

## Imperial College Union Council Report

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### Goals

#### Governance & Democracy review

- The Constitution has now been finished (pending official legal agreement) and is being presented at today's Council.
- In order to ensure the Bye-Laws are fit for purpose, they will be brought to Union Council in May.
- Any recommendations from the Leadership Elections are unlikely to go into the Bye-Laws however the new timeline will allow for this if needed.

#### Wellbeing strategy

- Fintan and I are attending Provosts Board on Friday for the presentation of the Wellbeing Strategy. We have met with almost all members of the Board in advance to emphasise the importance of the strategy and seek their support.

### Operations

Operational tasks of note I have completed recently are as follows:

#### UCU Strikes

- I have continued to liaise with College over the disruptions. I have also expressed the student support for UCU and the request for a refund of fees. The College is not currently planning on refunding students but has agreed to keep this under review.
- College has written to staff as they review pay and benefits for staff across College. I have not been heavily involved in these discussions.
- College has agreed that untaught material will not be examined. We are pressuring them to think about the long term impacts of not teaching students some of the course material although we are yet to have a clear decision from them. This is likely to vary from department to department.

#### ACPA Convention

- I attended the ACPA (American College Personnel Association) Convention in Houston last week. This is a conference for Student Affairs Professionals to come together and share good practice. This gave us an insight into how the US is supporting the student experience and tackling many challenges similar to those we face here. I am in the process of writing up a report of this which will contain recommendations for the Union's work moving forward.

#### Board of Trustees

- We interviewed and, subject to Council ratification, successfully recruited a new Finance & Risk Chair.

As always, I am available in person and via email for any questions you may have on my report or the Union's work.

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