

Graduate Students' Association Council

17/06/2019 5pm

Venue: Vanbrugh VN/044

Minutes

Present: Sarah Wright (Equality Officer)
Amy Bullard (VP: Wellbeing and Community)
Sehrish Shafi (President)
Charlotte Chamberlain (VP: Academic)
Daniel Lock (Chair)
Kate Densley (Sports Officer)

In attendance: Peter Gorbert (CEO)
Chris Bovis (Minutes)

Apologies: Miguel Santos (Faculty Rep: Arts and Humanities)
Rounak Ghosh (Faculty Rep: Sciences)
Maha Naeem (Communities Officer)

Absence: Neil Cox (Volunteering Officer)
Veerle Kappen (Colleges Officer)
Killy Zhao (Faculty Rep: Social Sciences)
Sofia Sarabia (Events Officer)

1. Welcome
2. Apologies (as above)
3. Approval of previous minutes
 - Chair and VP W&C second minutes.
4. Matters Arising
 - Smoking Areas Update - Spoke to someone at Equality and Diversity about a Health and Safety committee to have inclusion as a student representation.
 - Communication and Events Coordinator to change website - to be closed.
 - Bus survey - results aren't coming any time soon. Close temporarily - and reopen once the report comes back. Reopen for new Council as results are expected next academic year.
 - Communities Officer reviewing wellbeing wednesday - Closed
 - Rapid improvement event regarding LOA - Closed
 - The rest to be closed.
5. Reports
 - a. Written Reports from the Officers
 - i. PRES

- President announces that she is leaving. Chair thanks her for her hard work as President and wishes her well in the future. There were no questions.
- ii. VP: W&C
 - BAME welcome week booklet - VP W&C success! President asks a question about the action points regarding Campus Cohesion and inclusion and equality work. No further questions. Chair thanks her for her work as VP W&C and wishes her well in the future.
- iii. VP: A
 - Chair asks about the app. Possibility of the trial but not to replace the email addresses. **Action to download the app Slack and trial it.** Chair commends her article on Augar. Chair thanks her for her work as VP A and wishes her well in the future.
- b. Verbal Reports from Council Members
 - i. Sports Officer
 - Applied for funding to get equipment for GSA network.
 - Looking to review and replace equipment for sports teams.
 - Sports Centre personal trainer adverts are perpetuating harmful gender stereotypes. Looking into getting them changes. Advertising Agency has new guidelines for perpetuating harmful gender stereotypes.
 - CEO - Potential involvement of the SO in the upcoming Sports Meeting.
 - ii. Equality Officer
 - No updates.
- 6. CEO Recruitment and Interim Management
 - CEO is leaving in two weeks. Recruitment is underway - advert has been public since June. The CEO wants to have different groups during the interview process - and it would be great to have Council involved in the student element. 11th July 9-5. Details will be distributed. During the interim, the management will be handled by Charlotte and Amy.
- 7. Summer Events
 - CEC and VP W&C looking for any recommendations on events. Will be making a booklet with a list of events - sports, new events etc., so handily accessible for students. Sports Day to be included, so VP W&C to work with SO. Karaoke, Bingo, Pub Quizzes etc.
- 8. Elections Summary
 - Biggest voter turnout ever. Winners - Purnur, Jane and Clara.
- 9. AOB
 - GSA Awards
 - Come along! There is an award for Council member position. Friday 5th July
 - Thanks to Pete and Sehrish.