



University of St Andrews Students' Association Student Services Council

MINUTES

Tuesday 30th September 2014 – School II, 7.00pm

Present

Joseph Tantillo	Association Chair
Zara Evans	Association Community Relations Officer
Leon O'Rourke	Association Director of Events and Services
Ondrej Hajda	Association Director of Student Development & Activities
Fay Morrice	Association Director of Student Development & Activities
Madeline Belt	Association Environment & Ethics Officer
Fallon Sheffield	Association LGBT Officer
Pat Mathewson	Association President
Sean McDonald	SSC Broadcasting Officer
Charlotte Andrew	SSC Debates Officer
Nathalie Mitchell	SSC Design & PR Team Convener
Lavin Ge Tian	SSC Entertainment Convener
Michael Thadani	SSC External Funding Officer
Anna Kennedy-O'Brien	SSC Member without Portfolio
Anna Merryfield	SSC Music Officer
Ben Anderson	SSC Performing Arts Officer
David van Brussel	SSC Postgraduate Officer
Courtney Lewis	SSC Societies Officer
Nicole Timpone	SSC Volunteering Officer

Absent

Sarah Thompson	President of the Athletic Union
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1. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted without dissent.

2. Apologies for Absence

Sarah Thompson	President of the Athletic Union	Dunhill Launch Event
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The apologies were accepted without dissent.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the joint meeting of the councils were circulated by electronic mail on the 17th of September 2014. With no objection made within the specified time, the minutes were adopted by electronic mail.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

There were no matters arising.

5. Open Forum

There was no business from the Open Forum.

6. Reports of the Sabbatical Officers

6.1. Report of the Department of Events & Services

Mr O'Rourke reported that Freshers' Week had gone well and that the Pub Quiz was going from strength to strength, bringing in regular numbers. Mr O'Rourke stated that Karaoke was regularly attracting 100 people, and was currently sponsored by Ginger Grouse. Mr O'Rourke stated that the open mic night, held by Music is Love, was doing well.

Mr O'Rourke reported that Friday night attendances were better than the previous year but not as high as they would want. Mr O'Rourke stated that Circus Saturday was also poorly attended, though takings at the bar were higher for both.

Mr O'Rourke reported that he was helping subcommittees with issues they faced and making progress.

6.2. Report of the Association Director of Representation

Mr Hajda reported that the largest number of nominations for Class Rep positions had been made, with over 500 standing. Mr Hajda stated that voting would close at 5pm on Friday and that it was important that turnout was high. Mr Hajda stated that he was unsure what the current turnout was but that with the help of the SSC advertising the elections, it could be even higher.

Mr Hajda reported that he was putting together the Rectorial Elections Committee and that those who had applied to be a member would know if their application had been successful by the following day.

Mr Hajda reported that a lot of members were taking part in the Mental Health First Aid Training course and requested that those taking part pass any feedback to him, such that it could be used to improve the course in future.

Mr Hajda reported that there was a vacancy on the SRC and requested that the members encourage anyone that may be interested in the position to run. Mr Hajda reported that over 20 people had expressed an interest in the position.

Mr Hajda reported that condom rep training would be the following day. Mr Hajda reminded the members that free condoms could be had from the Union, either from himself or Mr Cupples.

Mr Hajda reported that the Sexual Health Clinic, which had previously been held on Wednesday afternoons, had been moved to Tuesday Afternoons, every Tuesday from 1230 to 1630 in Eden Court. Mr Hajda stated that he was trying to advertise that change.

6.3. Report of the Association Director of Student Development & Activities

Ms Morrice reported that the applications were now being accepted for the Scott Lang Dinner committee and encouraged anyone interested to get in touch via email.

Ms Morrice reported that the redevelopment fund had been reopened for anyone who was struggling to find space for free. Ms Morrice stated that subcommittees would be given preference over societies.

Ms Morrice reported that she would be meeting the Byre Theatre on Thursday.

