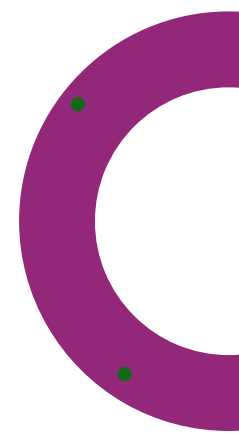


Adroddiadau Swyddogion Officer Report



Blaenoriaethau | Priorities

- ✓ Aberystwyth students will grow and show employability skills through University and Undeb initiatives.

Llywydd
President

Polisi | Policy

- ✓ Should Aberysywth University Replace Starbucks With a More Sustainable, Local Coffee Brand.
- ✓ Should UndebAber and the university transform the botany gardens into the 'Penglais Botanic Gardens', a dynamic, productive space for science, learning, and wellbeing?
- ✓ We should host an annual SHAG Week.
- ✓ Sex Work Is Just That, Work



Beth sydd wedi cael ei wneud?

What have I been up to ?

Llywydd
President

- ✓ Item 1: Lots of meetings with careers, had our first event and went well lots of very good questions from students.
- ✓ Item 2: Meeting up with Phyte club soon to see what we can do with signage, am aware some art students have been in and done some life drawings so exciting.
- ✓ Item 3: Prepping for winter planning and exam distress student bags.
- ✓ Item 4: Helping to appoint a pro-chancellor of the univeristy, spoke to three candidates.



Accountability

Nifer y myfyrwyr | Students spoken to



Rhestr Gyfarfod | Meeting List:

- 2 University council and briefing sessions (Attended)
- Careers skills award (Attended)
- Audit Risk and Assurance committee (Attended)
- Senate workshop (Attended)
- Investments committee (Cancelled by university)
- Trustee meeting (Attended)



Presented our officer objectives to council members and helped them understand the Unions purpose.



Mapping the student journey for building employability skills with the union.



Working to highlight the signposting of wellbeing services (Tanaka's priority)

Themâu | Themes

Timetabling
Settling into Uni Life

Housing

Student groups & making friends
Female liberation events
Cost of living

Camau Nesaf | Next Steps

Cynlluniau | Plans

- Need to meet up with Phyte club to sort next steps
- Helping to design accessible posters for events

I Ddod | Coming up

Lots of careers events coming up to promote and help with students enterprise and employability skills.

Cefnogaeth

Come to events, promote to friends.

Blaenoriaethau | Priorities

- ✓ Simplify and centralise the special circumstances procedure.
- ✓ Stronger Sense of belonging in the BAME community.
- ✓ Strengthen wellbeing support and visibility

Polisi | Policy

- ✓ The Students Union should keep running the international student's advisory board
- ✓ To reduce the use of buying from Amazon within the Students Union.
- ✓ Petition for Free Laundry Services for Full-time Residents

Llesiant
Wellbeing



Beth sydd wedi cael ei wneud?

What have I been up to ?

✓ **Special Circumstances:** Collaborating with the university to establish a centralised special circumstances procedure and advocating for an updated bereavement guide.- by lobbying for a uniform/standard approach to granting special circs/extensions across departments

✓ **Black Community:** Engaged with students to collect their experiences of managing their hair while away from home and navigating cost-of-living challenges. Researched best practices and suitable products to support students. Met with a local stylist and the careers service to plan the best way forward.

✓ **Wellbeing Wednesdays:** Launched a social media series highlighting wellbeing initiatives and support services for students.

✓ **Black History Month:** Organised events and created spaces for students to share their experiences and perspectives.

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Wellbeing



Accountability

Rhestr Gyfarfod | Meeting List:

- **Support to Study Panel**
- Fit to Practice Panel
- Equality Champions (EDI initiatives)
- UUK Audit
- Education and Student Experience



University willing to collaborate with union around academic procedures, mental health support



AccessAble keen on working with Disabled Students Advisory Board



Volunteer Officers on board with clearer signposting of wellbeing services

Nifer y myfyrwyr | Students spoken to

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Themâu | Themes

finding jobs alongside their course
community and belonging
culture

knowing where to go for specific assistance
accessibility (especially with regards to
transport)

isolation, finding the right community

Camau Nesaf | Next Steps

Cynlluniau | Plans

Continuing conversations around
centralising the special circs
procedure

Circuit Laundry Campaign Event

Follow Up on missed meeting

International Advisory Board

Disabled Students Advisory
Board-

Keep record of student stories and
suggestions that come up from
there

I Ddod | Coming up

Culture Week: Celebrating
different experiences,
international and Welsh
culture.

