



London Metropolitan University  
Students' Union

## Trustee Board Minutes

26/06/2016

### Attendance:

Trustees: Obie Opara (Chair), Florence Onwumere, Amanda Marillier, Rob Hull, Barbara Ntumy, Marco Brunone, Grace Etogun, Tunde Toki (came late), Nicola Miller (joined by conference phone)

In attendance: Mark Crowhurst, Shamim Ahmad (Minutes)

Apologies: Nicole Mitchell, Jim Dickinson

Item	Title	Comment & Action	Action
1+2	<b>Minutes, matters arising and actions</b>	Apologies, NM, JD Running late, TT  OO welcomed everyone  This is the last Trustee Board meeting for the outgoing officers  OO: No actions from previous meeting  NM and GE formally accepted as Board members  MC to arrange induction and registration of new Trustees	MC to arrange induction and registration
3	<b>Reports</b>	<b>GM Report</b>  Report cover period April, May and June  Current strategy coming to an end. Concern around OCOC project and how this will impact new strategy  Staff, incoming and outgoing officers are holding a visioning day to look at first steps and provide some response to OCOC documents.	MC to produce initial visioning document reflecting on OCOC and visioning day

	<p>BME attainment gap. Nicole has done substantial work to introduce anonymous marking across the university</p> <p>Students' Union satisfaction survey – two weeks to go before its closes (just under 400 responses). Feedback is very positive, improved from last year</p> <p>NM joined via conference phone</p> <p>SU supporting the summer school activity, Progress to Success we support students facing reassessment, day of activity about success, confidence, motivation etc. Organised sessions with academics. Successfully running for the second year</p> <p>We completed the first part of Investors in Volunteering assessment, no major issues, we are waiting for a final date for the audit</p> <p>SU and Students Services went through Matrix accreditation. We are pleased to say we received the Matrix award</p> <p>We have a new office in Aldgate (Calcutta House), opposite the Hub office. We hope to see much greater student footfall there. CASS students are moving into the Aldgate building and this will help.</p> <p>RH: congratulated the SU staff and officers for all the achievement this year.</p> <p>RH: How can we improve student engagement to a greater level?</p> <p>MC: How do officers represent the faculty and schools and how do we work with student representatives to bring ideas into decision making process? We have witnessed positive changes through student engagement. The representational pyramid model should be seen as a basis for building on this.</p> <p><b>NSS:</b> Results out in early august. There is an embargo for a period on the results.</p> <p>We have seen improvement previously but we might get a hard time from CASS and GFBL students.</p> <p>NM: Do we know the level of participation in NSS?</p> <p>MC looks to be around 60%+</p> <p><b>Finance report:</b></p> <p>Cash flow is positive £77,500</p> <p>We are running a surplus of just under £12,000.</p>	
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4	<b>OCOC</b>	<p><b>OCOC:</b> we are moving from 4 faculties to a 6 school model, reducing staff in all areas of the university</p> <p>In the review document the SU is not mentioned in terms of staffing level. We have been informed recently we are part of the Student Services (Student Journey) review however we have voiced our concern that we are an independent entity and its important we are allowed to conduct our own review.</p> <p>RH: Has meeting with Board of Governor's tomorrow so will raise it informally.</p> <p>OO has spoken to the VC about this on several occasions (including letters)</p>	<p>Action: RH to talk to VC about the current process.</p>