

ROEHAMPTON STUDENTS' UNION STUDENTS' UNION COUNCIL

**The 4th Students' Union Council Meeting (SUC) of the 2019/20 Academic Year
Tuesday 28th January 2020, 5 pm
Room 1010 (Besborough Room), Whitelands College**

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AGENDA

Welcomes & Apologies

1. Welcome to the 4th 2019/2020 meeting of SUC
2. Apologies for absence
3. Minutes from the last meeting
4. Matters Arising from the last meeting
5. Notification of any other business

Items for Information

6. Reminder of SUC's Guidelines
7. Introductions
8. RSU Sabbatical Officers Update [RSU Sabbatical Officers]
9. RSU Part Time Officers Update [RSU Part Time Officers]

Items for Discussion

10. Women's Conference [George Walker – VP Community and Welfare & Farrah Black – Gender Equality Officer]
11. Roehampton Pride Week [Jude Stellato – Trans' Students Officer *on behalf of* Annabel Black, LGBTQ+ Officer]
12. Officers' Job Description [George Walker – VP Community and Welfare]¹

Any Other Business

**Next SUC Meeting: Thursday 20th February, DU.219, Digby
Stuart College**

¹ Please note that the papers for this Item for Discussion will be tabled.

ATTENDANCE

CHAIR: Greta Zaltieri

IN ATTENDANCE:

George Walker (Vice President
Community & Welfare)
Levi Mbiya (Vice President Education)
Jacob Afedi (Male Interfaith Officer)
Farrah Black (Gender Equality Officer)
Jude Stellato (Trans Students' Officer)
Dre Mbwe (Froebel College President)
Fabian Jasonson (Froebel College
Deputy President)
Sierra Kamara (BAME Students' Officer)
Ethan Thubron (Male Sport President)
Danielle Chegwid (Female Sport
President)
Tia Forbes (Digby Stuart College
President)
Laoise Holohan (Environment and
Sustainability Officer)
Nicolo Sodaro (Postgraduate Students'
Officer)
Minaal Ali (Southlands College
President)
Shez Khan (Southlands College Deputy
President)
Katie Nguyen (Whitelands College
President)
Luke Coffey (International Students'
Officer)
Olivia Jayeola (Mental Health Officer)

MINUTING SECRETARY: Kate Griffiths
IN ATTENDANCE: Johanna Korhonen –
Student Voice Coordinator

APOLOGIES:

Sophie Harris (Mature Students' Officer)
Stephanie Rosenje (Female Interfaith
Officer)
Dan O'Donoghue (RSU President)
Sierra Kamara (BAME Officer)
Jake White (Mount Clare Site Rep)
Annabel Black (LGBTQ+ Officer)

ABSENCES:

Harry Newark (Students with Caring
Responsibilities Officer)
Samir Abubakar – Whitelands Deputy
College President
Josh Sadler (Students' with Disabilities
Officer)

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES

Items for Discussion	
Item 10: Women's Conference	<p>The Gender Equality Officer communicated the details of this year's Women's Conference, and asked SUC to approve the use of £500 of funding to help facilitate it. The board unanimously expressed their favour to allocate the money and the motion was approved.</p> <p>ACTION: Gender Equality Officer to run this year's Women's Conference with the help of £500 of funding from the VP Community & Welfare's budget.</p>
Item 11: Roehampton Pride Week	<p>The LGBTQ+ Officer and the Trans Students' Officer asked SUC to approve the use of £500 of funding in order to facilitate the Roehampton Pride Week. The event as a whole is still to be planned, but some of the breakdowns will be Drag Make-Up, a Pride Bop, and the intervention of external speakers. The board unanimously expressed their favour to allocate the money and the motion was approved.</p> <p>ACTION: LGBTQ+ Officer to run this year's Roehampton Pride Week with the help of £500 of funding from the VP Community & Welfare's budget.</p>
Item 12: Officers' Job Description	<p>The VP Community & Welfare raised the proposal of adding a Society Chair role for next elections. The majority of the board thought it could be a great idea to ease the pressure on the RSU Activities' Coordinator and to give societies a voice that might otherwise get lost. Therefore, the</p>

	<p>board unanimously expressed their favour to include this role in the next elections and the motion was approved.</p> <p>ACTION: Societies' Chair Role to be added to the Part-Time Officers Roles up for the next elections.</p>
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<p>Any Other Business</p>	
<p>Item 13: VP Community and Welfare's Budget</p>	<p>The VP Community and Welfare asked the Council for approval to allocate the rest of his budget as it follows:</p> <p>£500 towards Consent workshops;</p> <p>£500 towards the Environmental campaign led by the Sustainability Officer;</p> <p>£125 to support the Inter-faith week proposed by the Inter-faith Officers;</p> <p>£125 to support Mental Health workshops proposed by the Mental Health Officer.</p> <p>In addition to the £500 allocated for the Women's Conference and the £500 allocated for the Pride Week, this would bring the initial budget of £3000 to £500.</p> <p>All motions addressed in this section passed.</p> <p>ACTION: Money from the VP Community & Welfare's budget to be used as outlined above to support consent workshops, the Environmental Campaign, the Inter-faith week, and Mental Health Workshops.</p>

