Council Report Lucinda Sandon-Allum - Union President

Operations

- Over the past few weeks most of my time has been taken up with the Union budgeting process.
- I have recently attended Althea Imperial Project Final, Reynolds Launch, Imperial Festival and spent time with alumni at the Alumni Weekend.
- o I also took part in the Postgraduate Graduation ceremonies on 4th May congratulations to all our postgraduate graduates!
- Our new Managing Director, Jarlath, started on 9th May. He will be attending the next Council meeting to understand better how our democratic structures work.
- o For the first time Imperial College Council was held at the Union. This gave us an opportunity to tell Imperial's leaders about the many successes of the students and the Union over the course of this academic year. We also took them on a short tour of the Union buildings, showing them some spaces the College has funded e.g. Media basement and Concert Hall.

Objectives

Housing - "Tackle the issue of finding quality, affordable housing in London" After the success of the Move'm campaign last term, I will be aiming to run another campaign in June, just before the end of the academic year. Hopefully, this will remind students about the Move'm service and the benefits it can bring to their housing search over the summer.

I will be helping Student Hub at their 'Find a Flatmate' event, taking place next week (26th May 17:00-19:00).

CSPs - "Deliver new income streams for our Clubs, Societies and Projects"

I have a meeting scheduled with relevant Union staff to organise the Sponsorship event. The date is to be announced, but we are hoping to host an event in late June in the Union building. It will consist of alumni and club presentations on sponsorship, a Q&A session, networking and sponsorship guidance packs.

App - "Produce a simple online platform for students to give their feedback on potential changes that affect them"

Our new Systems Manager started last week. He is helping me to put a plan together to start the physical development of a Union App. We will be going through all the student feedback and producing a time frame for this project. We recognize that this project will take some time, far past my year in office, so I hope my successor will continue with the progress made on this objective.

Women in STEM and Gender Equality - "Work with the College and external organisations to encourage more women to engage in education and research in STEM"

The study commissioned by the College to look at its organisational culture is entering its final phase, which will be an Action Inquiry process. We have had lots of students volunteer to part in this process, becoming 'change agents' for the project. They will be working to improve aspects of the culture at Imperial via discussion groups and panels.

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Community - "Work to create more of a sense of community within the student body"

A lot of time was spent in Spring term trying to organise an International Night (iNight) with the Overseas Societies Committees (OSC). However, due to the lack of interest from students during busy periods of the academic year, the iNight will no longer go ahead. We will be working with the OSC committee and International Officer later in the term to put together a plan of action for an event to take place next year.