

Minutes of the Officer Committee Meeting – 16th October 2009

Below are the CONFIRMED Minutes of the 7th meeting of the Officer Committee which was held on 16th October at 4 pm in the Training Room

Present	Dani Beckett	President
	Tom Waltho	Finance & Services Officer
	Sam Brown	Academic Affairs Officer
	Sam Gill	Sports Officer
	Dan Pine	Equal Opportunities Officer
	Ben Heaton	Societies Officer
	Tom Wilson	Media Officer (late arrival)
	Martin Percival	Education Officer
	Farhan Ahmed	International & Black Students Officer
	Matt Bond	Welfare Officer
	Kate Healey	Hallam Volunteering Officer
	Clare Cowen	DCEO - Director of Member Services
	Kerry Jane Radford	Democracy & Executive Support Assistant

OC/09/10/07/1 AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

OC/09/10/07/2 APOLOGIES

Gail Stephens CEO

OC/09/10/07/3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th October were approved.

Proposed	Equal Opps Officer
Seconded	Welfare Officer
Against	0
Abstentions	1
In favour – Passed	

OC/09/10/07/4 MATTERS ARISING AND ACTION POINTS

Committee are awaiting a response from the Postgraduate Society. All other action points are ongoing.

OC/09/10/07/5 CORRESPONDENCE

An incident involving a Sheffield Hallam University student urinating on a war memorial after Carnage was relayed to the group. It was noted that several newspapers have highlighted the story. A joint University/Union statement has been released. Officers were reminded that the Union may represent the student involved if the matter is subject to disciplinary proceedings. NUS will be issuing a statement later today.

The Finance & Services Officer will raise the subject of Carnage at the next Neighbourhood Action Group meeting.

OC/09/10/07/6 CEO BUSINESS SUBMITTED

No business submitted.

OC/09/10/07/7 OFFICER BUSINESS**7.1 Governance**

The Officer Committee role proposal was presented to the Committee for comment. The Deputy CEO listed all comments to feedback to the Governance Steering Group for consideration.

7.2 Society Ratification

Socialist Worker Students Society

The aims and objectives of the SWSS Society were presented to the group. The Committee endorsed the society. The Society will now be presented to Union Council for ratification.

Proposed	Education Officer
Seconded	International & Black Students Officer
Against	1
Abstentions	2
In favour – Passed	

7.3 UniLink

The Welfare Officer presented a proposal looking to implement a campaign about making the UniLink service available to all students. The Officer has tried to contact UniLink to discuss the matter but hasn't received any response. Officers stated that the company uses the Union's images on the service, therefore it should be open to discussions about accessibility with the Union.

The Committee were fully supportive of the campaign but requested the Officer bring back an action plan detailing any resources he may need.

7.4 Life Memberships

The life members were unanimously approved.

7.5 Business Gifts

Embrace tickets, drinks, University Challenge rock, a BBC Book and Pizza were all declared.

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REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

The Disabled Students Forum is active. All Officers were welcome to attend.

A By-Election within the Volunteering Committee is taking place to fill the remaining positions.

The Societies Committee has been elected.

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EMERGENCY BUSINESS

There was no emergency business.

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ANY OTHER BUSINESS

University Challenge will soon be taking place. Officers were asked to inform students. The Academic Affairs Officer will circulate information.

An Officer social at Embrace is scheduled for next Wednesday.

IT training for part time Officers will take place this evening.

Committee members passed on birthday greetings to the Societies Officer.

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DATE, TIME & VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

To be confirmed.