Ms Morrice reported that there had been many EGMs.

6.4. Report of the Association President

Mr Mathewson reported that he just returned from the USA and was slowly catching up with his workload.

Mr Mathewson reported that the Night Bus service was returning, which represented a major victory for the Association. Mr Mathewson stated that the service would run seven days a week, along major routes, with 'flag down' service along Largo Road. Mr Mathewson stated that this was a £60,000 project and would be running every night from 10pm to 2am.

7. Report of Officers

7.1. Report of the Association Community Relations Officer

Ms Evans reported that there had been three community council meetings over the summer break, two of which she had attended and both of which had gone well. Ms Evans stated that the next community council meeting would be on the coming Monday.

Ms Evans reported that she was working on the Zero Tolerance Campaign and also investigating a subsidised bike light scheme.

Ms Evans reported that she was working on some noise complaint issues and requested that anyone with creative ideas for tackling the problem contact her.

Ms Evans reported that she had had coffee with the Community Relations working group and a community engagement meeting was upcoming.

Mr Hajda stated that the University had a new discipline officer and he was handling the noise complaints. Mr Hajda stated that he would be the one for Ms Evans to get in contact with.

Ms Evans was asked what the noise complaints were.

Ms Evans answered that they were mainly regarding noise as people walked home through residential areas.

Mr Blain asked what happened at the moment if people were noisy.

Ms Evans answered that the Police would deal with it and the information was shared at the community engagement meetings.

7.2. Report of the Association Environment & Ethics Officer

Ms Belt reported that she had spoken with Tony in the Union about *Keep Cups* and stated that he had seemed interested. Ms Belt stated that the *Keep Cups* would go along with a discount. Ms Belt reported that she was looking at bikes that generated energy in the gym and bikes that charge phones elsewhere.

7.3. Report of the Association LGBT Officer

Ms Sheffield reported that they had had their most successful EGM ever, with one position contested by six applicants.

Ms Sheffield reported that the first official event would be on Friday, with a coach hired to take people to Glasgow for some clubbing. Ms Sheffield stated that the tickets for the event were on sale and requested that the members share the event. Ms Sheffield stated that average turnout was much higher than previously.

Ms Sheffield reported that Panti was officially confirmed and the event would be the Thursday following RAG Week. Ms Sheffield stated that she was looking to sell tickets to Glasgow and Edinburgh.

Ms Sheffield reported that average turnout for events was higher than ever before. Ms Sheffield stated that all the events up to week nine had now been planned.

Ms Sheffield reported that she had been approached many times by other groups looking to hold joint events. Ms Sheffield stated that due to the higher number, if anyone wanted to hold a joint event, they should email her and they would then be invited along to the committee meeting.

7.4. Report of the Athletic Union President

There was no report from the Athletic Union President.

7.5. Report of the SSC Broadcasting Officer

Mr McDonald reported that demos had been held the previous Saturday, with the highest number of applications, and that between 20 and 30 shows had been rejected. Mr McDonald stated that they were supposed to go live on Friday but some key equipment had gone missing during the redevelopment, and it would prohibit them from starting as soon as they would have liked. Mr McDonald stated that with the equipment they did have, they would be able to start broadcasting soon. Mr McDonald stated that they were focussing on the big re-launch in week seven, which would be accompanied by a big launch party.

Mr McDonald reminded the members that that they could use STAR to advertise their events.

Ms Merryfield asked how the shows had been selected.

Mr McDonald answered that the committee had listened to the demos and selected from that. Mr McDonald stated that there had been several news-type shows apply but, as they already had a large number of news shows, they had been encouraged to apply another time. Mr McDonald stated that they would now have a different hour of news each day, with the topic shaped around the editor. Mr McDonald stated that the Sabb show would be Fridays at 4pm.