FULL MINUTES OF THE MEETING

- **Welcome**
- **Confirmation of Quoracy**
- **Request for Any Other Business**
- **Minutes from the Previous Meeting**

<p>Greta Zaltieri (SUC Chair) noted:</p>	<p>Welcome, Attendance & Apologies:</p> <p>Welcome to the fourth SUC meeting of the academic year 2019/20.</p> <p>We are here to hold the monthly Students' Union Council meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Officer updates and Students' Union matters, and today we have a range of items for information and discussion, including a number of items brought forward by SUC members.</p> <p>Apologies: Dan O'Donoghue – RSU President Sophie Harris – Mature Students' Officer Stephanie Rosenje – Female Interfaith Officer Annabel Black – LGBTQ+ Officer Jake White – Mount Clare Site Rep Sierra Kamara – BAME Officer</p> <p>Absences: Harry Newark - Students with Caring Responsibilities Officer Samir Abubakar – Whitelands Deputy College President Josh Sadler (Students' with Disabilities Officer)</p>
<p>Greta Zaltieri (SUC Chair) noted:</p>	<p>Quoracy:</p> <p>We need over half of the members to be in attendance to make any decisions or vote, this is 13 PTOs with the current membership of 25 elected Part Time Officers. We have 18 Part Time Officers in attendance, meaning we are quorate for voting.</p>

<p>Greta Zaltieri (SUC Chair) noted:</p>	<p>Minutes of the previous meeting</p> <p>We have circulated the minutes from the previous meeting and have not received any corrections.</p> <p>SUC Members did not have any further corrections to the minutes.</p>
<p>Greta Zaltieri (SUC Chair) noted:</p>	<p>Matters Arising from the previous meeting</p> <p>The matters arising can be seen in the attached table.</p>

MATTERS ARISING

<p><u>Agenda Item 14:</u></p> <p>“Breaking Taboos” Campaign</p>	<p>Update: Dan O’Donoghue is writing a campaign plan ready for January and launching the campaign in the second term.</p> <p>IN PROCESS</p>
<p><u>Agenda Item 15:</u></p> <p>Lobby for Climate Change Emergency</p>	<p>Update: The University is in the process of forming new enabling strategies and one of these is the sustainability strategy. Dan O’Donoghue is having conversations with the University and the Amnesty International Society about this.</p> <p>IN PROCESS</p>
<p><u>Agenda Item 17 (AOB):</u></p> <p>On Campus Sports Facilities</p>	<p>Update: George Walker, Levi Mbiya and Sport Presidents have had a conversation with Sport Roehampton to explore options for sport facilities.</p> <p>IN PROCESS</p>
<p><u>Agenda Item 8:</u></p> <p>Gender Gap in Security Staff</p>	<p>Update: There is now a Mental Health First Aider in post and training will be open to all staff in the next couple of weeks. This course is normally £300 but will be free to staff and students.</p>

	IN PROCESS
<p>Agenda Item 9:</p> <p>Registering Preferred name for Trans Students</p>	<p>Update: There will soon be an as yet unnamed system in place to record students' preferred name as well as Trans Awareness specific staff training so more updates on this will be brought to further meetings.</p> <p>IN PROCESS</p>
<p>Agenda Item 10:</p> <p>Reward of RSU Event Tickets for Flat Reps</p>	<p>Update: There needs to be conversations with Colleges, however, as retention rate has been low among continuing Flat Reps, it is something we have to consider. Council members agreed that although the power lies with the College system, the RSU could be supportive of students who are trying to engage College teams.</p> <p>Action Point: George Walker to facilitate a meeting between the Colleges and College Officers to discuss this.</p> <p>IN PROCESS</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reminder of the SUC Guidelines 	
<p>Greta Zaltieri (SUC Chair) noted: Attached</p>	<p>SUC Guidelines:</p> <p>Please remember to follow these ground rules for the Students' Union Council meetings. To emphasise, if members are seen using their phone, we will politely ask them to put it away.</p>

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Agenda Item 8: RSU Sabbatical Officers Update

George Walker
(VP Community and Welfare)
presented:

Taking the written report provided as read.

The Mental Health First Aid training is now available for students to sign up to so please do this. The Accommodation survey results will be published soon, so this will be brought to the next meeting.

