

OVERALL EXECUTIVE

Minutes of a meeting of the Overall Executive held on 10th October on the Jordanstown Campus.

PRESENT:

Mark Bell (Overall President), Jane Murphy (Sports President), Jemma Dolan (VP Campaigns and Communications), John Cunningham (VP Magee), Robbie Banham (VP Coleraine), Malachy McCrudden (VP Belfast)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Emmett Mullally (General Manager), Avril Honan (Student Engagement Manager), Kate Acheson (Marketing and Communications Officer), William Methven (Participation & Campaigns Co-ordinator), Alice McLaughlin (Clerical Officer)

APOLOGIES:

Chris Murray (VP Jordanstown)

13.105 MINUTES

Minutes from 27th September meeting were accepted.

13.106 OFFICER REPORTS

Avril reported that Google drive is causing a problem as not all reports are coming through to app, This is causing concern that some reports may be lost. Avril stressed that all Sabbatical Officers must record all interaction at all times and fill out reports i.e. welfare cases, SHOUT cards, campaigns, facebook discussions etc. Emmett stressed the importance of recording the issues raised as they can be forwarded to the Dean. Avril suggested that officers go and talk directly to students and get a first- hand feel of what is going on. Mark suggested that forms are kept and names and B numbers are recorded.

13.107 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

13.108 PRESIDENTS COMMUNICATIONS

Mark reported on the Coleraine shop update. He is disappointed at how the issue is being handled and has emailed the V.C. and Ann Moran for a meeting, as to date no meeting has been arranged. It was agreed that there is no point in holding a meeting if there is no change on mediation and a different route must be taken. John requests that a date is set for a meeting with the V.C. Emmett stressed the students are needed to support the Coleraine shop and they must be made aware of the situation. Robbie is to make the students aware of the situation. Kate suggested that societies, brand ambassadors should all be made aware that they should get involved.

John expressed the need to show support for the strike which is to be held on 31 October and Mark stated the disruption should be minimised for students. Emmett advised the need to think very carefully about the consequences. Malachy feels NUS/USI should be kept informed. Mark has spoken to Rebecca and is keeping her up to date. John wants a date set for a meeting with the V.C. Kate suggested that a teleconference be held on 28 October. It was agreed that a meeting will be held on 4 November, in Coleraine. Mark to finalise the time of meeting.

13.109 CAMPAIGN REPORTS

Kate presented Report on U.U.S.U. Media Outlets.

Mark reported on Freshers' Fayres and are all over.

It was reported that a meeting concerning the allocated Coleraine bar space has been rescheduled for 8 November. Emmett will be attending a meeting on 7 November with Michael Fitzpatrick and Judith Hamill. Anne Moran has raised her concern regarding noise levels.

Jemma reported her concern regarding the lack of support for the campaign which was held last week and it was agreed better support will be provided. Jemma requests that all officers put campaign dates in their diaries. All agreed.

John suggested that one campaign a semester should be held.

13.110 CAMPUS OFFICERS

William reported that Campus Officers site is now live and 8 November is the deadline for recruitment. He suggested that everyone must work hard to get students interested in engagement. All advertising is in place via facebook, twitter, student newsletter and there are nine officer roles available. He also stressed the importance of everyone being organised. Malachy suggested that Sabbaticals could be trained to enable them to work with campus officers.

It was agreed that in the case of student forums that students faculties should be visited in November to display forums and the purpose of them. William suggested open forums for students.

13.111 SOCIETIES AFFILIATIONS

The following Societies were affiliated:

- Social Policy
- Poker
- Ulster Rugby Supporters
- Speech & Language Therapy
- Finance, Accounting & Tax Society

The Committee have asked the Societies Development Coordinator to liaise further with St John's ambulance with regards to their application. They require further clarification and information on the activities of the society and their relationship with the local St John's Ambulance Branch, ie clarity is required that these will be separate entities.

13.112 MARKETING ISSUES

The Marketing and Communications Officer noted the following points:

- The next edition of US Magazine will be published on November 5
- The accounts total on social media to date is 26 on facebook and 10 on twitter. It was agreed that this is too many and some should be deleted. Kate suggested that all be put together. It was agreed that Kate set up Facebook accounts and she will vet what is being put on them.
- Kate will email everyone which accounts are to left. John suggested that at most 16 accounts to be left open. All agreed. Kate noted that all staff email groups should be set up to store info and communication.
- Design Form to be produced for Paul and Marketing form for Kate.
- The events required for sponsorship and also amounts were clarified;
Enterprise: now at least £1000
SRA: £3000 - April
SLTA: £1000 – March

13.113 PRINTING

It was reported that the university printing is continuing to create problems for all. Emmett suggested that a campaign should be undertaken for better printing facilities and the importance of making students aware that the Students Union is helping to improve the printing, and suggested spending a ½ hour after this meeting to discuss the campaign. It was agreed the big issue is the £5 minimum spend. Officers will collaborate for comments for Chris to take to the department next week. Blog on the internet concerning the issues and actions next.

13.114 BELFAST SPACE – DISCUSSION

Malachy reported that he has met with the Provost and the Dean with regards to current space. The Dean has suggested that the Students Union might invest in revitalising the space if a strong plan is proposed. Malachy requested the team for structure and support to do this. All agreed.

13.115 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of next meeting will be 14 November.