

Riveters Minutes – Women’s Week

Feminist Uni Challenge

- Because of a lack of a Man Met team, Suzie, Simon and Joey will stand in!
- Not UMSU vs. MMU then.

Reclaim the Parks and Women’s Week

- Hazel, Gabriel, Scott and Simon to help set up reclaim the parks.
- Had positive responses so far to women’s week.
- Strong women photoshoot would be great and will happen over the next few weeks – all emails forwarded to Laura (who also made our amazing banner)
- Proposal – to have a stall one day every month promoting the Riveters and our publications – AGREED

Get out and Vote Campaign

- Dress as Suffragettes and give info out to people to register to vote.
- 4th June is elections, need to find when registration is (Jennie)
- Should learn the song from Mary Poppins!
- Hand stuff to both men and women.
- Should we have an anti-BNP message? Using their policies to highlight it?
- This may muddy the aim of the campaign which is to get people to vote, and we are highlighting that women have the right to vote, and we shouldn’t dictate who this is for.
- AGREED – aim is to get people to vote, and to ensure we use a positive message.
- Proposal – get the vote out Riveters style! Create our own literature with info on all the party’s and their policies of women (Jennie and Hazel). Finalise day and details next week – AGREED

Student Direct

- Simon went to Student Direct focus group.
- Olivia to go to the next focus group.
- Practical action – Jennie to go through Riveters minutes and find all references to Student Direct to bring up.

Feedback from the Play

- Good!
- It amended many misconceptions of women in prison.

Women in Religion

- Open and honest chat
- It was respectful but we didn’t tiptoe around controversial issues – e.g. talked about abortion.