



Minutes

	Meeting	: PSU Executive
	Date	: 25.11.2020
	Venue	: Teams
	Time	: 16:45 – 17:15
	Attendees: Andrea La Touche, Rania Shadeed, Louis Pemble, Aman Niyaz, Doireann Peelo, Sandrine Ndahiro, Vedant Modi, Niamh O’Neil Apologies: Panashe Chikwengo Absent: In attendance: Aimée McKenzie, Sanjana Shashikumar	
No.	Items	Actions
1	Minutes from the previous Exec meeting were taken as read. Approved by Andrea and seconded by Doireann.	
2	<p>Andreas Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good increase in Class Rep numbers through the Course Directors • Kerstin Mey approved that the PSU can source internal UL funding for the Hanratty’s DP appeal. • PSU to jointly sponsor the initiative “Every Child is Your Child” for the Knockalisheen DP. • Approval has been given for Vedant to join the Access Equality and Student Affairs sub-group to examine the 1G Visa and its process. • The 1G Visa is an ongoing piece that Andrea is working on • Stools are in place • Vedant has brought forward a PhD initiative for PhD researchers. It will be rolled out in the Bernal over the next six months. The programme will teach researchers how to “sell their business/research” with 1-hour sessions each month. The idea is to learn how to commercialise research, the funding is to come in the style of The Dragon’s Den. The researchers will pitch their research to potential investors. If the programmes is successful and the GPS is willing to give academic credits for it, there is potential for the initiative to be rolled out campus wide after this run ends in February. • Andrea has joined the UL@50 committee; she feels it is a great place for student representation and the PG voice. • There are questions regarding fees for students working from home. 	<p>Andrea</p> <p>Vedant</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International students questioning fees and wondering will they qualify for the working visa. If they don't come to UL for second semester, they will not be eligible for the working visa. • Meeting with Nigel – Andrea waiting for the draft report regarding fees. • Andrea will set up meetings with each Exec and Council member over the coming weeks. 	
3	<p>Rania Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Business Development Group is going very well. The updated website is coming along. • The logo and slogan competition have been rolled out. • The grade recheck proposal is under way. • Rania is working to have a firm deadline on the PG results which includes early submission date. She would like this information told to perspective students before they enrol in their chosen programmes if they have visa needs/concerns. • Rania to work with Panashe on the washing machine concern in student villages/accommodation. • Presented to the incoming cohort of PhD candidates on Thursday. • There was an overwhelming response to the Christmas Party for children of UL students. A second email will be circulated about gift collection and reiteration of age for gifts. It may be necessary to seek more funding for the event. • Rania has been in touch with the Fees Office regarding the Covid Payment that EU students will be receiving. Details will be posted on social media when they are clarified. SUSI recipients will automatically get the refund, other EU students may need to apply for it or at least register for it. • Details were received for jumper/hoodie sizes, thank you. • Rania still working on Sulis/update tab rather than all departments/divisions sending out mass emails each week. • Rania mentioned timelines would help the PSU teams to plan their initiatives/campaigns and it would help she and Andrea follow and help when needed. 	<p>Rania</p> <p>Rania</p> <p>Rania and Panashe</p> <p>Rania and PSU staff</p> <p>Rania</p> <p>Rania</p>