Levi Mbiya
(VP Education)
noted:

Attending the Learning and Teaching Quality Committee (LTQC) and is looking for two students to join him on this. If you are interested then please email Levi as it would be good to get a student perspective.
Love Your Union Week was a success and we will analyse this going forward.
Subsidising Graduation emails will go out in March to those who qualify and we will measure the success of it this year in order to progress next year.
An informative video regarding the mitigating circumstances process will be online in the next couple of weeks giving students a clear process to follow should they need to use this tool.

Agenda Item 9: Part Time Officer Updates

Greta Zaltieri

Thank you for all your continued great work. Could those present

<p>(SUC Chair) noted:</p>	<p>please update on one thing you have worked on this month?</p>
<p>Ethan Thubron (Male Sport President) noted:</p>	<p>Planning confidential drop-in sessions for 2 hours on specific days in order to get a better understanding the needs of students in sports teams.</p> <p>Planning Tour alongside Danielle.</p>
<p>Danielle Chegwidan (Female Sport President) noted:</p>	<p>Working on a Roehampton Well-Being App where we will be pushing the sport element as a way of stress relief.</p> <p>Varsity Launch Party is on Wednesday the 29th of January at 7pm in Digby Diner.</p>
<p>Dre Mbweze (Froebel College President) noted:</p>	<p>Concentrating on Flat Rep recruitment as well as opening a 24-hour computer room on Froebel.</p> <p>Working on Frigby.</p>
<p>Fabian Jasonson (Froebel College Deputy President) noted:</p>	<p>Working with Dre on Flat Rep recruitment as this has been noticeably down from last year.</p>
<p>Jacob Afeidi (Male Interfaith Officer) noted:</p>	<p>Having meetings with the chaplaincy and is planning a breakfast meeting centred around knife crime. The date is not yet set for the meeting but is looking for guidance from the RSU to assist with this.</p>
<p>Nicolo Sodaro (Postgraduate Students')</p>	<p>Launched a survey for Post Grad students, however the response rate was lower than Nicolo would've liked so this will be pushed again. Will bring the outcome of this survey to the next SUC</p>

Officer) noted:	meeting.
Ellie Hall (Digby Stuart Deputy President) noted:	Flat Rep interviews will take place on Monday the 3 rd of February. As well as this, Ellie is planning two more Spark events for this term.
Farrah Black (Gender Equality Officer) noted:	Working on the Women's conference. More information to follow soon.
Shez Khan (Southlands Deputy President) noted:	Thursday the 30 th of January there will be a Southlands and ESports collaboration in the form of a tournament. Entry to this will be £3 and it will run from 6pm to 10pm in the ESports room on Southlands.
Luke Coffey (International Officer) noted:	Has been in talks with Jackie Christopher from the admissions team regarding putting on a lunch for the American students. Trying to organise a Superbowl party for the game on Sunday the 2 nd of February. Spread the word to those who are interested.
Jude Stellato (Trans' Students' Officer) noted:	Collaborating with Annabel Black regarding Pride Week and is also working on the name changes for Trans students as mentioned in the previous meeting.
Laoise Holohan (Environment and Sustainability Officer) noted:	Planning events for the coming term such as the "Environmenstrual" campaign. Is also working with our local MP for a Q&A session on sustainability. There is also a donation box in the RSU reception for students to donate any old clothes to Amnesty International.
Olivia Jayeola (Mental Health Officer) noted:	Planning events directed to people who would not necessarily want to go to a "Mental Health" event. Wants these events to take

	a more motivational approach.
Minaal Ali (Southlands College President) noted:	Working with Tia on an event at the Reef but is finding it hard to gain support for this from the College teams. Working with the other College Presidents on Shitelands and Frigby.
Tia Forbes (Digby Stuart College President) noted:	<p>Looking at Frigby and how to get the teams involved in the process of organising it.</p> <p>Has spoken to Colin Symington-Bailey, the new Mental Health First Aid trainer and is excited by what he is able to provide. He has also done motivational speaking and is able to tailor any training session to you, so it really is worthwhile signing up.</p>
Ethan Thubron (Male Sport Roehampton President) noted:	Regarding the Women's Conference, have you asked any female alumni to get involved? It could help to inspire current students if they can relate to those on stage.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Agenda Item 10: **Women's Conference**

