

## WSU Executive Committee Minutes

Monday 17/06/2022 at 09:30am (Online via MS Teams)

	ITEM	Timings	Owner
1.	Welcome & Introductions	09:30	LL
2.	Apologies	09:31	LL
3.	Declaration of interest	09:32	LL
4.	Minutes of previous meeting ( <b>April</b> )	09:33	LL
5.	Matters arising	09:35	LL
<b>Approval Items</b>			
6.	Student Group Approval - WorcHike Society (Approved via email)	09:40	NR
7.	Associate Memberships	09:50	THB
8.	WSU Bye-Law 5 Amendment	10:00	THB
9.	Antiracism Statement	10:05	SW
<b>Reporting Items</b>			
10.	Active Policy & Ideas Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recycling programme for hard to recycle waste (LL)</li> <li>• Create a student medic volunteer (NR)</li> <li>• Women's Workout Hour (NR)</li> <li>• Campus Community Garden (<b>COMPLETE</b>)</li> <li>• Recycling Bins at City Campus (<b>COMPLETE</b>)</li> <li>• Calmatea (NR) (<b>COMPLETE</b>)</li> <li>• Make the 'free periods' poster in bathrooms more inclusive (<b>COMPLETE</b>)</li> <li>• Eduroam/WIFI in Tramps and Mode (<b>COMPLETE</b>)</li> <li>• Open Facilities on Saturdays (LL)</li> <li>• Making scholarship criteria and changes available to students (<b>COMPLETE</b>)</li> <li>• Student Led Podcast (NR/LL)</li> <li>• Common room for students in the Jenny Lind Building (RM/LL)</li> </ul>	10:10	Officers
11.	Officer Objective Update	10:20	Officers

12.	Additional Campaign Updates	10:25	Officers
<b>Discussion Items</b>			
13.	Current Student Issues	10:30	All
14.	Update on Relevant Projects and Discussions with the University	10:40	All
<b>Any Other Business</b>			
15.	AOB	10:50	LL
Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> July at 9:30am			

## Minutes

### **1.0 Welcome & Introduction**

LL welcomed all to June Executive Committee. Liam welcomed Al, Gemma & Meg to the Executive committee, where they will contribute to the meeting as non-voting members.

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### **2.0 Apologies**

No apologies received.

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### **3.0 Declaration of Interest**

No declarations declared.

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### **4.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The committee reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting and then took a vote to approve:

For - 3

Against - 0

Abstain - 0

The minutes from the Executive Committee on April 25<sup>th</sup> 2022, were approved.

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### **5.0 Matters Arising**

<b>Actions</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Update</b>
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<p><b>Action Sep.01:</b> May Exec - VPE to work with and maintain liaison with Caryn Thorogood around a new Fit to Study policy. THB to ask Kate Gynn to go through Fit to Study Policy with RM. RM and SW are meeting Caryn in January to review the drafted policy</p>	RM	<b>Complete.</b>
<p><b>Action Jan.04:</b> NR continue to build a portfolio of LifeSkills Workshops for students</p>	NR	<p>Marketing made a booklet, which Neve has now approved. This is going out to print asap.</p> <p><b>Complete.</b></p>
<p><b>Action Jan.09:</b> THB &amp; RM to meet with Marie Stowell to discuss the SU's contribution to the consultation.</p>	SW/GA	<p><b>Complete.</b></p> <p>GA/SW have booked a meeting with Ann Jordan and Mari Stowell. To overlook the potential TEF submission.</p>
<p><b>Action Feb.01:</b> THB/NR to liaise with SS to see how we can work with the University to make Women's workout hour happen.</p>	NR/THB	<p>Meeting held. SS now leading on with NR for 2022-23, Hannah Heskin will be supporting the progress.</p>
<p><b>Action Mar.02:</b> NR/LL to meet with student who proposed the idea to look at next steps into pushing Student Led Podcast.</p>	NR/LL	<p>No progress to date. Hand over to ML.</p>
<p><b>Action Mar.03:</b> NR/LL to reach out and contact other SUs who have their own podcasts to see how it works, etc.</p>	NR/LL	<p>No progress to date. Hand over to ML.</p>
<p><b>Action Mar.06:</b> SW to speak to TJ about the offering available to students who study on weekends.</p>	SW	<p>We are working with University colleagues around opening times and catering provision on Saturdays (and are aware they are also in contact with academics who run courses on a Saturday) and will keep this updated</p> <p><b>Ongoing.</b></p>

<b>Action Mar.08:</b> THB/NR to plan an exercise around committee responsibilities in committee handovers.	THB/NR	<b>Complete.</b> Included in Handover
<b>Action Mar.09:</b> THB to source some 'money saving tips' and get CS to post on WSU social media.	THB	Handed to TM and in progress/ongoing
<b>Action Apr.01:</b> THB to ensure that staff organising Committee Fest invite the Business' Society's new Sponsorship & Coordination Secretary to the Finance and Admin parts of the training.	THB	Briefed SS
<b>Action Apr.02:</b> JA to speak to HB creating a list of recycling points around the city, so the SU can advertise to students.	JA	<b>Complete.</b>
<b>Action Apr.03:</b> All executive committee members to read NUS passed policies to allow exec to have a discussion at the next meeting.  <a href="#">Policy Proposals for National Conference Voting 2022 @ NUS</a>	ALL	<b>Complete.</b>

## **6.0 Student Groups Approval**

### WorcHike Society

Since the last Executive Committee, WorcHike Society has been approved by the Exec via email. It was a unanimous decision.