7.6. Report of the SSC Charities Officer

Mr Blain reported that freshers' week had been the most charitable ever, with lots of involvement from societies. Mr Blain stated that they had been able to have cloakrooms running at events, which they hadn't expected to be able to do. Mr Blain stated that £5,000 had been raised so far.

Mr Blain reported that, as Venue 1 would be unavailable in February, they would be holding part of RAG week in semester 1. Mr Blain stated that he had requested that societies get involved.

Mr Blain reported that his committee now had a Postgraduate Officer. Mr Blain reported that the position had existed for a while but there had previously been no interest; Mr Blain stated that four people had ran for the position this time.

Mr Blain reported that a bungee jump had been organised, with around thirty people interested.

Mr Blain reported that the Race2Madrid launch event was planned for seven O'Clock, a week hence. Mr Blain stated that they had secured the exclusive use of the hostel in Madrid this year. Mr Blain requested that anyone interested in participating in the UK-based safety team come contact him.

Ms Lewis asked if Mr St Andrews would be happening.

Mr Blain answered that it would not, though they were playing with the idea of some hall-based events.

7.7. Report of the SSC Debates Officer

Ms Andrew reported that the Debating Society had had a really busy month, with great turnouts at training events. Ms Andrew reported that around sixty people were attending those events, where usually the numbers would have died down a little. Ms Andrew stated that she was encouraged by the large number of girls attending the events, and expressed her belief that this was due to the large number of females on the committee.

Ms Andrew reported that there had been three public debates so far, with 'This House Welcomes Secularisation in Britain' coming up. Ms Andrew stated that people from the Humanist Society of Scotland would be attending, as well as members of the Church of England. Ms Andrew requested that the member advertise the event.

Ms Andrew stated that Accenture would continue to sponsor the society.

Ms Andrew stated that the first meeting would be in Edinburgh and that they had selected the World Team that would be competing in Malaysia.

Ms Andrew reported that she had met with Ms Sheffield to discuss the holding of the Queer Question Time event.

7.8. Report of the SSC Design & PR Team Convenor

Ms Mitchell reported that a number of projects for societies had been completed over the summer. Ms Mitchell stated that rotating workshops had been held during freshers week. Ms Mitchell stated that they were working on eight projects.

Ms Mitchell reported that Photoshop classes were being organised for that week, and there was a high interest in both the basic and intermediate classes. Ms Mitchell stated that a social component was planned in order to bring the whole team together.

Mr Hajda asked where the classes would be ran.

Ms Mitchell answered that they would be in Sandy's Bar at 10-12.

Mr Anderson asked how the sign ups were being ran.

Ms Mitchell answered that people should email in.

Ms Sheffield asked if a private copy of photoshop was required.

Ms Mitchell answered that attendees would, but there were a number of ways to get a copy.

Ms Lewis asked which version was being used.

Ms Mitchell answered that any version would be supported.

7.9. Report of the SSC Entertainments Convenor

Ms Ge Tian reported that freshers had went well and that the committee was now working on RAG week events. Ms Ge Tian stated that they were now cooperating with mermaids on training and planning forward in to semester 2. Ms Ge Tian stated that those who were having an events, or who needed a resident tech, should let them know. Ms Ge Tian stated that they were working on a list of technical regulations that people would need to be fully aware of in future.

7.10. Report of the SSC External Funding Officer

Mr Thadani reported that they now had now filled all of their spots for grant writers. Mr Thadani stated that they had received a number of requests and they were now working on those.

7.11. Report of the SSC Member without Portfolio

Ms Kennedy-O'Brien stated that she had nothing new to report and encouraged members to contact her if they needed help.

Ms Kennedy-O'Brien stated that the Councils' social would be directly after the meeting.

7.12. Report of the SSC Music Officer

Ms Merryfield reported that Music is Love had a good freshers week, with different events including an Open Mic Night and a Creative Lock In.