Farrah Black (Gender Equality Officer) presented: Written report as an attachment in full set of papers	The Women's Conference will take place on Wednesday the 11 th of March from 3pm to 6pm and will follow a similar format to last year. There will be workshops speakers and Q&A sessions throughout the afternoon and students will help run the four workshops planned. Belle Bradley, a former student and Students with Disabilities Officer, is scheduled to speak at the Conference. There will also be talks on empowerment which both Farrah and Lily Crozier, another former officer, will be leading.
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Agenda Item 11: <u>Roehampton Pride Week</u>	
Jude Stellato (Trans Students' Officer) presented: No written report was submitted	Annabel sent round a document to all officers before the meeting outlining the plan for Pride Week. Her plan is to represent and acknowledge every aspect with a variety of events and there have been talks with the chaplaincy to get involved as well. This week would also be open to all students.
Discussion:	
Danielle Chegwidan (Female Sport Roehampton President) noted:	Sport Roehampton is running a Pride in Roey workshop on the 4 th of February and this covers terminology/language etc.
Ethan Thubron (Male Sport Roehampton President) noted:	Sports teams are now wearing rainbow laces at major events and it is important to note that you don't have to be a member to have rainbow laces, they are on sale from the Sport Roehampton Office for £2.
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George Walker (VP Community and Welfare)	Wanted to outline the amount of money coming from the Community and Welfare budget that is being dedicated to each of these events. Of the £3,000 budget that George has, this is what he is proposing: £500 towards Consent workshops

<p>presented:</p>	<p>£500 towards the Environmental campaign led by Laoise</p> <p>£500 for Pride Week</p> <p>£500 For the Women's Conference</p> <p>£125 to support the proposed Inter-faith week</p> <p>£125 to support Olivia's Mental Health workshops.</p> <p>This currently totals £2,500 so there will be £500 left in the budget after this proposed spending. George is proposing a campaign by campaign vote to gauge the support for each and if the Council members agree that the money is being spent on the right things.</p>
<p>Greta Zaltieri (SUC Chair) noted:</p>	<p>Can you elaborate on what things will be included in the Environmental campaign?</p>
<p>Laoise Holohan (Environment and Sustainability Officer) noted:</p>	<p>There will be the Women's Environmental Network leading a 2-hour workshop as well as baking competitions, talks from Amnesty International and an Environmenstrual campaign on the 26th of Feb at 2pm.</p>
<p>Vote:</p>	<p>15 Council Members votes in favour of allocating £500 to the Women's Conference.</p> <p>0 Council members voted against the motion</p> <p>3 Council members abstained from voting.</p> <p>Motion Approved</p>
<p>Greta Zaltieri (SUC Chair) noted:</p>	<p>We will now vote on the motion of allocating £500 to Pride Week.</p>
<p>Tia Forbes (Digby Stuart College)</p>	<p>It would be useful to know where the money will be going for this event.</p>

<p>President) noted:</p>	
<p>George Walker (VP Community and Welfare) noted:</p>	<p>Some of the breakdown will be as follows:</p> <p>Drag Make-Up</p> <p>Pride Bop</p> <p>External Speakers</p> <p>The money will allow us to begin planning the event as a whole.</p>
<p>Shez Khan (Southlands College Deputy President) noted:</p>	<p>A week is a long time; do you think £500 will be enough to cover that length of time?</p>
<p>George Walker (VP Community and Welfare) noted:</p>	<p>This is where we have brought in the expertise of Samantha Nelson, our Events Coordinator, who is used to sticking to a budget.</p>
<p>Levi Mbiya (VP Education) noted:</p>	<p>There is money available in the Block Grant for Liberation events which is for internal RSU organised activities. Some events are funded by this grant already. Levi currently has all of his £3,000 budget available so is open to suggestions of how best to use this from the Council.</p>
<p>Tia Forbes (Digby Stuart College President) noted:</p>	<p>Do you have a figure on the "Breaking Taboos" initiative?</p>
<p>George Walker (VP Community and Welfare) noted:</p>	<p>At the moment we are unsure of a precise figure, but do feel free to quiz your Sabbs about where their budget is going and hold them accountable. There are also conversations to have about where you think the money should be going.</p>

<p>Levi Mbiya (VP Education) noted:</p>	<p>We are sure that Pride Week is going ahead, but in order to proceed we just need to vote then we will know what to do afterwards.</p>
<p>Greta Zaltieri (SUC Chair) noted:</p>	<p>When you vote, make sure you think about the core initiatives rather than the specifics which still have to be figured out.</p>
<p>Vote:</p>	<p>15 Council members voted in favour of the motion to allocate £500 to Pride Week</p> <p>0 Members voted against the motion</p> <p>3 Members abstained from voting</p>
<p>Greta Zaltieri (SUC Chair) noted:</p>	<p>The next item to vote on is allocating £500 for the Environmental campaign, overseen by Laoise.</p>
<p>George Walker (VP Community and Welfare) noted:</p>	<p>This also feeds nicely into our sustainability strategy, so it is working towards the goal for the University.</p>
<p>Vote:</p>	<p>16 Council members voted in favour of the motion to allocate £500 to the Sustainability campaign.</p> <p>0 Council Members voted against the motion</p> <p>Two Council Members abstained from voting.</p>
<p>Greta Zaltieri (SUC Chair) noted:</p>	<p>We will now vote to allocate £125 to the Inter-Faith week, overseen by Jacob Aferi.</p>
<p>George Walker (VP Community and Welfare) noted:</p>	<p>This money will primarily be used to fund snacks and refreshments on the various days. It gives a good incentive for people to come down and get involved.</p>

