

Welfare and Community Zone Minutes

11:00, 15/10/14, Membership Services

1. Introduction

VP Welfare and Community does introduction. What is a zone? What does it do? Reporting and holding officers and Sabbatical team to account.

Chair BAME arrives.

VP Welfare and Community went through agenda.

2. Election of Chair

VP Welfare and Community explains the role of Chair.

Chair LINKS stands to be Chair of the Zone.

Chair LINKS gives short speech and asks for some more information about the role.

6 valid ballots cast. Chair LINKS is elected Chair Welfare and Community Zone.

3. Apologies

No apologies – full attendance.

4. Approval of Minutes

No minutes to approve.

5. VP Welfare and Community Report

6. Welfare and Community Zone Reports

a. Chair BAME

Meet and greet.

80 names (and working emails) on sign-up list.

Black History Month – had small welcome party and holding fundraiser at the end.

b. Chair Disabled Students

No one in place.

c. Chair LGBT+

Workshops, coffee and all other regular events have been happening.

Arranging fundraising and speakers for the year.

Planning a candle-lit vigil.

d. Chair Women's Committee

Chair Women's Committee has stood down.

e. Chair Community Representatives

Has no committee, so no real report.

Planning for committee and trying to get people involved with rewards and incentives.

Chair LGBT+ asks question about mailing list.

VP Welfare and Community actioned to get mailing list from last year.

Chair LGBT+ asks question about handover documents.

VP Welfare and Community actioned to look into it.

f. **Chair LINKS**

Interviews have taken place, should have 25 people trained by the 6th of December.
Had budget meeting with VP Welfare and Community.

g. **Chair Advice Centre Volunteers**

Completed interviews process. Training began today for 20 people.
Have a much wider range of students in team with year – mature and post-graduate students involved.
Advice Centre has extended its opening hours.

7. **Key Messages for the Year**

VP Welfare and Community introduces the restructuring of aims by the Sabbatical team.
Representation. Engagement – with all students, moving away from office hours, hot desking, it's not a job, different circumstances for liberation officers.
Support. Hold to Account.

8. **Manifesto/Objectives Meetings**

VP Welfare and Community to have 1-to-1 meetings with all zone members.
Everyone actioned to arrange these meetings.
VP Welfare and Community to attend committee meetings to gauge committee objectives.

9. **Working Documents from UEC**

Debate at Union Council.
Input from students is very important.
Governance and Democracy Intern presented the documents and briefly introduces the major changes included in them.
VP Welfare and Community notes that it is very last minute.

10. **VP Welfare and Community Action Points**

Mailing list and handover documents for Chair Community Representatives.

11. **Welfare and Community Zone Action Points**

Wants name changed on website and office door.
VP Welfare and Community to talk to marketing.
Chair BAME to email VP Welfare and Community with information for website.
VP Welfare and Community actions everyone to advertise elections as there are 3 positions in zone up for election.

12. **Motions to Union Council**

No motions.

13. **Questions to the Board of Trustees**

Chair LGBT+ asked who the Student Trustees are.
VP Welfare and Community answered.

14. **Any Other Business**

VP Welfare and Community asks if the zone would like the Scarborough Welfare Officer to skype-in. Zone thought it was a good idea.
Chair BAME needs to talk to Scarborough Welfare Officer.

15. Date, Time, Location of Next Meeting

Needs to be Week 5, though this time not good.

15:15, Friday 31st October 2014

VP Welfare and Community to arrange and book room.