

Minutes:**[Unconfirmed]****Opportunities Zone**

Meeting [02] of the academic year 2021-22

Date / Time:

Tuesday 8th February 2022, 17:15-17:50

Location:

Microsoft Teams

Chair:

Aashni Sawjani (AS)

Student Opportunities Executive

Attendees:

Sita Patel (SP)

Maariyah Ahmed (MA)

Bola Akinrolabu (BA)

Student Opportunities Co-Ordinator

Opportunities Zone Member

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1. Welcome and introductions**AS****AS**

Opened the meeting by explaining the manner in which zones are conducted and addressing the agenda.

ALL

Each member of the zone introduced themselves.

2. Notifications of Any Other Business**AS**

No notifications of any other business.

3. Minutes from the Previous Meeting:**AS**

No minutes from previous meetings were discussed.

4. Development Fund Requests**AS****AS**

Explained to zone members what the Development Fund is, and the zone members role in allocating and approving Development Fund requests.

AS

Development Fund request from DMU Dance Society of a sum of £2,000 towards the cost of travel for their dance competitions in London. Explained that the full cost of the travel is £4,600, so they are only asking for a percentage.

BA

Questioned if the competition will be against other external dance societies too.

AS

Confirmed that it will.

Action 01 – BA

Voted YES to giving the society the £2,000.

Action 02 – MA

Voted YES to giving the society the £2,000.

Action 03 – AS

Voted YES to the £2,000 requests, however, wants a breakdown of remaining balance of Development Fund .

5. New Student Group Proposals

AS

AS Explained to zone members that as a zone they must vote on New Student Group Proposals. Explained the process of this, and shared the document which summarised all New Student Group Proposals.

AS Went through each New Student Group Request.

Believers Love World

MA, BA and AS all approved.

Campus Cry

MA, BA and AS all approved.

Drama Society

MA, BA and AS all approved.

History Society

MA, BA and AS all approved.

MBA/Post Grad Society

MA, BA and AS all approved.

Social Society

MA approved, however, BA and AS approved, under the condition that they further clarify their aims and must be inclusive with their socials.

6. Co-option Requests

AS/SP

SP Explained what co-option is, the process behind it and the impact it has on committee members and societies.

AS Approved all requests.

MA Approved all requests.

BA Approved all requests.

7. Funding for Opportunities Zones

AS

AS Explained what Opportunities Zone funding is, confirmed the total and asked the Zone members for suggestion.

AB Suggested socials, both in person and virtually.

MA Suggested to make sure they are regular.

AS We should incentivise zones, and making socials regular should do this.

AS Closed the meeting and continued to council.