

Committee Title	Student Voice		
Date of Meeting	04 th December 2023		
Item Number and Title/Subject	Full Time Officer Reports		
Paper Presenter	Chidozie Nwaigwe, Student President Wilfred Obi, Vice President SCEBE Jennifer Abali, Vice President SHLS Solomon Ajala, Vice President GSBS		
Brief Summary of Issues/Topic	The Constitution outlines that 'Student Voice has the power to scrutinise the work of the Executive Committee'. The reports outlined progress made against remits and Team and Individual Objectives.		
Recommendation(s)	InformationDiscussionApprovalXAny member can ask a question by raising their voting card and being recognised by the Chair to speak.XStudent Voice is asked to approve the Full Time Officers Report.		
Who have you consulted when developing the paper?	Executive Committee		
Staff/Student Protocol	Yes No X N/A		
Will any decision approved directly affect the work of staff?	The Chief Executive has been consulted in the development of the Full Time Officers team and individual objectives and remits.		
Should the paper be submitted to any other committee following its consideration/approval at this meeting?	No The Full Time Officer reports are made available to the membership on the Students' Association website.		
If yes, please state the committee and proposed date of submission.			



Report by The Student President

Author:	Chidozie Nwaigwe	
Date	27/11/2023	
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Full Time Officer Individual Objectives

	Main Priorities	Progress
		What have you achieved since the last meeting?
1.	Estates/Campus Masterplan	• Spoke with the Principal and received assurances the students and the SA will be carried along in the process.
2.	London Engagement	 Visited the London campus and engaged with student reps and management staff, on future developments of the campus. Created a joint Teams channel between myself and London Reps, to enhance communication. Planning a repeat visit to the London campus.
3.	Promoting Glasgow Caledonian's Race Equality Charter	• Helped promote the REC survey and achieved high participation.

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		What have you achieved since the last meeting?
1	Cost of Living	• Approval of the provision of microwave on campus by the University.
	a. Microwavesb. Providing SA breakfast	• Winter Warmer set up concluded (students have
	(porridge, tea & coffee)	been getting free teas, coffee, hot chocolates and porridge in the SA building).
	c. Hot water in SA Building	Conclusion of student pantry discussion
	d. Student Pantry	(effective from the second week of December, 2023)

2	Voter Turnout a. Register to Vote Campaign b. Hustings (if UK General Election called) c. FTO Election Turnout d. Support Election Diversity Action Plan	 Approval for the provision Hot water in the SA Building. Developing an action plan on how to improve voter turnout. Discussions on how to further encourage students to run for FTO elections to improve the election turn out.
3	Increased student engagement a. Events (numbers attending) b. Response rates – NSS, MEQ, our Annual Survey c. SKY Sports	 A constant increase in the number of students that attend events; some of which include Black History Month Event and Festival of Cultures. Developing an action plan to help promote the NSS Surveys and other University wide surveys. Ongoing conversation about SKY Sports in the Re:Union Bar.

1		• Helping to shape the London expansion.
	GCU London	 Participated in London Council meeting and took action on student concerns.
		 Visited the London campus, held a physical meeting with reps and took part in the graduation ceremony. Setup a Teams group to enable easier communication with all GCU London academic reps.

2	GCU Communications and Public	Ongoing conversation about University
	Affairs	rebranding.
3	Estates	 Concluding works with Estates, to setup the Student Pantry at Level 0 of the Students' Association building.
4	GCU Strategy and Planning	 Helped plan the Strategy Refresh-student consultation. Had further in person conversations about furthering the University strategy. Ongoing plan to have Carbon Literacy Training as a University wide certification for all students. Started conversation with the University management about setting up a merchandise shop in school, to help improve student access to merchandise. Requested from the University that the Students' Association be given access to post via the GCU App.
5	Student Voice and Ideas process.	 School fee discount to be looked into. Statement on Isreal – Palestine war TBC.
6	University Court	 Ongoing conversations about GCNYC. Ongoing conversations about the campus masterplan. Ongoing conversation about the University strategy refresh.
7	University Court Standing Committees	 Remunerations Committee passed its review to court, about senior management salaries. Audit committee reviewed the University's audited account.

