

**Sports Zone Meeting  
Tuesday, 11 October 2016, 3pm  
MR 3**

Position	Name	11.10.16	08.11.16	xx.xx.16	xx.xx.16	xx.xx.17	xx.xx.17
Events&Varsity Officer	Kimberley Houghton	N/A					
Secretary& Communications Officer	Laura Webb						
Tour Officer	Evie Edmed						
Kit & Equipment Officer	Declan Whiting						
Participation & Inclusivity Officer	Millie Rowbotham						
BUCS Officer	Jags Sanghera						
Councillor for Scrutiny	N/A						
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Vice- President Sports	Matt Bramall						

Absent	
Apologies	
Present	

**In attendance:**

Tania Struetzel, Governance & Democracy Co-ordinator  
Jackie Berry, Chief Executive (for agenda point 4)

**1. Welcome and Objectives setting**

MB congratulated Exec and ensured they are aware of the roles and responsibilities for the year via 'flipchart exercise', group results recorded below after discussion:

*1. What is the purpose of AU Exec?*

- Involve other non-sports societies
- Student representation of sport
- Organize events
- Use media to promote teams
- Develop ideas and work with VP Sport
- Support all Student Officers in campaigns and projects
- Provide opportunities for sport
- Act as an intermediate between students and HUU
- Support sports clubs
- Hold VP Sport to account

*2. What does the Exec do?*

- Communicate between AU/HUU/Societies/Student Officers/Exec
- Support students with campaigns
- Promote & conduct plans, events and campaigns
- Support campus sport and be the link between them and clubs

- Manage and help run clubs
- Represent sport at Union Council
- Support each other in our specific roles
- Represent growing AU community (new clubs and growing clubs)

### 3. *What challenges will we face this year?*

- Growth of clubs and generation of new clubs creates extra strain on resources and staff interaction.
- Fundraising and budgets - how do we source money for struggling teams?
- Choosing a kit supplier-look ahead at strategy, what do people want and how much do they want to pay?
- Collecting feedback
- Encouraging people to go and support other teams
- Communication between 60+ sports teams and ourselves
- Scheduling and timetable clashes between ourselves
- Difference of opinion between ourselves- try to stay open minded and compromise
- Facilities- clashes in court time and dangerous/unplayable surfaces
- Tour (discussed later)

## 2. AOB

- MB: Improvement of non-BUCS financial support (e.g. Ice hockey sell tickets to watch a game and move out of debt. Exec to help with promotion)
- MR raised concern over feedback from MB, felt like questions were asked but never answered or outcomes were not communicated.  
**Action:** MB agreed to schedule more face-to-face meetings as things get lost via email. MB also agreed to delegate more jobs to the Exec to save him time and give Exec more responsibility.

## 3. Roles of AU Exec

- Secretary and Communications Officer
  - Provide a link to media
  - Chair of the colours committee
  - Promote clubs/teams to create an awareness of all the sport that's available at Hull

### **Useful contacts:**

-Tim Goodfellow (Editor Hullfire) [timjgood82.twm@gmail.com](mailto:timjgood82.twm@gmail.com)

-Josh Baker (Station Manager Torch TV) [tvhead@hullfire.com](mailto:tvhead@hullfire.com)

- Kit Representative
  - Link between AU and kit supplier
  - Collate data to give feedback to kit supplier about service and use that to help make a decision about new supplier
  - Ensure strong link and process with supplier

- Tour representative
  - Adapting role, contact Matt from ilovetour
  - Ensure tour leaders know their responsibilities
  - Understand new booking arrangement

#### 4. Tour

MB explained that the booking system will change for this year, i.e. clubs will book directly through ilovetour website and not through HUU. Kick back from ilovetour will go directly to clubs (about £20 per head) but no HUU staff members will be on Tour, i.e. HUU will have no involvement with the running of Tour.

JS questioned how the kickback would work and how the clubs will get any money back if HUU are doing none of the admin. JS also queried what the implications were given that there would be no HUU staff members on Tour, e.g. what would the penalties be if misconduct occurred. MB responded that this would be discussed with tour leaders. JS pointed out that in the past if it was a disciplinary issue, students could get terminated from their course, but questioned what would be put in place to ensure misconduct did not occur now. MR queried why ilovetour was picked on the students' behalf. MB responded that the Board of Trustees concluded that ilovetour would be the 'preferred' tour company based on the health and safety record and comparison across the sector. However, this would not prevent sports clubs from booking with a different provider. MB also pointed out that ilovetour would like to keep working with HUU sports clubs as Hull is a large touring university.

JB clarified that:

- All Athletic Union clubs may affiliate with HUU and still use it in their name (e.g. Hull University Men's Volleyball).
- No HUU staff members will be on Tour.
- HUU will support VP Sport, AU Exec and tour leaders in meeting with ilovetour to discuss approachability and disciplinary actions and suggest iloveour have more senior staff members on site.
- Agreed to map out an escalation route (e.g. emergency contact in the UK to help solve any major issues occurring during Tour) to support tour leaders whilst abroad.

JS queried whether a pre-tour social night would take place in the Union again. MB responded that he had agreed for ilovetour to give a presentation which could coincide with a night out.

**Action:** MB and AU Exec to clarify details and date of pre-Tour Social.

**Action:** MB to raise concerns with ilovetour about procedures during Tour and feed back to the AU Exec.

- Participation and Inclusivity Officer
  - Highlight HUU's Zero Tolerance Policy
  - Make sport accessible for all

- BUCS Representative
  - Create BUCS match packs, collate and input all results by 10am on a Thursday.
  - Make sure Hull has a voice at all BUCS meetings and events

#### 5. AU Council

MB explained that it is compulsory for AU Presidents to attend and that the meeting provides them with the opportunity to hold the AU Exec and VP Sport to account.

**Action:** MB to set dates for AU Council ASAP.

6. **Campus Sport** (Ollie, Sophie and Laura) gets people involved in turning up and playing sessions and can help get funding for affiliations.

#### 7. General zone business

- a. Election of Sports zone chair: Postponed until next meeting when all Exec members have been elected.
- b. MB: Hockey pitch will be completed on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016.
- c. MB: AU Fair was a success. DW suggested that in future it runs over 2 days. Everyone agreed it was a success and every team had a good Freshers' recruitment. MR suggested to run another week of taster sessions and also have distinct Exec presence at the Fair.  
**Action:** Organise Exec team table for Refreshers Fair in February.
- d. Projectors in Asylum are currently broken but wins will go up in Asylum in the near future to promote AU success.
- e. MB has access to HUU Instagram account to promote wins of sports clubs.

**Date of next meeting TBC.**