

Key areas

Welcome Week planning, Referendum fixing, Annual General Meeting awesomeness, interview helping, NUS Conference planning, Nancy meeting.

Welcome Week Planning

I've been working closely with the Halls of Residence, the University and I've met with Social Junkies and had contact with them since. If people wish to see the planning document for Welcome Week please just let me know!

Referendum

It should be online now, and will be running for 6 weeks over the Easter break. This ensures we get a result ready for the Board of Governors. The Union page in the Mancunion this week is devoted to helping people answer the questions, as is the new guide page on the UMSU website. The event description on the voting page now links to the guide, as do all of the 'More information' links. This should ensure that there is much less confusion among the members about what they are voting on.

While right now we are using the same materials as during the first run of the referendum, we will be doing a re-launch after Easter, with cool art and loads more!

AGM

Due to space requirements, the AGM has been moved a week into the future, and will be run on the 11th May. In an effort to get more students to it, it will run from 6 pm, and we will be trying really hard not just to make it quorate, but with a record turnout! If you have a motion in, well done! There are 13 in total, ranging from the useful to the more jokey. This just shows how people want this to be a success, through whatever means they can think of! I submitted a motion to the AGM in case it is a Constitutional meeting, so that if the Referendum is inquorate, the AGM can change the Constitution. If you have any questions regarding this, just let me know. I also submitted a motion regarding Halls of Residence, please read it and support the ideas, or amend as you wish.

Interviews

I helped with helping the candidates for the Operations and Central Services Director get to know the building and the organisation, and sat on the interview panel for the Membership Services Director. These positions, along with the Commercial Services Director, have been filled, and I'm massively excited about these key staff members starting as soon as possible, especially with all the great changes that we want to see over the summer.

NUS Conference

The Delegates have met a few times and submitted some policy to the National Conference, some based on our policy, and some based on the delegates' manifestos. It was agreed that as I was ex-officio, that I would be voting in line with the Union policy and my Executive Officer manifesto from last year. If you have any questions for the delegates, just let me know.

Nancy Meeting

The Executive have met with Nancy Rothwell since the last Council Meeting, and raised a range of issues, from their strategies on staffing, student satisfaction, student experience and communications to pressuring them to perform a much stronger national lobbying role. We continue to ensure that more student involvement happens at every level, and that the student voice matters to the University Management.

General Comms business

Weekly email yay, Mancunion yay, Fuse FM yay, helping societies yay, helping campaigners yay, helping students with complaints yay, checking up on poster runners yay.