

Scrutiny Panel Meeting 4 (PTOs) Agenda

Date: 22/04/21

Time: 2pm-4pm

No	Time	Item for discussion
1	2:00pm-2:05pm	Welcome and matters arising
2	2:10pm-2:25pm Campaigns Officer Report & Questions	<p>YX entered the meeting and provided updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Helped with events for History Months e.g. LGBT and Women's History Months and events for Black Voices Campaign - Helped with other events <p>ET: How has the Campaigns Committee gone?</p> <p>YX: I forgot to mention this in my updates. It's gone well, and we are making progress with campaigns.</p> <p>OO: I appreciate it's been a difficult time for your role. How do you think the role can be improved? What advice would you have for the incoming Campaigns Officer?</p> <p>YX: That's a very good question. Help other Officers with events</p> <p>OP: What plans do you have for the handover for the next Campaigns Officer?</p> <p>YX: That's another good question. I'd like to do an event, and I hope the situation/restrictions will become better so I can do this event. I'd like to make campaigns more popular and easier.</p> <p>JT: Which campaign do you think was the most successful that you've worked on this year, and why?</p> <p>YX: The Black Voices Campaign. I've done and helped with some events for the Black Voices Campaign, and other events (e.g. Go Green Week, LGBT & Women's History events) are related to the Black Voices Campaign. For next year's Campaigns Officer, they may want to work with events and campaigns together and relate them together.</p>

		YX and the Panel thanked each other and YX left the meeting.
3	2:25pm-3:05pm	<i>Due to two Officers being unable to attend this meeting, and another Officer not attending (without apologies), there were three empty time slots. The Panel used this time to work on feedback for the Officers that they had already talked to.</i>
6	3:05pm-3:20pm Ethnic Minority Students Officer Report & Questions	<p>IKT entered the meeting and provided updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cultural Cookbook with WLC - Black Voices Campaign - help from Student Voice Assistants - Be The Change Campaign (changed name from “No Space For Hate) - involving Student Groups <p>ET: Could you tell us a bit more about Black Voices Campaign, what you’re currently working on and future events?</p> <p>IKT: Some recent events included covering topics such as decolonization in West Africa, bias in coding, and bias in the justice system. We collaborated with academics in the University. We’re hoping to have more (not now due to coming to the end of term) but next academic year. This will include College events and Guild events. A podcast is also in the work.</p> <p>ET: That all sounds great, and all of the work sounds really positive!</p> <p>OO: You’ve done a lot this year and it’s good that the Black Voices Campaign has been successful. You’ve done a lot, what have you taken away and what would you like to see continue?</p> <p>IKT: The Be the Change campaign, as this focuses on being anti-racist, and recognizing where certain issues may arise on campus and being aware of these. I’d also like to see the EDI Canvas course continue, and the general energy around EDI continue (as this has been a big focus this year).</p> <p>OP: You mentioned about ethnic minority students networks in your report, I’d like to ask about this?</p> <p>IKT: The networks are for ethnic minority students to have a place to talk. There’s one in EPS too.</p>

		<p>ET: You decided you'd like to focus about careers events that are already happening instead of doing more career events - I'd like to know more about this?</p> <p>IKT: The initial events were planned in November, when recruitment takes place and students are working on applications. In the 2nd term, this isn't really the time where students are considering applying for jobs. I also considered projects such as Impact Project which the University run in the summer. We'd like to get students to think about applications and jobs then, and to push events that the Careers Network are already doing.</p> <p>ET: The Careers Network do usually have a lot going on that students aren't aware of.</p> <p>The Panel and IKT thanked each other and</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>3:20pm-3:35pm</p> <p>Trans & Non-Binary Students Officer Report & Questions</p>	<p>AH & EA entered the meeting and provided updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Had response from staff in colleges about gender neutral guides <p>ET: We think collaboration with BEMA is something that could continue</p> <p>AH & EA: It's been difficult to have meeting with BEMA due to it being difficult to do meetings at the moment.</p> <p>ET: How are you feeling about handover, and is there any knowledge you have to pass on to the next Trans & Non-Binary Students Officer?</p> <p>EA/AH: We're really confident about the next Trans & Non-Binary Students Officer. They have done a lot of great work with the Association, so it's not their first step in Guild politics. We will be organising a hand over meeting soon to talk to them about our work.</p> <p>OO: It's good that you've got some positive feedback on gender neutral guides, how did you do these though?</p> <p>AH/EA: We sent out emails. If we don't get any responses, the plan is to involve Jules. If one college circulates it, then hopefully that will have a domino effect with other colleges.</p>

