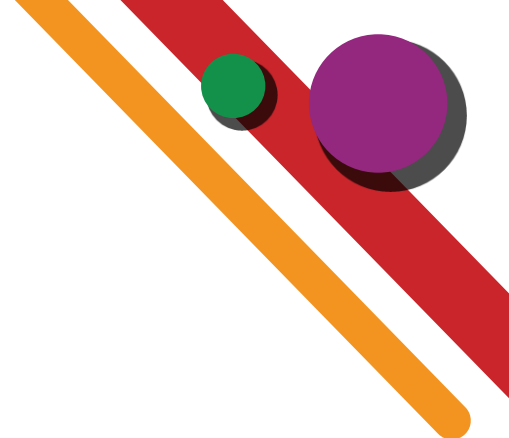




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Officer's Report

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President's Summary:

Well hello everyone, and thank you all for taking the time to read this! As this is our final Senedd of the year I will keep it brief. First of all, I want to say a massive congrats to our new officer team! Our first ever team of five women are going to do an amazing job next year and myself and the rest of the team have full faith in them - we wish you the best of luck and hope you get to spend more time in the office than we did!

Obviously, elections have been a major part of the work we have been doing since the previous Senedd; we had a brilliant turnout and are very proud of all the work achieved. Since then we have had the Easter break and we are delighted to have the return of students to campus, including the reopening of the SU! Personally, I was extremely proud of the work of Marta and Alice who helped me to put together our Reclaim the Night vigil at very short notice, where we secured some very important guest speakers and made an event that I think a lot of people will remember. We have volunteer officers currently working with our campaigns coordinator to further this work.

Since the last Senedd, I have been working on completing all of my policies and working on introducing Sabina to the role with as much work as possible completed and setting her up to finish off work I have started. I have also been working with SU staff and our environmental officer, Beth on a green team volunteer project. I have been working on a partner project called Aber Mams which will put together any lonely or homesick students with a member of the local community to build friendships. Also, I have been working on meet ups with Connor for our liberation groups – so keep your eyes peeled for new projects in the upcoming weeks!

As its my final Senedd, I just wanted to say a massive thank you to everyone for making this such a memorable year; I have loved working within the Students' Union and doing my best to give our students a voice. Thank you all.

Connor – Wellbeing Update

Connor has continued to deliver successful No Excuses Training to clubs and societies. He also wrote a blog and accompanying social media posts to deliver UMABerSU policy to observe BEAT Eating Disorder Awareness Week. He is continuing to work with staff to work towards completion of policy to improve Trans student's access to Healthcare and Compulsory Consent training. He also attended fitness to practice panels and supported staff to successfully deliver our Spring Elections.

Moc – UMCA Update

Moc has been kept busy marking various Welsh celebration days and collaborating with other Welsh Students' Unions to promote Welsh Week, for which he personally prepared a few videos and information sheets about Welsh Culture. Moc was also part of the panel for the 'Gwobrau Gŵyl Dewi'. Most of his time has been spent preparing for the "Cwpan Her Rhyngol" with Bangor, Swansea and Cardiff, for which he collected all entries from the universities and edited them all into 6 segments which were released on the 31st of March.



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The event was very successful with over a thousand students visiting the page throughout the day. Bangor won the competition with Aberystwyth in 2nd place; such a good idea and a fun day!

Woj – Opps Update

Your Opportunities Officer has been involved over the past months in organisation of the Arts Festival, Varsity 2021, Societies Festival 2021 and AberSU Celebrates. This included: collaborating with Bangor Student's Union to connect their student groups with their counterparts here in Aber, preparing the schedule of the events and advertising the events online. With Celebrates coming up, Woj has been taking part in shortlisting of nominations for the Aber Awards and preparing the Celebrates Showreel. He has also been attending Committee Elections which are taking place throughout April. In addition, there have been a few one-off events including disciplinary cases for students, supporting the creation of some new clubs and societies and arranging a partnership with an external organisation.

Chloe – Academic Affairs

Since February Chloe has been involved with numerous activities. The most significant of which was your new Safety Net policy. She has been working with AU staff to ensure that all students receive a fair safety net after the impact of Covid-19 on their studies. She has also been working with our CEO on focus groups with students to get feedback on this academic year and find out what students have enjoyed about blending learning and which elements have been more difficult. This work will directly shape the university experience next year. Finally, she has been preparing and promoting our Celebrates event which we are all extremely excited about.