NR can now proceed to support the development of new society.

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## **7.0 Associate Memberships**

THB gave a brief explanation of the purpose of Bye-Law 1 (Membership). During the governance review it was highlighted around the offering to Associate Membership. The recommended changes are highlighted in the supporting document.

The committee reviewed the recommended Bye-Law changes then took a vote to approve:

For - 3  
Against - 0  
Abstain - 0

The recommended changes to Bye-Law 1 (Membership) on June 17<sup>th</sup> 2022, were approved.

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### **8.0 WSU Bye-Law 5 Amendment**

THB gave a brief explanation of the purpose of Bye-Law 5. These amendments are to outline the recently approved changes to the BAME Network which will now be known as REACH. This is actioned from the recently passed policy as Student Council.

The committee reviewed the recommended Bye-Law changes then took a vote to approve:

For - 3  
Against - 0  
Abstain - 0

The recommended changes to Bye-Law 5 on June 17<sup>th</sup> 2022, were approved.

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### **9.0 Antiracism Statement**

SW gave an overview that this is part of the Unions drive to become a better organisation and to strive in all we do for race equality. SW would like to consult the Unions ACS & REACH Network in September to gain their feedback.

GA acknowledged that an amendment was needed addressing use of BAME terminology.

**ACTION:** SW to amend wording in Anti-Racism Statement from BAME to REACH.

The committee reviewed the Anti-Racism statement then took a vote to approve:

For - 3  
Against - 0  
Abstain - 0

The Anti-Racism statement was approved on June 17<sup>th</sup> 2022.

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### **10.0 Active Ideas Update**

- Recycling programme for hard to recycle waste - Hard to Recycle waste document has been created, this is going to be circulated by Marketing. **COMPLETE.**
  - Create a student medic volunteer programme - No Update. **COMPLETE**
  - Create a bookshelf swap on campus - **COMPLETE**
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- Women's Workout Hour (NR) - **CARRY OVER**
- Campus Community Garden - **COMPLETE**
- Recycling Bins on City Campus (outside) - **COMPLETE**
- Calma-tea, Arts & Mindfulness on Campus (outside) - **COMPLETE**
- Make the 'free periods' poster in bathrooms more inclusive - **COMPLETE**
- Eduroam or other WIFI provider in Tramps and Mode- **COMPLETE**
- Open Facilities on Saturdays - Update given by SW in Matters Arising. **CARRY OVER**
- Making scholarship criteria and changes available to students - **COMPLETE**
- Student Led Podcast - Update given in Matters Arising. **CARRY OVER**
- Common Room in Jenny Lind - No Update. **CARRY OVER**

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### **11.0 Officer Objective Updates**

#### **LL:**

Mental Health Room - met with TJ, the University have selected a room within the Conference Centre. LL is happy with the space.

Diwali Celebration - Working group has been really proactive. They would like to host party in The Hangar. Want to get all students involved in a celebration.

**ACTION:** JA to ask TM to add Diwali celebration to SU Cultural Calendar.

#### **RM:**

Complaints on disciplinary procedures, updates provided in ARGC which VP Education sits within. Looking at procedures around behavioural board. This is quite a big task; it will be a long term process.

No further updates given.

#### **NR:**

No updates given.

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### **12.0 Additional Campaign Updates**


No Updates

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### **13.0 Current Student Issues**

#### Cost of Living (NUS)

SW has asked Advice team to monitor the cases that have onset impact from Cost of Living increase.



JA noted that, he has already sent NUS campaign across to SU marketing with the potential to promote out.

THB felt that there is plenty of work that we can do to support NUS in their campaign.

THB thinks that it is important, that we actively communicate what campaigns we're supporting on to both students and the University. Providing a transparent view into what the SU is working on.

**ACTION:** Officers to keep an ear to the ground about what other SUs are doing, as well as what NUS has to say about it especially whilst at Lead & Change.

#### Recruitment

SW noted that DG in the most recent ULG meeting labelled the upcoming student recruitment process as a 'crisis'.

No additional updates.

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### **14.0 Update on Relevant Projects and Discussions with the University**

SW wanted to make officer elects aware of the purpose of this agenda item.

**RM:** WeAreBeard Peirson Mural Update - RM gave a quick overview of the progression so far with the peirson mural, The mood boards were a great success and RM shared a visual with the final design for the Peirson wall.

No further updates were given.

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### **15.0 AOB**

SW wanted to acknowledge the hard work that the outgoing officers have contributed to the Exec and the Union this past year.

LL brought the meeting to a close.

The next Executive Committee is 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

