Full Time Officer Report

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**Back to Uni Week**

* The SU has worked with Sodexo and CitySport to deliver a comprehensive range of activities for Back to Uni Week. Highlights include our Re-Freshers Fair where we had 387 students attending, a Games Hub for students and many other events and activities.

**Leadership Project**

* I have been working with the Careers Service and the Inspired Leaders Network to deliver a series of events relating to Leadership. This project was launched on the 31st January where business leaders where in attendance, giving students the opportunities to network and learn from business leaders. These series of events will be going on throughout out the term.
* I will also be working closely with the Vice President Education to deliver the Student Leadership Conference 2017.

**Raising and Giving (RAG)**

* I have been working closely with the SU’s RAG Officer in order to organise the SU’s annual RAG Week. Our first RAG week took place on November 28th to December 2nd. We have had a very successful RAG week in term one, raising £14415.09 for MIND and £209.79 for Breast Cancer Now. This money was agreed to match funded by our local Santander branch.
* I am committed to having two RAG weeks this year, as indicated on my manifesto and have started preparations to deliver this for the second semester.

**Sports Representation:**

* I have been and continue to be involved in the organisation of varsity, which will take place on March 28th and 29th this year against Kinston University London. I will be assisting in developing a hype video for varsity and encouraging students to participate with Varsity.

**Student Media:**

* Student Media has been launched by our Student Media Society. I will be working closely with them to ensure there are publication procedures in place to ensure Student Media can run efficiently and cover legal liability.

**Recruitment:**

* I sat on the panel and successfully recruited for the SU’s Media & Communication role. I ensured the candidate selected encompassed the ethos of the union and will be able to effectively work with and for students.

**Societies**

* I have introduced Society Surgery hours, where this will be an opportunity for Societies to meet with me, discuss any issues and potential ideas.
* I will also be assisting in the planning of our annual Student Union Awards where we will reward societies for their hard work throughout the year.
* I will also be planning with our Societies Coordinator about how we can further retain student societies so they do not fold at the end of the academic year. This will include training on elections and AGM.
* I am in continuous discussions with the university, who are pushing for a poster policy to be introduced. This will have an impact upon societies in the way they promote their activities. Thus I have been meeting with university departments to ensure societies are protected and are able to effectively market their events.
* I have been working with the Societies Coordinator to review the funding process for Societies. This included making rules much more simple to understand with clear guidance on how funding can be attained.

 **Friday Prayers**

* I have been working close with Muslim Faith societies in resolving issues around Friday Prayer. I have been participating in various discussions and supporting their needs by communicating this to the university and advising what actions can be taken by the faith societies.

**Prevent**:

* I have attended various meetings regarding the university’s implementation of it’s prevent strategy. I have been present at those meeting to ensure student views are heard and protected.
* I will also be meeting with members of UCU to come up with ideas about how we can have a say in the university’s prevent implementation and formulate our response to the university’s implantation strategy.

**Late Night Licensees at City Bar:**

* I have had positive discussions with staff members of the university in trying to push going forward with have the return of late night licenses at City Bar. I am happy to announce that we are now in a position where we will be making applications for late night licenses and will have a plan in place to ensure it runs successfully.

**One World Week**

* City is an International university and I will be working with our International Students Officer to celebrate this fact. During One World Week (6th February – 10th February~) we will be launching our #CityIsOpen campaign which aims to celebrate cultural and faith diversity in response to recent political events and scapegoating of immigrants.