

University of St Andrews Students' Association Students' Representative Council

AGENDA

Tuesday 6th November 2018 – Large Rehearsal Room - 6.00pm

1. Adoption of the Agenda

2. Apologies for Absence

2.1. Courtney Aitken

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 SRC Committees and Officers

- 5.1. Questions for SRC Accommodation Officer
- 5.2. Questions for SRC Member for First Years
- 5.3. Questions for SRC Member for Gender Equality
- 5.4. Questions for SRC Member for Racial Equality
- 5.5. Questions for SRC Member for Students with Disabilities
- 5.6. Questions for SRC Member for Widening Access and Participation
- 5.7. Questions for SRC Arts/Divinity Faculty President
- 5.8. Questions for SRC Science/Medicine Faculty President
- 5.9. Questions for SRC Postgraduate Academic Convener
- 5.10. Questions for SRC Postgraduate Development Convener
- 5.11. Questions for Principal Ambassador
- 5.12. Questions for Rector's Assessor
- 5.13. Questions for SRC Member Without Portfolio

6. Unfinished SRC Business

- 7. New SRC Business
 - 7.1. Motion for Equal Access
- 8. Any Other Competent Business
- 9. Collaborative Solutions

SRC + ASSOCIATION REPORTS

Association Alumni Officer - Olivia Sutton

Nothing to report.

Association Community Relations Officer - Morgan Morris

It is been a quiet week within Community Relations, we have been planning Community Relations Week along with St Andrews Day. Volunteer sign-ups for St Andrews Day are coming out soon so please watch out and encourage all your friends to offer a couple of hours on December 1st. We have a community council on Monday. We are also going to be promoting the WW2 commemorations on West Sands Beach as part of a series by Danny Boyle - so watch out for that as it is going to be a very special event. Thank you.

Association Environment Officer – Lauren Davis

Nothing to report.

Association LGBT+ Officer - Zelda Kotyk

Queer Academia will have had happened and it should have gone well. We are doing a lot of planning for Glitterball, Transfest and starting for Queer Fest. We are also looking at how to be more political and have some great ideas thus far.

I'm working on a survey about experiences of homophobia and transphobia as there has been an increase of transphobic and homophobic remarks/ hate being directed at students and the subcommittee and others.

Association Lifelong and Flexible Learners Officer - Sarah Ramage

As I'm sure many people are aware problems experienced by students in receipt of Universal Credit have been highlighted on social media. Discussions are taking place to look into this in more detail.

The Lifers EGM has been scheduled for Monday 12 November at 5.30pm and is open to all students. We are hoping to appoint a secretary and treasurer at this meeting.

A group of Lifers attend the union run Halloween event and had a great time. It was fab to get dressed up and forget about deadlines for the night.

SRC Accommodation Officer - Lucy Allat

Accommodation week is here! The how to rent guides have been delivered and are looking great, there is an addition of a pull out section of a property checklist which should be really useful for people going to view housing and flats. There is a total of 14 events happening over the week including hall drop ins and how to rent talks! Monday is the housing farye, it already has over 200 people interested on the facebook event! Really proud of what my committee and i have done, lets hope the hard work pays off!

SRC Member for First Year – Avery Kitchens

Nothing to report.

SRC Member for Gender Equality - Isabella Smith

Nothing to report.

SRC Member for Racial Equality - Tomisin Animashaun

No report submitted.

SRC Member for Students with Disabilities - Emily Muller

This week I had a phone conversation with the person who will be assessing my grant. I don't get the sense that he fully understood the importance of communication from a disability lens which was concerning, but I hope for the best! Nothing else to report at this time.

SRC Member for Widening Access and Participation – Ciara McCumiskey

Things are picking up in the world of Widening Access and Participation. The steering/working group that I chair is about to be relaunched. Our first port of call is looking at who is applying to bursaries and how successful they are and also looking at the problems happening with Universal Credit and the way that it is causing problems for some lone parents that are studying. If anyone has any burning opinions about either of these things or something else related to my role, drop me an email and pop along to a meeting of the steering group!

Arts/Divinity Faculty President -Gianluca Giammei

This week, Alisa and I have organised when to meet with the ID reps and told them how to gather feedback from their classmates. We will meet on Monday to make the agenda for Tuesday's SSCC. I am also helping some schools setting up their mentoring schemes!

Science/Medicine Faculty President - Alisa Danilenko

The physics and astronomy wellbeing day went well this week, we are hoping to be able to apply the same model to other schools.

Myself and Gianluca will be running the ID4000 SSCC this week, and starting work on the ELIR write up.

SRC Postgraduate Academic Convener -Ashley Clayton

No report submitted.

SRC Postgraduate Development Convener - Courtney Aitken

This week the Postgraduate Development Committee reconvened. Plans for the next round of Innovation Grant applications are currently being made. Looking forward to reviewing postgraduates' ideas for conference and transferable skills development. CAPOD, with some postgraduates, held a Masters programme information event for undergraduate students last

Wednesday to great success. St Leonard's College celebrated the commemoration of St Leonard on Sunday. It's been a busy week!

Principal Ambassador – Emma Thompson

We completed our final UG Visiting Day of the year, with over 500 prospective students and their families attending. Throughout the semester, we had over 2600 students attend, across 5 Visiting Days. On November 14, we will have our PG Visiting Day, with 100 visitors expected.

Widening Access and Participation projects have continued on, and we look forward to welcoming mentees to St Andrews in the coming months!

We have begun thinking about next semester's Visiting Days, so if anyone is interested in getting involved with them, please be in touch.

Rector's Assessor - Camilla Duke

The Rector was in town during Week 6 for the October Court Meeting, during which we approved the final University Strategy, which has now been published. We had a successful visit, meeting with the Sabbs, the Rector's Committee, and other students and members of the community. The Rector's Committee also recently welcomed two new members after our interview process. We are also continuing our work with the Students' Association and Willie Rennie MSP on the GP out-of-hours campaign, which is coming to its final weeks.

SRC Member Without Portfolio - Robyn Wells

Nothing to report this week