



University of St Andrews Students' Association Student Services Council

AGENDA

Tuesday 14th November - Committee Room - 6.00 pm

1. Adoption of the Agenda

2. Apologies for Absence

3. Open Forum

Reports of Sabbatical Officers

- 4.1. Report of the Athletic Union President
- 4.2. Report of the Association Director of Wellbeing
- 4.3. Report of the Association Director of Education
- 4.4. Report of the Association Director of Events & Services
- 4.5. Report of the Association President
- 4.6. Report of the Association Director of Student Development & Activities

Questions for Subcommittees

- 5.1. Questions for Association Alumni Committee
- 5.2. Questions for Association Community Relations Committee
- 5.3. Questions for Association Environment Committee
- 5.4. Questions for Association LGBT+ Committee
- 5.5. Questions for SSC Postgraduate Committee
- 5.6. Questions for SSC Broadcasting Committee
- 5.7. Questions for SSC Charities Committee
- 5.8. Questions for SSC Entertainments Committee
- 5.9. Questions for SSC Employability Committee
- 5.10. Questions for SSC Debates Committee
- 5.11. Questions for SSC Design & PR Committee
- 5.12. Questions for SSC Music Committee
- 5.13. Questions for SSC Performing Arts Committee
- 5.14. Questions for SSC Societies Committee
- 5.15. Questions for SSC Volunteering Committee
- 5.16. Questions for SSC On The Rocks Committee
- 5.17. Questions for SSC Member without Portfolio
- 5.18. Any Other Competent Questions

6. Unfinished General Business

7. New General Business

8. Any Other Competent Business

9. Collaborative Solutions

SSC REPORTS

Association Alumni Officer-Sam Ross

- another fab-tastic alumni festival planning meeting
- 10-12 confirmed society events for the weekend which is equally fab-tastic!
- confirmed 1 - 2 speakers for the careers panel
- school of management AFW
- JBH hosting an event for AFW

Association Community Relations Officer- Hannah Raleigh

- Successful beach clean last Sunday to wrap up Green Week
- Still in the process of finding student groups to participate in St Andrews Day
- Licensing applications have begun -- there will be mulled wine, so please come out on the day!
- Reaching out to primary schools to appeal to Fife families
- Radio ads for the festival begin in a week -- listen in on Kingdom FM!

Association Environment Officer- Clare Grist

Nothing to report!

Association LGBT+ Officer-Ryan Hay

At Saints LGBT+ we've been very busy finalising everything for TransFest, and I'm so excited to invite you all to share in it.

The line-up is as follows:

Tuesday: *Sky Yarlett Workshop w/ Association Councils*

Wednesday: *Gender Fluidity in the Ancient World w/ School of Classics*

Friday: *Theory @ Taste on North Street - launch of our new Queer Theory Library // Reading Group*

Saturday: *Queer Arts Bash & LGBT+ 40th Birthday Party in 601 !*

Sunday: *Gender Expression Salon @ Spoiled Hair Salon*

Monday: *Transgender Day of Remembrance Procession*

We're also launching our collaborative zine with inlight within the next two weeks - so keep your eyes pulled for the launch event for the beautiful *Queering the Home*.

I've also been meeting National groups and academic school re: Queer Fest, and chatting to OTR about confirming PRIDE.

On top of that, we finally got some training finalised for our committee members, so our remodelled welfare systems will be rolled out next semester.

I'd like to add a final plea to all councillors to join us on Monday at 6pm in the Quad for the Transgender Day of Remembrance - it's an amazing chance for St Andrews to stand as a community in solidarity with our trans siblings. I'd really appreciate as many of you attending as possible.

SSC Postgraduate Officer- Jennifer Bre

We have now planned (almost) all our events up to Christmas break. After discussion with Charities PG rep, we decided to run a free ceilidh but collecting money for Charities, still

need to figure out few details. LGBT+ PG rep also got in touch with me, we had a meeting, we will try to organise an event for this semester and will definitely do something the next one. Apparently some PG think PG society is for Masters, probably because they are attending events the most. I want to get feedback from PhD as for why they believe that and was thinking to send out a survey to get feedback and see how we can improve for the future.

SSC Broadcasting Officer- Flora Rowe

STAR has been working on getting some merch, having some refreshers events and sorting our Christmas celebrations.

Sadly Sandy's is booked when we were hoping to do the event so fingers crossed that we can use Beacon.

Working towards a Christmas music video and having the release at our Christmas event. We are just researching bands at the moment for the refreshers event too which should be fun!

T-shirts will be coming out online which will be fantastic as well as Hearing Aid (STAR's magazine) which we are charging people for for the first time ever which hopefully will bring in some funds. The hearing Aid Launch will be on 23rd November at the Adamson which will be a lovely event.

There is also a live lounge in Rectors on 16th November, would love to see people there or have people tuning in!

SSC Charities Officer-Jamie Minns

- Want to put on a RAG event? Contact our SSC Member without, Kevin! It would be great to see every subcomm put on an event.

- Fancy volunteering during RAG Week? Their Volunteer Bonfire is on the 15th Nov at 8pm on East Sands! Come along and find out more!