8	Senate	٠	Concluding plans about allowing students the
			appropriate use of generative AI in assessments.
9	Champion LGBT+ Network	•	Made content for the Trans Awareness Week.
		•	Made content for the Hans Awareness week.



Report by Vice President (SHLS)

Author:	Jennifer Abali
Date	24/11/2023
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Committees:	Student Voice
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Full Time Officer Individual Objectives

	Main Priorities	Progress
		What have you achieved since the last meeting?
1.	Promote mental health and wellbeing of	• Developed an action plan for mental health and
	students.	wellbeing following the Student Mental Health
		Agreement guidelines.
		• Attended Student Mental Health Agreement
		Steering group to discuss about what campaigns
		need to run to continue promoting mental health
		and wellbeing.
		• Attended Think Positive Forum Meetings to
		share best practices and learn from other
		institutions.
		• Discussions about the
2.	More external recognition and awards	• Attended NUS meetings and accountability
	for the Students' Association.	sessions.
		• Meetings with Sabbatical officers from other
		universities to share best practices.
3.	Improve student engagement in the	• Regular catch up with the Dean and Staff of
	School of Health and Life Sciences.	SHLS.
		• Discussions about student engagement in School
		Board meetings.
		• Set up MS Teams channel for Academic Reps in
		London

Participated in the networking lunch to connect
and network with academic reps.
• Ongoing conversations about setting up a Teams
Group for Academic Reps in SHLS.
• Improved number of Academic reps within
SHLS in the Academic Rep gathering.
• Discussions and catch up with Dean and
ADLTQ

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		What have you achieved since the last meeting?
1	Cost of Living	Approval of the provision of microwave by the
	a. Microwaves	University.
	b. Providing SA breakfast	Winter Warmer set up concluded (students have been
	(porridge, tea & coffee)	getting free teas, coffee and porridge in the SA
	c. Hot water in SA Building	building).
	d. Student pantry	Conclusion of student pantry discussion (effective from
		the second week of December, 2023)
		Approval for the provision Hot water in the SA
		building.
2	Voter Turnout	Developing an action plan on how to improve voter
	a. Register to Vote	turnout.
	Campaign	Discussions on how to further encourage students to run
	b. Hustings (if UK General	for FTO elections to improve the election turn out.
	Election called)	
	c. FTO Election Turnout	
	d. Support Election	
	Diversity Action Plan	
3	Increased student engagement	A constant increase in the number of students that
	a. Events (numbers	attend events; some of which include Black History
	attending)	Month Event and Festival of Cultures.

b. Response rates – NSS,		Developing an action plan to help promote the NSS
	MEQ, our Annual Survey	Surveys and other University wide surveys,
c.	SKY Sports	Ongoing conversation about SKY Sports in the RE-
		Union Bar.

		• Developing an action plan for activities and
1	GCU Wellbeing (Mental Health,	event to promote mental health and wellbeing
	Smoking and Gender Based	for this academic year.
	Violence)	• Gathered feedback from Academic Reps about
		what they would love to see in our Student
		Mental Health Agreement.
		• Ongoing planning with staff and students about
		16 days of activism against Gender Based
		Violence.
		• Discussions about various mental health
		campaigns to run.
2	Nightline Volunteer Programme	Promote nightline volunteer programmes on
		social media by reposting activities on social
		media.
		• Catch up with the advice centre about nightline
		programmes.
3	Societies	
4	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion	Working with REC project officer towards
	(including Faith and Belief)	improving response rate in Race Equality
		Charter surveys
		• Attended meetings to discuss the University's
		upcoming EDI Strategy and make input.

