



MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
of the sixth ordinary meeting of
the **Council** of the
Imperial College Union in the 2014/15 Session

The meeting of the Council was held in the Union Dining Hall on the 10 March at 18.00

Present:

Council Chair	Paul Beaumont
President	Tom Wheeler
Deputy President (Clubs & Societies)	Abi de Bruin
Deputy President (Education)	Pascal Loose
Deputy President (Finance & Services)	Alex Savell
Deputy President (Welfare)	Chris Kaye
ICSMSU President	Dariush Hassanzadeh-Baboli
CGCU President	Tim Munday
RCSU President	Serena Yuen
ACC Chair	Oliver Benton
A&E Chair	Jonathon McNaught
Media Group Chair	Cem Hurrell
RCC Chair	Richard Cameron
SCC Chair	Tom Rivlin
CAG Chair	Michael Chung
RAG Chair	Ben Fernando
ICSMSU Welfare Officer	Jennie Watson
RCSU Welfare Officer	Akash Jyoti
RSMU Welfare Officer	Rachael Shuttleworth
CGCU Academic Affairs Officer	James Murphy
ICSMSU Academic Affairs Officer – Science Years	Cyin San
GSU Physical Sciences AWO	Stuart Haylock
GSU Life Sciences AWO	Rachel Vaux
International Officer	Katherine Chio
Interfaith Officer	Shamim Ahmed
Non Faculty Ordinary Member	Philippa Skett
Engineering Ordinary Member (UG)	Lachlan Price
Engineering Ordinary Member (UG)	Oliver Ford
Engineering Ordinary Member (UG)	George Butcher
Engineering Ordinary Member (PG)	Richard Simons
Engineering Ordinary Member (PG)	Meng Guo
Natural Sciences Ordinary Member (UG)	Jasper Menkus
Natural Sciences Ordinary Member (UG)	Klas Wetterberg
Natural Sciences Ordinary Member (UG)	Philip Kent
Natural Sciences Ordinary Member (PG)	Andrew Tranter
Natural Sciences Ordinary Member (PG)	Siyuen Chen
Permanent observers	
Governance and Administration Manager (Clerk to Council)	Rebecca Coxhead

Apologies: GSU President Nida Mahmud RSMU Chair Ben Warnick CGCU Welfare Officer Juliet Kernohan Engineering Ordinary Member (UG) Ze Tan Gender Equalities Officer Madeleine Maxwell, BME Officer Shiqu Qiu Medicine Ordinary Member (PG) Abel Tesfai, GSU Business AWO Alex Derrick GSU Medicine AWO Mike Asavarut RSMU Academic Affairs Officer Emma Toms Campaigns Officer Xiaoyang Zhao LGBT Portfolio Officer Kyle Hellemans Disabilities Officer Dimitrios Karponis Ethics & Environmental Officer Rhiannon Holden

Not present: RCSU Academic Affairs Officer Zoe Hsu, ICSMSU Academic Affairs Officer – Early Years – Usama Asif, ICSMSU Academic Affairs Officer – Clinical Salma Haddad

1. COLLEGE TIMETABLING POLICY

RECEIVED: A presentation was given by John Crooks (Head of Timetabling)

NOTED:

- a) The timetabling policy will evolve over the next few years but the College is looking to implement changes over this time.
- b) Traveling in between lectures as well as campus needs to be a consideration.
- c) Global events such as Varsity and RAG should be considered when timetabling.
 - i. Religious observations are already a consideration.
- d) It was suggested that lectures should run to a 45 minute teach time with 15 minutes being utilised for rest and travelling before the commencement of the next lecture.
- e) Teaching in the evening should be clustered to minimise energy impact.
- f) The system that ESE uses at present was suggested as a best practice example however it was stated that this system is not scalable.
- g) It was recognised that there needs to be buy in across all departments which is one of the challenges that is being faced.
- h) Exams are currently omitted from the policy but this should be a consideration.
- i) It was stated that the current teaching day will not be extended.
- j) The policy does not capture room usage by CSP's.
- k) The Deputy President (Education) will circulate the details of the drop in session occurring next week,