		<p>OP: I think it's good and exciting to hear that you're confident about the next Trans and Non-Binary Students Officer. What have you enjoyed the most about this year?</p> <p>EA: I've been in this role for two years now, I did more work in my first year as this year has been difficult due to COVID.</p> <p>AH: In summary, we did the best we could - we've set a lot of ground work though e.g. gender neutral guides, we haven't done one single big thing, we've just done a lot of ground work. We've done general work for Trans students too e.g. conversion therapy issue with Psychology Department.</p> <p>OP: It's been really difficult for all of the Officers, and you've all done a really good job!</p> <p>ET: Was there going to be another meeting about the conversion therapy issue?</p> <p>EA: There is a steering group in the Psychology Department that Sorcha is part of, we aren't part of it though.</p> <p>AH: We're preparing the next Trans & Non-Binary Officer in case there isn't an LGBTQ+ students elect, as there's a lot of cross over between the work of these officers.</p> <p>EA, AH and the Panel thanked each other and EA and AH left the meeting.</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>3:35pm-3:50pm</p> <p><i>Ethical & Environmental Officer Report & Questions</i></p>	<p>MG entered the meeting and provided updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Working on green impact with Mike Carolan, and a bit with Rob - Freebie policy, fossil free wine, presentations to deliver to Guild staff, coffee cups, won a competition worth £1000, compost bins are all in - Event next week about sustainability and periods - Competition that University are running - Working with Amie on how societies can be sustainable <p>ET: Well done on the compost bins - lots of students are using them! I'd like to ask about the Red Meat Survey - some students weren't happy with it and raised serious concerns, but I think you dealt with it well. What did you learn from it?</p>

		<p>MG: It was definitely a learning experience - I could run things past people more. I had a bit of naivety of my side about some of the things I was asking, and I'd like to work with BEAT and Imogen more moving forwards. Overall we got over 1000 responses.</p> <p>ET: When doing handover, it would be good to make them aware of this and what to do, so they don't have to go through the same thing. The freebie policy sounds like a great idea! Is there anything specific about it?</p> <p>MG: It's still in the works. We're thinking of doing a token system, where businesses that come during Welcome offer a token for one person and they only get one freebie, rather than coming out of Welcome with unnecessary items, leaflets etc.</p> <p>ET: It's definitely important, especially as we're introducing more reusable cups. I think it will be a system that will become more familiar to students.</p> <p>OO: I also think the freebie policy is a great idea. It could maybe be encouraged for students to only take what they need and want, not what they don't need. Well done also on the compost bins! You mentioned the Climate Emergency campaign in your report, and you got around 250 signatures.</p> <p>MG: I wanted 300 responses. As we're moving into April, there is some news that will become public that I hope will help with responses, and I'd like to give a final push then. With the token thing, we need to think about if someone gives a token away and then goes to the last stall and wants something, there's other things like this that we need to think about.</p> <p>OP: For the freebies, you could use QR codes as codes. Students could also have the choice to say if they don't want something. What are you hoping that the next EEO will achieve?</p> <p>MG: I've already had a meeting with Rachel already. I'd like her to be involved with bits and bobs, but I don't want her to be overwhelmed. I'd like Rachel and the new Sports Officer to work together, as I feel that their relationship is important.</p> <p>OP: It sounds like you're really involved with your handover, so well done!</p>
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9	3:50pm-4:00pm	The Panel agreed a time to complete feedback for Officers.