Collaboration with Student
Support and Global
Opportunities.

Hairstylist training for
students with textured hair

Cefnogaeth

Your individual stories

Willingness to engage in conversation
what is working well and what affects
those around you.

Specific experiences with extenuating
circumstances that affected your
studies and what your support system
looked like?

Who do you turn to when things get
hard?

Blaenoriaethau | Priorities

- ✓ Ensuring belonging is embedded across the University and Students' Union

Polisi | Policy

- ✓ We as Students' Want Redeveloped Sports Facilities

- ✓ The University and AberSU should suspend their banking with fossil fuel investment banks and switch to a more ethical, green bank instead

- ✓ Bring Back RAG Charities

- ✓ Arts Fest

Cyfleoedd Myfyrwyr
Opportunities



Beth sydd wedi cael ei wneud?

What have I been up to ?

Cyfleoedd Myfyrwyr
Opportunities

- ✓ **Accommodation:** Developing more lifestyle choices in accommodation
- ✓ **RAG Charity:** After shortlisting charities with other Officers and students voting at the Freshers Fair, the RAG charity for this year is New Pathways.
- ✓ **Student Group Hardship Fund:** To support in the Cost of Living, I am developing a hardship fund for students who struggle financially. The Opps team are working to get this ready.
- ✓ **International Engagement:** Working on increasing international student engagement within the Undeb



Accountability

Rhestr Gyfarfod | Meeting List:

- Health, Safety and Environment Operational Group (Attended)
- Trustee Meeting (Attended)
- Fitness to Practice Panel (Attended)

Nifer y myfyrwyr | Students spoken to



Themâu | Themes

Communication between Student groups

Housing

Transport

Increasing match audience engagement

Camau Nesaf | Next Steps

Cynlluniau | Plans

- Work with New Pathways to further their relationship with the Undeb
- Continuing to arrange events for struggling students to increase engagement
- Plan and run a successful ArtsFest
- Work with the Sports Centre to ensure our clubs are valued

I Ddod | Coming up

- AberChallenge
- Arts Fest

Cefnogaeth

Blaenoriaethau | Priorities

- ✓ The process of reassessment will be accessible.

Polisi | Policy

- ✓ Replace the Statue of Edward VIII
- ✓ Undeb Aberystwyth should continue to support trans and gender diverse students by providing gender affirming products
- ✓ Should Undeb Aber resist and campaign against the UK Supreme Court's ruling on Gender?

Materion
Academaidd
Academic



Beth sydd wedi cael ei wneud?

What have I been up to ?

Materion
Academaidd
Academic

- ✓ **Resits:** Working with the Portfolio Development Group regarding resits
- ✓ **Replace Statue of Edward VIII:** Researching about council regulations regarding listed statues
- ✓ **Beyond the Binary:** Promoted during Welcome Week, with ongoing product distribution and a new funding bid to sustain the campaign.
- ✓ Part of the panel for the **Education and Student Experience Awards**



Accountability

Nifer y myfyrwyr | Students spoken to



Rhestr Gyfarfod | Meeting List:

- Senedd / Senate (Attended)
- Portfolio Development Group (Attended)
- Education and Student Experience Committee (Attended)
- Education and Student Experience Awards Panels (Attended)



There have been changes to the Special Circumstances processes.



Reassessment procedure is being rethought.



The statue is registered as a historical statue, therefore its removal has to be approved by the council.

Themâu | Themes

- **Reassessment**
- **Special Circumstances**
- **Extensions**
- **Academic Practice**

Camau Nesaf | Next Steps

Cynlluniau | Plans

Attend Senate,
decide how to
proceed based on
policy.