		 Discussions on reviewing our EDI policy with staff. Chaired the EDI Committee meeting and looked at different students' perceptions about the FIT to Sit Policy as part of its review process.
5	GCU Foundation, Alumni & Graduation	 Discussions with alumni team about partnership events, common good fund and mentoring. Successfully got a speaker (alumni) for an upcoming event. Regular catch up with staff from Alumni team to discuss plans moving forward. Promoted upcoming Alumni events. Participated in discussions and disbursement of the Common good fund to societies.
6	GCU Outreach (including Articulation)	Meeting with staff about GCU outreach activities
7	Education Committee	 Discussions on Academic calendar and Fit to sit policy review structures. Discussions around students' guidance to responsible and irresponsible use of AI



Report by [Wilfred Obi] Vice President SCEBE

Name:	Wilfred Obi
Date Produced:	27/11/2023
Committee:	Student Voice
Action:	For Approval/For Discussion/For Information

Full Time Officer Individual Objectives

	Objective	Success Measure	Progress Update on what has been achieved since the last meeting and whether the objective is completed.
1.	SCEBE engagement – School Operational Plan, NSS completion, MEQ completion	Engaging with stakeholders to increase student's engagement and participation	Engaging with stakeholders (Event team, School management, other fulltime officers etc) Engagement has now increased with the number of students participating in events.
2.	GCU App (as access to push notifications, as elections, review of app, single sign on for all services	To make the app more useful to student association	Discussion ongoing to ma the app more accessible to association to post events
3.	Better Wi-fi service	To achieve a better internet services and and access to infomation	Discussion is ongoing to increase investment in the Wi-Fi so as to make it work better.
4	Carbon literacy built into SCEBE programmes	To add carbon literacy to SCEBE	Free carbon Literacy program organised by the student association currently ongoing.

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1.	Cost of Living a. Microwave b. Providing S. breakfast (porridge, t coffee) c. Hot water i Building d. Community larder	A iea & n SA	microwaves on campus approved by GCU management for students. Community larder approved for students. Winter warmer ongoing at the Re-union bar of the student association 8:30am to 9:30am Monday to Friday.
2.	Voter Turnout a. Register to Campaign	Vote Increase in voter turnout.	Developing an action plan on how to improve voter turnout. Discussions on how to further encourage students to run for FTO elections to improve the election turn out

	 b. Hustings (if UK General Election called) c. FTO Election Turnout d. Support Election Diversity Action Plan 		
3.	Increased student engagement a. Events (numbers attending) b. Response rates – NSS, MEQ, our Annual Survey c. SKY Sports?	Improve student engagement High responses in NSS and MEQs	Developing an action plan on how to improve voter turnout. Discussions on how to further encourage students to run for FTO elections to improve the election turn out

	Remit Areas	Progress		
		Update on what has been achieved since the last meeting.		
1.	School of Engineering and Built Environment	Attended second Board meeting of SCEBE		
2.	Mature and part Time Students	Had engagement with some part time student for the second time.		
3.	Teaching Awards	Discussion ongoing		
4.	Careers and Employability	 Had a second catch-up meeting with the career team and several career talks organised for students. Career team currently coming to the student association every Monday to Friday chatting with students about their career. 		
5.	Ethical and Environmental	Had a second meeting with the chair		
6.	Campus Trade Unions	Had meeting with the union chairman		
7.	Information Technology	 The app is up and running Survey collected and being process to make the app better. 		
8.	International Students	Had several meetings with the international committee.		
9.	Catering	Discussion for possible reduction in the price of Drinks and food ongoing		
10.	Freshers, inductions and Open day	Concluded and very sucessful		
11.	Champion: Disabled Students' Network	Nothing yet		
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Report by [Vice President, GSBS]

Name:	Solomon Ajala
Date Produced:	23/11/2023
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Action:	For Approval

