Imperial College Union Council Report

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Goal 1 – Expand Ethos Gym - Complete

Ethos has always had a problem with low capacity. Whilst the recent refurbishment has improved the type, layout and quantities of different types of equipment, it hasn't upped the capacity.

- Proposal put together for expansion of the gym with full costings
- Funding approved, gym will be expanded on ground floor over the next year

Goal 2 – Dedicated Sports Hub

Sport within Imperial is currently incredibly confusing, with student committees regularly not knowing whether to go to Sport Imperial or ICU. Working with volunteers, Sport Imperial and the Sports Board, I'm wanting to create a single place that sports clubs can go to for all their needs within sport. Students would sit at the very top of this to ensure the student body are at the forefront of every decision that is made.

- Framework as to membership and identity has been further developed and taken to CSPB
- A proposed plan as to who would sit on the exec, and the plans as to what the staff frameworks would be around this for their support has been created
- Initial discussions have been taken to CSPB, and a full framework will be brought to the January Union Council for decision
- Financials are currently being researched, to make our sport offering as cheap and accessible as possible across the board for all sports clubs at all levels

Goal 3 – Improve our Union processes and get more bookable space

A lot of our processes are old and take up a considerable amount of student time. I'm tackling storage, budgeting and room bookings early on.

- New annual budgeting system created, focussing on clubs being able to use their budget as a
 working year round document, and grant applications viewed as a supplement to their
 activity as opposed to a necessity once a year.
- Working on room bookings with ICU and college timetabling, to see if the process can be made automatic
- Storage looking at what is available at White City to act as a "long term" storage facility, so ICU storage is only used as day to day

Goal 4 – Create an online CSP Portal

• Currently creating a ticketing system so that when requests come in, they are immediately prioritised and dealt with by the relevant person within the union, removing the unnecessary back and forth. This is not an externally viewed portal for clubs, but rather an internal portal that speeds things up for all students

Goal 5 – Easier, better and more relevant consultation forms

I want to ensure you are involved in all of the key decisions so that we truly understand your needs.

- Student Experience Survey has been revamped, with completely new questions, style and actions that we want out of it to improve both the data collected and what we can do with it
- Firm emphasis on "you said we did" for this year, and any actions that come out of this survey to be heavily marketed for both union and college directorates to start work on
- Survey currently has 2,000 respondents, by further increasing this, the survey could and should be used to shape our direction as a union

Operational Achievements

Significant operational tasks I have completed over the summer period are as follows:

Monday night transport

- Working smoothly, minibuses available in abundance when problems occur
- Transport review due to take place soon as to what the make up of our fleet is

Closing Comments

Please raise any support or concern you may have.

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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