



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

MINUTES

Tuesday 4th October 2016, Committee Room, 6pm

Present

Member's Name	Position
Sally Allmark	Arts and Divinity Faculty President
Ben Peddie	Athletic Union President
Rebecca Ryce	Association Alumni Officer
Sigrid Jorgensen	Association Chair
Aine Bennett	Association Community Relations Officer
Mariya Simeonova	Association Environment Officer
Lewis Wood	Association LGBT Officer
Charlotte Andrew	Association President
Taryn O'Connor	Director of Events and Services
Jack Carr	Director of Representation
Caroline Christie	Director of Student Development and Activities
Emma Seckel	Principal Ambassador
Louise McCaul	Science and Medicine Faculty President
Catriona Crookes	SCR Member for Gender Equality
Christopher Wilde	SRC Member for Widening Access and Participation
Jennie Matthews	SRC Accommodation Officer
Sam Ross	SRC Member for First Years
Paige Onouye	SRC Member Without Portfolio
Euan Grant	SRC Postgraduate Academic Convener
Holly Johnston	SRC Wellbeing Officer
Halima Mohammad	SRC Member for Racial Equality
Ella Kicks	SRC Member for Students with Disabilities
Dylan Bruce	Rector's Assessor

In Attendance

Iain Cupples	Student Advocate (Education)/HR Manager
Joseph Cassidy	The Saint
Jonathan Skavroneck	The Saint

1. Adoption of the Agenda

2. Apologies and Absence

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Robert Aston	Association Equal Opportunities Officer	Apologies
Alison Holiday	SRC Postgraduate Development Officer	Apologies
Lorraine Callaghan	SRC Member for Age Equality	Absent

The apologies were accepted without dissent.

3. Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

To be circulated by email.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

None.

5. Open Forum

No business.

6. Reports of the Sabbatical Officers

6.1 Report of the Association President

Raisin Weekend publicity would be circulated to welfare, class reps, and first year reps. This year was especially sensitive due to the new Principal's first experience of Raisin and information that there would be an increased police presence. It was important to stress those aspects of the tradition that related to academic families and peer support rather than alcohol consumption.

Charlotte was continuing to work on the strategic plan, focused on the areas of communications, health and safety, and risk.

Alumni weekend plans were continuing.

Community council would meet this week.

6.2 Report of the Director of Representation

Class rep elections had seen record numbers of nominations and Jack thanked all those involved.

Sexual Health Awareness Week would see, among others, the LGBTQ+ and Wellbeing committees work together on events with a focus on education and fun.

6.3 Report of the Athletic Union President

Ben had been dealing with issues around transport for teams to away matches and events, Wednesday Night Lights, and the Cycletricity event for Green Week.

6.4 Report of the Association Director of Events and Services

The theme of the Bop this Friday would be 'Safe Word', for Sexual Health Awareness Week.

Hot Dub was now 50% sold on pre-sales.

Halloween would be a full building event – details to follow.

A new cocktail and mocktail menu had been launched.

Societies' tech training had been organised by Ents and Ball convener training would follow.

6.5 Report of the Association Director of Student Development and Activities

Reaffiliation was progressing well with over 146 societies now affiliated.

Members were reminded to book rooms online and use the email sarooms@ for any problems.

Race2 would hold a launch event on Monday.

Members were reminded to sign up for duties at the Raisin Monday foam fight cleanup.

7. Questions for committees

7.1 Association Alumni Committee

Facebook 'likes' for the Alumni page had now doubled.

7.2 Association Community Relations Committee

Raisin Weekend work was ongoing, and a cyclist user group meeting would be held concerning cycle safety.

7.3 Association Environment Committee

Green Week – there were now over 40 events planned on the programme, available on Facebook.

7.4 Association LGBT+ Committee

A vacancy for campaigns officer on the subcommittee existed.

7.5 Equal Opportunities Committee

An international students event would be held.

7.6 Member for Racial Equality

Advertising for the Pangaea event was planned to include a short film video.

7.11 SRC Member for Widening Access and Participation

In response to requests by commuter students, the committee was lobbying the University for overnight accommodation for occasions when commuting students needed or wanted to attend evening events. This would help them to have experiences and opportunities available to St. Andrews-based students.

7.12 SRC Postgraduate Academic Officer

PG class reps had now been elected – Euan minuted thanks to Jack. Revisions to class rep training for PG reps were now needed and this would be a focus going forward.

7.14 Rector's Committee

Thursday would see an event organised by the Rector on Brexit.

7.16 Education Committee

The Association was in discussions with the University around widening access initiatives.

7.18 Wellbeing Committee

A Raisin 'speed adoption' event was being organised for students seeking academic families.

8. Unfinished General Business

There was no unfinished business.

9. New General Business

9.1 J.16-17 A Motion For Design Team to add the Subcommittee Role of 'Photography Officer'

Taryn introduced the motion, explaining the purpose of the new role and its part in shifting the focus of the Design Committee. She asked for questions and was asked if interest had been expressed by anyone in taking up the role – Taryn confirmed that it had. The motion was **passed without dissent**.

10. Collaborative Solutions

(In camera, not minuted.)

11. AOCB

Members were reminded to submit written reports and that not doing so would count as 0.5 of an absence.

Members were asked to publicise office hours if they held these.