<p>Vote:</p>	<p>17 Council Members voted in favour of the motion to allocate £125 to fund the Inter-Faith Week</p> <p>0 Council Members voted against the motion</p> <p>One Council Member abstained from voting.</p>
<p>Greta Zaltieri (SUC Chair) noted:</p>	<p>We will now vote to allocate £125 to the Mental Health workshops, overseen by Olivia Jayeola.</p>
<p>Fabian Jasonson (Froebel College Deputy President) noted:</p>	<p>Will this be available for the whole University?</p>
<p>Jude Stellato (Trans Students' Officer) noted:</p>	<p>It is difficult to vote to allocate money to an event that has yet to be decided. What do you see the event involving?</p>
<p>Olivia Jayeola (Mental Health Officer) noted:</p>	<p>Wanted the event to be more motivational and potentially get Colin Symington-Bailey involved who is also a motivational speaker. The idea will be to gather feedback from the initial run and see if we can grow it in the future based on the feedback received.</p>
<p>Shez Khan (Southlands College Deputy President) noted:</p>	<p>What timeline do you see for this?</p>
<p>George Walker (VP Community and Welfare) noted:</p>	<p>This will be planned to take place after the elections.</p>
<p>Danielle Chegwidden</p>	<p>Should we vote at a later SUC so we know what structure this campaign will take? We would not want you to be capped money-</p>

<p>(Female Sport Roehampton President) noted:</p>	<p>wise if the event evolves and you need more than the allocated £125.</p>
<p>Olivia Jayeola (Mental Health Officer) noted:</p>	<p>The speakers will be fine to participate on a voluntary basis and the main things to sort out will be the topic and date.</p>
<p>Tia Forbes (Digby Stuart College President) noted:</p>	<p>Would normally agree with waiting to vote on this idea, however, confident that Olivia knows what she wants from this campaign so is happy to vote now and get the ball rolling.</p>
<p>Jacob Afedi (Male Inter-Faith Officer) noted:</p>	<p>Once the first meeting has happened we can assess the situation and always come back to SUC to ask for more once we know how it will pan out. We want to encourage people's ideas, not halt them.</p>
<p>Shez Khan (Southlands College Deputy President) noted:</p>	<p>We could discourage the idea if we vote against it and it is far better to vote now and have an update at the next meeting. Olivia is not asking for a lot of money so this should be taken into account.</p>
<p>Danielle Chegwidden (Female Sport Roehampton President) noted:</p>	<p>Did not mean to discourage Olivia from the campaign, just wanted to get an idea of what it would entail and therefore what the money would go towards.</p>
<p>Jude Stellato (Trans Students' Officer) noted:</p>	<p>Did not fully understand the concept either, but did not want to discourage anything either.</p>

Vote:	<p>15 Council Members voted in favour of allocating £125 to the Mental Health campaign</p> <p>0 Members voted against the motion</p> <p>Three Council Members voted to abstain from voting.</p> <p>All motions addressed in this section passed.</p>
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ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Agenda Item 12: Officers' Job Description

<p>George Walker (VP Community and Welfare) presented:</p>	<p>It is good to get approval on job roles before this years' election.</p> <p>We have proposed the addition of a Society Chair role for this year which was voted against last year as it was felt this fell under the remit of the RSU President.</p> <p>We believe this role should have a place at SUC as it gives Societies a voice and they are a very active and far reaching community.</p>
<p>Fabian Jasonson (Froebel College Deputy President) noted:</p>	<p>Think this is a really good idea as Sport clubs are able to keep members engaged, but society members can slip off the radar and this role will keep track of this.</p>
<p>Danielle Chegwidden (Female Sport President) noted:</p>	<p>Does Dan do this already?</p>

<p>George Walker (VP Community and Welfare) noted:</p>	<p>Partly, however, he is unlikely to be able to dedicate large amounts of time to it and it does demand a lot of attention.</p> <p>Societies would benefit a lot from having this dedicated officer to act as a bridge between the council and the roles Carella and Nathan occupy. They would be responsible for chairing meetings, then would report back to SUC.</p>
<p>Shez Khan (Southlands College Deputy President) noted:</p>	<p>Can they also help to promote starting new societies?</p>
<p>Levi Mbiya (VP Education) noted:</p>	<p>This can all be written into the job description. We just need to approve it first then we can discuss specifics going forward. If you would like to see the job description, then George Walker can send this around.</p>
<p>George Walker (VP Community and Welfare) noted:</p>	<p>They would be responsible for general issues and would work in collaboration with Carella who cannot speak at meetings or add her vote to any decision.</p>
<p>Laoise Holohan (Environment and Sustainability Officer) noted:</p>	<p>There is a large range of societies that all require different things so think this role is a great idea.</p>
<p>Jude Stellato (Trans Students' Officer) noted:</p>	<p>Would fully support this new role as it would hopefully help to alleviate the stress of society elections and AGM's.</p>

