security. The Officer Team discussed the Guild's communications for the app. The AEO noted previous long-wait times for responses to incidents which happened in the Guild building. The WCO noted that other staff may be part of the response system, such as staff who were first-aid trained, which would improve response times across campus. The Officer Team discussed the content of the data that may be callected on students winch the app with the App. 	Noted Noted Noted
3	President Diary	collected on students via the App. SJ updated the Officer Team on the President's diary, while they	Noted
		remained on leave.	Noted
		JT updated the Officer Team on the 'Universitas 21' group, which was holding a conference on campus in the coming week.	Noted

		The Officer Team discussed their attendance at the Universitas 21	
		Presidential Symposium and Youth participation summit.	Noted
		The Officer Team discussed future events from the President's diary which may require cover.	Noted
4	PVC Recruitment - 17th May	The Officer Team discussed an opportunity to participate in the upcoming recruitment cycle for the University's Pro-Vice Chancellor for Education. The Officer Team suggested reaching out to the incoming President and Education Officer to invite them to participate. The PGO, IO and WCO put themselves forwards to take part.	Noted
		SJ to email the incoming President and Education Officer.	SJ
5	Officer Action Plans	SJ reminded the Officer Team to update their action plans for circulation to the Trustee Board.	Noted
6	Campus Services Meeting Agenda	The SO asked about agenda items for the Campus Services/ Guild meeting agenda. The Officer Team suggested the following items to include on the agenda;	
		 Meal Plan pricing. Accommodation. Commonwealth Games facilities disruption. 	Noted
		The Officer Team discussed student awareness of the upcoming Birmingham Commonwealth Games, and a lack of promotional material about the games on campus.	Noted
7	Roombookings for Graduate School	The PGO updated the Officer Team on issues faced by the University's Postgraduate Ambassadors booking Guild rooms. The PGO noted that because the students were not part of a registered Student Group. JT asked for the	Noted
8	Referendum	The EO noted their view that, following recent issues within NUS including issues of anti-Semitism, it was now a relevant time to hold a referendum on the Guild's membership of the National Union of Students.	Noted
		The Officer Team discussed the costs and benefits for the Guild of membership of the National Union of Students. JT noted the financial and trading benefits of the Guild's membership of NUS including the NUSSL buying consortium for food and drink supplies.	Noted
		The EO noted expressions of interest from a number of students in holding a referendum on NUS membership. The Officer Team discussed the timeline and process for a possible referendum on NUS membership.	Noted
8	Officer Key Meetings	The SO noted a clash between an upcoming Engagement Committee meeting and Commonwealth Games meeting.	Noted

		The EO noted they're planned speech to prospective A2B applicants.	Noted
		The EO noted an upcoming meeting with the University's graduate interns about plagiarism.	Noted
8	Schools/ Colleges/ Dubai Update	No items noted.	Noted
9	Guild Communications & Social Media	 The Officer team noted the following items for promotion via the Guild's Communication channels: De-Stresstival events. Campus Vaccination Hub. National Student Survey. 	Noted
10	Part Time Officers	JT updated the Officer Team on planned discussions with the LGBTQSO and TSO on gender neutral toilets. The AEO updated the Officer Team on the possible costs for refreshing the Guild's gender neutral toilet spaces.	Noted
11	AOB	No items noted.	Noted