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Present: Johnny Dolan, (Chair of Council), Rob Sassoon (Deputy Chair of Council), Anouska Lester (Biosciences), Monicca Maran (Birmingham Business School), Muneeb Akhtar (Chemical Engineering), Antoine Vallatos (Chemistry), Nazakit Mohammed (Civil Engineering), Michael Blank (Clinical and Experimental Medicine), Yusri Hamidi (Computer Science), Hadil Abuwarda (Denistry), Gina Gerstein (Education), Shai Revivo (EEC Engineering), Alex Fenton (English , Drama, American & Canadian), Camilla Be Kare-Silve (GEES), Bryn Gough (Government & Society), Olivia Goodman (Health and Population Sciences), Sophia Miller (History and Infection), Matthew Rolfe (Institute of Archaeology and Antiquity), Carmen Castrillon (Language & Culture, Art, History & Music), Oliver Ingamelis (Mathematics), Ian Kafka (Mechanical Engineering), Jonathan Kenny (Metallurgy & Materials), Sean Farmelo (Philosophy, Theology, Religion), James Kendrick (Physics & Astronomy), Dean Shannon (Psychology), Jamie Hauxwell (Social Policy), Avital Aarons (Sports & Exercises Sciences), David Franklin (Open Place), Eytan Halon (Open Place), Nicola Levy (Open Place), Phil Coombes (Open Place), Simon Furse (Open Place), Tom Defraigne (Open Place), Usamah Khalid (Open Guild), Perry Lee (Aitkin Wing & Chelwood), Vicki Harris (Elgar Court), John Hilliard (FOCSOC), Jessica Sarfas (Hunter Court), Adam Paigge (Maple Bank), Aimee Humphreys (Pritchatts Park), Sam Delacruz (Shackleton), Doug Stewart (Tennis courts), Alice Matthews (Volunteering), Rachel Foreman (LGBT Association), Claire Lister (Disability and Mental Health Students Association), Ben Aylott (Postgraduate Association), Hannah Dadd (Interfaith Association), Zahra Kassamali (Interfaith Association), Josh Henwood (Home Students Association), Erin Lee (Student Parents and Careers Association), Catie Garner (Women's Association), Mma Yeebo-Agoe (Ethnic Minority Students Association, Matt Saull (Drama Mini forum), Chris Bates (Drama Mini forum), Shaima Saif (Religious), Glen Moutrie (Media), Molly Wright (Media), Sam Lear (Departmental), Dave Glenwright (Departmental), Alexandra Tarr (Music and Dance), Tom Howarth (Music and Dance), Ellio Di Muccio (Volunteering), Becca Oakley (Volunteering), Luke Palmer (Indoor), Sophie Mountcastle (Indoor), Daniel Happison (Campaigning), Alice Swift (Campaigning), Konrad Jagodzinski (Cultural and International, Ollie Cosentino (Cultural and International), James Robertson (Outdoor), Joshua Holmes (Outdoor), Gabi Sarofsky (Religious), Zain Ali (Open Place), Ariella Grose (Fresher), Azeema Farooq (Fresher), Anwar Sattar (Postgraduate), Steven Johnson (Postgraduate), Nicola Levy (Open Place), Eytan Halon (Open Place)

In Attendance: Jo Thomas (Chief Executive Officer), Michael Garrett (Director of Membership), Emma Wedge (Representation & Democracy Manager), Will Cooling (Representation Co-ordinator), Andrew Slattery (Trustee), Peter Lewis (Trustee), Mark Harrop (President), Fliss Cross (VPAD), Hugo Sumner (VPDR), Zuki Majuqwana (VPHC), Tim Smith (VPS), Luke Reynolds (VPW), Ben Eliad (ARAFO), Leander Jones (CAO), Jennifer Kirk (DSO), Abby Levy (E&E), Mikayla Jones (HSO), Chris Hutchinson (Student), Max Ramsay (Student), Lindsey Birtles (Student), Harriet Craig (Student), Dale Stevenson (Student)

Apologies: To follow

No	Item for Discussion	Notes	Action
1	Count of Quoracy	<p>A count of Quoracy took place.</p> <p>Guild Council is quorate with 64 members in attendance</p>	
2	Starring of the agenda	<p>The following agenda items were automatically starred</p> <p>3) Approval of Previous Minutes March 11</p> <p>4) Trustee Board</p> <p>6) Officer Questions and Scrutiny</p> <p>7) Communications</p> <p>8) Common Room Redevelopment</p> <p>9) Elections</p> <p>The following agenda items are starred</p> <p>4) Trustee Board Reports</p> <p>5e) Guild Council</p> <p>5f) Steering Committee</p> <p>10b) McCartney Room</p> <p>10e) Bicycle Racks</p> <p>10j) Gender Equality in the Guild</p> <p>10k) NUS Demonstrations</p> <p>There is then a vote to approve all unstarred items.</p> <p>90% Yes 10% No</p> <p>Therefore all unstarred items are approved.</p>	
3	Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting	<p>Johnny Dolan explains that this agenda item is merely for Guild Council to verify the accuracy of the minutes of the previous – not to ratify the decisions taken when sub-quorate. Ratification will be discussed in agenda item 5e).</p> <p>Minutes of the previous meeting accepted</p>	