<p>Farrah Black (Gender Equality Officer) noted:</p>	<p>As a member of a society committee, this role would be greatly appreciated as it would help to alleviate pressure that is put on Carella and help give societies a voice that might otherwise get lost.</p>
<p>Tia Forbes (Digby Stuart College President) noted:</p>	<p>Not against the idea but could this be a fixture for Deputy Presidents? Not all societies are going to need help and some fit well under the college remit.</p>
<p>George Walker (Digby Stuart College President) noted:</p>	<p>Personally sees Societies and Colleges as separate entities.</p>
<p>Fabian Jasonson (Digby Stuart College President) noted:</p>	<p>Societies are not necessarily College locked and College Presidents are site specific so it may cause some confusion.</p>
<p>Vote:</p>	<p>17 Council Members voted in favour of the addition of the Societies Chair to the upcoming elections</p> <p>0 Council Members voted against this motion</p> <p>1 Council Member abstained from voting.</p>

A. O. B

<p>Levi Mbiya (VP Education) presented:</p>	<p>Planning on using part of his budget for the Mature Students Network event as these students do not normally engage and we want them to feel part of the University. This will be held on Monday the 10th of February and is being planned in collaboration with the RSU events team. It will take the form of a brunch so appropriate food will be served during the event.</p>
<p>Laoise Holohan (Environment and Sustainability Officer) noted:</p>	<p>Are non-mature students welcome?</p>
<p>Levi Mbiya (VP Education) noted:</p>	<p>It will be marketed at Mature students initially as a chance for them to network but if it is a success we could open this up to more students in the future.</p>
<p>Vote:</p>	<p>18 Council Members voted in favour of allocating budget to the Mature Students Event.</p> <p>0 Council Members voted against</p> <p>0 Council members abstained from voting.</p>

<p>Greta Zaltieri (SUC Chair) noted:</p>	<p>Members were thanked for their attendance and were reminded that the next meeting will be held on Thursday the 20th of February.</p> <p>SUC Chair closed the meeting.</p>
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ROEHAMPTON STUDENTS' COUNCIL MEETINGS GUIDELINES

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- 2) Delayed arrivals or early take-offs have to be notified to the Chair.
If you know you will have to leave the meeting early or will be running late, notify the Chair of the RSU Council with an e-mail to SUC@roehampton.ac.uk with at least 24 hours' notice.

- 3) Raise your hand before you talk.
In order to avoid confusion or creation of smaller talking groups within the meeting, if you want to intervene please raise your hand and wait for the Chair's cue to start to talk. We encourage you to write some points before you start, so you will be sure to cover everything you need to say in one speech.

- 4) Invite your Action Committee to the meeting.
We want to encourage students' participation at RSU meetings, so spread the word with your friends and especially with your committee.
Students attending the meeting will have to follow the rules of the room:
 - ▶ No mobile phones.
 - ▶ No unauthorised interventions. If you want to talk to an officer, please wait until the end of the meeting or write them an e-mail.
 - ▶ Always arrive and leave in silence – both sabbaticals and part-time officers are working, so please be respectful. If you want to stay just for a limited amount of time or to follow just one item of the agenda, this is fantastic, but please be aware that we require you to be smooth in your relocations.

Thank you!

Women's Conference

Name: George Walker & Farrah Black

Role: Vice President Community and Welfare & Gender Equality Officer

Date of the SUC meeting during which you want the item to be

addressed: 28/01/2020

<p>Item description:</p> <p><i>What is the issue/problem? Why do you want this item to be addressed? What evidence do you have to prove there is a need for a change?</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RSU puts on an annual Women's conference. In order for a successful conference to be run funding and ideas would need to be discussed an approved at SUC. - Evidence for needing a Women's conference can be found in feedback from previous conferences.
<p>Your general aim (a statement):</p> <p><i>What are you hoping will change by addressing this item?</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We would like SUC to approve the use of £500 of funding to help facilitate Women's Conference.
<p>Your objectives (bullet points):</p> <p><i>Make sure they are SMART – Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, Time-Bound</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Verbal Update to be presented at SUC

Roehampton Pride Week

Name: Annabel Black

Role: LGBTQ+ Officer

Date of the SUC meeting during which you want the item to be addressed:

