



Minutes

Senedd

27/10/2025

Members in attendance:

Francesco Lanzi (Chair)

Millicent Hackett (FTO)

Nanw Hampson (FTO)

Ffion Johns (FTO)

Esperanza Bizama (FTO)

Tanaka Chikomo (FTO)

Natasha Goodwin (VO)

Billy Smith (VO)

Harley Harrison (VO)

Kathleen Hinton Pritchard (VO)

Livvy Hagget (SOC)

Spencer Tinklin (FO)

Mesh Tamilchelven (VO)

Mason Gee (VO)

Priyanka Singh (VO)

Laura Young (VO)

Melissa Eyre (VP)

Gwenno Roberts (UMCA)

Tomos Parry (UMCA)

Florence Rawlinson (AR)

Ula Archer (AR)

James Shepherd (SPORT)

Mathias Pavlides (SPORT)

Janos Vranek (SPORT)

Max Roycroft (SPORT)

Saul Ashton (SPORT)

James Ashfort (SOC)

Kate Crowthur (SOC)

Alex Marsh (SOC)



Also in attendance: (Student Observers)

Ash Perfitt

Francesca Betz

Varsha Raj (FO) Apologies Not Sent

Blue Bell (VO) Apologies Not Sent

Elliw Mair (VO) Apologies Sent

Duraab Arshad (VO) Apologies Sent

Fresno Rhys Thomas (VO) Apologies Not Sent

Absent:

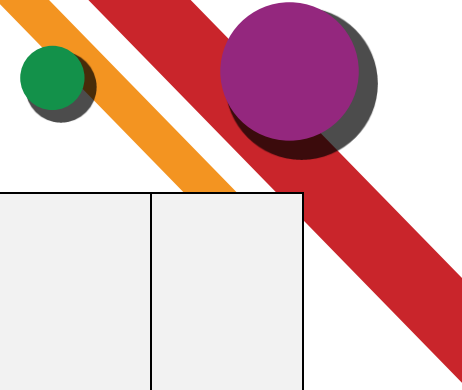
Agenda	Item	Notes	Voting Breakdown		
			Yes	No	Abstain
Welcome and Opening Remarks	The Union Chairperson welcomed everyone present at the meeting	Union Chairperson welcomes everyone to the meeting. Meeting started: 6:10			



		Chair said update of sharing attendance and how members have voted. You can see the breakdown of this on the Undeb Aber website.			
	Apologies for Absence	Elliw and Duraab sent their apologies for the meeting.			
	Last Minutes Meeting and matters arising	No minutes or matters arising to approve			
	Introductions	Everyone in the room introduced themselves.			
Election of deputy chair	Asking who would like to stand and voting.	Chair asked who would like to stand. Kait (SOC) – fair and everyone should have a voice Florence (AP) – hear people’s opinions and will always be here Tasah (VO) – listens and wont judge Harley (VO) – friendly and forthcoming and a constitutional nerd so happy to help work on this in standing orders and making sure the rules are in place. Kait - 2 Florence – 2 Tasha – 5 Harley – 10 Harley has been elected deputy chair			
Lapsing Policy	Updates	No Lapsing Policy to note.			



Learn Welsh	UMCA Reps taught members of the Senedd key Welsh Words	Nanw did the Welsh lesson.			
Officers' Report	Officers to say what they have been working on and their priorities for the year.	Officers gave an update on what they have been working on. See report here. (Coming soon) Questions: Millie – none Tanaka – Harley (VO) asked about what the access able thing was. Tanaka explained that it was with Student Support and they were in conversations. Ffion – Spencer (FO) asked what RAG was. Ffion explained it was raising and giving. Melissa (VP) – asked who New Pathways are? Ffion explained they are a sexual violence support charity. Espe – James (SOC) asked if we would replace the statue? Espe explained that this was a very expensive thing to do. Nanw – none Senedd took a 10 min break - Gweno had to leave at this point			
Union Priority	Chair Explained the new process	Full time officers chose their priorities in the summer, but this does not allow time for officers to speak with students. Going forward officers will choose some of their priorities in the summer. The collective priority will be chosen in the AGM.			



	Discussion group feedback (General Priority idea)	Group A: Training for committee members – sexual assault allegations committee members are not sure what to do with them. Group B: Cost of living and making sacrifices around what you can afford – period products – eat or buying other products. Problems with period products not being restocked. Group C: Cost of living – aber is cheap but still not liveable. Also, accommodation, bad housing conditions. Group D: cost of living. Bad housing and job market. Degrees being less valued. Tuition fees are raised. Students choosing between different types of essentials. Name and shame policy for bad jobs in town. Transport with limited availability and cancellations. Group E: Support for finding jobs at university and exploitation in work environments. They also spoke about housing in student accommodation and private. Pressure with landlords trying to make them pay for extras. Heating not working in accommodation. Asbestos in Cwrt Mawr and Panty as well – is it still there? The discussions were broken up into four groups with representatives to speak on them. • Student group training • Cost of living (transport, buying essentials, housing, employment)			
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	Discussion Group feedback (how it affects their groups)	• Transportation costs – sports – cost to go to events has made it really hard. • Students not being able to do social events. • Not being able to access essential stuff like period products. • Membership and bucks' costs going up. • Courses you need to buy a lot of things for and can affect students differently. • 3rd cheapest town to live in – students still focusing on joining a group or eating, needing more jobs. It should not be a worry. • Pg students a lot of academic textbooks that are not funded for as much. PGs also don't have maintenance loan.			
	Union Priority	Vote: Cost of living: 22 Housing: 4			



	Jobs: 0			
Any Other Business	Any other business: Chair said to log volunteer hours. Please come for photos if you don't already have them to go on the website. Next Senedd: 02/12/2024 Meeting Finished: 19:57			

FTO=Full Time Officer

VO=Volunteer Officer

FO = Faculty Officer

Sport=Sports Rep

Soc=Societies Rep

UMCA = UMCA Rep

VP = Volunteer Project Rep

AR = Academic Rep

Member = Member of SU but not a Senedd Member

Make sure to include what the training is in follow up email

Durabb not in the email chain????

Update website for



Kac64 – said about training