ACTION:

1. **The Deputy President (Education) to circulate the details of the timetabling drop in session.**

2. MOTION TO CREATE A TECHNOLOGY SOCIETY MANAGEMENT GROUP

RECEIVED: The motion was presented by Yulia Bukovina

NOTED:

- a) Resolves 2 and 4 were struck from the resolves by the proposer and resolves 5 was amended to read as follows:
'Before the management group restructure is complete, to create a new society called 'Technology Society' under the SCC and hold elections in the Summer Term.'
- b) The Deputy President Clubs & Societies stated that the principle of the management group restructure is to balance out the size of the management groups and that the proposal could be incorporated in to the restructure.
- c) The proposal incorporates a small number of societies but there are a large number of students who could potentially be involved.
- d) It was suggested that the creation of a new management group isn't necessary for what the proposal wants to achieve – this will be achieved through collaboration and networking.
- e) The paper was withdrawn by the proposer and the Deputy President Clubs & Societies was actioned to work with the proposer to draft a proposal to take to Clubs, Societies & Project Board.

ACTION:

1. **The Deputy President Clubs & Societies to work with the proposer to draft a proposal to take to Clubs, Societies & Project Board.**

At this point Council moved in to an Emergency Meeting Session from 19.00-20.15

3. CHAIRS BUSINESS

NOTED:

- a) Abel Tesfai had missed 2 consecutive meetings of Union Council and as such was removed as an ordinary member.
 - i. Council voted unanimously to reinstate Abel Tesfai

RESOLVED:

- 1) To reinstate Abel Tesfai as the Faculty of Medicine Postgraduate Ordinary Member.**

4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - 10 FEBRUARY 2015

RESOLVED:

- 1) To pass the minutes are a correct record of the meeting.**

5. MATTERS ARISING

NOTED:

- a) The Deputy President (Welfare) redrafting of the Fairtrade policy is still on progress and George Butcher was requested to assist with the redrafting.

6. PRESIDENTS REPORT

RECEIVED: The report was presented by the President

NOTED:

- a) In regards to the Women of Imperial launch event, College informed the Officers very late on that they were able to invite a small number of guests.
 - i. The video capturing Women of Imperial was commissioned to celebrate and showcase females and to raise aspirations. The cut where some participants highlighted the negative parts of being a woman at Imperial went to the organisers of the project.
- b) Council moved to a vote to accept the report and it was passed with 2 abstentions.

RESOLVED:

- 1) To accept the report.**

7. DEPUTY PRESIDENT (CLUBS & SOCIETIES) REPORT

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

NOTED:

- a) The majority of the Deputy President (Clubs & Societies) time has comprised of being ill and CSP budgeting.
- b) Council moved to a vote to accept the report and it was passed with 1 abstention.

RESOLVED:

1) To accept the report

8. DEPUTY PRESIDENT (EDUCATION) REPORT

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

NOTED:

- a) Council moved to a vote to accept the report and it was passed with 1 abstention.

RESOLVED:

1) To accept the report

9. DEPUTY PRESIDENT (FINANCE & SERVICES) REPORT

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

NOTED:

- a) Council moved to a vote to accept the report and it was passed with 3 abstentions.

RESOLVED:

1) To accept the report

10. Deputy President (Welfare) report

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

NOTED:

- a) The logistics of the moving process for Woodwood is currently being considered by College.
- b) When queried if the Deputy President (Welfare) role should exist, the Deputy President (Welfare) stated that in his opinion, it should.
- c) Council moved to a vote to accept the report and it was passed with 3 against and 2 abstentions.

RESOLVED:

1. To accept the report

Meeting closed 21.40

Approved as a correct record at a meeting of Union Council

on _____ 2014/15

_____ Chair of the Meeting