

Governance Zone
Wednesday, 1 March 2017, 9.30am
Membership Services Area

Position	Name	02.02.17	16.02.17	01.03.17	16.03.17	
Environment & Ethics Officer	Aona Stuart					
Campaigns & Democracy Officer	Edward Towers					
Chair Union Council	Joshua McMullan			N/A		
Chair Education Zone		N/A	N/A	N/A		
Chair Welfare & Community Zone	Rayne Goddard					
Chair Activities Zone	Chris Knott					
Chair Sport Zone	Kimberley Houghton					
Councillor for Scrutiny	Oliver Taylor					
Councillor for Scrutiny	Christian Calgie					
VP Scarborough	Si Hernandez					

Absent	
Apologies	
Present	

In attendance:

Tania Struetzel, Democracy & Governance Co-ordinator (Minutes)
Steven Storey, Faculty Rep Science & Engineering
George Bainbridge, VP Welfare & Community

1. Apologies

Kim Houghton, Chair Sports Zone.

2. Approval of minutes from previous meeting

Approved as a correct record.

3. Matters arising

N/A

4. Report by VP Scarborough

- On Scarborough Campus: Asking students what the Union can do for them. Students are writing responses on post-it notes.
- No further updates on transition.
- March 8th, International Women's Day: bringing Scarborough students to Hull.
- Seaside Story: Bands have been arranged.
- Rate Your Union survey engagement.
- Update on objective regarding PTO training later on in the meeting.

- Union Council breakout sessions went well, Student Officers to come up with action plan.

5. Report by Campaigns & Democracy Officer

Motion at Union Council to remove the position with effect from next academic year has passed.

Had a meeting with VPE to discuss mitigating circumstances policy.

Planning to do lecture shout-outs for nomination week.

6. Report by Environment & Ethics Officer

In touch with Scarborough Campaigns Officer with regard to Green Week.

Has designed flyer for Green Week. Planning to have stalls at the Lawns.

7. Report by Councillors for Scrutiny

OT will be taking over from JMcMullan as Chair of Union Council from the next meeting. OT commented that the breakout groups went well, however some feedback was repetitive and it was felt that it took up too much time during the meeting. Suggested breakout groups between Student Officer Reports and motions for the next Union Council meeting.

8. Report by Chair Union Council

N/A

9. Report by Chair Welfare & Community Zone

Update from VPWC as Chair WCZ not in attendance.

VPWC is working on community handbook to be handed out to second year students who are moving from University into private accommodation.

Working with the University and Women's Officer on events for International Women's Day.

Mental Health Awareness Day planned for late March.

Litter pick on Friday, March 3rd.

LGBT+ continuing with weekly events and Sport Give-it-a-go session.

Disabled Students Officer has resigned.

10. Report by Chair Education Zone

Faculty Rep for Science & Engineering in attendance. He has been working on three objectives for the year: Use of Panopto; smooth running of new student hub; availability of information to students included in module handbooks.

Panopto will now not be in place until the next academic year.

Worked on improvement on how disability needs appear on the system when taking subject-area tests.

Update from VPWC: Recent working group with the University discussed the same issue and concluded that another checkbox will be added to online submissions to cover any disability needs.

OT queried whether SS has been working with other Faculty Reps to assess how student hubs have been running as his experience of the student hub has been positive. SS replied that he is not currently doing that as hubs are still working on standardising their own procedures.

At current, there is no policy that standardises which information should be included in module handbooks so that students have one point of accessing relevant information. SS has drafted a policy that VPE will be taking to ULTAC.

11. Report by Chair Sport Zone

Not in attendance.

12. Report by Chair Activities Zone

Not in attendance.

13. Motions

None reported.

14. AOB

VPSc is working on standardised training for part-time Officers. He will be visiting Manchester Met Students' Union next week to learn more about their training. He has also prepared a questionnaire for Union Council members to discuss in breakout groups at the next Union Council meeting about what should be included in PTO training.

OT commented that we should encourage more collaboration between zones.

ET commented that it would be helpful to have set expectations for the role.

SS noted that it would be helpful to have a structure diagram of all the internal Union structures.

DGC replied that the above mentioned issues are all explained in the Union Council handbook which is available on the HUU website and has been sent to Union Council members before and after training in May and October.

Action: DGC to email copy of UC handbook and structure diagram to SS.

Date of next meeting: 16th March, Time TBC