

Meeting:	D&S Exec Meeting
Location:	1 East Meeting Room
Date & Time:	19/04/24 12:15 – 13:05

Present:	
Melissa Oram	Student Voice Coordinator (C&I)
Jackson Peace	Student Staff
In attendance:	
Mahikha Murali Sundar	Exec Chair
Hanna Hajzer	SU Community Officer
Jess Smith	Disability Action Group Chair
Blake Walker	LGBT+ Chair (external)
Dhanishtha Upadhyay	Nightline Internal Coordinator
Hannah Brighty	Nightline External Coordinator
Perina Woods	Feminism & Gender Equality Chair
Eesha Ganesh	Race Equality Chair

Item	
1.	<p><u>Welcome and Apologies</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Community Officer opened the meeting in the absence of the Chair (who arrived later in the meeting) and welcomed in the new Chair for 2024/25. Apologies were noted from: Tarini Seghal.
2.	<p><u>Community Officer Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Community Officer (CO) provided an update on their attendance at the NUS Liberation Conference, emphasising discussions on topics such as decolonization of curriculum, support for international students, and transgender liberation. CO participated in workshops aimed at encouraging student participation in voting, including sessions specifically focused on trans liberation. Mentioned the recently released CAS report and its implications for the student community. Noted the proposal from the NUS for the formation of a liberation group for individual student membership.

<p>3.</p>	<p><u>Group Updates</u></p> <p><i>DAG</i> Continuing campaigns, conducting handover for next year’s committee. Issue of stage in the Edge still contested, with no new updates.</p> <p><i>LGBT+</i> “Drag for Swag” event was successful; ticket sales exceeded revised expectations. Five applicants so far for the newly launched Gender Expression Fund. Weekly study mornings ongoing. Reduced bar socials, replaced with SU karaoke. Positive feedback on elections. Preparing handover for the new committee to organize an event for final year; will provide feedback to D&S members.</p> <p><i>Race Equality</i> Relatively quiet; all roles except events officer filled. Handover documents need preparation but will be thorough. Chair attended the last EDIC meeting.</p> <p><i>F&GE</i> Have been running a social media campaign for Women’s History Month. Successful elections but a few positions open after by-election (aiming to recruit freshers). Preparing for a stall at Campus Pride.</p> <p><i>Nightline</i> Progressing towards association with the National Nightline Association. Still need a secretary and treasurer but other roles filled. Two new committee members (internal and external coordinators) have previous experience, so effective work anticipated next year.</p> <p>Note: no update was received for Student Minds</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p><u>Review of SU Documents</u></p> <p>Members were asked to note and comment upon the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) SU EDI Policy – no issues identified, and members expressed content with the document, which is up for review. b) SU EDI Action Plan (internal) – members provided feedback on this, which will be shared internally within the SU.
<p>5.</p>	<p><u>Summit Standpoint Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members discussed a standpoint which did not pass at the previous meeting of SUMmit and which the proposer would like to resubmit in the new academic year, with backing from the Exec: • The SVC gave a brief update on SUMmit and its proposed restructure. • Strategies discussed to ensure the passing of the standpoint, including garnering support from other groups present, officers, and execs.
<p>6.</p>	<p><u>Feedback</u></p> <p>The Exec were thanked for their time this year and achievements shared by the Community Officer</p>

	The meeting then led into an extended feedback session.
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Owner	Actions from Meeting
-	None noted.