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**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS**

The ninth ordinary meeting of the Council for the 2018/19 session, to be held on Tuesday 11th June in RSM G41, at 18:30.

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| **Name**  | **Role** | **Yes/No** |
| Alistair Ludley  | Academic Chair (ICSMSU) | Yes |
| Adrian Lamoury | Natural Sciences - Undergraduate |  |
| Aisha Chaudry  | WELFARE OFFICER (ICSMSU)  | No |
| Alejandro Luy  | DEPUTY PRESIDENT (EDUCATION)  | Yes |
| Alex Chippy Compton  | Council Chair | Yes |
| Amy Tall  | ACADEMIC LIASION OFFICER (RSM)  | Yes (¿) |
| Andrew Hill  | CGCU PRESIDENT  | Yes |
| Ansh Bhatnagar | Natural Sciences - Undergraduate | Yes |
| Charlotte Griaud  | Environmental Officer  | No |
| Chimdi Igwe  | CT CHAIR | No |
| Chloe Lewis  | WELFARE OFFICER (RSM)  | No |
| Claudia Caravello  | DEPUTY PRESIDENT (FINANCE & SERVICES)  | Yes |
| Daniel Faehndrich  | ICSMSU PRESIDENT  | Yes |
| Daniel Wigh  | KN CHAIR  | No |
| David Tyoember  | BME Officer  | No |
| Deraj Wilson-Aggarwal | SILWOOD PRESIDENT | No |
| Hilary Guite | Non-Faculty | No |
| Hoi-Ming Yau  | C&F CHAIR |  |
| Iman Ahmadi Moghaddam | Natural Sciences - Undergraduate |  |
| Jack Hall | Medicine - Undergraduate | Yes |
| James Medler  | DEPUTY PRESIDENT (CLUBS & SOCIETIES)  | Yes |
| Jehna Devraj | LGBT+ Officer | No |
| Joel Bilsdorfer | Vice President Education (CGCU) | No |
| Joseph O'Connell-Danes  | A&E CHAIR  | No |
| Laura Chen | International Officer | No |
| Lloyd James | Natural Sciences - Postgraduate | Yes |
| Marta Wolinska  | RSM PRESIDENT  | No |
| Mary Thi | Natural Sciences - Postgraduate | Yes |
| Michael McGill  | RCSU PRESIDENT  | No |
| Michaela Flegrova  | RCSU VICE PRESIDENT (EDUCATION)  | No |
| Milia Hasbani | Engineering - Postgraduate | Yes |
| Miroslav Gasparek | Engineering - Undergraduate | No |
| Ottilie Liu | Gender Equality Officer | No |
| Owen Heaney | Engineering - Undergraduate | Yes |
| Becky Neil  | DEPUTY PRESIDENT (WELFARE)  | Yes |
| Robert Tomkies  | UNION PRESIDENT  | Yes |
| Salma El-Gharby | Interfaith Officer | No |
| Sam Haselgrove | Disabilities Officer | No |
| Sarah Sayers | Medicine - Postgraduate |  |
| Shervin Sabeghi  | WELFARE OFFICER (RCSU)  | Yes |
| Simran Kukran | Engineering - Undergraduate |  |
| Tasneem Mahmud | Mental Health Officer | No |
| Raya El Laham | Welfare (GSU) | No |
| Jenny Kim | Academic (GSU) | No |
| Thomas Fernandez Debets  | Sports Sector Chair | No |
| Thomas Pleece  | RE CHAIR |  |
| Ute Thiermann  | GSU PRESIDENT  | No |
| Zixiao Wang | Engineering – Postgraduate |  |
| Becky Neil  | DP (Welfare) | Yes |

**Observer**

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**Apologies**

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**Minutes**

Abbreviations/Acronyms that may not be common and are used in this document are: CU = Constituent Union
OT = Officer Trustee
PG = Postgraduate

UG = Undergraduate
U/C = Union Council
SABBs = Sabbatical Officers
MRes = Master of Research
SK = South Kensington
CSPB = Clubs, Societies, Projects and Boards VP = Vice President
UP = Union President

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| **Item 1- Chairs business****Item 2 – Apologies for absence** **Moved directly to Item 5** | **The Chair welcomed the Committee to the eighth ordinary meeting of the Council for the 2018/19 session.** 1. The minutes from the last session were **ACCEPTED**
2. Chair asks if there are any objections regarding her presence in the meeting
3. Votes for the student council to decide how it should be voted if they were quora
4. **Meeting not quorate, decided that item X receive email vote from existing members, so items X – X to be presented to allow opportunity for questions.**
5. **Items discussed and to be brought to next Union Council**
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| **Item 5: Additional external trustee** | **Discussion/overview:** 1. Comments on the difficult financial situation.
2. Searching for the balance of being student led but with external expertise, but this has not been the case in previous years.

