**Student Council 7th Week Hilary Term 2022**

**Tuesday 1st March 2022**

**Hybrid-model – 5:30PM**

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| **Item** | **Agenda** | **Actions** |
|  | **Welcome and Apologies**    Otto Barrow (Chair of Council) welcomed council members to the first hybrid council meeting and explained how the Student Council will run, and some ground rules. The chair explains that Student council this term will be moving to a hybrid-model, with in person meetings planned for the duration of the term. Members are encouraged to attend at the SU at 4 Worcester Street, OX1 2BX and there will be pizza provided during the meeting. Face coverings will be worn, and social distancing will be maintained. Furthermore, attendees will be encouraged to take a lateral flow test beforehand, in line with Government and University guidance. There will also be an option to attend virtually for those who are isolated or otherwise unable to attend. | To note |
| **A** | **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**  Chair opened the floor to questions and comments regarding the minutes of the previous meeting and any matters arising from the minutes.  Minutes to the previous meeting can be accessed [here.](https://www.oxfordsu.org/representation/student-council/22ht5w/) | To receive |
| **B** | **Matters arising from the minutes**  There were no matters arising | To receive |
| **C** | **Elections in council**  Chair hands over to Wesley Ding (Returning Officer) to introduce positions open for elections. Since no nominations were received, nomination deadline was extended to 2nd March 1 PM.  **Chair of Council:** Chair of Council is elected in 7th Week Council each term to serve for the following term. They are responsible for the running, operation, and pre-planning of the meeting as well as sitting on Steering Committee. Council’s decisions have an impact across all levels of both the University and the Student Union, and as Chair you will be responsible for ensuring that this student decision making body is as effective as it can be.  Returning Officer: The Returning Officer is responsible for all things to do with Elections and voting. In Council they look after the electronic voting pads. During Oxford SU's Leadership Elections they chair the Elections Committee, handle complaints and count the  **Results!**  Re-open Nominations (R.O.N.) 5 0 5 **Excluded** @ Stage 1  Ciaron Tobin 12 0 12 **Elected** @ Stage 1  **Steering Committee (x2):** Steering Committee is comprised of two elected student steering members, the Chair, the President, and the Returning Officer. Steering is the committee tasked with deciding the agenda for the coming Council. They meet the week before to discuss whether submissions should make it to the agenda, whether they need to be amended, or whether they require ‘steering’ to another committee first. Steering are also the group responsible for ensuring that an All Student Consultation is held, if called for.  RO also requested members to go through the Leadership Election Report 2022 and provide feedback to improve participation, and candidate welfare during campaign period. Full report can be accessed [here](https://www.oxfordsu.org/pageassets/representation/student-council/22ht7w/RO-Report-2022.pdf). | To receive |
| **D** | **Reports from and questions to Sabbatical Trustees**  Chair informed members that full officer written reports can be accessed on [student council website](https://www.oxfordsu.org/representation/student-council/22ht7w/).  Full report of VP Access and Academic Affairs can be accessed [here.](https://www.oxfordsu.org/pageassets/representation/student-council/22ht7w/Safa-Council-Report-HT7.docx)  Full report of VP Charities and Societies can be accessed [here](https://www.oxfordsu.org/pageassets/representation/student-council/22ht5w/Week-5-1.docx).  Full report of VP Women can be accessed [here](https://www.oxfordsu.org/pageassets/representation/student-council/22ht7w/Student-Council-Officer-Report-Kemi-8-28th-Feb.docx).  Full report of VP Graduates can be accessed [here](https://www.oxfordsu.org/pageassets/representation/student-council/22ht7w/Devika-Vice-President-Graduates_HTW7.docx).  **Chair opens the floor for Questions and comments on Sabbatical Trustee Reports**  There were none | To receive |
| **E** | **Reports from and questions to Campaign for Racial Awareness and Equality and Suspended Students' Campaign**    **Chair opens the floor for Questions and comments on officer reports**  There were none | To receive |
| **F** | **Reports from and questions to PG and UG Humanities Representatives**  Full report of PG Humanities Div can be accessed [here](https://www.oxfordsu.org/pageassets/representation/student-council/22ht7w/Humanities-Rep-Report-HT22.docx).  **Chair opens the floor for Questions and comments for the PG Rep.**  There were none |  |
| **G** | **Report from and questions to the Trustee Board**  Otto Barrow (Chair) opened the floor for questions and comments to the Trustee Board  There were none. | To receive |
| **H** | **Report from and questions to the Returning Officer**  Full Report of Chair of Council Report can be accessed [here](https://www.oxfordsu.org/elections/manifesto/12530/). |  |
| **I** | **Items for Resolution**  Otto Barrow (Chair) opened the floor to members to discuss these items |  |
|  | **1. Policy and its Development at Oxford SU**  **Council notes:**  As student council currently stands - Student Council is the most appropriate and best space for detailed discussions of policies to take place - Motions for policy do not need to be in a completed state to come to Student Council - The members of Student Council must have the expertise to cover all policy areas - No other committee is required to complete the policy business of Student Council  Ben Farmer, the Ex-Oxford SU VP Charities and Communities (2020-21) brought this representation review as an item for discussion to student council in TT21 and Anvee Bhutani the current President brought this review as an item for discussion in 5th week council this term.  **Council believes:**  This item for discussion was received well both times.  Student Council is not the most appropriate and best space for detailed discussions of policies to take place  Motions for policy should not need to be in a completed state to come to Student Council  The members of Student Council do not have the expertise to cover all policy areas  There should be other committees required to complete the policy business of Student Council  **Council resolves:**  To alter the democratic processes at the SU to those outlined in this presentation via the new byelaw on policy and its development at the SU  Approve the new byelaw on appointed officials, which outlines the operational structure of staffing these committees  Strike any other byelaws that conflict with the new byelaws  Proposer: Anvee Bhutani, SU President  Seconder: Otto Barrow, Chair of Student Council  ***Results: Policy and its Development at Oxford SU (Final read)***    Total Votes 11    For 6    Against 5    Abstain 0    **Motion not passed** |  |
|  | **2. Sabbatical Officer Role Review**  **Council notes**  The current byelaw around Student Trustees reads  20 Sabbatical Trustees  The current byelaw around Student Trustees reads  20 Sabbatical Trustees  20.1 There are six Sabbatical Trustees, namely the President and the  (a) Vice-President (Access and Academic Affairs),  (b) Vice-President (Charities and Community),  (c) Vice-President (Graduates),  (d) Vice-President (Welfare and Equal Opportunities), and  (e) Vice-President (Women).  Oxford SU has not had a Sabbatical Officer Role Review in recent years  Anvee Bhutani, SU President, presented a Sabbatical Officer role review for consultation in HT Week 3 Student Council  **Council believes**  We need to better engage students by having better connection between the SU sabbatical officers and the campaigns and projects  There is a workload discrepancy between the Sabbatical Officers  A role restructure of the SU is needed  20.1 There are six Sabbatical Trustees, namely the President and the  (a) Vice-President (Activities and Community),  (b) Vice-President (Undergraduate Education and Access),  (c) Vice-President (Postgraduate Education and Access),  (d) Vice-President (Welfare), and  (e) Vice-President (Liberation and Equality)  **Council resolves**  Change Byelaw 20 to read as follows  20 Sabbatical Trustees  Proposed by: Anvee Bhutani, SU President  Seconded by: Otto Barrow  ***Results:***  ***Sabbatical Officer Role Review (Final read)***    Total Votes 11    For 9    Against 2    Abstain 0    **Motion not passed**  **Any Other Business**  **Chair declares meeting finished at 18:21 PM** |  |