



Student Council Meeting Minutes

Exchange Green: 3rd May 2016, 4pm

1. Welcome, Introductions, Apologies

Present:

RB Robbie Bartlett (FXU Sports Officer)
ACC Amanda Chetwynd-Cowieson (FXU President, Student Experience)
JC Jamal Clarke (FXU Liberation Chair, FXU Community Officer)
GF Grace Fisher (FXU President, Exeter)
BH Bryony Hacker (School of Art)
EH Ellie Healey (FXU Widening Student Participation Officer (joint))
AL Alice Lord (Postgraduate Officer (Exeter))
FM Fred Mallin (FXU President, Falmouth)
GM Grace Marshall (FXU Societies Officer)
TMR Tom Murray-Richards (FXU Undergraduate Education Officer Exeter)
DP Dean Pomeroy (FXU Student Voice Chair)
RT Rebekah Trehern (FXU Widening Participation Officer)
JW Jack Whitear (CSM PG)

Also Present:

MRB Matt Blewett (FXU Student Voice, Minute Taker)
AN Alice Nicholls (FXU Student Voice)
BR Ben Rowswell (FXU – Student Voice Director)

Apologies:

DR Dwayne Roberts (AMATA)
AT Anne Thorn (Writing & Journalism)
SSo Sienna Somers (FXU Environment and Ethics Officer)
AW Alexa Webster (FXU President, Welfare)
MH Megan Hemsworth (Fashion & Textiles),

2. Team Photo

Deferred to AOB

3. Previous Meeting (17th March)

Minutes agreed.

4. Matters arising

All of Student Council needs to read the university responses, share with your groups and networks and collect feedback from students on the responses, and pass feedback to FXU Presidents by the end of term.

ACC to **all council please send by end of term.**

5. Make a Change tab referrals

Update on these:

- Reprographics; Parity for Falmouth Campus (**FM**) All services except binding will be available.
- Give us our time back for our dissertations (**FM**) Changing approach to get reps to write letters of complaint.
- Request that FXU endorses Britain staying in the EU (**GF**) Went to trustees as charity we are not able to directly endorse. As FXU is democratic organisation we should encourage debate and promote registration, but not endorse any one side.
- Kettle (**ACC**) Not going to happen before the end of term. Some changes to compass over the summer and will try to get them included.
- Microwave in the Compass (**ACC**) Microwave in the shop is available for everyone, but it has been left really dirty. Not going to happen before the end of term. Some changes to compass over the summer and will try to get them included.
- Capping illustration (**FM to request more information and evidence from anonymous to see if they would edit the idea to include other courses, and share with other course reps so that we are not championing one course to the detriment of other courses.**) Same response to dissertations, so going to formalize it and get formal response I can communicate out to students. C/F

Vote on these:

+86 FXU to request that the Universities provide a clear cost breakdown outlining what exactly each courses' £9000 is contributing towards. FM – Falmouth has best rated “Financial Transparency” Course specific transparency. GF – been questioning Exeter who claim it is not possible to breakdown by course and campus. Every union in the country trying to do this.

Pass 21 Defer 0 Reject 1 **Allocated to GF & FM to carry forward**

+81 Lower the price of Fruit and Vegetables in the Shop RT – sustainable happy to pay more. ACC – its never going to be as cheap as ASDA!

Pass 20 Defer 0 Reject 2 **Allocated to ACC & AW**

+79 Get the university to address the housing crisis facing 2nd and 3rd years.

Pass 21 Defer 1 Reject 0 **Allocated to ACC & AW**

+58 Bring a Student Union Bar/Club to Falmouth.

Pass 17 Defer 2 Reject 3 **Allocated to all Presidents**

+49 Change Christmas Term Dates!! - How can we travel on bank holidays/Sunday?

