**Officer Report | Vice-President Welfare and Equal Opportunities**

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| **Summary:** | This paper contains a report of the key events, meetings and engagement that I have attended. |
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# Section 1 | Priorities for 2020-21

In this section of the report you will be writing in the progress of each of your projects. Once you’ve filled in the ‘Project’ column that can remain the same for the full year in every report and all you need to do is fill in the ‘Progress’ column before each meeting.

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| **Projects**  Write here a title or name which most closely describes your project | **Progress**  How has this area of work progressed since its commencement or since the last report |
| Student Union Arts Week | I have had several meetings about arts week both internally and with key student representatives, including representatives of societies and arts reps at repcom. We now have over 100 individuals and societies who are interested and are going to comb through the student feedback from our interest form, organise an advisory group and start emailing venues to create a mock up programme of events. |
| Race Equality Training | We have made an initial survey for consultation but it needs to be approved before we can roll out to BAME reps and beyond. Have consulted BAME reps present at repcom and have got feedback about how to improve the current one, but the survey should provide more information. |
| Welfare Training for Societies | The assessor has not got back to me, but I will follow up. Have managed to locate some old Welfare training designed by a predecessor that I can adapt, which I will probably review in the vacation. |
| Inquiry about workload, wellbeing and disability | I have attended disability subgroup and had a chat with Discam about the key issues. I have also spoken to Rotimi again to ascertain the context. The next step is to speak to Kathy Noren, head of the disability advisory service, and see what is already being done and what students still need. I am trying to find the results from the reading week survey done last year as I think that will be very useful. |
| Welfare of suspended students | I have reached out to Suscam with no reply yet, but I am collecting case studies from the individual students I’m seeing about the main issues affecting suspended students. |
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# Section 2 | Key events, meetings, Students’ Union and media engagement

In this section of the report you will need to update this before each meeting. There’s no need to record every single meeting you have in your diary but put in here all the key meetings or events you may have had with students, union staff, university staff, external agencies, NUS or other SU’s. Keep it short and focus on what the outcomes or impact was as a result of the meeting.

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| **Event, Meeting or Media**    Write here the name of meeting, event, visit or media organisation | **Date** | **Outcomes / Impact**    What was the key outcome or impact of this engagement? | |
| BAME Repcom | 26th Oct |  | Very productive! I spoke about the new SU Race Equality Training, as well as the Bodleian’s new initiative, and we also discussed events and added everyone to a groupchat. |
| Disability subgroup | 27th Oct |  | Main updates are the review of college buildings and their accessibility which is coming soon, updates from DAS about student casework and proposing changes to DAS structure. |
| Weston Library meeting for arts week | 28th Oct |  | Secured Weston as a possible venue for the arts week line-up. |
| Student wellbeing sub-committee | 1st Nov |  | Similar issues discussed as in disability subgroup. |
| MCR Prescom | 2nd Nov |  | Got more of a sense of graduate issues and usefully concluded on ways the SU could support MCR presidents more - including disseminating an information pack letting them know what the SU does. |
| Arts repcom | 3rd Nov |  | Shared ideas for arts related events within colleges and ways to increase engagement. Talked about levels of funding, creating a more central database of local artists and arts reps, and got very useful recommendations for arts week. |
| Discam catch up | 4th Nov |  | Talked about upcoming elections and how the SU can support Discam more institutionally, especially with requests for support increasing. |
| Bodleian Advisory Board | 7th Nov |  | Bodleian is getting advice on its budding decolonising initiative, I spoke about the importance of consulting students and general ideas about how to increase student engagement with their events, will have individual follow up meetings to iron out the details. |
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