

Leadership Team Meeting Minutes



15th May, 4pm, Penryn, Exchange
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1. Welcome, Introductions, Apologies

Remind everyone that this session is being live streamed to the student body, and Ben Rowswell is representing our Distance Learning Officer who is on a link.

Present:

LA Lydia Allegretto

FXU Volunteering Officer

AB Abbie Banner

FXU Environment & Ethics Officer

HB Harry Bishop

FXU President Community & Welfare

LB Laura Bridges

FXU Open Falmouth Officer

JC Jamal Clarke

FXU President Student Experience

CE Callie Edwards

FXU RAD (Raise & Donate) President

JH Jack Hope

FXU Student Voice Chair

SJ Sajjad Jabarkhel

FXU Undergraduate Education Officer (Exeter)

EL Emma Lokuciewjewski

FXU Postgraduate Research Officer (Exeter)

DM Dayana Marconi

FXU Distance Learning Officer

HM Harrison McLady

FXU Community Officer

DP Dean Pomeroy

FXU President Exeter

SR Sarah Redman

FXU Societies Officer

VS Victoria Sandoy

FXU Undergraduate Academic Officer

CS Chris Slesser

FXU President Falmouth

Present but not voting:

Matt Blewett

FXU Research & Engagement Co-ordinator

Branwen Cleaver

Our next FXU Societies Officer

Phoebe Coppel

Our next FXU Sports Officer

Iona Davis	Our next FXU Fundraising Officer
River Owsley- Brown	Our next FXU Undergraduate Academic Officer (Penryn campus)
Kirsten Perkins	Our next FXU Liberation Chair
Ben Rowswell	FXU Student Voice Director
Kurt Ruby	Our next FXU Mature Student Officer
Mary Yemisi Shobowale	Our next FXU Student Voice Chair
Elizabeth Streeter	Our next FXU Environment & Ethics Officer
Esther Wilson	Our next FXU Community Chair

Apologies

HA Hussein Ali	FXU Open Exeter Officer
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Voting attendees 15/25 in total – quorate reached if 11 or more.

2. Approve minutes of last meeting

Proposed: SR, seconded LA, approved.

3. Matters Arising

None

4. Proposal: Structure of next year's meetings

The [motion](#) was accompanied by a [presentation](#) by Jack Hope

Q: When do we choose our structure?

We will pick one today

Q: How frequently should these groups meet?

A: In the second week before a leadership team meeting in order to build proposals/updates to present to the leadership team meeting.

Q: What about input from people who are not in the group?

A: That would take place in the Leadership Team meeting itself.

Q: Would partnership students be able to participate?

A: Yes, in every zone.

Q: Who controls the zones?

A: The presidents would ensure they take place. The Chair would rotate, but the group could always get outside help and support.

Discussion about the merits of each structure.

Q: Would proposals have to go back to the zones for amendment?

A: No – proposals would be amended in the Leadership Team meeting itself and amendments would be voted on first.

Vote to adopt a proposal system:

For: 15

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Proposal system approved.

Preferred options:

Option 1: 0

Option 2: 15

Therefore option 2 was approved.

5. Proposal: Students and Brexit

The [motion](#) was presented by Harri McLady.

Q: What information would FXU share?

A: I want FXU to share information with our students about how Brexit will have an impact on their experience.

Q: How many universities have affiliated?

A: I believe 60 student unions signed a letter supporting FFS.

Q: What is the impact on distance learners?

A: The point is that we don't know because these conversations are not being had. That is why FXU needs to lobby for this information.

- Discussion about information sharing and about providing unbiased, expert opinion.
- Discussion about representing all of our students, how taking a stance will have an impact on the sense of belonging, and also engagement issues raised by making a political decision without consultation.
- Discussion about timing and how the timetable prevents a long, drawn out consultation.
- Discussion about an amendment to replace item 2.

For amending it following the above discussions: 13

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

Agreement to amend passed

Amendment proposed by took out item 2 and replaced it as follows:

The FXU shall vote to:

1. As a student Union, to provide students with relevant information on what can be on the issue so it will be student-led, and how they can decide for themselves their level of commitment to this cause.
2. Will support students who wish to create a grass-roots movement on the issue of Brexit

3. To work with other student unions nationally who have already begun working on this issue to protect student mobility after Brexit.
4. To lobby stakeholders in the UK, including MPs, to campaign for the UK to remain a full member of the Erasmus+ scheme and to secure a commitment from MPs that the UK will be a member of any similar schemes in the future.
5. As a student Union, lobby stakeholders in the UK to remove international students from net migration targets.

For: 14

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

Motion passed

6. Question Presidents

President Exeter

Manifesto Pledges

Should more be done to support president elects to create a more realistic manifesto before they run? So there is not an issue of students being 'promised' something that is not achievable, and doesn't cause the President-Elect any unfair stress for giving themselves unrealistic goals? (Open to any President.)

DP: FXU has worked on that this year. The best thing potential presidents can do is talk to current presidents who can advise them on the feasibility of their potential manifesto commitments.

CS: Consult with students before you make a manifesto.

CE: When manifestos were submitted I thought they were supposed to be checked?

BR: We offer workshops for candidates where they can talk about their manifestos.

JH: Elections & Democracy committee oversees elections.

JH Will ask E & D committee to make manifesto workshops more prominent.

President Student Experience

Make A Change

Do you think that Leadership Team has suffered from a lack of support of the Make A Change tab? Could these meetings be more productive and less critical if we were discussing more topics than asking for accountability? (Open to any president)

JH: The second point was addressed by the first proposal we discussed.

- Discussion about Make a Change Tab.
- Discussion about Leadership Team communication – there is an email and a facebook group.
- See item 4.

President Community & Welfare

President Responsibilities

In the future, what can be done to support execs that projects that do not fall within your remit but require your support?

HB: The zones will help but we do and will work with executives outside of our own group.

CS: Although execs are logged under one president, they can and will work with more than one president.

7. Make a Change tab referrals

None

8. Question Officers

Q: Are old officers going to meet up with new officers.

A: It is optional; a pack is being created for new officers, but it is advisable to meet with your successors.

Current officers handover – please fill out the template sent out by Jack Hope asap and send to Matt.

9. AOB Next meeting and Close

Next meetings will take place in next Academic Year, tbc, thank you all for your participation.