

Welfare and Community Zone Minutes.

3:15 31/10/2014, MR2, University house.

1. Attendees.

Adil, Angela, Enoch, Jeni, Emily, Soniya.

2. Apologies.

- Michael O'Donnell (He sent a report that Angela will circulate).

3. Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved and there was no questions.

There was a discussion on that everyone will take turns to take minutes from the meetings, except Adil. Soniya will do it at the next meeting.

4. VP Welfare and community report.

- On the 23rd October, VPWC, the Advice centre and HullSTARS attended the lawns to hand out information on the Don't Panic message, reassuring students that they have plenty of time to find a house.
- VPWC has had meeting with Kora-Lee Holmes (Student Experience Programme Officer) regarding the project Student as Citizens. Meetings are in place to create a brief for the project by the end of semester 1.
- The sabbatical officer have had an away day to work on the priority campaign – employability.
- A stress video is being made to be released on Stress Awareness Day.
- The Chair of Women's committee and the Chair of Disabled Student's committee are both contested in the by-elections.

5. Welfare and Community Zone reports

a. Welfare Officer – Scarborough

One of her objectives is to hold an event each month, September she held three, October she held two and hopes to hold three in November.

She will be circulating a questionnaire regarding which campaigns Scarborough students want to see.

b. Chair B.A.M.E

October was Black History Month.

The lectures had a decent turn out and Jonny Mac was filled during the show case. They plan to have a "Have your say night", this is not themed yet.

c. Chair LGBT+

LGBT+ have held two workshops – Coming out and Bi 101.

Coffee mornings have been weekly.

A film night on the 31st October.

Next month is their main campaign – LGBT+ & Faith. This will include 3 speakers from the 3 religions.

VPWC congratulated LGBT+ for putting a motion through council to lobby the university for Gender Neutral Toilets in the Wilberforce building – this was passed with 100%.

d. **Chair Advice centre**

Sent out in email.

e. **Chair of LINKS.**

Pathway begins Thursday 6th November for the forthcoming first aiders. Normal weekly training is continuing. The position of Events lead has resigned. An EGM needs to be arranged as soon as possible. During Fresher's there was 59 incidents – only one higher than last year's fresher's. However, there were more intoxications and less slips. There was also more ambulance call outs this year. VPWC thanked LINKS for checking on the Bridge Club during the power cut on the 30th October.

f. **Chair of Community Reps**

She has sent out an email to the students to attend the meeting which is on Wednesday 5th October at 5pm.

6. **LGBT+ Standing Orders**

Chair of LGBT+ explained to Chair of B.A.M.E, that LGBT+ would like to create a new position on the committee – B.A.M.E. rep. This would have the aim to represent B.A.M.E students and to tackle racism in the LGBT+ community. Chair of LGBT+ and Chair of B.A.M.E have agreed that they will lease with each other, and Chair of LGBT+ will meet with society representative - Jessica.

7. **Motions to council**

No motions.

8. **Questions to Board of Trustees.**

None.

9. **AOB**

- Chair LGBT+ mentioned whether VPWC will be sending the liberation chairs on NUS training – VPWC plans to and will look at the budgets.
- UCU Strike – VPWC mentioned the planned marking strike for the 6th November 2014. VPWC and the chair asked the zone to message the chair their opinion, and to engage with other students to find out their views.
- Chair LGBT+ has asked VPWC's plans with Equality and Diversity committee- this will be bring this to the next meeting.

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

- VPWC to meet with Scarborough's welfare officer about housing campaigns.
- VPWC to support Chair of Links to organise EGM.
- VPWC to send to Union Council papers to everyone – in case it has gone to the Junk mail.
- VPWC to sign up for automatic campaign newsletters.
- VPWC to find out about Chair of LGBT+'s nus connect.
- VPWC to keep an eye out for Liberation training events.
- VPWC to bring Equality and Diversity committee for discussion for the next welfare and community zone meeting.

- VPWC to contact Frank about emails.

11. Welfare and Community Zone Action Points.

- Chair of LGBT+ to send VPWC document on NUS conferences.
- The zone to promote the by-elections.
- Chair of B.A.M.E. to contact money to RAG to donate money form their event.
- The zone to check their junk mails when Union Council is near.
- The zone to send Chair of zone and VPWC their opinions on UCU.
- Chair of LGBT+ to lease with B.A.M.E regarding their B.A.M.E. rep.

12. Date, Time, Location of Next meeting.

12th November 2014. 9:30 am. Meeting Room 2. Scarborough's welfare officer needs to book MR2 in Scarborough. (Chair of B.A.M.E cannot attend and will send his apologies with a report)