



**Sports and Societies Zone
Tuesday 6th December, 4pm
HG136**

Present

Chair

Laurie Illingworth - SU President (PRES)

Students' Union Officers/staff

Katie Irving – VP Welfare and Diversity (VPWD), Matt Walton – Sports and Activities Manager (MW), Charlie Freeman – Sports Participation Coordinator (CF), Karl Swales – Sports Coordinator, Kit Duff – Information Point Assistant (KD), Paul Murtough – Representation and Democracy Coordinator (PM)

Apologies

None were noted

Welcome & Introductions

PRES welcomes everyone to the first zone, introduces himself as the chair of the Sports and Societies Zone

Items for Any Other Business

No items were taken

Agenda Items

- 1. Sports and Societies dinners**
- 2. Kit tender**
- 3. Not On Our Campus**
- 4. Facilities**
- 5. Open discussion**
- 6. Any Other Business**

1. Sports and Societies Dinner

PRES posed a number of questions to the members and requested their feedback:

Salvation Exclusivity

On the night of the dinners PRES asked if students would like exclusivity to Salvation? The members stated that they would like exclusive access to the top floor.

SU Drinks/DJ

Members similarly stated they would like to see this happen.

Booklets

Members would like to see the booklets return to the dinners.

Photos/Photo booths

After the success of the 2015/16 dinners, the members agreed that the photo booths should be back in 2017.

Dinner menus

PRES stated that he would circulate menu options to the students.

Action: PRES to distribute menu choices.

2. Kit tender

PRES welcomed MW to the discussion of the developing Kit tender process for 2017.

MW expressed that the current contract with O'Neill's is due to expire and there will be a number of bidding companies coming forward to be the new provider. There are spaces available, exclusive to committee members to be a part of the panel in semester 2. (3 Sport, 2 Societies)

AL asked if this could be made equal, to balance to panel

MW stated that the decision was based off a cost ratio between Sports and Society requirements.

MW asked the current opinion of the O'Neill's provision

Members expressed mixed opinions.

AL requested the possibility of a separate tender event for Societies to identify specific requirements.

MW stated this would probably not happen currently, but can be looked into for the future.

Action: MW to assess the feasibility of this for future tender events.

3. Not on our campus

VPWD updated on the upcoming events in line with NOOC.

2017: Don't Drink and Drown (January)

Genderbread – in association with LGBT Society.

International Languages day

Ash Wednesday event

AL asked what 'Genderbread' was?

VPWD stated that this was a campaign to raise awareness of identity and what 'gender' is.

4. Facilities

Cheerleading expressed their continuing concern surrounding the temperature of the new Haxby Road facility.

MW updated that this was a scheduled discussion point at an upcoming meeting of the Health and Safety Committee. However, potential feedback is predicted to surround the better management of the space from the Students' Union angle. MW also highlighted that first and foremost students should see to their own welfare, even if this means postponing training.

Members also highlighted concerns over limited storage on campus – Foss storage is cluttered and nothing is organised.

PM further stated that the back of Temple Hall (closest to costume cupboard) fire exit is blocked with bags of equipment.

Further questions were raised as to the developments of the Boat House.

PRES stated that this has been moved up the agenda and the university are looking into it. MW stated it is also an item at the Health and Safety Committee.

MPS requested an update on the financial situation regarding the Joseph Rowntree Theatre.

PRES stated that he has an upcoming meeting with the Vice Chancellor and will request any further updates.

KS requested (specifically from Ladie Football) feedback on the current processes for pitch allocation. Feedback can be directed to k.swales@yorks.ac.uk

Members also requested that timetable allocation for Foss Sports Hall be looked into as some teams run over and cut into other training times.

Action: PRES to look over the current timetable

AL requested storage for Societies

MW stated that the current cupboard – used for MPS has been cleared and can be used.

AL stated that it is locked and there is no key.

Action: MW to gain access to the key

5. Open discussion

Upcoming events:

Drama Society – Charity sleep out (Semester 3) participants are welcome. Contact Jessica Martin for more information.

Volleyball – Rainbow laces in aid of support for LGBTQ are now on sale at the Information Point for £3.

Netball calendar is now on sale in aid of Breat Cancer Awareness, £5.

Ladies Football will be hosting a Lip Sync Battle in February 2017 and a Mr and Mrs event in March.

PRES updated that Winter Archies Day is being held on Friday 9th December.

6. Any other Business

2nd Semester varsity:

MW asked if the members would like to have a poster wall for events and fundraisers in the Students' Union?

Members agreed that this would be a good idea.

PRES highlighted that there is an organised Varsity event against James College (York University) on the 28th January 2017.

Members asked if this would be at home?

PRES stated it will be held at YSJ.

Current teams are: Rugby Union, Netball, Men's Football and **mixed** teams for – Hockey, Tennis, Badminton, Volleyball and Basketball.

Cheerleading?

PRES stated that the specific college don't have a cheerleading team.

A student asks what can be done for the students who have paid a lot in membership fees but do not get a lot of training time.

Further requested participation came from: Cricket, Women's Rugby, Ladies Football.

MW asked what would students like to see.

Members asked if the price would be any different to the first semester varsity

CF stated that if members wanted the exact same, the price would be bumped up.

Members agreed the following:

T-shirts: YES

Nightclub: YES

Food: No

AL asked for the possibility of Saints Radio to present.

AL further asked for a society varsity.

MW stated that Vickky had sent an e-mail, the demand needs to be there before anything is organised.

Elections:

PM gave an update regarding the upcoming elections which will run from Tuesday 21st – Friday 24th February 2017.

Information Point:

KD gave update on the current status of the Information Point.

External web hosting:

AL asked how many current Sports/Societies had external websites:

MPS, CU. Snow Sports (No access)

Anyone interested in having an external site should e-mail AL at aidan.laycock@yorks.ac.uk

CF asked what the expense would be

AL stated the bigger the buy-in, the cheaper the cost.

GC stated that the current website (ysjsu) presents itself as a bit bare, could photos of activity be added to Sports/Societies pages?

CF stated that if this is required, place a request to the staff.

Dinner Committee:

PRES updated on the committee and requested that any fundraising ideas be sent to him and Harriet Stainton at h.stainton@yorks.ac.uk

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 30th January 2017, DG120

Summary of actions

Agenda item	Action:	Assigned to:
Sports and Societies Dinners	To grasp student opinion, menus shall be distributed to the committees. <i>(Page 3)</i>	PRES
Kit Tender	Ensure that fair processes are provided for Sports and Societies <i>(Page 3)</i>	MW/PRES
Facilities	Ensure that the timetable is adhered to so that all Sports are provided with the same opportunity <i>(Page 4)</i>	PRES
	Provide access to Societies for storage in Temple Hall <i>(Page 4)</i>	MW