



Royal Veterinary College Student's Union

Council Agenda

Date: 16th January 2024

Time: 6:45pm Location: Camden

Action tracker:

Date of meeting	Action	Action For
20th Sept 2023	Officer reports: All Officers to update from meetings and events	All Officers
Sept Sept 2023	Visa Sign-in issue Bring up at CSF meeting Thursday	Vanessa (brought up by Alexis)
16 Jan 2024	Change to SU E&D Change to IDI and change email address and SU structure	WG
16 Jan 2024	Sports admin assistant: Look at splitting role to Sports Admin and Sports Admin Assistant	Ezrie, Lara, Willow
16 Jan 2024	AOB - UoL points for London Mayer:	Ezrie and Hannah

1. Welcome and Apologies

Camden - WG, Ezrie, Vanessa, Tom Smith, Hannah, Lara, Willow, Claudia, Alex (Haxby), Sophie and Molly (Bio rep), Joe year 2 course rep, Mia year 1 Bio, Vet med 1 rep **HH** - Abbi, Allyson, Erica, Alexis **Teams:** FS, Conway

Apologies: Jack O'Brian **No Apologies received:** IVS, No AVS rep, Alex Chapman might come later (working)

2. Confirm minutes of previous meeting

- this was AGM - minutes confirmed by trustees over email
- Shared via Website and Supdates in Jan (as not all student body were invited)

3. Review action points from last council

4. Officer Reports (officers to update council on what they have been doing within their role since last meeting - eg Welfare Blue Monday)

5. Submitted Agenda Points

- a. *To Vote* - updating section 10 of the bye-laws (officer job descriptions)
- *please see attached documents for details*

- i. SU Activities -

BUCS is completed by SU Sports, so needs to be removed from SU Activity JD

- Yes - all
- No - none
- Abstain - none

- ii. SU Rep Coms

- add info about running SU elections (only has course rep elections)
- Yes - all
- No - none
- Abstain - none

- iii. SU Treasurer

- Paying all bills on time - change to 'invoices'
- iv. SU Welfare
 - Include 'Advice Centre' or leave as 'college bodies'
- v. SU Camden
 - Office hours to be kept as they are
 - Develop community volunteering - remove as this is covered as an SU as a whole
- vi. SU Post Grad
 - remove 'organise social for PGs', as it's organised by both college and SU PG now
- vii. SU Entertainment "officer"
 - update to paid role
- viii. SU EDI
 - update to Equity, Diversity and Inclusively and update the email address as well
- ix. SU International
 - lists specific holidays but some of the Clubs and Socs already do events on these holidays
 - change wording to 'such as but not limited to' or add 'support SU clubs and Socs'
- x. SU RAG
 - in co. with ents officer with Ents officer, change to 'all officers officers'

Vote

13 yes

0 objections

b. *To Discuss* - alterations to SU Officer/Staff positions

i. proposal of second vet nursing officer - *Viktorija Sitnikaite*

- suggestd having 2 in this role, rather than one, as VNs aren't always on site
- Max number of Trustees we can have (15 in total)
- Engage with nursing course reps more, who might be able to cover the uni
- Vik - spoke to course rep. It's hard to reach them
- Engaging with SVS is tricky, because students are away (80% away on placement)
- Ezrie to go away to do some research and come back

- ii. proposal for role of EDI to be a paid role - *Alexis Cooper*
 - *Alexis has suggested EDI be a paid role, rather than a paid role*
 - *relatively new role and has developed and taken on new responsibility and working with RVC recruitment and Widening Participation, sits in RVC access meetings, contacted by many students for advice/support, increasing office contact time, it has grown and needs to be compensated*
 - *Ezrie to ask college about paid position + number of paid VPs we can have*
- iii. proposal for second person or point of contact for SU Sports - *Lara Richardson*
 - *2 person or another point of contact*
 - *Role has become very busy*
 - *When Sports rep is away (eg exams), there is no second contact (esp on Mon/Wed), almost 'on call'*
 - *Hire new person plus a second contact - split by sports or BUCS/LLSL for example*
- c. *To Discuss* - Haxby opening times and private hire - *Claudia Murphy*
 - *speak to Uni about extending the hours 6am - 11pm, to be in line with the SAWC*
 - *Alex said Deputy Manager needs spec job spec going forward*
 - *Alex said running a bar without a GM has been very challenging and would like this to be discussed with IM*
- d. *Update* on new MSL system - *Willow Gibson/Jack Conway/Rahat Chowdhry* - *Work in progress - WG to update once tested with Rahat*
- e. *Update* on General Manager appointment - *Ezrie Prideaux*
 - *uni said interviews in Jan but no job ad out out*
 - *WG, FS, EP meeting with IM tomorrow*
 - *Next step is to for Trustees to write to the Principle*

6. AOB

- *Hanae - SU minibus' aren't equipped for British winters - snow tyres or chains in minibus - decided that not practical to have these and too costly. Would be difficult for students to take on/off*
- *Uni of London - what students want in london and put forward to London Mayor candidate manifesto*
 - *night safety*
 - *cost of living in London*
 - *travel cost (esp mature - travel card dis for younger age)*
 - **Office of Students** - *ensuring SU's give freedom of speech. Very prescriptive. Chat with IM and form a response to them*

Meeting ended 8pm WG