28/01/2020

<p>Item description:</p> <p><i>What is the issue/problem? Why do you want this item to be addressed? What evidence do you have to prove there is a need for a change?</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - raise awareness around LGBTQ+ - bring students from all colleges together to celebrate freedom of expression and diversity - Roehampton has a large LGBTQ+ community
<p>Your general aim (a statement):</p> <p><i>What are you hoping will change by addressing this item?</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - represent and acknowledge LGBTQ+ community - celebrate diversity at Roehampton - inclusive for all: lecturers & students, people of faith, BAME communities, allies
<p>Your objectives (bullet points):</p> <p><i>Make sure they are SMART – Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, Time-Bound</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - scheduled week of events surrounding LGBTQ+ Pride, backed by the RSU and their members (officers, societies, students etc.), that celebrates and raises awareness of LGBTQ+

Dan O'Donoghue

RSU President



Students' Union Council update on 28/01/2020

Social Spaces

-My last update regarding social spaces focused lots on the work done to re wire and get the UNION projector to start working. Now that is sorted we have seen the introduction of an integrated Karaoke system, which is being run by your Post-graduate officer and is a huge success.
-Over Christmas, the UNION and the conference team have been in conversation and have agreed to have BT Sports onto the package, meaning all live sport will be available at the Union.
-The RSU has given the UNION Bar a table football table. With work still ongoing to bring back a Pool table into the canteen area for students to use.

Sport Roehampton & RSU

Since the last update, Sport Roehampton will have 3 full time staff whom will be located in the RSU on a temporary basis. This is whilst there offices are being renovated. We will monitor the impact and engagement that this locational change has and if viewed as positive this may impact potential future moves. However, I believe a centralised Student Hub around the UNION Courtyard with essential services like the SU and Sport Roehampton would benefit all students in the short term and long term.

RSU Accountability

Work surrounding RSU accountability continues. Over the Christmas break, the RSU has recruited X2 new full time student interns. X1 full time content creator and will have by the time this report is read recruited a new Chief Executive Officer, with recruitment for a Deputy straight after. Meaning we can support you all more this term.

Mental Health

"Breaking Taboos" has taken a bit of a setback as the dates clash with Nominations, Re-FRESHERS and the Woman's conference. I am eager to ensure I am doing this campaign at a time in which does not retract from other targeted work the officers and SU are doing. However, this campaign will still go ahead.

Achievements list

- Social Spaces looking much better.
- Halloween event sell out.
- Recruited and planned a CEO search plan. Wrote all recruitment processes and Job description, for the position.
- Successfully hired a new External Trustee for the Students Union
- Secured the Block Grant from the University which equated to (£670,000)
- Pitched the idea to the VC at an expansion of the HIVE (Plans and budgets have been submitted)
- Talks between the University and the HIVE/SU are taking place.
- Planned an International Welcome event for the 23/01/20.
- Starting work to plan the new Strategic long-term plan for the Union 2020-2024.

Daniel O'Donoghue (President of Roehampton Students' Union)

*Update form Presented to Students' Union Council 28/01/20
January 28th 2020 – Whiteland's College Room G022*

George Walker

VP Community & Welfare



Students' Union Council update on 28/01/2020

- 1) Working with Aleata (Head of Services) we have hired a full time member of staff who will roll out Mental Health First Aid training for the student body. I will be speaking later on to discuss the best way to get students to sign up for this training and hope members of SUC will also take part in the training.
- 2) I have contacted the PTO that I mentor and hope you have regular meetings with them to ensure they feel comfortable and supported within their roles.
Laoise: Sustainability Working Group
Annabel: RSU Pride
Jacob: Coffee and conversation morning
Farrah: Women's Conference
- 3) Having secured the £500 funding from our previous Student Union Council I am now in the process of creating a campaign plan with Emily Cookson and Vilde for Bystander Workshops.
- 4) I have helped create an Accommodation Survey which has now been released. I am in the process of analyzing the results of the survey and will bring the findings to the accommodation subcommittee of which 6 of our PTO's sit on. It would be great if everyone could help in the promotion of the survey.
- 5) Along with the other two sabbatical officers we have continued to Welfare manage our late night events program. The Christmas period has been particularly busy and as such a lot of our time has been spent facilitating this role.
- 6) Since the last meeting of SUC I have sat on important University meetings; these have included Student Senate and University Senate.
- 7) I have been involved in the recruitment process of new interns for the RSU. We have successfully appointed two new interns. I have also been involved in the recruitment of a new CEO.

Laoise Holohan

Environmental and Sustainability Officer



Students' Union Council update on 28/01/2020

Manifesto Objectives:

- Planning FairTrade Fortnight, with Celia and other PTOs, to best reach out to students. In contact with organisations such as Amnesty International and Wen.
- Working with Amnesty Society on Jumble Sale, taking donations at the RSU reception :)
- Chair of the Sustainability Working Group
- Contacting our MP about a Q&A on Sustainability

Other activities I've been involved with:

- Been in contact with Farrah about a gender equality conference
- Completed UR Leadership Conferencel
- Continued planning of Amnesty Society events for the next two terms and for the future of the society once our co-president graduates.
- Doing work as 2nd year Classics programme rep and workshops for the Bystanders.

