Imperial College Union Council Report

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Goals

External Income

- Beauty parade of potential fund managers scheduled, process to finish by the end of April
- Consultation to gauge the extent of the ethical overlay on our investments is in the works
- Due to comprehensive work from the licensed trade managers and the student representation on the panel, the new bar tender contract is predicted to contribute an overall saving to the Union budget compared to the current contract

Sustainability

- Greening Imperial report sent to Provost Board, will be available for all to read soon
- Review of the use of plastic cups and other packaging has been launched with student input in the process

Accessibility

- Infographic to be constructed by 28th April 2018

Operations

Bar Tender Process

- Panel approved by Finance and Risk Board, including student representation in the form of the DPFS, a UC/Student Trustee rep, a bar staff rep and a non-SK rep (me, Claudia Caravello, Marin Tuleu and Rhys Smith respectively)
- Tenders from 10 suppliers received. After presentations from all of them, this was then shortlisted to 5, who were then invited to submit revised tenders.
- Final revised tender documents received on 2nd March
- Most tenders have shown an improvement on the current deal with a focus on savings to the Union and its members, range of products and event support (as identified through the feedback from the House Lager consultation over the Christmas break)
- Process to be concluded by 23rd March

Pay Relativity

- Concluded a review of the different pay levels for student staff and the amounts paid (in anticipation of National Living Wage increase in April)
- This included simplifying the levels from 8 to 4 and standardising them across the Union
- Justification for the necessary skill and supervision at each level has been included in a competency framework
- Recommendations of the review to be sent to Appointments and Remuneration Committee

Chargebox

- A total of 444 devices have been charged through this unit totalling 149 hours of charging
- This is a higher usage than other universities who have a larger unit

Club Budgeting

 This has been a long process and many thanks must go to Tom and the other members of CSPB

Summer Ball

- Bi-weekly planning meetings for this year's Summer Ball
- Acts being finalised and will be released
- Additional focus on Health & Safety at this year's Ball, in line with a conscious effort over the year by the Union in this area, with the hiring of an external consultant

Printer Tender Process

- Involved in College's Printer Tender for the whole of College with presentations from the shortlisted 3 suppliers

Bar Investment

- Consultation to be released to determine the investment of a pot of money from our supplier, AB InBev, on suggestions for areas of investment and final poll. To be done across all 3 sites

If you have any questions about this report or anything else, please feel free to send me an email at the address below or come see me in person in the Union offices

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