Ms Merryfield reported that there were plans being put together for an EGM

Ms Merryfield reported that there was to be a mystery gig at the end of October. Ms Merryfield stated that they were collaborating with students who wanted to carry out their own gigs but who didn't necessarily have the means or needed support. Ms Merryfield stated that they had bought a drum kit.

Mr Blain asked if Ms Merryfield had any money from the RAG CD.

Ms Merryfield answered that she may do and that she would email him with any more information.

7.13. Report of the SSC Performing Arts Officer

Mr Anderson reported that there had been good turnout throughout Freshers week, with a massive number of freshers auditioning. Mr Anderson stated that he had met with the student press to give them some direction on what were acceptable ways to cover events and what were not.

Mr Anderson reported that the Christmas ball tickets would go on sale on the Fifth of November.

Mr Anderson reported that there first President's forum, where the presidents of the associated societies met.

Mr Anderson reported that he was working with the employability officer on the Arts Employment Fair.

Mr Anderson reported that they had passed their fresher's plays. Mr Anderson stated that there were to be five, with some interesting ideas such as a shadow theatre. Mr Anderson stated that the first show would go up on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, with £2 from every ticket going to the Anthony Nolan trust.

Ms Morrice asked if the ticket sales for the ball would be in-person only.

Mr Anderson answered that he thought so, and that they had not discussed putting them online.

7.14. Report of the SSC Postgraduate Officer

Mr van Brussel reported that the summer ball had been a sell-out, and the bus trip had been successful. Mr van Brussel stated that the bonfire and other fresher week events had been successful.

Mr van Brussel reported that the EGM had been very successful, with all positions on the committee now filled.

Mr van Brussel reported that the Gala would held in the Scores Hotel on Friday.

Mr van Brussel reported that he was talking with Tony, from the Union, to discuss having Sandy's Bar reserved for Postgraduates on Thursdays.

7.15. Report of the SSC Societies Officer

Ms Lewis reported that the Freshers Fair had taken place, with no one left too unhappy. Ms Lewis stated that she had worked on the Fresher's Fund over the summer, distributing over £4,000 in funding for Fresher's Week events, so they could stage events with no risk to the society.

Ms Lewis reported that the affiliation deadline was Friday, October 10th. Ms Lewis asked that anyone who knew society presidents encourage them to get their paperwork done in time.

Ms Lewis reported that they would be shuffling things around on the committee, and would be looking for a grants officer, elections advisor, minutes secretary at the EGM.

Ms Lewis reported that a number of societies had been given leave to proceed, including Expression, Blues, James Bond, and Ukraine.

Ms Lewis reported that their schedule for the year had been set, with the notable inclusion of spring trainings and AGM deadlines. Ms Lewis stated that a two-year strategic plan had been drafted.

Ms Lewis reported that there was now a resource page on their portal, making it easier for people to access information on room bookings and such.

Ms Lewis reported that she had been in discussions with Senior Students about using spaces in halls, though that had proven to be difficult.

Ms Lewis reported that they were looking at standardising publicity materials with the library and also discussing what the insurance situation regarding societies was. Ms Lewis stated that no grants had been given out though those would begin to go out within the next fortnight.

Ms Sheffield asked whether Ms Lewis could advertise the possibility of collaborations with the LGBT committee, should she send a blurb about it.

Ms Lewis answered that they all know that they existed and that she would do that if Ms Sheffield wanted.

7.16. Report of the SSC Volunteering Officer

Ms Timpone reported that the Freshers week events had been successful and well attended. Ms Timpone stated that she had begun work on a set of new publicity materials. Ms Timpone stated that the EGM had been held and three positions had been filled.

Ms Timpone stated that the volunteering trips had already begun and that unfilled projects had been reopened for a second round of applications.

Ms Timpone reported that there was now a new web-portal for volunteering, making everything easier.

Ms Morrice asked how many people had applied for the positions.

7.17. Any Other Competent Reports

There were no other competent reports.

