

## Minutes: Student council

<b>Unconfirmed:</b>	n/a	
<b>Date / Time:</b>	14/11/24	
<b>Location</b>	Atrium	
<b>Chair:</b>	Judith Olurankinse (JO)	Union Development Officer
<b>Chair</b>	Fluffy Adewola (AA)	Welfare Officer

<b>Attendees</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Role</b>
Muhammad Ibtesam	Course rep
Molly Joanne Hill	Course rep
Harjas jhagra	Course rep
Avanti Hitesh	Student participant ( Observer - Don't want to be a voting member)
Emily Terzich	Student participant (Want to be a voting member)
Libs Morris	Liberation officer
Bronze Sparks	Liberation officer
Badhri Sai Purnima Raj	Liberation officer
Hayley Gule	Student participant (Want to be a voting member)
Paige Billings (PB)	Liberation officer
Manav Madlani	Faculty lead rep
Daniel Duke	Liberation officer
Rory James Fletcher	Course rep
Kevin Mathew Darst	Course rep
Mae scotton	Course rep
Destiny Maz	Student participant (Want to be a voting member)
Patrick Chileshe	Course rep
Muhammad Miah	Student participant (Want to be a voting member)
Kelly Edward	Student participant (Want to be a voting member)
Thanaa sulum	Course rep
Zain imran	Committee member
Christopher Balogun	Course rep
Leonard Sanuka Shashane Perera Komitige	Student participant ( Observer - Don't want to be a voting member)
Eddahbi ilyas	Student participant (Want to be a voting member)
Yani Mezhoud	Course rep

Ahmed Adam Abounacer	Student participant (Want to be a voting member)
Sid ali	Student participant (Want to be a voting member)
Bethany Cox	Student participant (Want to be a voting member)
Yanis zerrouki	Student participant (Want to be a voting member)
Angel Garvey-Hendrickson	Faculty lead rep
Lyn Landon	Liberation officer
Komal Shahzadi (KS)	Equality and diversity
Judith Olurankinse (JO)	Union development officer
Fluffy Adewola (AA)	Welfare Officer
Priya Karasala (PK)	Opportunities and engagement officer
Ramish Ayub (RA)	Academic officer

Agenda Item	Description	Lead	Timings (Mins)
Introductions and Apologies for Absence	Introduce all officer and give apologies for any officers missing.	AA	10 mins
Minutes:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All officers were introduced</li> <li>No apologies for this meeting</li> </ul>			
Agenda item 1: Election	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To elect the chair and deputy chair of student council, Scrutiny panel, UG Academic Board Representative and student voting members.</li> </ul>	JO	20 minutes
Minutes:			
<b><u>Chair of Student council :</u></b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hayley Gule</li> </ul>			
<b><u>Deputy chair of student council</u></b>			

- Patrick Chileshe

#### **Scrutiny panel:**

- Muhammed Ibtesm
- Christopher Balogun
- Kelly Edward
- Hussain Zain Imran
- Harjas Jhagra
- Thanaa Sulum

#### **Undergraduate board representative**

- Destiny Maz

#### **Voting member**

- Muhammad Miah
- Eddahbi ilyas
- Ahmed Adam Abounacer
- Yanis zerrouki
- Sid ali khineche
- Bethany Cox
- Komitige Leonard Sanuka Shashane Perera

Agenda item: Review of previous minutes	To raise any concerns, queries or false information regarding the previous minutes	JO	3mins
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Minutes :

Voting members approved of the previous minutes

Agenda item: Manifesto progress update: Executive officers	To update students on manifesto goals progress	JO	5mins
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Minutes:

[Executive officer update \(Full-time\) through written reports](#)

Written reports consist of the following;

- Completed projects
- Projects in progress
- Projects in discussion

Officer roles include:

- Union development officer
- Academic officer
- Welfare officer
- Opportunities and engagement
- Equality and diversity officer

Agenda item:	To update students on manifesto goals progress	PB	5mins
Manifesto progress Update: Liberation officers			

Minutes :

[Liberation officer update \(Part Time, Volunteer, Students\) through written reports](#)

Written reports consist of the following;

