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Committees & Boards

- Attended Health & Safety Consultative Committee on behalf of the Union
- Attended Gender & Institutional Culture Steering Group and have been helping to recruit students to take part in the Action Enquiry stage of the research. I have also been invited to take part in these action enquiries.
- I've been involved in the panels deciding College's President's Awards for Excellence for pastoral care and student experience.
- I've been heavily involved in the Complaints & Appeals Task & Finish Group which is tasked with reviewing and reforming College's academic processes including academic appeals, complaints and mitigating circumstances
 - Although there were initially difficulties with this group, we have recently had a lot of the Union's stances taken on board. As a result the new procedures will now be fair and transparent to students.

Projects

- I'm awaiting a response from the Director of Finance on a (hopefully) final draft of a proposal for the College to pilot a guarantor scheme.
- I'm due to meet with the College to discuss procedures to support students who are victims/survivors of sexual violence and assault.
- The College has made a firm commitment to provide education to incoming students around consent which will be peer lead.
- I can finally announce that after over 18 months of campaigning I have persuaded the College to spread the Imperial Bursary over all 6 years of medicine.
- I've been working closely with Andrew Keenan (Interim Head of Student Voice and Communication) to finalise our stream of the new Strategy to get that ready for draft objectives and another round of student consultation.
- I now have two student groups wanting to campaign in the run up to the EU Referendum
- The Referendum debate will go ahead on June 2nd 6.30 in Skempton Main Lecture Theatre.
 - Currently confirmed speakers are Tariq Ali and Amelia Womack. We are also awaiting final confirmation that Tessa Jowell will be speaking, however I am currently chasing the Leave campaign for a fourth speaker.

Other

- Cyin and I have been working with staff to review the process for the Mum's & Dads scheme to welcome new students.
- I've attended the launch of the all new Reynolds bar and can confirm that it looks great, serves pizza, has a pool table and once again celebrates the history of the medical school.