

Report of Ceewhy Ochoga

Scrutiny Committee meeting 14th December 2016

Period: July 2016-28th November 2016

Progress towards my priorities			
<u>Priority #1</u> Student engagement	<u>So far I have completed:</u> Once I started in July I set up the framework for 3 new societies. - Salford international society (SIS) - Salford Post Graduate Network (SPGN) - Mature Students Network (MSN) Of the three, two have picked up and are functional and have been well received. I also started a bi-weekly vlog which the SU promotes via social media. Through the vlog, I engage with students to provide a summary of key happenings in the SU and keep them updated.	<u>In the next period I will</u> Look to ensure that the MSN also becomes active. I will also attempt to reach out to other often neglected groups of students such as student parents, nursing students (who are mostly away on placement and have not much interaction with the SU), and other groups as the need arises	<u>Expenditure</u> (please itemise, list each individually)
<u>Priority #2</u> Addressing basic diversity needs	<u>So far I have completed:</u> Because Salford is diverse and we have students from different demographics, I used the Black History Month in October to trial a number of new ideas around the food we offer through atmosphere. I led the planning of the month to include food taster sessions which was well received and the attendance was great and the best part was that both home, international and BME students participated in the events and tried their different types of meals. In fact in December we had Jollof rice (an African and Caribbean meal) on the Christmas menu much to the delight of the students.	<u>In the next period I will</u> Create a wider range of options through atmosphere's food offering. At the moment, I'm working on reviewing the what we offer and the best course of action for diversifying which could include having pop up food stand outside the SU, meal deals, special meal days etc.	<u>Expenditure</u> (please itemise)
<u>Priority #3</u> External visibility	<u>So far I have completed:</u> - Just before I started on July 1 st , a report revealed that our external visibility isn't as strong as it should be and as a result, students are not aware of the range of services we offer. This became priority on my agenda and since then, I have worked with the University	<u>In the next period I will</u> Secure more visibility spaces around campus and populate them with SU products and services.	<u>Expenditure</u> (please itemise)

	<p>through the Dean of Students to get more spaces around the University to get the SU's visibility up and we're getting there.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promoted USSU's external visibility and international student support/wellbeing by creating USSU's first international student pre-arrival guide called Salford Basics which can be accessed via this link http://www.salfordstudents.com/yourunion/internationalstudents <p>To make a success of this, I worked with the University's international office to disseminate this guide to students prior to their arrival at Salford. The guide aims to provide as much information to international students before they arrive at Salford to help with culture shock, also to expose them to the SU.</p>	<p>Redevelop it for next September's intake.</p>	
Other areas of work I would like scrutiny committee to note:	<p>Upon starting my role, our CEO left and that left a bit of a gap in terms of direct staff support for my work. I led the recruitment of a new CEO which was on between September and October. Since the new CEO started in December, there's been more support for my work and hopefully the rest of the year will be more productive.</p> <p>Also in September, one of the Sabbs resigned for personal reasons which left a gap that I have since filled up in addition to my role as President. This has definitely added some degree of work to my role however I have taken it in stride and I'm doing as much as I can to ensure the representation remains for that school. I recruited more student reps for the school and meet them regularly to ensure they are comfortable to enable cooperate with me to support students in the school</p>		<p><u>Expenditure</u> (please itemise)</p>
Training events attended	<p>Please list each training event you may have attended in the relevant period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lead and Change (July 2016) - NUS Black Sabbatical officers network (August 2016) 		<p><u>Expenditure</u> (please itemise)</p>
Conferences attended	<p>Please list each conference you have attended in the relevant period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SU 2016 (July 2016) - NUS Zone conference (October 2016) - Black Students Winter Conference (December 2016) 		<p><u>Expenditure</u> (please itemise)</p>
Other expenses which I have incurred during the fulfilment of my role as a	<p>Please itemise:</p>		

Sabbatical Officer or as a Trustee		
Annual leave	Days taken: 2 Days remaining: 21	Time in lieu taken: None yet