- Completed projects
- Projects in progress
- Projects in discussion

Officer roles include:

- Disabled Students' Liberation Officer
- Mature Students' Liberation Officer
- BAME Students' Liberation Officer
- LGBTQ+ Students' Liberation Officer
- Women's Liberation Officer

Agenda item :	To review the current remits of the Executive and Liberation officers	KS	40mins
Motion A – officer remit review			

### Minutes:

- DSU has been tasked with reviewing the Officer remits this year, in time for changes to be implemented for the 2025/26 academic year.
- Both the Executive Officer roles and Liberation Officer roles have not been reviewed since 2017.
- In this time there has been a large amount of change; teaching and services are now offered in a hybrid environment, block teaching has been introduced, student body demographics have changed, the campus is evolving, and student interests and attitudes continue to change.
- The remits will be reviewed through; Feedback from Post-Holders, DMU Access and Participation Plan Data, DMU university meetings, DMU Student body data and Student Outreach and Surveys:

The 5 motions being presented are;

- 1. An update to the 'Executive Officer' job title.
- 2. An update to how remits are divided between the Executive Officer.
- 3. A change of terminology to move away from 'B.A.M.E.'.
- 4. A change to the way postgraduate students are represented .
- 5. Creation of a new Liberation Officer remit to represent student parents, carers, and guardians.

Please refer to the appendices for the full motion

### Voting:

#### **Motion A. 1: update to “Executive officer” Job title**

9= option A, 13 = option B, Option C = 2.

***Student voice leaders – Passed***

#### **Motion A.2 : An update to how remits are divided between the Executive Officer.**

Option A= 0, Option B = 19, Option C=0

***Option B – Passed***

#### **MotionA.3 : A change of terminology to move away from 'B.A.M.E.'.**

Option A = 17 Option B= 6 Option C= 0

***Option B = Passed***

#### **Motion A.4 : A change to the way postgraduate students are represented.**

Option A = 19 Option B= 0

**Option A = Passed**

**Motion A.5 : Creation of a new Liberation Officer remit to represent student parents, carers and guardians.**

Option A= 18 Option B= 2

**Option A - Passed**

Agenda item: Open forum	A space for all attendees of Student Council to air informal grievances for Council to consider.	RA	25mins
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Minutes:

**Angel - AH Faculty lead:**

Booking to hire spaces in the library needs to be increased. Larger groups are not being able to book spaces.

**Molly - Creative writer course rep:**

Part time lectures been locked out of their systems, and has been unable to contact students. Guest lectures to have better access to outlook accounts. More support for lectures.

**A Voting member: (name/role not specified)**

Access to hot food, it is shut by 3pm, and Starbucks closing early. This does not accommodate to deadline season and lectures finishing at 5pm. No access to hot food after time.

**A Voting member: (name/role not specified)**

Better food in the village – canned food used, and is overpriced

**Bronze – LGBTQ+ Liberations officer :**

Subtitles in all lectures including YouTube videos.

**Destiny – Student attendee :**

Inclusive learning and teaching – reminder for academic staff that part of their job is to accommodate for students with additional needs example of this is sending slides beforehand.

**Manav - HLS faculty lead :**

Block teaching has meant lecturers are cramming information - the amount of information on slides needs to be condensed for people to have time to understand.

**Libs – Disabled students Liberation officer :**

Likes block learning, as there isn't two modules at once, but should be an option to meet people needs. Condensed information version and a spread-out version.

**A Voting member: (name/role not specified)**

Getting feedback from test was not ready in time after 2 exams and 7 weeks which has caused concerns.

**A Voting member: (name/role not specified)**

One person only working in the the study group spaces in the library, which has meant larger groups can't access this space.

**Actions:**

**Exec officers to investigate all queries raised.**

Agenda item : AOB	Any other business	AA	10Mins
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**Minutes:**

Voting member: Lectures are having to battle for specific spaces that are needed for their course in the library.

**MEETING CLOSED**

**DATE OF MEETING Action Log**

Action	Responsible	Timescale agreed
Officer remit review will be now implemented ahead of the upcoming elections	DSU	As soon as possible
Follow up on raised queries in open forum.	Exec officers	Before next meeting in Feb.