

## WSU TeamWorc Council

Monday 11/10/2021 at 13:45 (EE G089, Yelland Lecture)

**Staff in attendance:** Neve Ricketts (NR), Tim Hewes-Belton (THB), Jack Moore (JM), Sophie Smith (SS), Daniel Cox (DC)

**Clubs in attendance:** American Football, Athletics, Badminton, Cheerleading, Climbing and Mountaineering, Dance, Fencing, Men's Cricket, Men's Football, Men's Hockey, Men's Rugby, Netball, Pole Fitness, Rowing, Social Sports, Swimming, Tennis, Ultimate Frisbee, Volleyball, Women's Cricket, Women's Football, Women's Futsal, Women's Hockey, WorcSnow.

**Clubs not in attendance:** Archery, Equestrian, Men's Basketball, Men's Futsal, Paddlesports & Surf, Trampolining, Women's Basketball, Women's Rugby, Yoga.

**Societies in attendance:** ACS, Anime and Manga, Arts Collective, Biology, Christian Union, Creative Writing, Education Enhancement, Finnish, History, LOCO Show Co., Neurodivergent, Paramedics, Physiotherapy, Poetry, Spotlight, Uni Boob Team.

**Societies not in attendance:** Biomedical Science, Criminology, Debate, Dungeons and Dragons, Law, Marvel & DC, Midwifery, Nature, Nigerian, Nursing & Associates, Occupational Therapy,

**Apologies:** Boxing, Table Tennis.

## Agenda Items

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

- NR welcomed all members to the first TeamWorc Council of 2021-22
- Attendance and apologies are listed above
- NR introduced the SU staff members in attendance

### 2. Approval of Terms of Reference

- TW Council Terms of Reference were unanimously approved

### 3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

- TeamWorc Committee Meeting minutes from 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021 were unanimously approved

### 4. Actions from Previous Meeting

- Actions from previous meeting had all been completed.

### 5. Intro to Council reps

- NR introduced the TeamWorc Council to their Student Council Reps
  - Team Sports Rep                      Rhys Tench                      Men's Rugby
  - Individual Sports Rep                Harvey Bowron                Athletics

- Artistic & Martial Arts Sports      Joseph Burfitt      Boxing
- Adventure/High Risk Sports      Abigail Lumbard      Climbing and  
Mountaineering
- Academic Societies      Jordan Leighton      Nursing and  
Associates
- Charity and Volunteering      VACANT
- Faith and Cultural      Vanessa Gakuba      ACS
- General Interest      VACANT

- THB reminded people if they are interested in the vacant positions they can still apply

## 6. Council Policy Procedure Reminder

- THB covered the remit of the Council
- It was explained to students how they can submit policies for approval and the process it follows when being taken to Student Council

## 7. Officer Updates

- NR displayed the current TeamWorc Point totals.
  - Current leaders were Education Enhancement and Rowing
  - Committees were given a booklet explaining TeamWorc points
- NR reminded groups they can apply for TeamWorc UNITED accreditation in semester 1
- Reminder to submit WorcStar awards - first winner to be announced end of October
- September Club of the month - Badminton
  - For a creating one of the most fun and interactive stalls at Welcome Weekend, as well as having one of the most successful intakes of students on their interest list.
- September Society of the month - Christian Union
  - For creating a warm and welcoming atmosphere at the weekend fair, running their scavenger hunt for new and returning members and posting fun and creative social media.
- Social Media Engagement of the Month - Biology
- NR announced Club and Society Group photos will take place this year
  - Majority voted they would prefer this to be in semester 2 to allow Akuma kit to arrive
  - **Action 01** - DC to email photo company to arrange a date and location
- Akuma sizing session scheduled for 12<sup>th</sup> October has had to be postponed
  - **Action 02** - SS to email members when new date is confirmed
- Committees were reminded of the newly launched Member Survey where all members, not just committee can submit their honest feedback about their experience in order to create positive change

## 8. Sport Updates

- By-elections are coming up with nominations already open. Voting scheduled to start on 15<sup>th</sup> November and close on 19<sup>th</sup> November

- Club Development Grant opens on 18<sup>th</sup> October
  - Groups were sign posted to the Fact Sheet

## **9. Society / RAG / TeamWorc Action Updates**

- SU Team are working with ACS, Nigerian Society and the BAME Network to deliver a series of events for Black History Month
- Society Development Grant opens on 18<sup>th</sup> October
  - Groups were sign posted to the Fact Sheet
- JM outlined for room bookings all groups can email him to arrange this
- Upcoming TeamWorc Action Days are 12<sup>th</sup> October and 23<sup>rd</sup> November - these are both canal cleans
- Groups encouraged to think of their own TeamWorc Action days and email Helen Black with any ideas
- JM announced RAG total currently stands at £6429.57
- Upcoming RAG events include Uni Boob Team breast cancer awareness month and Movember events are taking shape for November
- RAG committee contacts are Molly Geehan for Clubs and Lucy Robson for Societies

## **10. Your First Few Weeks**

- NR introduced the discussion items for the afternoon. Groups then worked with their committees and other committees around them to discuss the topic areas.
- Main Summary of findings:
  - 1) What has gone well?
    - Societies have seen an increase active members and engagement
    - Use of Reach funds has allowed lots of members - some groups over half their members are through Reach
    - Welcome Weekend was a good experience and helped recruitment
    - Clubs who have secured sponsorship has had a big impact on them
    - Lots of student groups have rebranded and updated social media
  - 2) What challenges have you faced?
    - Akuma kit delivery and responses. Made it very hard to get kit for members
    - Recruiting and retaining committee members
    - Lack of motivation for members to commit to weekly sessions - particular sport issue
    - Conversion of members from interest list to membership sees a natural decline

## **11. Moving Forward**

- 3) What can the Students' Union do to support you?
  - Lots of groups feel very well supported by SU team
  - Clearer advice on mental health support for members
  - Support conversations between groups and Akuma

## **12. AOB**

- No AOB was discussed

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**13. Summary of Actions**

<b>Reference</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>By When</b>
001	Email photo company to arrange a date and location	DC	ASAP
002	Email members when new date is confirmed for Akuma sizing session	SS	ASAP