Pass 11 Defer 5 Reject 6 **Allocated to FM**

+44 Parking Meters Have Extra 15 Minutes Per Band.
Pass 17 Defer 3 Reject 1 **Allocated to ACC**

+37 Fresh fruit juice
Pass 17 Defer 2 Reject 3 **Allocated to ACC**

+34 Lower gym membership fees/ provide more membership options,
Pass 17 Defer 4 Reject 1 **Allocated to ACC**

+26 Get the Universities to provide a schedule for planned expansion work.
Pass 22 Defer 0 Reject 0 **Allocated to ACC**

6. Elections (BR)

BR – this timetable stems from the plan previously approved by Student Council. **Council** please spread the word about [nominations and elections](#).

7. UGM (BR)

We aim to make the UGM more of a celebration of student wins over the year, so we would like to get a BBQ and hold this outside. This means keeping an eye on the weather, and perhaps moving the date / time so do keep your eyes peeled! We have penciled in for 25th May and will hold it in this week.

8. Impact Report (MB)

At the UGM we would like to launch an impact report so please pass any data of activities, wins ,etc, to [student voice](#)

9. Prioritising Truro freshers (ACC)

ACC in the next academic year there will be approximately 70 freshers given accommodation in Truro. None of them put Truro as their first choice and the University is worried that they may not integrate and so they have asked if FXU will give Truro Freshers preferential treatment (e.g. opportunity to buy tickets to Freshers ball a day before the rest of students).

Discussion on validity, cost, and responsibility.

TMR – Exeter uni get less chance of getting tickets because of Falmouth. If Falmouth wants to do this, they can buy the tickets, but not taking them out of the general pool.

JW – make travel easier rather than priority tickets. Falmouth provide minibus service for Freshers week.

RT – Focus on travel not tickets.

JC – doing preferential will make them feel entitled, and it sets a precedent

Question: Guarantee wristbands for Truro - **rejected**

Guaranteed Festifal packs for Truro students **rejected**

No advantage - **passed**

10. Presidents' Questions & Answers (DP)

No questions asked.

11. Presidents celebrate successes of mentees

None named.

12. AOB Next meeting and Close

JW – Stannary staff feel hard done by, not only about Garden Party, but also change to contracts which is getting rid of canteen discount, also getting rid of health benefits.

ACC- We started arguing against the student contract in our second week. I am happy to meet Stannary staff and go through your contracts.

JW – Stannary staff are told they have to work every FXU event but third years can get Garden Party tickets. This year that is not happening.

ACC – FXU was not consulted on this, we are not allowed to get tickets. This was written in your contracts by the Stannary. It is not FXU who insist on you working FXU events. We are meeting Stannary and FXPlus on Thursday.

JW – We are left out of so many decisions that are made about us, and need feedback.

ACC – **We will report back**

RB – On Make a Change some things get added which are just common sense-y. If a council member feels strongly about a change then it should be able to be brought forward instead of needing enough votes on an idea.

TMR – that would only work if we all agree what is common sense, which we do right now but nothing stops future members disagreeing.

DP – As it stands we have Make a Change, you can bypass this as council members by bringing up any issue as AOB. Any student seeking change themselves can also speak to staff directly as well as submitting an idea. The Make a Change tab demonstrates the level of support among our students for an idea.

FM – Through your communications please promote the [Course collaboration survey](#) which closes on the 11th May.

EH – I am allergic to mushrooms, at lunchtime today there was mushrooms in the Koofi food but it was not labeled. They mentioned that the food contained celery so I assumed they would say if mushrooms were in there, but it didn't.

ACC – they label the 14 most common allergens, not every allergen. **I can raise the matter.**

RT – I can't have any sandwiches in the shop or stannary except one because they all have mayo in them.

ACC – **happy to push for more non-mayo options.**

RB – When is the cut off for Make a Change ideas to be discussed in Student Council?

ACC – propose the moment we get to that part of the agenda - **Passed.**

JC – ACC said earlier in the year that you were looking at a Garden only ticket in addition to a Garden

and Stannary ticket for Garden Party.

ACC – Because of the numbers, I suspect FXPlus will agree, but they would have to pay for new license for outside so this will not happen this year.

JC – Will this year's volunteer hours be added to the proposed FXU loyalty card?

GF – Better to answer during handover, but volunteer hours are not usually carried forward to subsequent academic years.



UGM – 25th May 2016 @ Penryn Campus

Training and handover to new leadership team 1st & 2nd June 2016