

University of St Andrews Students' Association Students' Representative Council

AGENDA

Tuesday 12th February 2019 –Large Rehearsal Room-6.00pm

1. Adoption of the Agenda

2. Apologies for Absence

2.1. Fiona Murray

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 Association Officers

- 5.1. Questions for Association Alumni Officer
- 5.2. Questions for Association Community Relations Officer
- 5.3. Questions for Association Environment Officer
- 5.4. Questions for Association LGBT+ Officer
- 5.5. Questions for Association Lifelong and Flexible Learners Officer

6. Questions for SRC Committees and Officers

- 6.1. Questions for SRC Accommodation Officer
- 6.2. Questions for SRC Member for First Years
- 6.3. Questions for SRC Member for Gender Equality
- 6.4. Questions for SRC Member for Racial Equality
- 6.5. Questions for SRC Member for Students with Disabilities
- 6.6. Questions for SRC Member for Widening Access and Participation
- 6.7. Questions for SRC Arts/Divinity Faculty President
- 6.8. Questions for SRC Science/Medicine Faculty President
- 6.9. Questions for SRC Postgraduate Academic Convener
- 6.10. Questions for SRC Postgraduate Development Convener
- 6.11. Questions for Principal Ambassador
- 6.12. Questions for Rector's Assessor
- 6.13. Questions for SRC Member Without Portfolio

7. Unfinished SRC Business

8. New SRC Business

- 9. Any Other Competent Business9.1. Universal Credit10. Collaborative Solutions

SRC + ASSOCIATION REPORTS

Association Alumni Officer - Olivia Sutton

Had our first meeting back with the team involved with organising AFW2019. Significant numbers of attendees have registered interest in all the different events, and it should be a great weekend with lots going on for all to get involved with. The Alumni Subcommittee are in the process of creating an infographic of all the different alumni groups around the world that graduates can get involved with straight away.

Association Community Relations Officer – Morgan Morris

Not much to report as we begin to wind down. I had a community council meeting on Monday. I'm sure Paloma will update you all with regards to the Community Council elections coming up. We have a couple of projects that we are going to work on this semester such as cycle safety, making the local community aware of this position in the SA, hopefully, a concert in association with music is love and the community council, and then the alumni festival weekend. If anyone has any ideas or would like to collaborate please just let me know.

Association Environment Officer – Lauren Davis

The Environment Subcommittee is back into the swing of things with many events, projects and collaborations being prepared. We're already thinking ahead as far as Earth Day in April - if anyone has any ideas or would like to collaborate on a big town-wide event, we are open to all suggestions. Until then, keep watch for events that will be published in the near future!

Association LGBT+ Officer - Zelda Kotyk

I have been working on my motion for hate crime and it is going well. I have been extremely busy with meetings about hate crimes. Queer fest is this week so please come to our events!!!

Association Lifelong and Flexible Learners Officer - Sarah Ramage

We held our EGM on Monday and are delighted to have appointed a secretary. An email that was received earlier this week has highlighted a change to the catering provision at Deans Court postgraduate accommodation and how students perceive that this will have a negative impact on their student experience. This was discussed at the Equal Opportunities committee meeting where other students were aware of the proposals and are keen to see what can be done to challenge them. Wei Wei Chen and Courtney Aitken have been in touch with affected students and University staff and discussions are ongoing. Lifers was also contacted by a student who has caring responsibilities who is keen to set up a social/support group for people of all ages who have caring responsibilities. It was suggested that a drop in event should be held during Wellbeing Week. If any students would like to help of know more please get in touch.

SRC Accommodation Officer - Lucy Allat

It is a busy time of the year for accommodation, with many enquiries about the general renting process. I am trying to keep students informed that properties will continue to come on to the market, as students continue to sign the notice to leave. At the private property letting meeting I tried to give reasons to why students were not signing the notice to leave as

early as the private letting agents thought they would. In the background my subcommittee and I are working on the 'how to leave' programme that accommodation will be running.

SRC Member for First Year – Avery Kitchens

No report submitted.

SRC Member for Gender Equality - Isabella Smith

Nothing to report.

SRC Member for Racial Equality - Wei Wei Chen

Nothing to report.

SRC Member for Students with Disabilities - Emily Muller

No report submitted.

SRC Member for Widening Access and Participation – Ciara McCumiskey

It's been a bit of a busy week alongside Equal Opportunities committee! I've been working on drafting a motion for the final councils and I'm drafting a policy with Equal Ops!

Arts/Divinity Faculty President -Gianluca Giammei

This week I have met with Alice and the Career Centre to try to organise a Career week focused on Postgraduate studies in September. We have talked about virtual sessions as well as inviting alumni. We are keen on doing a collaboration with the postgraduate society as this also aims to promote a sense of community between UG and PG students.

Science/Medicine Faculty President - Alisa Danilenko

Not too much happening since the start of semester. I'm a member of a few of the ELIR writing groups, so we're seeing where that goes in the next few weeks. This week I'm working with a University Outreach Officer to work out the details of the visit of Marc Abrahams, the founder of the Ig Nobel Prizes. This will now be held as a part of Science Week in early March.

SRC Postgraduate Academic Convener -Ashley Clayton

No report submitted.

SRC Postgraduate Development Convener - Courtney Aitken

Postgraduate Development Group are meeting this week on Tuesday 27th November. I have been invited to sit on Student Experience Committee this Friday 30th November.

Principal Ambassador – Emma Thompson

We've just closed our January recruitment period and are welcoming all the new ambassadors to the scheme. We have also received loads of Principal Team applications, and

will begin the interview process soon. We plan to have chosen the new Principal Team before our first Visiting Day (March 3). The current team finishes their role at the end of May 2019. In addition to all of this, we are preparing for a busy semester with 7 Visiting and Offer Holder Days, external events, SIMD lunches, Subject Applicant Days and more.

Rector's Assessor - Camilla Duke

The Rector had a good visit to St Andrews back in January for the quarterly meeting of the University Court, where we presented our Report jointly with Alice and Paloma. The Rector's Committee continues to work with the Students' Association and Sandra Mitchell on the Universal Credit campaign. Our upcoming event, These Islands, is live on Facebook and free to attend, so we would love to see you all there! Happy last SRC everyone!

SRC Member Without Portfolio – Robyn Wells

Working on a couple of upcoming socials for semester 2. Apart from that nothing to report.