



Student Senate **Thursday 11th May, 4pm** **TW106**

Present

Chair

Aidan Laycock – Leader of Senate (LoS)

Students' Union Officers

Izzy Tooke – Vice President Education (VPE), Katie Irving – Vice President Welfare and Diversity (VPWD), Laurie Illingworth – SU President (PRES)

Chairs of School

George Coombs – Chair of School: Art, Design and Computer Science, Lizzie Smith – Chair of School: Education, Steph Foxtan – Chair of School: Language and Linguistics, Caitlin Jackson – Chair of School: Psychological and Social Sciences

Zone Representatives

Equality and Diversity Zone:

Fran Rhodes
Jacob Smith

Sports and Societies Zone:

Anna-Louise Leyden

Students' Union staff

Paul Murtough – Representation and Democracy Coordinator (RDC), Matt Walton – Sports and Activities Manager

Apologies

Laura Castle – Chair of School: Performance and Media Production, Joe Lynch – Chair of School: Health Sciences, Matt English – Chair of School: Business, Ruby Bovo – Sports and Societies Representative, Ellie Booth – Sports and Societies Representative

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Absence without apology

Thomas Devlin – Chair of School: Humanities, Religion and Philosophy

Welcome & Introductions

LoS welcomed all in attendance to the meeting and presented all in attendance with the opportunity for introduction

Items for Any Other Business

None were taken

Declaration of Interest

For the purpose of S59 GC and SF presented their declarations as a conflict in deciding their own responsibilities in 2017/18

Agenda Items

1. Minutes of the previous meeting
2. Ideas for change: S59 (rewrite) S61
3. Exec team reports
4. Honorary Life Membership vote

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

Minutes of the meeting (March 2017) were passed by the members

LoS removed himself as chair. For the purpose of item 3 VPE took the role of Deputy Chair

2. Ideas for change

S59: Officer Accountability (rewrite)

VPE introduced AL to provide an outline of the amended proposal which stated minor changes but explicitly referenced timelines

No speeches were given.

VPE called for the vote:



S61: Disability concerns

LoS introduced the motion which requests that the Students' Union work with disability advisors to create an additional forum for opinion and change.

JS asked if this was to assist with learning as well as physical disabilities

LoS confirmed that he believed this was in the scope of the change

FOR: FR stated that there is a need for something to be in place, disabled forums have helped in the past but with limited staff there has been no capacity to continue them.

AGAINST: PRES stated that there is already the Equality and Diversity Zone and it may appear to just be creating another meeting when the zone could be improved.

FOR: JS stated that the university seem to be oblivious to LSPs (Learning Support Plans) and therefore creating grounds for an open discussion is a progressive move forward.



CHANGE: PASSED

Action: [SU President team 2017/18](#)

VPE stepped down at Deputy Chair and LoS returned to the chair

5. Executive team reports

PRES presented a verbal update of activities and no questions were posed

VPWD presented a verbal update of activities and no questions were posed

VPE presented a verbal update of activities

FR asked if there was a possibility of finding out what happened at national conference and how our delegation voted.

VPE stated a blog was being formed and will be on the website.

Action: [VPE to publicise blog](#)

CoS (ADC) presented a verbal update of activities

CoS (LAL) presented a verbal update of activities and provided additional thanks for the Head of School for enabling a fee-free trip to ULAB.

CoS (EDU) presented a verbal update of activities

CoS (PSS) presented a verbal update of activities

6. Honorary Life Membership vote

LoS, FR and JS left the room for shortlisting purposes.

Members voted and shortlisted via show of hands:

Aidan Laycock – 8 votes

David Tait – 7 votes

Alistair Worrall – 8 votes

Jacob Smith – 8 votes

Jethro Hall – 0 votes

Marc Baty – 0 votes

Fran Rhodes – 8 votes

Matthew Thomson – 2 votes

Brad Simmons – 8 votes

Members of the senate proceeded to a secret ballot and awarded the four as found below:

David Tait – 8 votes

Aidan Laycock – 9 votes

Jacob Smith – 8 votes

Fran Rhodes – 9 votes

Date of Next Meeting

Academic year 2017/18

Summary of actions

Agenda item	Action:	Assigned to:
Ideas for change	S61: SU President team 2017/18 <i>(Page 3)</i>	PRESIDENTS
Executive Team Reports	VPE to publicise blog <i>(Page 3)</i>	VPE