

## ACADEMIC AFFAIRS OFFICER'S REPORT TO COUNCIL 16.3.10

Dear Council,

As I have been somewhat busy recently (I am typing this on a day which is supposed to be holiday), please accept this daily report rather than a thematic one as I don't have time to write one. It covers everything I've done since the last Council. Hopefully by next Council I will return to thematic reports, as requested.

Kate Little

Exec Report: w/c 18<sup>th</sup> February  
Academic Affairs Officer

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February 9.15-17.00

Wrote Council report

Discussed Architecture issues with Charlotte

Met with Atte from Aalto University Students' Union (Finland)

Joined in national tweetfest to get #voteformstudents in the news!

Prepared for and attended Portfolio Review Working Group

Met with Colin Bailey, Colin Stirling and Tony Brown to discuss urgent concerns in Mechanical Engineering

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 10.00-18.00

Met with Alison McMurray from EPS about student support in the Faculty

Sorted out meeting with Mechanical Engineering students

Wrote response to Cardiff Education Officer's consultation on course rep structures and systems

Much discussion of the infamous Israeligate childishness

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 9.00-18.15

Attended exec meeting

Read consultation documents from QAA in advance of tomorrow

Clarified visiting speaker section of website

Followed up issue of home fees for Palestine with SRAID

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 8.45-19.30

Went to Leeds for NUS event on Quality Assurance

Held open meeting with Mechanical Engineering students to discuss issues on their course

Attended Union Council

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 9.00-00.30

Read Optometry OPR documentation

Attended Teaching & Learning session at Faculties & Schools Conference

Went to London for HE funding debate between David Lammy MP, David Willetts MP and Steven Williams MP

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February 9.15-18.00

Read NUS policies and reports for conference

Attended Trustee meeting

Attended Optometry OPR

Met with PGT rep from School of Education

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February 9.00-17.30

Met with Chris and Charlotte about PGT reps: issues and structures

Read and prepared for Medicine and Psychological Sciences OPRs

Attended Medicine and Psychological Sciences OPRs

Read NUS policies

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March 9.00-17.30

Attended President's meeting with School of Education students

Read NUS HE Zone recommendations and drafted amendments

Read NUS response to QAA consultation on a new Quality Framework

Began drafting UMSU response to QAA consultation

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 9.00-17.00

Exec away day

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 9.00-18.30

Attended Student Rep Staff Coordinators Forum  
Read papers for and attended Humanities TLC  
Read papers for Law and English OPRs  
Attended NUS Delegation meeting

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March 9.30-17.00

Attended exec meeting to pass NUS motions  
Met with Head of School of Environment & Development  
Continued to write UMSU response to QAA consultation

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March 8.00-16.00

Prepared for and attended OPRs for Law, English and History  
Completed QAA consultation

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March 15.00-17.00

Read Pharmacy Periodic Review documentation

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March (Election holiday)

10-11 Attended meeting with Katy Woolfenden re behaviour in the library

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 9.00-20.30

Attended Pharmacy Periodic Review  
Wrote keynote speech for Student Conference

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 9.00-18.00(intended to be holiday but didn't work out that way)

Prepared and practised keynote speech  
Collected material for stall and set up stall at Student Conference  
Gave speech and attended Student Conference

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March (election holiday)

Attended Graduate Education Group and presented on PG representation