**Questions**1. What are the current areas where a trustee would be needed?

**Response**1. If council decides it needs external trustee, the areas where it is needed will be discussed
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| **Item 8 – Union President**  | The item was presented by Union President**Discussion overview:** 1. Paper as described.

**Question/Comment**1. No questions received
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| **Item 9 – Deputy President (Education)**  | The item was presented by Deputy President (Education)**Discussion overview:** 1. Paper as described.

**Question/Comment*** + 1. No questions received
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| **Item 10 – Deputy President (Finance & Services)**  | The item was presented by Deputy President (Finance & Services) **Discussion overview:** 1. Paper as described.
2. Informed that h-Bar will be offering taste testing for postgraduates on 18/06 and launching new food offering from 24/06.

**Question/Comment*** + 1. No questions received
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| **Item 11 – Deputy President (Clubs & Societies) Report**  | The item was presented by Deputy President (Clubs & Societies) **Discussion overview:** 1. Four out of five manifesto objectives completed with remaining objective handing over to successor.
2. Worked efficiently and completed extra projects and leadership team.

**Question/Comment**1. No questions received
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| **Item 12– Deputy President (Welfare)**  | The item was presented by Deputy President (Welfare)**Discussion overview:** 1. Paper as described.
2. Most projects are long-term so most of the benefits are not seen short-term
3. Extends thank you to all Liberation & Community Officers for their work.

**Question/Comment*** + 1. No questions received
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| **Item 13 -** Closing statement from president | Lots of work put on this year. Asks to read the reports, at least the headlines. Thanks everyone. |
| **Item 14 - HLM** | **Discussion overview:** 1. Voting to be conducted over email vote
2. Clarified that full-time sabbatical officers are paid and therefore not eligible for Union Awards which is why HLM is considered.

**Question/Comment**1. It is proposed that the online vote is secret.
2. Votes can be sent in a direct reply to Chippy or for any questions/comments can be circulated to members with the exception of sabbatical officers.
3. Questioned whether GSU President role is eligible for Union Award or HLM as this is a paid position.

**Response**1. There has been no change on the paper/policy that that enables GSU President to get HLM, so they are only eligible for Union Awards.
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| **Item 15 - CU paper** | The item was presented by CGCU President**Discussion overview:** 1. Paper as described.

**Question/Comment*** + 1. No questions received
1. CDC finance report: 2.50 pound fifty per student per year
2. Limited funds: cannot bring anything new or take any risks due to the limited budget

The Union resolves: * To solve clear comunication gap between staff and students.
* To increase training support for volunteers, so that they can continue operating while reducing strain on these.
* To increase CU membership with the increase of the student body (there has been an increase of 1000 students in the last 3 years with no significant increase in CU funds)
* James: agrees on CU receiving support but doesn’t see developing CU strategy being beneficial
* To define for which situations are OTs here for them on a consistent basis, instead of asking for it
* Andrew: it is useful to receive consistent training. Marketing support in other situations such as nominations would be useful
* CUs rely on resources of the Union that should be constant. It is agreed that it would be useful to receive training consistent, to ensure failures do not happen.
* CUs will receive an email to ask for ideas for CU training for next year
* Some members are worried because there are people that will not know what problems and issues are in terms of communication with CU.

**Questions/comments**1. What is hoped to get out of strategy?
2. Board of trustees cannot write strategy or CUs
3. Clarification that the Union Council cannot write strategy (it is resource based)
4. 1 strategy or multiple?

**Response**1. Work with staff in a better way . Remove strain from volunteers and obtain a consistent resource from the ICU, that would be beneficial, as they are relying on changing OTs
2. Support on designing strategy (or whatever it is called) has to be decided collaboratively designing something the board is happy with
3. CU and board are to work together, sending the board the strategy for future approval
4. Will be decided after vote next year. May need a permanent member for it.
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| **Item 16 – AOB** | 1. Thanks everyone.
2. Chair asks to reply to the email and vote, so that next year’s council doesn’t get to vote about this on the first meeting
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**Minutes: Javier Molina**