

STUDENTS' COUNCIL (SRC) Hamilton

Wednesday 15th December, 1.30pm – 2.30pm, Boardroom 1

In the Chair, Samantha Phillips, Campus President Hamilton

MINUTES

1. Sederunt

Samantha Phillips	Campus President Hamilton
Susan Duncan	Depute President Education and Welfare
Stephen McCormack	Applied Bioscience (L7)
Kirsty McKeon	BA Journalism
William McAllister	Applied Bioscience with Forensic Investigation (L7)

In Attendance

Claire Lumsden	Student Representation Coordinator
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2. Acceptance of Apologies

Caroline Sharp	General Manager
Arnaud Bastianelli	Sports President
Anissa Mouffok	Applied Bioscience with Forensic Investigation (L8)
Safoora Shabbir	Health and Lifestyle (L8)

3. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting

(a) Matters arising from those minutes- None, accepted as accurate

4. Acceptance of the report of the business of the Association- attached

CPH read through report of business and informs council that Hamilton Campus was shut for few days due to snow and some staff and students ended up sleeping in halls and in the University. Informs and invites council to the Hamilton Christmas party on Friday 17th December for staff and students. CPH also informs council of attendance to lots of meeting and worked really really really hard.

5. Acceptance of the reports and minutes of committees- None

6 Business Introduced by Officer Bearers-

(a) Campaigns

Feedback campaign – DPEW informs student reps that they should receive feedback within 4 weeks of submission of assessed work and where this is not possible they should be informed of when to expect it. Further states that feedback should not be just a grade but should include constructive criticism. The feedback toolkit is nearly finished and reps will be informed when it is available. Common comments from lecturers are that students don't pick up feedback if given which further emphasises the need to use other methods of giving feedback e.g. using 'grades'

section of blackboard. During exams the students association will be campaigning for exam feedback using NUS sticker's specific to this and encourages reps to hand them out to their class.

(b) Charity fundraisers

CPH asks council which charities/causes they should be fundraising for. Some suggestions were diabetes as it was diabetes awareness week during 'movember' therefore it was missed. In addition World Aids Day was missed due to the weather. If reps have any suggestions or want to get involved please let Sam Phillips know on email cph@sauws.org.uk. All suggestions are welcome.

(c) Parking Strategy

DPEW informs council the university are devising a new parking strategy and have specific areas they would like students to help with. DPEW attended the parking strategy presentation and asks council specific questions for comments with responses noted on the questionnaire. A discussion took place with DPEW noting responses.

(d) Club constitution ratifications for GCCS

SR Coord explains what GCCS is and that ratification of club constitutions is required by Students' Council. Council is asked to agree or disagree that constitutions are accepted. Council members raised issues with regards to the SNP society suggesting that if one political group exists, then others should also. There was then concern about the potential of a BNP group being set up, DPEW suggests that the safe space policy covers political affiliation therefore any unacceptable behaviour or promotion of policies deemed to be unacceptable can be dealt with. Stephen McCormack suggests that no political group should exist and has objected to political groups being set up in general. SR Coord suggests that the student association constitution has scope to allow for political groups to exist and will speak to GM with regards to how concerns should be addressed, SR Coord will advise council members of outcome. SR Coord further suggest that if council does not want political groups to exist a motion will need to be put forward to the SRC to state this.

7. Motions-Emergency motion

(a) SAUWS Environmental and Ethical Policy

DPEW talks through the motion. Changes this year include transport – Banning domestic air flights for union business within the UK mainland, however appeals may be made to the board of trustees, inclusion of carbon emission targets and training for staff. DPEW asks if there are there any questions or comments. Stephen McCormack comments that this is a good idea. CPH would like to have a garden for Hamilton campus.

Council moves to vote – *passed unanimously*

8. Elections-

(a) Elections committee (x2)

Proposed – William McAllister (Seconded – Susan Duncan)

Proposed – Kirsty McKeon (Seconded – Sam Phillips)

William McAllister and Kirsty McKeon are duly elected

(b) Disciplinary committee (x4 ordinary members)

Ordinary member: Proposed – Kirsty McKeon (Seconded – Susan Duncan)

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1x ordinary member to be elected at next Hamilton SRC

9. AOCB-

CPH asks council with regards to Christmas holidays, would students like the campus computer labs on 2nd floor open? Paisley will be open throughout the holidays, except Christmas day and New Year's Day, library has ebooks and journals. Campus director for Hamilton has asked if there would be demand and suggests that there will be no assistance if there are any problems. Council suggests opening on the 3rd and 4th of January rather than 29th and 30th December. Kirsty McKeon points out that Wi-Fi in halls is not very good and opening after New Year would be beneficial.

Start: 13.45

Finish: 15.00