I Ddod | Coming up

Quality and
Standards
Committee

Cefnogaeth

Tell me about your
resits and UAP
experiences

Blaenoriaethau | Priorities

- ✓ Sefydlu Cyfansoddiad ar gyfer UMCA / Establish an official constitution for UMCA
- ✓ Sichrau bod y Gymraeg yn ffactor pwysig yn nhrafodaethau'r brifysgol / Ensure that the Welsh language is an important factor in the University and the Undeb's discussions.

Polisi | Policy

- ✓ A ddylai Undeb Myfyrwyr Aberystwyth Students' Union newid ei enw a chael ei chydabod fel Undeb Aberystwyth? / Should Aberystwyth Students' Union change its name and be recognized as Undeb Aberystwyth?
- ✓ A ddylai Undeb Aberystwyth roi'r gorau i'w broffil "X", a lobio i'r Brifysgol wneud yr un peth? / Should Undeb Aber end use of their 'X' profile and lobby the University to do the same?
- ✓ Polisi Goddef Dim tuag at Wahaniaethu, Aflonyddwch ac Ymosodiadau Rhywiol / Zero Tolerance Stance on Discrimination, Sexual Harassment and Assault

Diwylliant Cymreig a UMCA
Welsh Culture and UMCA
President



Beth sydd wedi cael ei wneud?

What have I been up to ?

Diwylliant Cymreig a UMCA
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Digwyddiadau UMCA Events: Cynnal digwyddiadau cyfrwng Cymraeg ar gyfer aelodau UMCA a myfyrwyr eraill ar draws y brifysgol. / Hosted a range of activities to welcome new Welsh language students to Aberystwyth and those new to living in Wales.



UMCA Constitution: Sefydlu Is-Bwyllgor Cyfansoddiadol / Establish a Constitutional Sub-Committee



Zero Tolerance Policy: Ail-sefydlu'r ymgyrch Dim Esgusodion / Re-developing to bring back the No-Excuses Campaign.



X Policy: Undeb a'r Brifysgol wedi stopio defnyddio'u cyfrifon. / The Undeb and University has stopped using their X accounts.



Campaign Pages: Tudalen Rhyddid Diwylliant Cymraeg / Created a Welsh Liberation Page for the Undeb website.



Academic Reps: Trefnu Hyfforddiant Cynrychiolwyr Academaidd / Arrange Welsh Academic Rep Training



Accountability

Rhestr Gyfarfod | Meeting List:

- Cyngor y Brifysgol / University Council
- Pwyllgor Astudiaethau Cyfrwng Cymraeg / Welsh medium Studies Committee
- Grŵp Gweithredol y Gymraeg / Welsh language Operational Group
- Bwrdd Academaidd y Coleg Cymraeg / Academic Board (Abertawe/Swansea)
- WEDI METHU/MISSED: Fforwm Llais y Dysgwr / Learner's Voice Forum (Gweithdy Senedd y Brifysgol yr un amser)

✓ Taith Pantycelyn / Pantycelyn Tour

✓ Cynrychiolwyr Academaidd Cyfrwng Cymraeg / Welsh Medium Academic Reps

Nifer y myfyrwyr | Students spoken to

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Themâu | Themes

Cymuned Cymraeg / Welsh community
Llety / Housing
Darpariaeth Cyfrwng Cymraeg / Welsh
Language Provision
Asesiadau cyfrwng Cymraeg / Welsh
medium assessments

Camau Nesaf | Next Steps

Cynlluniau | Plans

- Holiadur Astudiaethau Cyfrwng Cymraeg / Welsh Medium Studies Questionnaire
- Next Senedd Nesaf: Sut y caiff Llywydd UMCA ei ethol / How UMCA President will be elected?

I Ddod | Coming up

- Y Ddawns Ryng-gol / Inter-collegiate Dance
- Digwyddiad Diwrnod Hawliau'r Gymraeg / Welsh Language Rights Day Event

Cefnogaeth

- Holiadur / Questionnaire
- Cyfansoddiad UMCA Constitution
- Tu allan i UMCA? Outside UMCA?