



Minutes

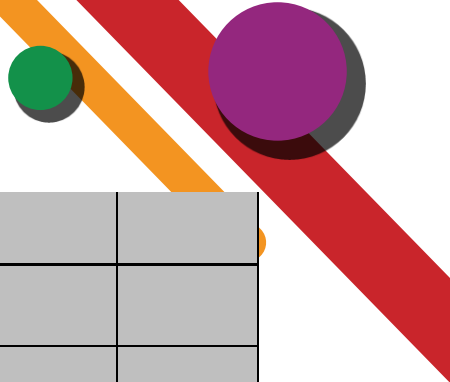
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22/02/2021

Agenda	Item	Notes	Voting Breakdown		
			Yes	No	Abstain
Welcome and Opening Remarks	The Union Chairperson welcomed everyone present at the meeting and provided an update on how the meeting was going to work.	23 Senedd Members were in attendance and the meeting was deemed quorate. We did not meet quoracy for our Big Meeting, so a Senedd meeting was held in its place.			
	Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence were received from Alexander Griffen.			
	Approval of minutes from the previous Meeting	All meeting notes approved			
	Matters arising from the minutes	No matters arising			
Officers' Report	Nate Pidcock (President) provided a summary of the Officers' Report, which is available in the papers for the meeting.	Nate did not read the report, as it was circulated to all members in advance and is available to read on the website. He highlighted Chasing Course Costs, the implementation of a Safety Net and accomodation refunds.			



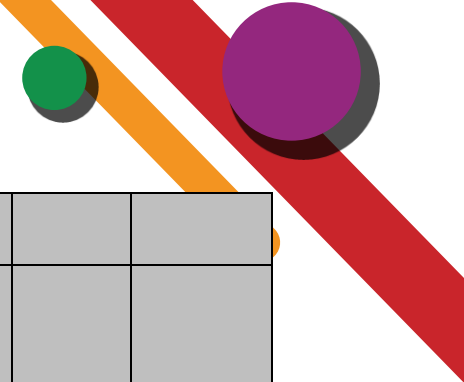
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Senedd - Your Ideas	We discussed and voted upon the ideas that had been submitted to Senedd.				
1	What are the officers up to?				
	Proposer speech	Nate Pidcock presented the idea to Senedd			
	Questions	Questions included whether there was a need for more Officer scrutiny, how this process would differ from Zones, and where students would be recruited from.			
	Invitation for additional speakers (for or against)	<p>Points against:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zones are an existing platform for Officer accountability Students might be biased towards a specific Officer Using money to incentivise engagement might encourage the wrong types of students to engage and could be better spent elsewhere. <p>Points in favour:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holding officers to account is important Accountability is a problem with full-time officers at AberSU 			
	Vote	Not passed	35%	13%	52%
2	5 Officers?				
	Proposer speech	Nate Pidcock presented the idea to Senedd			
	Questions	Questions included which role might be removed, where would the money saved from on Officers' salary be redistributed,			



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		how would SU departments manage with fewer Officers to support			
	Invitation for additional speakers (for or against)	<p>Points against:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Having an UMCA and Welsh culture President is unique to Welsh SUs; external reviewers would need a strong understanding of the Welsh Language and culture. • Would create one less opportunity for an Aber student to become an Officer and broaden their skills and experiences • The workload is currently manageable • Concern that Wellbeing Officer might be removed, which is important for student mental health <p>Points in favour:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good practice to conduct reviews and promote positive change • Potential to redistribute roles based on our students and thier needs 			
	Vote	Passed	67%	33%	0%
Any Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still 24 hours to stand in the SU elections • Reminder about Arts Festival happening the week beginning the 1st March • Questions about printer access and exploring the reopening of study spaces in town • Questions about the practicalities of the current safety net • Reminder of Zones starting the week of the 1st March and the next deadline for ideas. 				