

Full-Time Officer Group (FTOG) FTOG Office

Present

Aliasgar Gandhi, Postgraduate Officer (PGO)
Antonia Listratt, Guild President (President)
Abby Kenrick, Welfare & Community Officer (WCO) (Chair)
Simrah Inamdar, International Officer (IO)
Abhijeet Patel, Sports Officer (SO)
Jacob Dyke, Education Officer (EO)

Also in Attendance

Jo Thomas, Chief Executive (JT)
Jen Toone, Senior HR Coordinator (JTo) (Note taker)

Apologies

Emeline Brown, Activities & Employability Officer (AEO)

The Chair welcomed everyone, and the meeting started at 13:02.

No	Item for Discussion	Notes	Action
1	Minutes of the Previous meeting (04.08.25)	The Chair presented the minutes of the previous meeting, dated the 4th of August 2025 for the Officer Team's approval.	Noted
	(6 1166126)	The Officer Team approved the minutes as an accurate record of the meeting.	Approved
2	Officer Updates from Previous Week	SO – Training, External mentor, Welcome Week, meeting with Sports & Coaching,	Noted
		WCO – SHAG Week planning with C&M, Women's officer and voice meeting, Violence against women & Sexual Health awareness, Liberation space, Comms Buddy & Meetings.	Noted
		PGO – Training, Meetings, PGT – experiences, External Mentor – Jamie, NUS (on behalf of EO), Postgraduate events, Postgrad strategies & planning and filming with C&M	Noted
		EO – Meeting with DPVC For Student Experience and Annual Leave	Noted
		IO – External Mentor, 121 with Voice.	Noted
		President – Campaigns Work, Hardship fund, Cost of living, Housing campaign, networking.	Noted
3	Officer Diaries	The Officer Team discussed their key meetings for the week ahead:	
		SO – 121 session, UOB sport meeting regarding student support, Sports night meeting with Business Development Manager.	Noted

		WCO – Liberation project, Marketing requests, introduction meetings & project work.	Noted
		PGO – Postgraduate student groups, Bye laws and processes awaiting approvals and hoped to get up and running prior to welcome week to allow a forum for community and events. University staff meeting, 1 st postgraduate student experience meeting, Intro meetings.	Noted
		IO – Welcome week talks, BIA, Filming, Careers team, University relationship training & Campaigns work	Noted
		President – Linking up conversations that had to the previous week, working on their migrant students report and working on their marketing request forms for campaigns, Stakeholder consultations.	Noted
		EO – Teaching & Learning Environment strategy Group, University relations, Meeting ,125 Talks prep with PVC for Research, Meeting with Director of Education for EPS, Team 12, and Meeting with Academic Registrar and their Team	Noted
4	Officer Projects	SO – Engagement during Welcome Week, Societies and fairs, Sports Nights & Sports Access fund.	Noted
		WCO – SHAG week, Commercial support, Liberation space and marketing request, Cost of living incentives.	Noted
		PGO – Post graduate Student group plan ready and live prior to Welcome week, Post Grad Town House, Cost of living.	Noted
		IO – Working on a Cultural Calendar reaching out to culture societies to add in festivals, Food Festival discussing with C&M and completing marketing requests.	Noted
		EO – Teaching & Planning Group including study spaces and access needs. Creating Student Rep Group and Gender Expression Fund	Noted
		President – Linking up conversations that had to the previous week, working on their migrant students report and working on their marketing request forms for campaigns, Stakeholder consultations, collaborating with the Welfare & Community Officer as well as PTOs to establish Liberation Networks and a Liberation Forum, consulting stakeholders about starting a student-staff decolonisation network and a campaign to academically and financially decolonise Birmingham.	Noted
5	Schools/Colleges/ Dubai Update	Officers noted they had meetings set up.	Noted
6	Part-Time Officers	WCO noted they had discussed the violence against women project with the Women's Officer and were working on their logo and name.	Noted
7	AOB	IO noted that FTOG was booked in on a Bank Holiday and will need to change.	Noted
		JT noted that's this week was A Level Day on Thursday 14 th August and that UNISON will be taking strike action on campus.	Noted

JT noted that if anyone wanted to get involved then they will need to take time this as time off.	Noted
JT asked the officers if they were happy for the Guild to provide a room for UNISON for refreshments. The officers approved.	Noted

The meeting finished at 13:49