# Students' Union University of Greenwich 11<sup>th</sup> Finance & General Purposes Committee 2008/2009 held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2009 at 11am in the General Manager's Office, Cooper Building

Present: Richard Loader VP Services (Chair)

Benson Adeeso President
Altaf Ismail VP Campaigns

In Attendance: Alister Hussain (Kent Union) Interim Manager

**Mohammad Tarawneh** 

Wendy Mastin Campus Administrator

(Minutes)

11.1 Apologies: Russell Achiekwelu VP Sports & Societies

(Annual Leave)
VP Education
(Annual Leave)

Minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting were **AGREED** as a true and correct record.

11.3 Declaration of Interest None

#### 11.2 Matters arising from previous meeting

VP Services stated that some Societies wished to change the way they pay their membership fees. Instead of the usual £5.00, of which £2.00 is for insurance purposes and the remaining £3.00 goes into the general account, they would now only pay the £2.00. The £3.00 would be raised to cover specific events. AH felt this may be very difficult to monitor and suggested it be postponed and referred to VP Sports & Societies and Sports & Societies Administrator for their input.

**ACTION**: VP Sports & Societies, Clubs & Societies Co-ordinator

## 11.3 Finance Matters

11.2

Vice President Services reported on the current status of The Telescope newspaper. The intention is that 5,000 copies will be produced and distributed to halls (distributed by students/RAs), shops, newspaper stands etc., on 19.01.09 at an estimated cost of £575 + VAT. AH suggested that fewer copies be issued initially to gauge demand and questioned how distribution was going to be paid for.

A sample copy of The Telescope was provided. It was suggested some of the wording be removed/changed with particular reference to elections. The scope of the paper was discussed and how it should be structured in the future.

AH will obtain a copy of Kent's distribution figures. Lack of volunteer input was discussed and the President suggested that information should be placed on the Student Portal to encourage students to have their say. A flyer is/has been distributed asking for volunteers.

A new email address has been set up as per action of the last meeting as telescope@gre.acuk.

# F&GP Approved

**ACTION:** AH & President by next meeting.

## 11.3 Health & Safety

AH suggested what should be brought to meetings under this agenda item.

It was agreed that minutes should be submitted three times a year for approval with F&GP empowering management to undertake responsibility with the Health & Safety Committee.

#### 11.4 Football Club Request Off-site Events

F&GP approved the offsite event request with the condition that an insurance cover document risk assessment and clarity over who would be in charge of the event is passed to the Interim Management Team by Club & Societies Co-ordinator prior to the event.

**ACTION:** Approve H&S report.

# 11.5 Marketing with BAM

Advertising through BAM was discussed at length. VP Services proposed that the SU continue to use the current provider but it would involve tying into a five year contract as they have no other advertising revenue at present. AH expressed his concerns that tying into a five year contract was not the answer and offered other possible solutions to generate advertising income.

**ACTION**: AH to investigate whether Endsleigh would be honouring their agreement even though they are no longer onsite.

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11.2	Input re: Society Fees	VP S&S, C&S Co-ordinator
11.3	Obtain Kent Distribution figures	AH
	Information on Student Portal	President
	Re: volunteers for Telescope	
11.4	Approve H&S report	C&S Co-ordinator
11.5	Investigate current position with	AH
	Endsleigh	

The meeting was closed.

Agenda of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Students' Representative Council of 2008/9, to be held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2009 at 2 pm in the Lounge, Coopers Building, King William Walk, Greenwich

- 3.1 Apologies
- 3.2. Minutes of 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of SRC 2008/9 dated 10<sup>th</sup> December 2008 (as attached).

Recommendation: that the Minutes be AGREED as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

- 3.3. Matters arising from previous minutes
- 3.4 Declaration of interest
- 3.5 Membership

Benson Adeeso

Altaf Ismail

Mohammad Tarawneh

Richard Loader

Russell Achiekwelu

Ruvimbo Mutyambizi

Serena Seghedoni

Katie Haywood

Sarah Sheikh

Djamal Salim

Alex Sen

Zuzanna Kaniewska

Jonah Fazel

#### 3.6 Minutes of Finance and General Purposes Committees

Recommendation: that the Minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting be NOTED.

11<sup>th</sup> meeting of F&GP 2007/8 held 14<sup>th</sup> January 2009 (as attached).

Recommendation: that the Minutes of the 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting be NOTED.

Recommendation: that the Minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting be NOTED.

Recommendation: that the Minutes of the 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting be NOTED.

Recommendation: that the Minutes of the 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting be NOTED.

3.7 Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> Elections Committee

Membership: Richard Loader

Sarah Sheikh Henry Hill Ben Ward

**Matters Arising** 

- 3.8 Reports from Sabbatical Officers
- 3.9 Motions: Life Membership for SRC Officer

SUUG door policy review (as attached)

Recommendations:

3.10 Re-evaluation of the SRC Medway position

Recommendations:

3.11 Report from Sarah Sheikh, SRC Societies

Recommendations:

3.12 Date, Time and Location of next meeting