**Student Council Minutes**

**16/05/2022, 18:00**

**Microsoft Teams**

*Present:*

Aleksandra Krysa – AK

Emily-Grace Holden – EGH

Evie Hudson – EH

Kelsey Howard-Matthews – KHM

Molly Jopling – MJ

Rachel Ward – RW

*Staff present:*

Lucy Smith – LS

*Absent with apologies:*

Abigail Holden – AH

Bibi Aasia – BA

Emmanuella Osei – EO

Jasmine Grewal – JG

Vinay Verma – VV

**Item 1 – Welcome from the Chair**

EH offered to stand in as chair

EH welcomed everyone to the meeting

**Item 2 – Approval of minutes from the previous meeting**

EH asked for approval of minutes from last meeting

*Council unanimously voted to approve*

**Item 3 – Matters Arising**

EH asked if anyone had any immediate issues that needed raising or anything to report back in general

*None were forthcoming*

**Item 4 – Policy Tracker, Action Tracker, and Attendance Log**

EH asked for update on 035 – LTU Marketplace

RW said there was no further update – waiting for response from Paperclip who have not responded to emails

EH asked if someone was ready to pick up next year after RW departure

RW noted she was the Sustainability Officer next year so would pick up

RW noted comms about students moving out of halls

EH and RW noted that 036 – Trinity Pride was complete

EH moved to 037 – Permanent Self Defence Sessions

KHM said this was at a standstill but is in document handover for next year’s Women’s Officer

RW updated that Activities Coordinator is looking into providing a GIAG session for Freshers’ Week

EH said she felt this would help new students feel more comfortable

EH moved to 038 – Promoting Self-Care Apps

RW said she was working on this with Matt Nunnerley to make the apps mandatory, working with Forward Leeds

RW noted new SU Advice tile

EH moved to 039 – Mental Health Crisis Team on Campus

RW announced to Council there will be 1 out of hours duty manager working throughout the night

RW said they would be working 11pm – 5am

EH moved through complete policies

RW noted that 041 – Cut Back on Amazon is now fully operational

EH noted further complete policies and RW updated on Fairtrade actions for September

EH moved to 013 – Loud about Being Proud

RW has had confirmation from the University about Pride flag in Atrium

RW updated Council on shape and positioning of flag

EH moved to 022 – Tackling Sexual Violence

KHM said same update as before

RW had taken lead on this and teamed up with SARCS who offer free counselling, a support officer and everything that students may need following sexual misconduct and violence

RW noted creation of SU Advice Instagram which will be more tailored

RW further explained SARCS and work going forward

EH suggested this to be at Freshers’ Fair

KHM asked for updates on this project

RW said she would bring KHM into next meeting

**Item 5 – School Rep Reports**

EH moved to School Rep reports

EH said everything had been very quiet because of placements

EH noted chats with people on Primary Ed team and work on tailored survey to go out to ICE students

EH explained content of questions was successful in engaging ICE students

EH added information about what she had included in handover documents

EH noted there were no other School Reps in the meeting

**Item 6 – Sabbatical Officer Reports**

EH asked RW for an update on Officer goals

RW took goals as read

RW drew attention to goal #4

RW noted first meeting with a sports vendor

RW explained that the SU were taking kit tender and sourcing own kit

RW added that this was much more cost efficient for students

RW explained that they were awaiting a second meeting with another vendor to compare

RW added work on by-elections, handover documents, and training packs

RW explained review of sports clubs and societies and added that all the numbers of societies had increased

RW noted goal #5 with Mental Health Charter paper due later in the week

RW explained accreditation and work with SU Advice on advice tile and Instagram

RW took rest of goals as read and asked if anyone had any questions

**Item 7 – Officer Updates**

EH asked for any officer updates

MJ did not have any updates

MJ said it had been quite quiet and she had not received any issues from students at this busy time

MJ noted due to personal circumstances she was unable to work on Deaf Awareness Week

KHM had no further updates

EGH had no further updates

AK explained meetings with StUdio Coordinator about SU Shop and that this work would be passed on

RW said there was no space for zero waste in the SU Shop so are looking at other options

RW added that they were looking at other possibilities for the new academic year

KHM noted that there were Heart Foundation boxes around campus and for Council to promote this to students

**Item 8 – Motions Debate**

EH noted that there were no motions through Student Say

**Item 9 – AOB**

LS reminded Council about handover documents

LS added that they had planned for a social next time

Council briefly suggested social ideas

RW suggested Outdoor Cinema with food and drinks

AK agreed and also suggested bowling or mini golf