8. Unfinished General Business

There was no unfinished general business.

9. New General Business

9.1. J. 14-6 - A Motion to Amend the Association LGBT Committee Constitution

THIS SRC AND SSC NOTE:

1. The current Association LGBT Committee's Constitution contains a number of inconsistencies and requires that any change in the membership of the Association LGBT Committee non-executive officers to be passed by both Councils and the Students' Association Board.
2. The LGBT Committee approved the proposed changes at their meeting on Thursday 18 September.

THIS SRC AND SSC BELIEVE:

1. The Association LGBT Committee will benefit from creating a core of executive officers (President – Association LGBT Officer, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Welfare Officer, and Campaigns & Publicity Officer) and allow the Executive to approve the creation of non-executive officers as required.
2. The proposed changes will decrease the administrative burden on the Councils.

THIS SRC AND SSC RESOLVE:

1. To strike the Association LGBT Committee's previous Constitution (Chapter 16 of the Laws) and replace with the attached text.
2. To rename the "Association LGBT Committee" to "Association LGBT Group", informally known as "Saints LGBT".
3. To report amendments to effect the following changes to the Laws to SAB with the recommendation that the same do pass.

Ms Sheffield proposed the motion and Mr Hajda seconded the motion.

Ms Sheffield introduced the motion as such: this motion allows LGBT to be more flexible, as it grows, allowing for the removal and addition of positions as needed. At the moment, new positions have to be approved by the Councils and then Board whereas this will allow the LGBT committee to carry out that activity on its own. The positions have been divided in to two: executive and non-executive. The rest of the motion clarifies terminology and also corrects some typos.

Ms Lewis asked whether non-executive positions would have voting rights on the committee.

Ms Sheffield answered that they would, with the only difference being that the non-executive members would not have access to the emails.

Ms Lewis asked whether the motion allowed for a created position to be removed or not.

Ms Sheffield answered that it was intended that that the posts would be created for that year, and that they could not be removed during that period. Ms Sheffield stated that it allowed some paper work to be taken off of the Council's plate.

The motion, as presented, was adopted.

9.2. J. 14-9 - A Motion to Amend the Constitution of St Andrews Radio

THIS SSC NOTES:

1. Hearing Aid has been a part of STAR for two years but has no official place in the Laws.
2. The aims of STAR as stated in the Association Law (Chapter 21, Section 1.3) state that STAR is established to provide additional broadcasting services as should become desirable in the future.

THIS SSC BELIEVES:

1. As a subcommittee, the parameters established for Hearing Aid as an extension of St Andrews Radio fit within the existing constitutional bounds.
2. Placing Hearing Aid in the constitution establishes the publication as an official entity of STAR.

THIS SSC RESOLVES:

12. Add in Chapter 21 of the Laws a new §1.4 to read as follows:

1.4.To provide a medium for music journalism (Hearing Aid)

- 1.4.1. Hearing Aid is an online and print music publication that focuses on local and international music trends while simultaneously providing an outlet for the students of St Andrews to express their love for all types of music.**

Mr McDonald proposed the motion and Mr O'Rourke seconded.

Mr McDonald presented the motion as such: the STAR constitution has not been updated since it was started 10 years ago, this motion goes through that and makes sure all currently extant positions are represented in the constitution, and also explicitly includes Hearing Aid within the Broadcasting Aims, reflecting that it has existed for three years.

Ms Lewis asked what the title of Chapter 21 was.

Mr McDonald answered that it was 'SSC Broadcasting Committee'.

Mr Blain asked whether the constitution was being altered to reflect the committee as it currently stood.

Mr McDonald answered that it was being altered to reflect how it currently stood, and how it had stood for three years.

Ms Merryfield asked how this motion passing would affect PressPlay's possibly affiliation, stating she understood it as barring them from affiliating.

Mr McDonald answered that it was his understanding that Charities could not fund two competing groups to carry out the same thing and that could prevent Press Play from affiliating.

