

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees held on Friday, 1^{st} October 2010 in the Board Room Paisley Students' Union commencing at 12pm.

Christopher Scott, Ordinary Trustee Ayr, in the Chair. Meeting Commenced 12.10pm.

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Susan Duncan Daniel Copithorn Samantha Phillips Arnaud Bastianelli Christopher Scott Garry Quigley Depute President (Ed & Welfare) (DPEW) Campus President Ayr (CPA) Campus President Hamilton (CPH) Sports President (SP) Ordinary Trustee Ayr (OTA) Ordinary Trustee Paisley (OTP)

In Attendance

Caroline Sharp

General Manager/Returning Officer (GM/RO)

Apologies for absence – Kieran McCusker, Ordinary Trustee Hamilton (OTH).

1. Minutes of previous meeting.

a. Acceptance

Minutes from the previous meeting of 19/08/2010 were agreed as an accurate record.

b. Matters arising

Minute 4d – CTC Review and recommendations. DPEW advised that there has been a meeting in Hamilton which requires follow up. A date has been set for 2.30pm on Thurs 7th Oct. DPEW agreed to email and invite attendees following this meeting.

Minute 4e – UWS Ayr to be linked with SAC Auchincruive. SP advised that he will be attending a meeting with SUS and David Devlin (SAC) to have an initial discussion regarding team identity and shared resources.

Minute 4c - Notice Boards. SP has met with John Anderson to discuss location of boards and Corporate Marketing to help with procurement. Minute 4f - Handbook. DPEW updated that there actually wasn't a physical handbook produced due to the lack of advertising revenue to support it. Minute 4h - Taxi phone. GQ updated that taxi companies did not think that there was sufficient business to put in a phone. GQ contacted the Council to see if there could be a rank outside Union. It was thought that there is probably not enough demand to justify this. DPEW stated that there is a marshalled rank at the bottom of the road.

Minute 7f – Smoking Ban. DPEW advised that the HWL meeting advised of changes made to the policy which removes Halls of Residence and SU Paisley. Ayr and Hamilton unions would still be included. Campus Director Ayr will be sending round changes which will go to University H&S Committee. SP suggested that a motion should be put to Students' Councils and this strongly advertised via Facebook networks, etc. as an agenda item.

2. Reports of the Office Bearers.

a. Acceptance –

- i. President written report. This report was accepted in the absence of the President.
- ii. CPH written report. SP asked about Freshers' Fayre which led to a discussion of how successful BAM had been in selling and organising this. It was generally felt that more effort could have been made. The Board agreed that the renewal of the BOSS contract should be discussed in February to allow us to fully consider alternative options for the following year. The Chair congratulated CPH on her performance at her first disciplinary hearing.
- iii. SP written report. CPH offered a surplus notice board from Hamilton. GQ asked how many societies had been represented at Freshers' Fayres. SP advised that there had been a lot of interest in all the societies, 700+ students signed up for national demo, sports had good numbers signed up across the board. STAR groups also got a good response with sign ups. Funding has been confirmed for 'Show Racism the Red Card' event.
- iv. DPEW written report. No questions.
- v. CPA written report. No questions.
- vi. OTA written report.
- vii. OTP oral report. GQ advised that he had helped with inductions which got a good response from social sciences, attended campaigns meetings with Andrew where he had agreed to speak to some politicians about supporting the campaigns. He has also been speaking with Susan and Kim about going to SHR training. On speaking to students in Paisley to gauge opinion on events, the hypnotist and opening party were mentioned most frequently as being successful.

DPEW offered thanks to the Board for their help over the Freshers' period.

b. Sabbatical Holidays.

i. DPEW – Nov 1st.

3. Reports from Committees etc. -

a. LTAB

b. Strategic Analysis of Academic Services

4. Business Introduced by Office Bearers.

a. Resignation of President

GM – After a briefing from the Returning Officer on all the issues surrounding the resignation of Thomas Reid from the post of President, the Board formally agreed to waive the notice period, as requested by TR. The Board noted TR's subsequent request to withdraw the resignation and moved to a vote on whether to formally accept the resignation: In favour – 3; against – 1; abstentions – 1. Thomas Reid's resignation is therefore formally accepted. The Board agreed that they were all constitutionally happy with the way that this decision was made. GM agreed to advise TR of this decision.

There followed a discussion of how SAUWS will fulfil the remit of the President after this resignation. It was agreed that DPEW would table a motion to be considered at a special meeting of the Board to be held on Fri 8^{th} Oct at 9.45am, with Christopher Scott remaining in the Chair. The

Board agreed to the suspension of standing orders for this special meeting in order that this single item may be considered.

b. Stephen Byrne Resignation

GM – the Board formally accepted the resignation on 20th September of Stephen Byrne as Ordinary Trustee Paisley, following his decision to take up the offer of a place at another institution.

c. Bye Election Timetable

GM – Formally advised the Board of the schedule for the bye election to elect the vacant ordinary trustee positions (2 on each of Paisley, Ayr and Hamilton Campuses). GM advised of the election regulations which apply and that it may not be necessary to hold a ballot depending on the number of nominations received. The Board accepted this elections schedule.

d. Draft Reflective Analysis

DPEW – having previously circulated this document, DPEW advised that this is really important and people must get back to her with comments by Tuesday 5th Oct. This must also be considered by Students' councils and DPEW and SRCoord will discuss how best to present it so that people understand the implications.

e. Subject Health Review Members

DPEW – outlined to the Board that normally the five sabbaticals took on one SHR each which met the requirements. This year, that would not be possible and the Ordinary Trustees had been approached with a view to taking one on. It has been agreed that CPH will do digital art in Nov, SP languages end Oct, CPA potentially education in Trimester 2. Kim will meet with CS and GQ to discuss the workloads and what's required of them.

f. Ayr Office Photocopier

CPA – advised that the cost per copy contract has been cancelled and that the machine is surplus to requirements. The board agreed that the best option would be to try to sell the machine as it's no use to us!

g. Research Study – Ayr Halls

CPA – The Board were concerned that this was not a decision for us to make. It was suggested that the halls manager should be approached about access to the halls and not us.

5. Motions – none.

6. Elections – none.

7. AOCB –

a. GQ –

Student staff entry charges. GQ asked the Board's opinion of whether student staff be given a discount or free entry to Union? It was agreed that we don't want to make any further distinction between off duty staff and the rest of the membership, and no discount should be offered.

b. SP –

Review of Freshers'. SP agreed to take the lead on arranging a meeting to review and evaluate the success of the Freshers' period for Paisley ents, bar and cafe.

8. Staffing.

Staffing minutes continued on a separate sheet.

Date of the next meeting: Friday 8th October, at 9.45m, with Christopher Scott, Ordinary Trustee Ayr, in the Chair.

Meeting Closed 3pm.