- Throwback Thursday was successful! Thanks to everyone who came!

- We are taking part in a Varsity Bucket Collection on the streets of Edinburgh on 18th November. If you fancy volunteering, let me know and come on down - Edinburgh RAG are organising accommodation and a pub crawl for all volunteers!

SSC Entertainments Convener- Antonia Wade

We want to congratulate Just So for a very successful musical this week, it's great to see creative uses of the space! We've had the position of Technical Co-ordinator open up. We'll be holding an EGM soon to fill the place. The offer for societies still stands for basic training on equipment which enables you to use iPods/presentations in the space, just get in contact!

SSC Employability Officer-Pat Shareefy

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SSC Debates Officer- Ru Ferguson

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SSC Design Team Convener – Paloma Paige

Since the last SSC meeting, we held volunteer training on Wed 1 Nov. These drop-in sessions were successful in that everyone walked away with a better understanding of the opportunities and support available to them as volunteers; I received ideas and feedback on

how to better create a 'team' feeling among volunteers; we signed 10 new people up to the Trello page.

We are looking forward to holding another social on Wed 15 Nov in Sandy's Bar. This will be a film screening (film tbc) from 18:30-20:30 followed by a casual mingle at Aikmans. There will be a FB event up by Monday so keep a look out please!

SSC Music Officer- Marcell Kovacs

We've had a successful collab open mic with Wellbeing on Wednesday, and we have planned out a few future events. We're launching MiL: The Workshop Series starting next Wednesday: I'm going to have an electronic music workshop, and if it works out well we'll bring in more speakers. We're also launching MiL: Limelight: we'll give student musicians the opportunity to play a whole set each night, as opposed to our Live Lounges where they only get to perform a few songs, or our Open Mics where they perform on a first come first served basis. We're also looking into bringing in external acts, but that needs further planning. And lastly, we finally got our email account back.

SSC Performing Arts Officer- Matthew Lansdell

We had our 100th anniversary! It went so well and every alumni who came seemed really happy. Our Byre show was a great success and we have proposals coming up!!

SSC Societies Officer-Pia Szabo

Socs is continuing to give grants and affiliate some new societies. This week, we funded mental health first aid training, a speaker and gave a loan for a Hispanic Soc event.

Weird new society of the week: Watches, Clocks and *Aesthetics* Society

SSC Volunteering Officer-Natasha Bateman

Our volunteers are getting on well in their respective projects. We are currently pushing for more volunteers with our Rymonth Arts group (adults with additional needs)- so please take a look and volunteer! PVGs are being sorted; we just completed the PVGS for our volunteers that work with local schools, with student services.

We had two events last weekend, 'MUSA arts and crafts' and 'Befriending coffee morning' to celebrate befriending week. They went well, although attendance could have been better, and this is something that the committee is discussing. On Halloween we ran the House of Horrors cloakroom, and this weekend we are running the Welly Ball cloakroom, as well as running a bacon butty fundraising event in collaboration with Welly Ball.

In terms of publicity, we have started our weekly 'InFocus' articles, which focus on either a specific volunteering projects or an alumni each week. This was postponed from the beginning of term, due to website technicalities, however we are happy that it is now up!

Finally, our sanitary product drive has been confirmed with Tesco, and shall be held on Saturday 18th from 13:30-15:30, in support of our local foodbank, Storehouse. We submitted our events for RAG and OTR, and are in discussion with both groups to finalise them, this week and next- we are very excited about these events! Unfortunately, we have had to postpone our careers talk.

SSC Arts Festival Convenor- Sneha Nair

- The Semester 1 Event is running on schedule. The event is an immersive art exhibition called "Life in St Andrews" and will take place on Saturday the 18th of November from 12-8pm. Tickets are now on sale on the Union website for two-hour slots and will be followed by a cocktail reception in Beacon Bar. We hope to see some councillors there!
- As always, Event Applications are open until November 19th and applications are available on the OTR website. If people have questions, our Programming Office Hours are continuing this week, 3-5pm, Wednesdays in the Main Bar
- We have continued developing ideas for OTR-run and Community & Outreach Festival events for the 2018 Festival (6 April-15 April 2018). Community and Outreach has successfully hosted the first OTR event of the academic year with a crafting workshop in collaboration with Transition for Green Week.
- We continue to receive OTR event applications for the Festival. Contact with student societies is complete, and we have continued our outreach to non-student groups to encourage participation in the Festival
- We have continued working with the Development office to finalize Patron packs and acquire new Patrons for the 2018 festival
- Our publicity push is ongoing, and has produced several articles to promote Event Applications and the Semester 1 Event
- We also have ongoing search for new sponsors and financial opportunities through our Finance team

SSC Member without Portfolio- Kevin Phelan

Councils Christmas dinner is set in stone! Bibi's at 7pm on November 27th! 3 course dinner is free of charge and it is BYOB with no corkage fee! Remember to fill out menu options by November 19th on the event page or you can't come!

Also, chilled drinks after the next joint councils on the 21st!