

Imperial College Union  
Faculty Union and GSA Funding, Take 2  
*A paper by the President*

At the last meeting, this committee agreed to split Faculty Union and GSA funding so they received amounts from CSB, RWB and Executive Committee as appropriate. The GSA is considered to be a Faculty Union for the rest of this paper.

After further discussions on how this would work internally, the following is proposed:

- The Faculty Unions retain their current account codes. Representation and club & society functions are allocated as separate activity codes (e.g. buddies schemes would fall under the 'representation' activity code).
- The Faculty Unions use the existing budgeting system. Money for executive and representative functions is included, but as separate lines. CSB will be instructed to ignore these lines.

**The following are considered 'club & society' functions:**

- Budgeted amounts for allocation to FU clubs
- Budgeted amounts for allocation to departmental societies (which are considered social societies for this discussion)
- Contingency for clubs (still allocated to the 'Contingency' activity code)
- Equipment or resources to be shared between clubs (compare with the RCC's equipment store, or the OSC football tournament)

**The following are considered 'representation' functions:**

- The buddies scheme
- Planned welfare campaigns
- Faculty-specific representation and welfare leaflets

Note that FUs did not ask for any money towards these in the last budgeting round, except via departmental societies. **CSB should not fund the buddies scheme via departmental societies.** Money for the buddies scheme will be allocated to the Faculty Unions by RWB, for distribution. The relevant Welfare Officers should take the lead on producing faculty-wide budgets, liaising with departmental representatives.

**The following are considered 'executive' functions:**

- Direct office costs: telephones, photocopiers, printers, stationery
- Freshers' handbooks
- Faculty newsletter
- Faculty-wide publicity materials

**Timeline:** It is proposed that the Clubs & Societies Board allocate first, followed by Executive Committee, then the Representation and Welfare Board. This way any executive or representative money which might have been requested at CSB can be moved to the correct place, without us getting in a mess later.