



# **Papers for Students' Services Council Meeting Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021 6pm - MS Teams**

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## ASSOCIATION OFFICER REPORTS

### **Association Alumni Officer – Emily Gilson**

*What have I done since my last report?*

Since my last report I met with my committee. We worked on the alumni spotlights to get interest in SaintConnect. During that meeting we reached out to 18 alumni. We've already heard back from and created three spotlights and completed the first post. I also have done some work for Careers week by putting together the first of a couple pages highlighting the benefits of CareerConnect and SaintConnect. We also had a second meeting since the Joint Councils where we compiled the places for Alumni to get involved with the University so we can get it on a webpage in one place.

*What do I hope to achieve by next report?*

I would like to continue work on the alumni Instagram page to spotlight alumni and promote student and alumni participation in SaintConnect

*Any events, opportunities that you would like other members to know about?*

If you have a subcommittee, there is the Alumni Tracking system. It basically gives permissions from the grad when they fill out the form (can have people fill it out when they graduate) to alumni relations to relay communications from the future society or subcommittee. It would be great to have as many people participate as possible so we can maintain a community with our alumni!

Link to alumni communications form:

[https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/develop-2/communications/societies/?fbclid=IwARoWE4MUXY1GvQnGEz7\\_UdynOATczoSzlXoPsUrQM6OnlVKDP4Aswy4PujE](https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/develop-2/communications/societies/?fbclid=IwARoWE4MUXY1GvQnGEz7_UdynOATczoSzlXoPsUrQM6OnlVKDP4Aswy4PujE)

### **Association Community Relations Officer – Anna Young**

What have I done since my last report?

- We hosted a stall at Fresher's Fayre, with some interest from students to apply for next year's committee.
- I attended February's Community Council Meeting.

What progress has been made on my manifesto?

- The current planning for Community Action Day has addressed my intention of the Community Relations Sub-Committee to facilitate an inclusive and positive platform of engagement between Town and Gown.

What will I have done by my next report?

- Looking at social media engagement, platforming members of the Community and Community Groups for example the Clean and Green Team on the Community Relations Social Media.

## **Association Environment Officer – Lea Weinman**

*What have I done since my last report?*

- Finalising “Writing Climate Justice into Law event on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February at 3pm with Rector’s Committee, Amnesty and Law Soc.
- Several meetings regarding future “Climate Know-How” trainings, TESA and CEED courses on sustainability skills.
- Meeting for “Critical Conversations: Climate Justice” panel discussion organised by Ananya (BAME Officer) and St Andrews Museums.
- Launching start of “Carbon Management and Curriculum” course and first session on Wednesday with over 70 participants.
- Environment Subcommittee Meeting on Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of Feb
- Event schedule planning for Environment Subcommittee and Fairtrade Fortnight.
- Climate Activist Luisa Neubauer secured as speaker for the 1<sup>st</sup> of March.

*What progress has been made on my manifesto?*

- Supporting individuals that have reached out to me about environmental campaigns and ideas for collaboration in St Andrews.
- Working on promoting and encouraging sustainability in the curriculum as well as setting up tools to increase skills (such as the new Carbon Management CEED programme with the other ESB students and the Climate Know-How initiative that the Estates Environment Team is working on)

*What do I hope to achieve by next report?*

- Successful Climate Justice Law Event on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> of February.
- Setting up an event plan for the Luisa Neubauer speaker event.
- Meeting for communication around the different climate literacy and know-how projects.

*Any events, opportunities that you would like other members to know about?*

- Speaker event “Writing Climate Justice into Law” on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> of February at 3pm: <https://fb.me/e/3TpvmLdPx>

## **Association LGBT+ Officer – Georgina Beeby**

*What have I done since my last report?* – organised queerfest drag walk plans, worked on website ideas, checked in with committee members and discussed plans for the semester, refreshers organised

*What progress has been made on my manifesto?* – working to make saints lgbt more accessible to wider audience

*What do I hope to achieve by next report?* – talk to student services for check in; catch up w relevant ppl who I missed contact with over break. Further event organisation for semester; and merch plans.

*Any events, opportunities that you would like other members to know about?* – nein

**Association Lifers Officer – Jenny Menday**

No Report Submitted.

