



MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
of the sixth ordinary meeting of
the
Council
of the
Imperial College Union
in the 2010/11 Session

The meeting of the Council was held in the Union Dining Hall on the 14th February 2011 at 6.40pm.

Present:

Council Chair	Jenny Wilson
President	Alex Kendall
Deputy President (Clubs & Societies)	Heather Jones
Deputy President (Education)	Alex Dahinten
Deputy President (Finance & Services)	Ravi Pall
Deputy President (Welfare)	Charlotte Ivison
C&GCU President	Victor Du Mesnil Du Buisson
RCSU President	Scott Heath
RSMU President	Ben Moorhouse
GSA Chair	Deena Blumenkrantz
OSC Representative	Chia Lim
ACC Chair	Monya Zard
Media Group Chair	Matt Allinson
RCC Chair	Nathanial Bottrell
SCC Chair	Rhodri Oliver
RAG Chair	Naida Dzigal
RCSU Welfare Officer	Mevani Jagodage
CGCU Academic Affairs Officer	Marcus Ulmefors
RCSU Academic Affairs Officer	Catherine Wu
GSA Engineering academic and welfare officer	Tom Luth
CGCU Ordinary Member	Alice Rowlands
RCSU Ordinary Member	Alan Itakura
RCSU Ordinary Member	Karmen Chui
ICSMSU Ordinary Member	Aislinn O'Malley
ICSMSU Ordinary Member	Alexandra Burke-Smith
ICSMSU Ordinary Member	Hannah Tullett
Permanent observers	
Governance and Administration Co-ordinator (Clerk to Council)	Rebecca Coxhead

Apologies: ICSMSU President David Smith, A&E Chair Adam Khamis, OSC Chair Ahmad Alsaadi, ICU Equal Ops Officer Stuart Haylock, CGCU Welfare Officer Sahil Chugani, ICU Equal Ops Officer Stuart Haylock, CGCU Welfare Officer Sahil Chugani, GSA Medicine academic and welfare officer Elena Lovo, GSEPS Representative Edefe Edivri, GLSM Representative Mary O'Sullivan, CGCU Ordinary Member Steve Long, CGCU Ordinary Member Tom Hills, RCSU Ordinary Member Lewis Palmer, Non Faculty Ordinary Member Mark Collins, ICSMSU Education Rep 12 & GEP Ali Hosin, ICSMSU Education Rep 356 Annalan Navaratnam, GSA Non-faculty academic and welfare officer Llewellyn Thomas, ICSMSU Welfare Officer Gayathri Rajasooriar, GSA Life Sciences academic and welfare representative Joe McKenna, GSA engineering academic and welfare representative Shuoying Cao, GSA Physical Sciences academic and welfare officer Neki Patel, Operations Manager Robin Pitt

Not present: CAG Chair Nicolas Massie Silwood Park Chair Mark Ramsden

1. CHAIRS BUSINESS

NOTED:

- a) The Council Chair did not send out a summary of the last meeting as promised however she will do this for the current meeting of Council.

2. MINUTES – 17th January 2011

NOTED:

- a) It was pointed out that the Council rejected to hear the verbal report and not reject the verbal report.

RESOLVED:

- 1) To accept the amended minutes as true and correct.

3. MATTERS ARISING – none

4. PRESIDENT REPORT

RECEIVED: The report was presented by the President

NOTED:

- a) The Student Fees and Financial Working Group meet today.
 - i. HEFCE are yet to confirm funding for College.
 - ii. It appears the potentially bursaries will include living allowances.
 - iii. It was questioned as to what would be the best distribution of the bursaries; fee waiver or assistance in living costs?
 - iv. 'Cash in hand' will reduce the inflation costs for students.
 - v. There are currently 16 funding models that include, up to 89% off fees, cash in hand or tuition fee waiver.
 - vi. Multi sibling families will most likely not taken in to consideration as this will require means testing individuals.
 - vii. It was suggested that a survey of the current students receiving bursaries would be a good way to assess students who have been through the system and see what they could recommend would be the best way of distributing bursary funds.
- b) The GSA President stated that it appears that PG's have been informed about how they will be affected by the Life Science restructure.
- c) Halls rent survey will be going 'live' this week.
 - i. The Warden review is also taking place as well.
 - ii. It has been suggested that wardens and sub wardens potentially could pay part of their living costs.
- d) Council moved to vote to accept the report and it was accepted unanimously.

RESOLVED:

- 1) To accept the report.

5. DEPUTY PRESIDENT (CLUBS & SOCIETIES) REPORT

RECEIVED: The report was presented by the Deputy President (Clubs & Societies)

NOTED:

- a) Council moved to vote to accept the report and it was accepted unanimously.

RESOLVED:

- 1) To accept the report.

6. DEPUTY PRESIDENT (EDUCATION) REPORT

RECEIVED: The report was presented by the Deputy President (Education)

NOTED:

- a) The Feedback Policy will be coming to the next Council.
- b) In regards to the Departmental Wiki, the following was discussed:
 - i. There were very strong feelings that the Wiki should be hosted and run by the Union rather than College.
 - ii. It is a good tool for peer mentoring of students.
 - iii. College staff should have access to the system.
 - iv. Concern was raised that students could be giving other students wrong information.
- c) There has been no further information in regards to extending the College day.
 - i. The RCSU President informed Council that the Rector has
- d) Council moved to vote to accept the report and it was accepted unanimously.

RESOLVED:

- 1) To accept the report.

7. DEPUTY PRESIDENT (FINANCE & SERVICES) REPORT

RECEIVED: The report was presented by the Deputy President (Finance & Services)

NOTED:

- a) It was pointed that this report is the compilation of the previous Councils report that was not submitted last time.
- b) It was clarified that no refunds have been given for ticket holders to Metric events.
 - i. There was 1 evening where the cost of entry was reduced from £7 to £3 due to the change in line up with the acts being unable to travel due to the snow.
- c) In regards to the Felix Editor submitting a report to each Council, it was stated that essentially Felix is published weekly and as such is indicative of what the Felix Editor is doing.
 - i. It was questioned as to why the Medic President isn't being asked to submit a report to each Council and it was stated that he is not a Central Union Sabbatical Officer.
 - ii. Council moved to vote on the Felix Editor submitting a report to each Council and the vote is as follows:

FOR	18
AGAINST	1
ABSTAIN	10
Passes	

RESOLVED:

- 1) The Felix Editor to submit a report to each meeting of Council

ACTION:

1. The Council Chair to inform the Felix Editor of the requirement of submitting a report to each meeting of Council

d) Council moved to vote to accept the report and it was accepted unanimously.

RESOLVED:

- 1) To accept the report.

8. DEPUTY PRESIDENT (WELFARE) REPORT

RECEIVED: The report was presented by the Deputy President (Welfare)

NOTED:

- a) It was
- b) Council moved to vote to accept the report and it was accepted unanimously.

RESOLVED:

- 2) To accept the report.**

Meeting closed 7.45pm

Approved as a correct record at a meeting of Union Council

on _____ 2010/11

_____ Chair of the Meeting