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Vice President Societies and Communications

(Full Time)

Green Indicates work completed

Amber Indicates work still ongoing and likely to be completed in good time

Red Indicates work held up by significant barriers or falling seriously behind



Campus Connect

- Conducted survey for Glenside and Bower students
- Feedback from survey collated
- Supporting Societies to organise activity on Bower Ashton
- Currently working with the organisation to implement changes based on feedback from Bower and Glenside
- Currently lobbying University senior management to take into account student feedback on facilities, transport, course relocation and general concerns in the Bower campus re-development. We want more facilities for societies to hold activities and engage students on Bower Ashton and for the campus to be more accessible to get to from Frenchay.

Academic Societies

- Created formal guidance document for academics and UWE staff on understanding and supporting academic societies
- Create specific materials and guidance for academic societies on opportunities and working with the university
- Apply for match/additional funding from faculties to support big society projects- **has been achieved in some departments**
- Establishing formal match-funding scheme between UWESU and UWE for academic societies
- Establishing formal partnership between UWESU and UWE on supporting academic societies

**Meeting currently being organised with the Deputy Vice Chancellor Jane Harrington with academic society members seeks to contribute to a university and Students' Union strategy to support academic societies. As part of this funding will be lobbied for if it is considered a priority by the feedback of the group.*

Employability and Enterprise

- Working with UWE Enterprise to put together more comprehensive training to support societies in securing sponsorships, fundraising and creating more connections between societies and opportunities at UWE.
- Working with Employability and Enterprise to create a more formal and structured working relationship between Employability and Enterprise and the Union, so that we can work together to offer societies more opportunities and support.

Societies Support

- Room Bookings and Facilities- Met with UWE Facilities and Catering Services, got them to release more specific guidance on food allowed in UWE rooms on campus for society events and negotiated special discounted rate for societies to order UWE catering.
- Overseeing the redesign of the Societies Budget form to make it fit for purpose in helping you to budget your activities.
- Overseeing the development of Society Committee Training and handover support.
- Overseeing the development of online resources for committee support and guidance on the UWESU website. Aim is to provide more information in a more user friendly and accessible way.
- Supporting four new societies to set up
- Supporting societies in holding successful AGMs for strong start to next academic year
- Supporting Societies in organising events for International Women's Day

Societies Awards

- Event proposal written and approved
- Tickets sold out
- Event plan completed
- Nominations for awards set up and live till the 20th of March
- Organising Judging Panel
- Shortlisting to be done between 20th March for release on the 1st of April

Louie Roberts- Participation and Equality Officer (Part Time Voluntary)



Writing a room booking motion that would allow societies and students access to rooms before committees forms are formed so that group events can be booked outside of a society and new Socs can start with a student basis.

Talking to a few societies about alternative funding sources like sponsorship so that they can do all that they want on top of that I've been talking to some societies so that they can link and produce a mutually beneficial relationship for next year's committees

I want to now concentrate on consolidating good committee relationships between the old WARPD group societies (War Games, Anime, Role Play, Psi Phi, Drama) for next year so that they can think about reconnecting and forming again next year.

Also I intend to help run a workshop for people to give feedback on the training they have had and how they think societies can help prepare students for their year in their role of committee.

Holly Risdon- Community and Volunteering Officer (Part Time Voluntary)

Helped to organise Volunteering Workshop
Contacted local projects and communities for new volunteering opportunities

Promote UWESU Volunteering Fair

Help launch the Guide to Society Volunteering
Help UWESU Volunteering connect with societies more through social media

Help Societies understand UWE funding protocols and help with applications

Support more local communities and projects

Increase numbers of society volunteers