Ms Merryfield asked whether someone from Press Play should be present for this motion.

Ms Lewis stated that Press Play had come to the Societies Committee and asked for leave to proceed, which had been refused. Ms Lewis stated that she disagreed with that decision as, while Hearing Aid existed, it didn't exist officially. Ms Lewis stated that if Press Play came back to the committee before the affiliation cut off, it would be her view that this motion should not pass as there would be a society responsible for music journalism.

Mr O'Rourke stated that he did not understand the need to raise Press Play, rather than just considering Hearing Aid. Mr O'Rourke stated that it was his view that this affected STAR and STAR alone, and they should not consider the possible effects on a group which were external to the Association on the hypothetical that they may later become affiliated.

Ms Merryfield stated that if the passing of this motion negated the possibility of Press Play affiliating, it was worthwhile to discuss the motion.

Mr McDonald stated that Hearing Aid was the Association's music journalism.

Ms Morrice stated that her only problem with the motion was that print journalism was not within the remit of broadcasting, while online journalism would be.

Mr Blain asked what the effect of voting down the motion would be, since STAR would be acting outwith their constitutional aims.

Mr McDonald answered that it would likely mean they'd need to stop.

Mr Blain asked whether saying no to Hearing Aid would mean someone was out of a job.

Mr McDonald answered that someone would probably need to be removed from the committee.

Ms Sheffield asked whether Hearing Aid might be kept online-only, since allowing them to do everything would ultimately restrict variety.

Ms Lewis stated that subcommittees were more important than societies and that the way they chose to grow should take precedence over societies.

Mr Mathewson asked whether Mr McDonald saw Press Play and Hearing Aid as competing with one another.

Mr McDonald answered that he had reached out to them when they had tried to affiliate but they had wanted to do their own thing. There are different people involved in both groups, but it's mostly separate.

Mr Mathewson stated that he preferred a broach church when it came to things like this.

Mr McDonald stated that he did not want to continue deferring the motion since it had been something STAR had been doing for a long time as part of music journalism but it was now just branded differently.

Ms Kennedy-O'Brien stated that if this motion was passed, as much as it was nice to have many people affiliated as possible, Press Play could continue on as an outside organisation like The Saint does. Hearing aid is probably better for us.

Mr Morrice stated that she mostly agreed with the motion but that she disagreed with Hearing Aid being printed.

Ms Lewis moved that the motion be amended to strike 'n music publication' from 1.4.1 in resolving clause 2.

Mr McDonald asked whether this amendment would allow them to continue to print.

Ms Lewis answered that it would, so long as no funding came from the Association.

Ms Lewis rescinded the motion.

Ms Lewis moved that the motion be amended to strike 'Print/Online' from 3.1.9 in resolving clause 1 and 'n music piublication' in 1.4.1 in clause 2.

Ms Morrice second the motion.

The amendment was adopted without dissent.

Mr McDonald asked what the effect of that motion had been overall.

Ms Morrice stated that the motion would allow them to continue doing what they had been doing.

A roll-call vote was held in the SRC.

OFFICE	NAME	AYE	NO	ABS.
Association Community Relations Officer	Zara Evans	X		
Association Director of Events & Services	Leon O'Rourke	X		
Association Director of Representation	Ondrej Hajda			X
Association Director of Student Development & Activities	Fay Morrice	X		
Association Environment & Ethics Officer	Madeline Belt	X		
Association LGBT Officer	Fallon Sheffield			X
Association President	Pat Mathewson	X		
SSC Broadcasting Officer	Sean McDonald	X		

SSC Charities Officer	Kyle Blain	X		
SSC Debates Officer	Charlotte Andrew	X		
SSC External Funding Officer	Michael Thadani	X		
SSC Member w/o Portfolio	Anna Kennedy-O'Brien	X		
SSC Music Officer	Anna Merryfield	X		
SSC Performing Arts Officer	Ben Anderson	X		
SSC Postgraduate Officer	David van Brussel	X		
SSC Societies Officer	Courtney Lewis			X
SSC Volunteering Officer	Nicole Timpone	X		

With 14 in the affirmative, and none in the negative, the motion, as amended, was adopted.

