

Meeting Eight – 11th February – MS Teams

Attended –

- Lois Gaskell (LG)
- Ffion Williams (FW)
- Eleanor Barton (EB)
- Cameron Banks (CB)
- Georgia Clews (GC)
- Sacha Palmer (SP)
- Bonnie Orpin (BO)
- Jenny Beech (JB)
- Nadine Al-Kudcy (NAK)
- Rachel Smith (RS)
- Balraj Purewal (BP)
- Michael Kay (MK)

Action summary

- **Club/soc** reps to send out the link to club/soc of the month and let groups know the deadline is 12th February at midday.
- **Balraj** to organise a meeting with female SA exec members for this girl can.
- **Balraj** to contact other Birmingham unis about this girl can for inspiration.
- **Club/soc reps/All SA Exec** to send out information about a video being created by part time officer Paige for LGBT+ history month.
- **Mike** to send round key data/graphs from club/society feedback.

Agenda:

1. *Approve minutes from previous meeting.*
2. *Society takeover update*
3. *Club and Society feedback*
4. *SA Newsletter*
5. *Papyrus update*
6. *Club of the month update*
7. *This Girl Can*
8. *Virtual varsity*
9. *AOB*
 - a. *LGBTQ+ officer's (Paige) video*
 - b. *Club and Society elections*

Minutes

- 1. Minutes approved**
- 2. Society takeover**
 - a. Calendar, created by Jenny, has been promoted on the official SU social media channels.
 - b. Balraj has attended events and seen 20-25 students in attendance, the events have been successful.
 - c. Participating societies have been pleased with the events.
- 3. Club and Society feedback**
 - a. Mike to send round key data/graphs to SA Exec.
 - b. 77 students engaged with the survey (55 committee and 22 general members).
 - c. Good split between clubs and societies who completed the survey.
 - d. 14% haven't engaged with sessions and 75% satisfied with sessions.
 - e. 95% said they would join a student group again.
 - f. Complaints about event form process (3 weeks) but SA are averaging a 4 day turn around for event forms currently.
 - g. Students expressed they would like more training opportunities.
 - h. Meeting to take place with club chairs to feedback this information.
- 4. SA Newsletter**
 - a. Students expressed in club/society feedback that they receive too many emails and would prefer a bi-weekly newsletter.
 - b. Chance to adapt the old newsletter with a template SA Exec and staff are happy with.
 - c. Newsletter would be sent out to all members of clubs and societies.
- 5. Papyrus update (from Bonnie)**
 - a. 3 sessions were held, session was mandatory for one member per club.
 - b. Sessions were also offered to societies, SA Exec, Sabbatical Officers, etc
 - c. Papyrus gave good feedback, pleased with engagement.
 - d. The sessions were very well received by those who attended – hopefully we can run these sessions every year.
 - e. Papyrus have sent a follow up email with a guide to be sent out to students.
- 6. Club of the month update**
 - a. 28 responses to the survey.
 - b. Reps to send round link to clubs/societies.
- 7. This girl can**
 - a. Balraj to organise a meeting with female members of SA Eec.
 - b. Organise marketing.
 - c. Balraj to speak to other Birmingham University Officers about their plans for the campaign.
- 8. Varsity**
 - a. SA speaking with BCU who do not want to rule out physical varsity.
 - b. Exams end 2nd week of June so planning for 3rd week of June.
 - c. Check on accommodation end dates.
 - d. Promo would need to be done early to ensure students are in Birmingham.
 - e. Would be participant only, all streamed so no physical supporters.
 - f. Lack of training may be an issue, do the clubs have teams?
- 9. AOB**

a. LGBTQ+ video

- i. Balraj to send text from Paige for SA Exec to circulate.

b. Club and Society elections

- i. Academic societies – can contact the University courses to have the elections publicised to first years.