Katie Nguyen

Whitelands College President



Students' Union Council update on 28/01/2020

Manifesto Objectives:

- Improve and promote facilities on Whitelands
- Implement the Equal Access Campaign - Roehampton University offering scholarships, bursaries, fee waivers and accommodation for asylum seeking/refugees students
- Provide a range of events catered to a range of Whitelands student

Other activities I've been involved with:

- Working with other college presidents for Shitelands and Frigby
- Working with Whitelands football team for Shiteland
- Meet your SWOs for flat reps and on-campus freshers

Shez Khan

Southland's Deputy President



Students' Union Council update on 20/01/2020

Manifesto Objectives:

- Increase off-campus attendance rates at event
- Host a fifa tournament which is on the 30th of January 2020
- Work with business department
- Continue the southlands pub quiz
- Start a cricket team

Other activities I've been involved with:.....

- Attended introduction meeting with relevant university department
- Southlands College breakfast
- Flat rep meetings
- Freshers/Refreshers fair
- Freshers/Refreshers welcome drinks/dinner
- Weekly Southland's events

Nicolo Sodaro

Postgraduate Officer



Students' Union Council update on 28/01/2020

Manifesto Objectives:

1. Make PG students feel welcome and represented within all aspects of student life. - I have written a survey for postgraduate students on their first term experiences and what they felt about the University teaching methods and about postgraduate financial support.
2. Creating a more vibrant postgraduate social life experiences at the University - I have been trying to create social events with postgraduate students to fulfil their experiences of London. Especially those who are living abroad.

Other activities I've been involved with:

- Item one: Creating the Bingo Nights at the Union – Starting monthly in January 2020.....
- Item two: Plans to organise a postgraduate meet up in February

Jude Stellato

Trans Students' Officer



Students' Union Council update on 28/01/2019

Manifesto Objectives:

- More gender neutral toilets, Alternative Route for name change, Staff Training and Safe space for trans people.
- Discussed Alternative Route for Name Change during the last SUC meeting held in December
- Issue was also presented by collaborator Mars Nicoli during LGBT Network Meeting, on my behalf
- Currently collaborating with LGBTQ+ officer for the ongoing planning and organisation of Roe Pride

Other activities I've been involved with:

- Joined the Bystander Intervention Team
- Received training as part of the bystander team
- Taking part to the RSU CEO recruitment panel on 24/01/2020
- Currently attending Rehearsals as a cast member of Legally Blonde, Player's production

Luke Coffey

International Students' Officer



Students' Union Council update on 28/01/2020

Manifesto Objectives:

- I wish to achieve in helping international students feel like Roehampton is their home away from home. I want to make sure to work specifically with the Vice President of Community and Welfare in order to ensure that international students are made to feel welcome and at ease during their time here at the University.
- In addition to my general hopes to help other international students' transition to life in London, England, I want to host numerous events to honour and celebrate various holidays from other countries' cultures around the world.

Other activities I've been involved with:

- Thursday night Karaoke co-host at union bar with Nicolò Sodaro: kicking off January 23
- Planning an American Super Bowl party for February 2
- General planning for the new year
- Making ideas for activities and events for the new incoming international abroad students in spring term
- Touch base with the larger student body of international students to reexamine their needs for 2020

Sierra Kamara

BAME Officer



Students' Union Council update on 28/01/2020

Manifesto Objectives:

1. Increase BAME involvement in the student union by introducing volunteering schemes that could essentially enhance employability prospects for them once leaving University, whilst simultaneously allowing them to orchestrate their own University experience.
2. More collaboration with alumni students who can speak based on experience rather than teachings. Creating a termly platform for alumni and current students to discuss academic plights and pleasures, and to share tips on what can be done to alleviate certain issues. These events will be titled #WhatIWishIKnew.
3. My last aim is to listen to and advocate accurately for all BAME students. This will be in the form of several focus groups where I listen to the needs to different groups at the intersections of BAME. There will also be more suggestion boxes and I will be available for regular chats.
4. Greater focus on and relationship with BAME alumni

Other activities I've been involved with:

- In the process of planning a #MeTooOnCampus continued conversation event revolving around consent and policing of peers. I've contacted the Bystander Intervention Head, Vilde for a potential collaboration.
- Also, looking to collaborate with Laoise, the new Environmental Officer on how BAME communities are negatively impacted by climate change. Looking to hold an event, on how to alleviate such issues and what our roles are.

Ellie Hall

Digby Deputy



Students' Union Council update on 28/01/2020

Manifesto Objectives:

- Increase of events
- Meeting and planning with the music society to get a bandeoke night and meeting with the Lionesses Committee for a charity event

Other activities I've been involved with:

- Encouraging new digby flat reps on social media before interviews start
- Attended both Digby Christmas meals and attended Spark planning meeting