



UBU Student Council

Tuesday 10th March 2015

Minutes of the Meeting

Present:

Alex Rees	<i>Chair of Student Council</i>
Tom Phipps	<i>Student Living Officer</i>
Alice Phillips	<i>Equality, Liberation & Access Officer</i>
Jo Woods	<i>Union Affairs Officer</i>
Alyx Murray-Jackman	<i>Sport & Student Development Officer</i>
Alex Bradbrook	<i>Undergraduate Education Officer</i>
Sorana Vieru	<i>Postgraduate Education Officer</i>
Ann O'Malley	<i>Student Fundraising and Projects Administrator</i>
Ryan Bird	<i>Director of Membership and Democratic Engagement</i>
Alicia Coupland	<i>Minutes</i>
Charlotte Miles	<i>Minutes</i>

This meeting was inquorate; its decisions must be ratified at the next Student Council.

1. Welcome and introductions
2. How Student Council works – short recap
3. Ratify decisions from the Annual Members Meeting

Sorana spoke for the decisions made at AMM to be ratified by Student Council.
No one spoke against this.

Questions

Q: How many students did we need for AMM to be quorate?

A: We needed 330 and we had 296

Q: Given this is the 2nd year that the decisions made at AMM have had to be ratified at Student Council due to inquoracy – why do we continue to have AMM?

A: At AMM all students are able to vote whereas not all students can vote at Student Council. Even if it is inquorate we need to give students the opportunity to vote on Bristol SU policy.

Vote: RATIFIED



4. Motions

1. **Motion:** UBU should provide a public access Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) in the Richmond building

Proposed by: Elliott Bernard

No one spoke against the motion

Questions:

Q: Where do you imagine this money coming from? £1000 is quite a lot of money.

A: We would need to find the money somewhere but this is really important. If the University could pay for it that would be great.

Q: Isn't this already being discussed by the trustees?

A: Was not aware of this, but very promising if that is the case.

Vote: PASS

5. **Candidate question time** – meet the candidates running to be the next student officers

6. **NUS Referenda** – should we stay or should we go?

Ryan Bird explained that we need to hold a referendum on this every 3 years. Charlie Slack from the University of Bath will be overseeing this process for Bristol SU. There will be a Yes and No campaign and we need **1114 votes** cast in the referendum in order to achieve quoracy.

Alice Phillips spoke for the YES campaign

- The NUS membership is high but this is currently being reviewed.
- We need to stay part of a national movement
- There are 100 discounts with the NUS Extra Card
- The NUS provide workshops and resources
- If we stay affiliated we can shape national policy. This year we are sending 7 motions to become NUS policy

7. **Any other business**

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