## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE | Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday 28 January 2020

**Ex-officio members present** Hannah Prydderch | Vice President Union Development | Chair | she/her

Bethan Morgan | Vice President Education | she/her

George Nuttall | Students’ Union President | he/him

Lewis Marriott | VP Campaigns & Communications | he/him

Grishma Bijukumar | Vice President Welfare & Community | she/her

Victoria Hatch | Vice President Activities | she/her

**Members present** Sarah Pennington | Students with Disabilities Officer | she/her

Gigi Bruschi | Students with Disabilities Officer | she/her

Sam Maesschalck | Faculty Rep for Research | he/him

Bara Mala | PG Board Rep | she/her

Fabiha Askari | Faculty Rep for Taught | she/her

Mitch Boocock | LGBTQ+ Officer | he/him

Lydia Moodycliffe | Womens+’ Officer | she/her

Chris Ebulu | BME Students’ Officer | he/him

Donna Pasquill | Mature Students’ Officer | she/her

Atree Ghosh | Grizedale College President | he/him

**In attendance** Misbah Ashraf | Interim Chief Executive | she/her

Chris Cottam | Education & Support Unit Manager | he/him

Veronica Longmire | Executive Administrator | Minutes

**Apologies** Nikolas Lamare | International Students’ Officer | he/him

**Agenda Item 1 | Apologies** | as recorded above.

**Agenda Item 2 | Minutes of meetings** held 19 November [EXEC-2019 11 19] | 3 December [EXEC-2019 12 03] and 14 January [EXEC-2020 01 14] approved and amendments noted.

**Agenda Item 3 | Matters arising from the minutes** | None raised.

**Agenda Item 4 | Items for Discussion** | None submitted.

**Agenda Item 5 | Items for Approval**

**5.1 Election of Vice-Chair to Executive Committee**

The committee noted that in terms of eligibility the Vice Chair could not be a full-time officer. Fabiha Askari indicated her willingness to take on the role and a vote was taken. Fabiha was congratulated on successfully becoming the Committee’s Vice-Chair.

**5.2 Student Numbers Growth | Size vs Student Experience**

Item presented by the VP Education who stated that student numbers continued to rise impacting on the student experience. This was due to lack of space throughout the University, increases in staff workloads, and included postgraduate students who teach.

The committee was asked to approve the proposal

‘ **The Students’ Union will boycott open days and applicant visit days until the University commits to sustainable growth** ‘

It was deemed the subject was not contentious and a vote **For** adopting the proposal was unanimous.

**Proposal carried**

**5.3 Full-time Officer Role Re-structure**

The Vice-Chair took the chair for this item.

The item was presented by the SU President who stated that he was acting on his election manifesto. The proposal was to restructure the full-time officer roles as below and revise the Full time Executive Officer bylaw.

* New role – Vice President Societies and Community
* New role – Vice President Sports
* Change VP Welfare & Community to Vice President Welfare
* Remove the role of Vice President Campaigns & Communications
* Remove the role of Vice President Activities

The subject raised debate and included: there should be further wider consultation | a referendum [possible low turnout] | wait until after the constitutional review | timing issues | the matter was contentious | the fact the Executive Committee had the power to amend bylaws and had the power to make a decision.

There was a request to move the matter to a vote and a vote taken.

**Proposal carried**

At this point the VP Union Development re-took the chair | the VP Education and SU President left the meeting.

**Agenda Item 6 | Items for information**

**6.1 Motions to NUS for National Conference** | it was reported, as a point of information, that due to further NUS reforms each Union could submit only one motion to conference, up to a maximum of eight.

**6.2 Full-time Officers Update** | included: a Great British Valentines cards project | elections | AGM part 2 | Sexual health project with drop-in sessions | asylum seekers/refugees paper to Widening Participation Group | Roses preparations | training | work with College Communications Officers | work on a Media Comms guide book | SU on Tour campaign | Ask the Officers campaign interview | video series | editing of films.

**6.3 Part-time Officers Update** | included: cross-campus elections meetings | accessibility campaign | coffee evenings | access at Roses | on-line document on what the University offers students with disabilities.

**6.4 Chief Executive Update** | document in the Teams folder

**Agenda Item 7 | Any Other Business**

**7.1** The matter of the student trustee recruitment would be brought to the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 6:50pm due to a late start.