

Minutes

Subject:	Union Council
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Purpose:	Record of decision making

Key Actions:

- Council **adopted** all new **constitutions**.
- Chair noted **elections** for the **DPC** positions would take place online.
- Council **adopted** all **resolutions** proposed by Councillors, **apart from** "Amendment to the Bye-Laws, Code of Conduct for Union Meetings: Powers of the Chair"

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"To enrich the life of every UEA student"

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Voting Members present:

Tim Cutler (Young Greens), Jemma Bello (Women's Caucus), Travis Payne (LACROSSE), Ben Hardie (ECO PG), India Alderson-Edwards (Media Studies Society), Jeice Dias dos Santos Filipe (African Law), Finn Northrop (Non-Portfolio Officer), Lewis Martin (The Broad UEA), Maria Camila Fadul-Gomez (Disney), Hussam Hussein (DEV PGR), Jenna Groves (PHYSICS & ASTRONOMY), Luke Aldridge (Blog), Juliet Donaghy (NURSING SOC), Becca Hemmings (Women's Caucus), Tony Allen (Egg Box), Abbie Mulcairn (Women's Officer), Chantal Penney (CHEERLEADING STUNT), Joe Zilch (Activities and Opportunities), Adrian Roman (Octarine), Adrian Moore (Drama), Christopher Wyburn-Powell (FELL & MOUNTAINEERING), Tarun Sridhar (Ethnic Minorities), George Lankester (PPL Other YR UG), Ben Sulch (GEEK), Amy Atkinson (BIO YR1 UG), Rhys Purtill (UEA Pride), Jack Robinson (Non-Portfolio Officer), Tim Barker (PG Assembly), Chris Ball (Non-Portfolio Officer), Jemma Bailey (HIS), Ruth Stone (FMH), Francisco de Borja Martin Simón (NBS YR1 UG), Eilish Rolfe (LASER), Madeleine Colledge (Postgraduate Education), Rikke Nagell-Kleven (Swimming), Laurie Bird (Engineering), Louise Parker (ROCK AND ALTERNATIVE MUSIC (Previously Deviant)), Lucy Auger (MOMENTUM), Jo Swo (Welfare, Community and Diversity Officer), Jack Spoor (MODEL UN), Adelaide Sheard (MATHS), Sophie Chapman (Feminist), Theo Antoniou-Phillips (Undergraduate Education), Emily Cutler (Economics), Luke Hewerdine (FENCING), James Houghton (), Kara Langford (TAP), Amy Rust (Campaigns and Democracy), Gruia Dimcea (FMH)

Chair:

Jack Lewis

In Attendance:

Tony Moore (Democracy and Governance Coordinator), Josh Melling (Democracy and Governance Assistant)

Apologies:

Veronica White (Environmental), Sharmin Hoque (LGBT+), Tom Etheridge (Non Portfolio)

Section 1 – Housekeeping

2071 Membership

Membership had been noted.

2072 Minutes

Minutes had been approved.

2073 Matters Arising

There had been no matters arising.

2074 Club, Society, and Peer Support Group Constitutions

Chair moved Council to vote in a Bloc.

Council adopted the constitutions of all clubs in the Bloc.

Council heard the constitution of Networking Society separately.

Council adopted the constitution.

Council heard the constitution of Holistic Society separately.

Council adopted the constitution.

2075 Election of members to the Democratic Procedures Committee (DPC)

A Rust (Campaigns) noted policy passed at last Council meant 2 new positions in the DPC had been made available.

Chair noted the voting would take place online.

Section 2 - Reports

2076 University Committee Reports

No reports had been heard.

2077 SOC Report

J Swo (Welfare) provided Council with a presentation on the activities of SOC since the last meeting of Council. A key point of the presentation had been the agreed introduction of two permanent University staff members to tackle sexual violence on campus.

2078 Trustee Board

T Antoniou-Phillips (Undergraduate Education) noted there had been no meeting since the last Council. Noted there are current reviews on the services.

2079 Democratic Procedure Committee

A Rust (Campaigns) provided Council with a report.

2080 Reports from Representatives

No reports had been heard.

Section 3 – Open Discussion: Black and Minority Ethnic attainment and retention data

Section 4 – Policy Making

2081 An Amendment to the Bye-Laws, the Code of Conduct: the Make-up of Disciplinary Hearing Panels and Cases concerning members who are members of SOC and/or the Trustee Board

Chair noted as this had been an amendment to the bye-laws it had needed two-thirds to pass.

M Colledge (Postgraduate Education) gave a speech in favour of the motion. Noted in light of recent events, the process of disciplinary action for SOC should be reviewed and changed.

Chair moved Council to a vote.

Council adopted the resolution.

2082 An Amendment to the Bye-Laws: Code of Conduct- Theft from SU Outlets

Chair noted as this had been an amendment to the bye-laws it had needed two-thirds to pass.

T Antoniou-Phillips (Undergraduate Education) provided Council with a speech in favour. They noted the nature of thefts may be for many reasons, but more should be in place to combat such instances.

Chair moved Council to a vote.

Council adopted the resolution.

2083 Amendment to the Bye-Laws, Code of Conduct for Union Meetings: Powers of the Chair

Chair noted as this had been an amendment to the bye-laws it had needed two-thirds to pass.

E Cutler (Economics) provided a speech in favour.

F Northrop (Non Portfolio) gave a speech against. Noted the wording is problematic and the motion is open to different interpretations.

J Bello (Women's Caucus) questioned what F Northrop would plan to do instead.

F Northrop (Non Portfolio) noted they would want more clarification in the meaning of the motion, and for certain words within it.

A Moore (Drama) noted the definition of a disturbance is down to the Chair, noted the option for dismissal can be up for appeal.

T Barker (PG Assembly) gave a summation. Noted the motion can be a work in progress as Council continues.

Chair moved Council to a vote.

Council rejected the resolution.

2084 UEA Sanctuary Campus

L Martin (The Broad UEA) gave a speech in favour of the motion. Noted students are under threat from changes. Noted the situation will become worse after leaving the EU.

Chair moved Council to a vote.

Council adopted the resolution.

2085 UEA Parking

A Rust (Campaigns) gave a speech in favour of the motion.

Chair moved Council to a vote.

Council adopted the resolution.

2086 There's No I in BME – Change is Easier Together

T Sridhar (Ethnic Minorities) gave a speech in favour of the motion. Noted this motion spreads the mandate of campaigns to both welfare and campaigns officers. Noted the motion creates a BME committee with all presidents of cultural societies.

Chair moved Council to a vote.

Council adopted the resolution.

2087 Amendment to the Bye-Laws: To increase the scrutiny and discussion period for Motions Submitted to Council

Chair noted as this had been an amendment to the bye-laws it had needed two-thirds to pass.

T Barker (PG Assembly) provided a speech in favour of the motion.

Chair moved Council to a vote.

Council adopted the resolution.

2088 Colney Lane needs a Defibrillator

Chair noted Council must vote as to whether the Non-Councillor could address Council.

Council voted to hear the Non-Councillor.

M Whitcutt (Lacrosse) gave a speech in favour of the motion, on behalf of T Payne (Lacrosse). They addressed the need for such a device due to recent incidents where players had suffered cardiac arrest after being hit in the chest with a ball.

Chair moved Council to a vote.

Council adopted the resolution.

2089 Time, Date, and Place of Next Meeting

May the 4th, TEC Lecture Theatre.