*Committee Members Present*

**Activities Committee**

1st April 2025, 3-4pm

*Devansh Jhamnani – Activities and Employability Officer*

*Lara Parker – Sports Officer*

*Alex Keen – Education Officer*

*Student Groups Representatives:*

*Matthew Widdop*

*Emmanuel Olugbemi*

*Benedict Morgan*

*Supporting Staff Present*

*Harriet Berrington-Hughes – Senior Student Group’s Co-ordinator*

*Samantha Macbeth – Student Activities Manager*

*Ella Smith – Minuting*

**Trigger Warnings:**

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| **Item No.** | **Item Title** | **Meeting Notes** | **Actions** |
| **Start** |  |  |  |
| 1 | **Welcome & Introductions** | **LP to chair the meeting**  **Present: LP, DJ, AK, SM, HBH, MW, EO, BM**  **LP**- after last AOB- emergency grant brought up here. Chairs discussed a few options but concluded to continue the way we are with staff not bringing requests if they don’t qualify  **MW**- to clarify are staff denying emergency grant if there are no grounds for the grant, without giving opportunity to bring to ac?  **LP**- disagrees, staff are assessing if it qualifies. Not denying them, just not what the emergency grant is for. If group wants to bring to AC then staff will do that  **All agreed** |  |
| 2 | **Constitutional Changes** | **Catholic**  **Present: LP, DJ, AK, SM, HBH, MW, EO, BM**  **MW:** What was the membership price before?  **HBH: £3**  **LP**- no problem  **Voting: LP, DJ, AK, MW, EO, BM approve**  **Outcome: constitutional change approved**  **DJ**  **Present: LP, DJ, AK, SM, HBH, MW, EO, BM**  **LP**- lots of new roles, don’t see any problem  **MP and BM**- could have said x2 for social sec but no real issue  **LP**- no problem  **MW and BM**- slight formatting issue but doesn’t matter as it is clear to follow  **Voting: LP, DJ, AK, MW, EO, BM approve**  **Outcome: constitutional change approved**  **First Aid**  **Present: LP, DJ, AK, SM, HBH, MW, EO, BM**  **MW**- they have different format as they are separate group, partially with guild  **LP**- if wasn’t easy to follow would be an issue but it is fine  **Voting: LP, DJ, AK, MW, EO, BM approve**  **Outcome: constitutional change approved**  **Quiz**  **Present: LP, DJ, AK, SM, HBH, MW, EO, BM**  **LP**- Inclusivity and wellbeing officer has problematic wording in the description and should be reworded. Needs to reference signposting  **BM**- could show them example to help with wording.  MW: Can we show them another group’s as an example?  **HBH**- yes, we give them recommended wording and an example  **LP**: Great can we approve as chairs?  **Voting: LP, DJ, AK, MW, EO, BM send back for further information**  **Outcome: Send back for rewording to include reference to signposting and then return for Chairs Action**  **Engineers Without Borders**  **Present: LP, DJ, AK, SM, HBH, MW, EO, BM**  **MW**- 2010 constitution used, needs updating.  **LP**- no problem with role but wording under inclusion and diversity is not great again.  **Voting: LP, DJ, AK, MW, EO, BM send back for further information**  **Outcome: Send back for rewording to include reference to signposting and then return for Chairs Action** |  |
| 3 | **New Group Proposals** | **Mahjong**  **Present: LP, DJ, AK, SM, HBH, MW, EO, BM**  **MW-** templating needs to be changed but the rest is fine.  **LP**- no problem with the group and happy to approve as board game society don’t have this game.  **HBH**- Japan society are happy, no response from Chinese society and unclear whether Hong Kong society are happy with it  **HBH** shows email from Hong Kong society.  **MW**- should look at their constitution to see if they have included it.  **HBH** shows Hong Kong constitution  MW: Seems like they are just now realising they should do Mahjong. What is the reference to 18+?  **HBH**: think it just means the current venues require 18+, not the game  **BM**: Don’t think it crosses over with board game as this is just one game rather than a category of games  **Voting: LP, DJ, AK, MW, EO, BM approve**  **Outcome: New group approved**  **Pickleball**  **LP**- up and coming sport, lots of other universities are doing the same. Think it would be a great addition. Membership fee £8, higher for normal society but low for sport.  **MW**- could they do it in the guild?  **LP**- they do not have the facilities so would have to pay extra to rent out court in the sports and fitness.  **MW**- they need to put it on the new constitution.  **HBH**- said will do it for all the new groups.  **Voting: LP, DJ, AK, MW, EO, BM approve**  **Outcome: New group approved.**  **Zumba**  **Present: LP, DJ, AK, SM, HBH, MW, EO, BM**  **LP**- affiliation did not need to be listed. Looks good  **DJ**- they have no Instagram account  **HBH**: they do have 15 expressions of interest.  **MW**: yes happy  **Voting: LP, DJ, AK, MW, EO, BM and approve**  **Outcome: New group approved**  **South Asian Law**  **Present: LP, DJ, AK, SM, HBH, MW, EO, BM**  **LP:** did we have any crossover feedback?  **HBH**- emailed to check other societies were happy and many did not respond. Women in Law and Law for Non Law had no issues  **Voting: LP, DJ, AK, MW, EO, BM approve**  **Outcome: New group approved** |  |
| 4 | **AOB** | **Present: LP, DJ, AK, SM, HBH, MW, EO, BM**  **HBH**- paper requesting getting roles approved for online elections, request to do email resolution for roles.  **HBH**- shows information  **MW**: would rather them come to a full meeting but if it is needed for the election then that’s fine  **LP**: would rather do this than have queries carrying on into summer/next year  **LP, DJ, AK, MW, EO, BM agree**  **Outcome: paper approved**  **MW**- when is the next round of grants.  **HBH**- timeline is being finalised tomorrow.  **MW**- elections next year or before summer?  **SM**- before summer  **Meeting ends** |  |
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**Date & Time of next meeting: 1st May Semester 3 Grant**