Full Time Officer Individual Objectives

	Objective	Success Measure	Progress
			Update on what has been achieved since the
			last meeting and whether the objective is
			completed.
1.	Ensuring all students have		Met the Gym Manager in the company of
	free/subsidized access to the		the Activities Manager to start the
	University Gym (Arc)		preliminary discussions around how to go
	Facility		about lobbying the University.
2.	Championing and promoting		Progressive talks with the Associate Dean
	Student's learning experience		Learning and Teaching for GSBS to further
	through active engagement		build on the success of the just concluded
	with Learning and		Academic Rep gathering
	Development Centre within		
	the Glasgow School of		
	Business and Society		
3.	Promoting student awareness		Discussions held with the Advice Centre
	of the Student Association		leader on progresses made so far and with
	Advice Centre		report on the number of students currently
			accessing the advice centre services.

	Objective	Success Measure	Progress Update on what has been achieved since the last meeting and whether the objective is completed.
1.	Cost of living a. Microwave b. Providing SA breakfast, Porridge, tea & coffee) c. Hot water in SA building d. Community Larder	Mitigate cost of living crisis for students	Approval for the provision of microwave by the University. Winter Warmer set up concluded (students have been getting free teas, coffee, and porridge in the SA building). Conclusion of student pantry discussion (effective from the second week of December 2023) Approval for the provision of Hot water in the SA building.
2.	Voter Turnout a. Register to vote campaign. b. Hustings (If UK general elections called)	Increase in Voter Turnout	Developing an action on how to improve voter turnout. Discussion on how to further encourage students to run for FTO elections to improve the election turnout

	 c. FTO Election Turnout d. Support Election Diversity action plan. 		
3.	Increased Student Engagement a. (Events number attending) b. Response rates- NSS, MEQ, our annual survey c. Sky Sports	Improve student engagement, High responses in NSS and MEQs	An increase in student engagement Increase in number of students who attend events. Increase in number of volunteers. High responses in University Wide surveys

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		<i>Update on what has been achieved since the last meeting.</i>
1.	VP, GSBS	Recruitment and training of PGT Reps has been concluded by the VP and Academic Rep Coordinator.
		International trip on the IHRM department's site that has continuously generated issues amongst prospective and current students has now been taken out.
		Several meetings were held with the Dean, GSBS with major issues surrounding early release of result and prompt feedback, proper classroom management discussed.
2.	Accommodation	• Ongoing discussions with the School Management as regard the proposed accommodation unit from the Council. This is just preliminary rounds of discussion and further update to be given in due course.
3.	Quality Enhancement and Standards Review	• Several meetings held in preparation for the next QAA meeting scheduled to hold on the 6 th of December, 2023
4.	Student Attendance and Engagement Monitoring	• Current swipe card system is being used along with the new policy – factoring in percentages.
5.	Review of Academic Calendar	• Discussions centred around whether to bring Exams before Christmas or maintain status quo. The Registrar has since made proposal to the management on possible implications, and this is currently being considered. The paper was presented at SAGE, Academic gathering and Education Committee with feedbacks gathered

		• Students on Visas now have Six weeks added to their CAS end date to allow them adequate time to apply for other visa types since PAB decisions sometimes do not come on time.
6.	Research Degrees Committee	 Policy consideration detailed around research degree regulations specifically on how exam arrangement should be done with emphasis on supervisors flagging all necessary areas for corrections before students' work are being submitted and published
7.	Library	• Ask the officer program was held with Library officer to allow for students to learn more about the activities of the library.
8.	Student Action Group for Engagement	• Meeting was held on the 23 rd of November with four papers presented and discussions and feedback gotten for further engagements.
9.	Research and Taught Postgraduate	Recruitment of Post Graduate taught Reps now concluded, and induction done accordingly.
10.	Education Committee	 Discussions on Academic calendar and fit to sit policy review structures. Discussions around students' guidance to responsible and irresponsible use of AI
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