10. Open Discussion

10.1. SRC Reform

Mr Hajda asked how many people had read the report.

A number showed their hands.

Mr Hajda reminded everyone that there had been a discussion at the end of the previous year regarding SRC reform and he now wanted to move that reform process forward. There will be a first draft coming forward soon, to get feedback and ideas, which will then be brought again subsequently to be voted on.

Mr Mathewson stated that he was concerned about the sample sizes and responses, and that he was unsure that the respondents were a good gauge for student-wide opinion.

Mr Anderson stated that there had been 23 responses, and the report was looking at around 40 people being involved.

Mr Hajda stated that he didn't see the report as the bible on reform but, instead, as a good starting point.

Mr Blain asked Mr Hajda to talk briefly about the proposed reforms.

Mr Hajda stated that he'd like to see equality and opportunities representatives retained, with reps for Gender, Disabilities, International students and those with protected characteristics. Mr Baldi's proposal wanted to see those positions removed due to their over-specific role.

There was general agreement that keeping them was a good idea.

Mr Thadani stated that the narrowly-represented members of the SRC contribute a lot but sometimes feel like their remit is just their interest. Mr Thadani stated that was disheartening as their contribution was needed in other areas too.

Mr Hajda stated that a culture of contribution was required.

Mr Hajda asked how members felt about more powerful subcommittees.

Mr Kennedy-O'Brien stated that she dislike the idea of 'starred' motions as it was quite easy to get a group mentality within small groups and motions might pass unchallenged. As it stood, if everyone agreed on a motion, it only took two minutes for it to pass.

Mr Blain asked why the Postgraduates would have a third of general reps.

Ms Sheffield stated that there existed no undergraduate officer, and it should be assumed that every other officer was working for the interests of postgraduates too.

Mr van Brussel stated that he liked the idea of PG reps, since he liked the idea of more being involved. Mr van Brussel stated that it wasn't necessarily anyone's fault but PG's still viewed the Union and societies as an undergraduate thing and that getting PG's involved required more effort.

Mr Anderson stated that a Frist Year rep did exist, as had a rep for each year previously, but those were abolished as they had no specific remit.

Mr Thadani stated that he was a fan of the unremitted officer as they essentially operated as man power and other voices for forming policy and implementing it. They would make the SRC more effective and better able to represent students.

Ms Morrice stated that, however interesting the reports were, for the SRC they already took the best part of an hour, 40 reports could take several. The reports could be streamlined as the reports from committees, not from each SRC member.

Mr Hajda stated that there were really two options, powerful subcommittees and a large SRC or a smaller SRC handling the issues directly.

Ms Kennedy-O'Brien stated that in an ideal world the subcommittee system would work but that she worried people wouldn't read the starred motions.

Ms Morrice stated that, in her mind, the SRC positions weren't changing, they were just moving down a rung.

Ms Kennedy-O'Brien stated that it might work but that power could not be devolved in to the hands of just three people.

Ms Sheffield stated that broader committees could be formed to combat that.

Mr Blain asked whether every member would see themselves as part of the SRC.

Mr Hajda answered that they didn't necessarily need to.

Mr Blain asked whether those without remits would be delegated out, and asked whether these people would essentially be people running for a job without a job.

Mr Hajda asked that it mirrored parliament, in that respect.

Ms Andrew stated that there was a need to keep it simple and PGs should be encouraged to run in September elections.

Mr Mathewson stated that there need to be a stronger follow-up procedure, as motions would pass and then die.

11. Any Other Competent Business

The meeting was adjourned at 2049.