

Imperial College Union
Deputy President (Welfare) Report
A Report By John James

Disability Survey

I have spent some time analysing the results of the disability survey. A significant number of people, although they have declared their disability are unaware of the services and support provided by the college. Work needs to be done by myself and the Disability Advisory Service to communicate more effectively with the student body.

One World Week (01-05/02/10)

I have put a lot of time into organising One World Week. We've got quite an ambitious agenda including high profile acts/speakers (unconfirmed), a projection on the Queens Tower and film screenings. The Deputy President (Clubs and Societies) is also planning lots of various club related events during the week. Speak to one of us to get involved!

Healthy Living Week (25-29/01/10)

We're getting involved with the college's Healthy Living week by organising a bike auction, having special catering options available every day, promoting the NHS stop smoking campaign and again the DPCS is organising some club's stuff too.

Quality Assurance Agency (QAA)

I attended the QAA briefing on the 6th November but you won't want to read about it four times (see President's report).

Curriculum-Based External Placement Policy Working Group

I have attended a meeting of the Curriculum-Based External Placement Working Group. Although principally the role of the Deputy President (Education) I have been assigned this committee due to my internship experience. It is going to be a lengthy process aiming to establish good practise and the extent of the college's responsibilities and duty of care with regards to curriculum-based external placements.

Knightsbridge and Belgravia Safer Neighbourhoods Ward Panel

I attended an evening meeting of the Knightsbridge and Belgravia Safer Neighbourhoods Ward Panel. This panel exists to channel the policing resources in the direction that the community feel they are required. I requested that 'cycle theft' and 'theft from person' (mugging as well as pick pocketing) should be the priorities.

Knightsbridge Association AGM

I attended the Knightsbridge Association AGM in order to strengthen links in the community. Imperial College was congratulated on the construction projects in Princes Gardens especially the look of the front of Southside and Eastside but it was a pity the back wasn't nicer!

Strategic Education Committee (SEC) away day (afternoon)

I attended the SEC away day for a few hours but you don't need to read about it three times (see President's report).

Externals

I have met with several external organisations to review their products. These included [CampusM](#), [Text you home](#) and [Student Life](#).

CampusM is a smart phone app for Universities. College have yet to make a decision.

Text you home is an auto-alert messaging service but I didn't think it was worth what they were charging per month.

Student Life weren't particularly open about the fact that they were a religious organisation so I wasn't able to offer them what they wanted.