**Association BAME Officer – Ananya Jain**

No Report Submitted.

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**SSC Broadcasting Officer- Anna Harris**

Since my last report STAR has been busy preparing for a new semester of shows and organising events for the coming semester. As per, we have continued to adapt to the ever-changing situation and are working to organise some fun and engaging events to carry us through the first half of the semester. Our partnership with the Bell Pettigrew museum continues and we have plans to further promote the opportunities made available to student musicians as a result of this partnership. We're seeking to continue work on providing skills training in St Andrews and have plans for a week of skills events in late feb-march. By my next report, I hope to be able to provide more detailed plans for the upcoming events of the semester.

**SSC Charities Officer – Amy Feakes**

*What have I done since my last report?*

We have a shortlisting panel in place, all application forms sent out to charities and we are compiling the report for shortlisting meetings. Our Raisely account now has a hub for both dance club and Unicef on campus – we are currently contacting other groups to get them to consider using it too. RAG events are all finalised and preparations are being finished for next week.

*What do I hope to achieve by next report?*

Race2 replacement fundraiser to be set up. A set date for our speaker night event

*Any events, opportunities that you would like other members to know about?*

RAG week is coming up in week 4 so look out for how you can get involved! Our beat the bubble event, as well as a number of collabs running during the week.

### **SSC Debates Officer- Zaine Mansuralli**

No Report Submitted.

### **SSC Performing Arts Officer- Martin Caforio**

What have I done since my last report?

- We have started work on the partnership with the Wonderfools project – fully online theatre written for the pandemic
- We have auditioned all our online shows and held application for Radio plays, which begin soon
- Worked with the Sabbs on the open letter to the University regarding the Barron theatre
- Discussed how to include Affiliate presidents in negotiations on the Byre residency
- Committee working on an exciting workshop series with industry professionals and University staff

What progress has been made on my manifesto?

- Not very much pandemic-allowed stuff left to be achieved!

What do I hope to achieve by next report?

- Sound start to the Wonderfools project and updates on Barron negotiations

Any events, opportunities that you would like other members to know about?

- Tune into our radio show (Tuesdays at 18:00) and all other STAR shows!!!

### **SSC Postgraduate Officer – Sam Ross**

No Report Submitted.

### **SSC Societies Officer – Avery Kitchens**

No Report Submitted.

### **SSC Music Officer – Ali Addison**

No Report Submitted.

### **SSC Volunteering Officer – Cara Nicholson**

What have I done since my last report?

- Contacted all 73 SVS projects to help set up virtual volunteering
- Shared information with volunteers about volunteering during the pandemic
- Continued to plan events and to share opportunities from other groups which work with volunteers

What progress have I made since my last report?

1. Reducing Barriers to Volunteering
2. Increase Publicity around Volunteering
  - Continued recruitment of a new technical officer for website relaunch
  - Began planning of a series of videos highlighting some of the projects that SVS work with
3. Improve the Range of Volunteering Opportunities Available
  - Expanded the range of online volunteering opportunities offered
4. Make Volunteering More Social
  - Planned upcoming social events for volunteers
5. Increase Training and Support for Volunteers
  - Began planning for Gives Back weekend, to encourage and recognise volunteering
  - Continued planning two upcoming careers events alongside the Careers Centre

What do I hope to achieve by my next report?

To have recruited a technical officer for the SVS committee.

### **SSC Design Team Convener – Edward Spence**

What have I done since my last report?

Confirmed plans, goals and targets with my team  
 Arranged initial processes to start moving towards these

What progress has been made on my manifesto?

N/a

What do I hope to achieve by next report?

First images as part of our outreach project to be published  
 Planned design publishing  
 Sent out marketing for volunteer nodeJs programmer

Any events, opportunities that you would like other members to know about?

We are looking for someone able to code using nodeJs, design volunteers and also provide training and tips. If interested in any of these or would like to make a service request send us an email on [sadt@st-andrews.ac.uk](mailto:sadt@st-andrews.ac.uk)

### **SSC ENTS Convener – Ryan Delaney**

No Report Submitted.

### **SSC Arts Festival Convener - TBA**

No Report Submitted.

**SSC Member without Portfolio- Toni Valencia**

No Report Submitted.