

SRA 18.12.25

Agenda:

- Introductions
- Q&A for the Full-Time Officer Team
- SCOs Campaigns
- Break
- Ideas Board
- Academic Satisfaction
- Timetabling
- Honorarium
- Any Other Business

Introductions

Louis welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Q&A for the Full-Time Officers

- Up-dates from FTOs were sent out and the meeting was asked if there were any questions?
- No questions for the officers

Academic Satisfaction

- Mia gave an answer to a question that was asked by Yogadvheep last SRA. She spoke to the university about exam timetables and if it would be possible to spread out deadlines and/or exams further – unfortunately they essentially said no. Will keep asking and has created a working group to further work on it.
- Louis – we should follow up on this in the next meeting.
- Mia – not heard back from timetables yet. They're relying on a new timetabling system
- Sharan – Professors competition only for undergraduates. Want to extend it to postgraduates (PGRS). Flagging if anyone would like to be involved in this for next year. Sharan will raise that PGTS would also like to be involved. It's a few months long programme so has considerable investment.
- Will send a link to the competition. [The Competition – Aegis Professor Undergraduate Competition](#)

Ideas Board

- Two ideas to discuss: [Support Engineering-related societies with a fair transition to ending sponsorship from arms](#) and [Promote Water Meters for Student Housing](#)

Support Engineering-related societies with a fair transition to ending sponsorship from arms

- Jessie – PP on collab/sponsorship with arms companies. DSC are keen for the discussion to be continued. Highlighted no votes will be taken on the ideas board.

Systems of representation are needed. Looked at two options taking it to AMM or work closely with societies. Clearly outlined the pros and cons and impacts. 729 interactions with this.

- Yogadhveep: question about what will option B look like. Jessie gave examples of teaching session on arms companies and looking at the moral responsibilities and needing transparency in AGM.
- Financial impact is recognised particularly in the space industry. Wider discussions around moral compasses/responsibility and how this is how we send a message to the companies. How we can change a culture of this type of arms involvement? Importance of companies being involved in the discussion rather than stripping away sponsorships.
- The government allows these arms sales via law so how does the SU work within this parameter. Complexities of making a moral judgement. Support to empowering students and that the SU is offering a platform.
- There is a power in the conversation and debate happening in societies over being ignorable. Chair outlined they found it not to very productive as it is so polarising and shouldn't be sent to student council. Chiara stated that if it doesn't go through student council then it would go via campaigning and small working/focus groups. Discussion forum rather than a debate.
- Importance of awareness to this topic and SU publishing a statement. SU have a campaigns page on the website coming soon and could this be a logistical place for the route B. Hierarchy of how to action plan B.
- Decision: action plan B.

Promote Water Meters for Student Housing

- Nathaniel – proposing an information campaign around water meters; it's free to get and could save students a lot of money. Lucy (FTO) would love to collaborate with this project. Lucy highlighting that water is easier than energy. Clear webpage with this information work with student sustainability and a stall at fresher's fair. Potential work with student community organiser. Lucy stated good to keep it in house for the website and this work.
- Decision – Lucy and Nathaniel to work together to create a website as a starter for this project. They will meet in the new year. Charlie Shaw (SCO) also was keen to collaborate.

SCOs Campaigns

- Nothing to discuss

Any Other Business

- Not many people wanted to vote anonymously which will be discussed further in AMM.