



# University of St Andrews Students' Association Students' Representative Council

## AGENDA

Tuesday 9th October 2018 – Large Rehearsal Room -  
6.00pm

### 1. Adoption of the Agenda

### 2. Apologies for Absence

- 2.1. Courtney Aitken
- 2.2. Alice Foulis
- 2.3. Robyn Wells
- 2.4. Olivia Sutton

### 3. Open Forum

### 4. Reports of Sabbatical Officers

- 4.1. Report of the Association Director of Education
- 4.2. Report of the Association Director of Wellbeing
- 4.3. Report of the Athletic Union President
- 4.4. Report of the Association President
- 4.5. Report of the Association Director of Events & Services
- 4.6. Report of the Association Director of Student Development & Activities

### 5. Questions for SRC Committees and Officers

- 5.1. Questions for SRC Accommodation Officer
- 5.2. Questions for SRC Member for First Years
- 5.3. Questions for SRC Member for Gender Equality
- 5.4. Questions for SRC Member for Racial Equality
- 5.5. Questions for SRC Member for Students with Disabilities
- 5.6. Questions for SRC Member for Widening Access and Participation
- 5.7. Questions for SRC Arts/Divinity Faculty President
- 5.8. Questions for SRC Science/Medicine Faculty President
- 5.9. Questions for SRC Postgraduate Academic Convener
- 5.10. Questions for SRC Postgraduate Development Convener
- 5.11. Questions for Principal Ambassador
- 5.12. Questions for Rector's Assessor
- 5.13. Questions for SRC Member Without Portfolio

### 6. Unfinished SRC Business

### 7. New SRC Business

- 7.1. [University Strategy](#) Report

### 8. Any Other Competent Business

### 9. Collaborative Solutions

# **SRC REPORTS**

## **Association Alumni Officer – Olivia Sutton**

Plans for the Alumni Festival Weekend are coming along, and we are excited to be organising a Subcommittee showcase on the Saturday afternoon for a couple of hours. I will be in touch with subcommittee leaders in the very near future, and it would be great to have as much involvement as possible! My subcommittee and I have been reaching out to personal alumni networks to try and understand reasons why alumni would (or even would not!) want to come back for the Festival Weekend, and just reasons for returning in more general terms. I'm looking forward to meeting with the School Presidents next week to discuss collaboration over this academic year.

## **Association Community Relations Officer – Morgan Morris**

Organising St Andrews Day is still a go, with lots still to do. I have released stall sign ups to societies and performance sign ups. We are currently discussing the Raisin Strategy with Paloma and Nick for our annual campaign. I have had discussions with Transition about their bike campaign, and we are going to collaborate to make sure bike lights are being used on bikes. I will be attending the Beach Wheelchairs opening on Saturday along with knocking on doors for the GP out of hours petition.

## **Association Environment Officer – Lauren Davis**

Green Week is finally here and starting off with a bang! I am thrilled that everything has come together after a lot of hard work put in collaborating with Transition and The Environment Team. I am excited to say that the hard work does not stop after Week 4 as we have a lot of plans in store for the rest of the semester!

## **Association LGBT+ Officer – Zelda Kotyk**

- Very busy and stressful last week regarding Queer Question Time
- We have an EGM on Wednesday!

## **Association Lifelong and Flexible Learners Officer – Sarah Ramage**

During the week we had our first committee meeting of the semester. It was great to see five first year students come along to find out more about Lifers. Our meetings are open to everybody and we really enjoy people outwith the committee attending and bringing in different perspectives. Our budget was discussed as being a new subcommittee this is our first year with one. Everyone agreed that our budget and planned activities looked good. We discussed our successful Freshers' week and agreed that we would run similar events in the future. We also discussed our upcoming plans for involvement in Raisin and Halloween plus our family panto visit. Two of the committee have sadly had to withdraw from their positions so we will be planning our first ever EGM with treasurer and secretary being advertised. We also hope to amend our constitution to add an events coordinator position.

## **SRC Accommodation Officer – Lucy Allat**

Senior student forums have been going well, with discussions about what they want to achieve within the next year and any problems that they are currently facing, we are currently looking at a Warden review. The September trainings for the hall committees nearly all complete. Accommodation week plans are going great, with T-shirts being ordered for the subcommittee which will be useful for the how to rent talks and drop in sessions. The how to rent

guide is in the final edit and should be finished and ready for printing by Friday, these should be able to distribute in accommodation week (week 8).

### **SRC Member for First Year – Avery Kitchens**

Nothing to report.

### **SRC Member for Gender Equality – Isabella Smith**

No report submitted.

### **SRC Member for Racial Equality – Tomisin Animashaun**

No report submitted.

### **SRC Member for Students with Disabilities – Emily Muller**

The Sex and Disability event was successful and had good attendance. Now I've been working to plan an accessible partner event with Music is Love. My grant application is completely finished, I just need the Union to provide bank statements which should get done shortly. Overall, it has been a very successful few weeks and I can't wait to continue to work towards more inclusivity.

### **SRC Member for Widening Access and Participation – Ciara McCumiskey**

No report submitted.

### **Arts/Divinity Faculty President –Gianluca Giammei**

This week I have attended educom in which we have discussed various issues with the school presidents. The most relevant matters were how to deal with class representatives that might not be very proactive and to discuss what the HelpHub is and giving tips on how we can rename it.

### **Science/Medicine Faculty President - Alisa Danilenko**

This week I have had a couple of meetings regarding an upcoming Wellbeing Day in the School of Physics and Astronomy, on which I am working with the DoWell and the Physics School President and staff. I am hopeful that we will be able to use experience and feedback from this event to enable the organisation of similar things across other Schools. Myself and Gianluca (ArtDivFP) will shortly be setting a date for the ID4000 module SSCC, so preparations will soon be underway for that. In the coming week I hope to start organisation of a Science-wide christmas lecture event, on which I will be working with the Science school presidents.

### **SRC Postgraduate Academic Convener –Ashley Clayton**

No report submitted.

### **SRC Postgraduate Development Convener –Courtney Aitken**

Nothing to report.

### **Principal Ambassador – Emma Thompson**

It's been a very busy few weeks for the Student Ambassadors! We have closed our recruitment period, recruiting over 170 new ambassadors, bringing our group to 430. Notably, we've seen a real increase in PG participation.

Our Widening Participation projects have been running since Week 1, mentoring and tutoring over 800 students across Scotland. We have also had two very successful Visiting Days that both welcomed over 500 students and their families to St Andrews.

Looking ahead, we have four more Visiting Days this semester (October 17, October 24, October 31, November 14), which should be even larger than the previous two. I have also reached out to Emily, our Member for Students with Disability, about improving our knowledge and accessibility for prospective students with disabilities.

### **Rector's Assessor – Camilla Duke**

The Rector's Committee has been helping the Sabbs in their efforts to save the GP out of hours service, and we'll be out knocking on doors again this weekend around St Andrews. We're also currently working on recruiting new members for our committee. We're looking forward to joining the Community Relations and Environment Subcommittees for a beach clean this weekend. I would encourage you all to fill out the University's Strategic Plan feedback form before Wednesday to share your input before the plan goes to University Court at the end of the month.

### **SRC Member Without Portfolio – Robyn Wells**

Myself, Shaina, Sneha and Paloma has a meeting this week to discuss upcoming socials. We've begun planning for a social for early November and the Christmas dinner later in the semester.