

Full-Time Officer Group (FTOG)

Teams or Mandela

Present

Syed Sadath, Guild President (**President**)
Hope Aquilina, Welfare & Community Officer (**WCO**)
Ravikiran Rajashekar, International Officer (**IO**)
Lara Parker, Sports Officer (**SO**) (Chair)
Ritakshi Maheshwari, Postgraduate Officer (**PGO**)

Also in Attendance

James Lindsay, Director of Community & Representation (JL) Amber Challinor, HR Coordinator (AC) (note taker)

Apologies

Devansh Jhamnani, Activities & Employability Officer (AEO) Alex Keen, Education Officer (EO) Jo Thomas (CEO)

The Chair welcomed everyone, and the meeting started at 12:00.

| No | Item for Discussion | Notes | Action |
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| 1 | Minutes of the Previous meeting (14.04.25) | The Chair presented the minutes of the previous meeting, dated the 14.04.25 for the Officer Team's approval. | Noted |
| | | The Officer Team approved the minutes, with one edit, as an accurate record of the meeting. | Noted |
| 2 | Officer Updates from Previous Week | SO – Annual leave | Noted |
| | | WCO – Misconduct panel | Noted |
| | | PGO – 121 meeting with staff member | Noted |
| | | IO – Meeting for Officer Training feedback | Noted |
| | | President – EDI Committee | Noted |
| 3 | Officer Diaries | The Officer Team discussed their key meetings for the week ahead: | |
| | | All the Officers were attending an event at Westminster SU in London and attending the Joined Up Conversations meeting | Noted |
| | | SO – Sport Access Fund Panel, Engagement Committee, Activities Committee grant meeting | Noted |
| | | WCO – Student Living Group, Filming with the City Council | Noted |
| | | PGO – BIA meeting, University Education Committee meeting, Service Action Group meeting | Noted |

| | | IO – Service Action Group meeting | Noted |
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| | | President – Scrutiny Panel | Noted |
| 4 | Officer Projects | SO – Sport Access Fund panel, Women in Sport focus group | Noted |
| | | WCO – Joint post between the Guild and MP, Al Carns, to highlight how the organisations will work together to support students in Selly Oak | Noted |
| | | | Noted |
| | | PGO – Meeting with BIA to discuss social difficulties faced by international students and possible collaboration between BIA and the Guild | |
| | | | Noted |
| | | IO – Food Festival marketing request submitted, Language Café picnic to be planned. | |
| | | | Noted |
| | | President – Proposal for International Student Forum, Funding for Coffee with the President podcast | |
| 5 | Schools/Colleges/ Dubai Update | The IO noted that the Student Leaders from the Dubai campus will be visiting the Edgbaston campus in June. | Noted |
| 6 | Part-Time Officers | No items to discuss. | Noted |
| 7 | AOB | The President asked the Officer Team for any agenda items for JUC | Noted |
| | | The Officer Team discussed posting a statement or email communication about world affairs. | Officer Team |
| | | The WCO noted that they are collating work that the Guild has completed towards the cost of living crisis for students, and asked the Officer Team to let them know anything they would like included. | Officer Team |

The meeting finished at 13:00.