		<p>(83% Yes to 17% No) with the following amendments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tom Defraime was not a Guild Councillor • Item 4 – Ellen Puddephatt was nominated by Vicky Harris (Elgar Court) • Item 7 – Guild Council voted to uphold Steering Committee's decision not overturn it 	
4	Report from The Trustee Board	<p>Johnny Dolan explains that Guild Council cannot vote on this report as the Trustee Board is not accountable to Guild Council.</p> <p>Alice Swift (Campaigning Mini-Forum) said that Guild Council should be aware of the powers of the Trustee Board's power and how undemocratic it is. She explained that any decision made by Guild Council can be overturned</p> <p>Tom Defraime (Open Place Guild Councillor) asked for the publicising of the email address to students while Tom Defraime asked for the Trustees to publicised around the Guild of Students.</p> <p>Mark Harrop (President) and Hugo Sumner (VPDR) reminded Guild Council that there is an extensive website for the Trustee Board at http://guildofstudents.com/content/189255/your_guild/trustee_board/</p>	
5	Reports	<p>Rob Sassoon steps down from Deputy Chair for the duration of this agenda item</p> <p>5E Guild Council</p> <p>Simon Furse (Open Place) asks for the report to be take in the following parts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report 6 (Guild Council Working Group) • Motion 6 (Officer Disciplinary Policy) • All other items <p>There was no speech against the parts. A vote is held:</p>	

		<p>Yes 81% No 19%</p> <p>All Other Business</p> <p>Rob Sassoon (Deputy Chair) speaks in favour for ratifying all decisions made by Guild Council at its last meeting other than Report 6 and Motion 6.</p> <p>There was no speech against. A vote is held:</p> <p>Yes 92% No 8%</p> <p>All other business is ratified.</p> <p>Motion 6</p> <p>Rob Sassoon (Deputy Chair) speaks in favour of ratifying Motion 6: Officer Disciplinary Policy.</p> <p>Simon Furse (Open Place) speaks against ratifying Motion 6: Officer Disciplinary Policy</p> <p>Simon Furse (Open Place) moves a procedural motion to extend speeches by two minutes.</p> <p>There is no speech against. A vote is held:</p> <p>Yes 65% No 35%</p> <p>Simon Furse (Open Place) continues to speak against ratifying the motion.</p> <p>Rob Sassoon (Deputy Chair) spoke for ratifying the motion</p> <p>Ben Aylott (PGMSA) proposed procedural motion to move straight to the vote. Tim Lucas (No Constituency) speaks against the procedural motion.</p> <p>53% Yes No 47%</p> <p>A vote was held on whether to ratify the previous Guild Council's passing of Motion 6: Officer Disciplinary</p> <p>39% Yes 61% Against</p> <p>The motion is not ratified.</p> <p>Report 6</p>	
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		<p>The Chair request that speech against is made first. Kelly Rogers (Women's Officer) speaks against ratifying the Guild Council Working Group due to report stopping Guild Council from changing Bye-Laws.</p> <p>Robert Sassoon (Deputy Chair) speaks in favour ratifying the Guild Council Working Group, clarifying that Guild Councillors can still propose Bye-Law changes but that an error with the new templates didn't make this clear.</p> <p>A vote is held</p> <p>Yes 89% No 11%</p> <p>5F Steering Report</p> <p>Simon Furse (Open Place) asked for the report to be taken in the following parts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Motion 2 – Bringing The Guild Into Disrepute• Motion 5 – General Meeting• Motion 16 –Amendment to Student Protests• All other decision <p>Ben Aylott (PGSA) speaks against the procedural motion</p> <p>Yes 74% No 26%</p> <p>All Decisions except on Motion 2, Motion 5 and Motion 16</p> <p>Ben Aylott (PGSA) speaks in favour of the bulk of the report</p> <p>No speech against. A vote was held.</p> <p>Yes 97% No 3%</p> <p>This section of the report is ratified</p> <p>Zuki Majuqwana (Vice President Housing and Community) spoke in favour of a procedural motion to move the speeches against parts of the report being approved before speeches in favour.</p> <p>Kelly Rogers speaks against the procedural motion. A vote is held.</p>	
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		<p>Yes 67% No 33%</p> <p>Steering Committee Decision on Motion 2</p> <p>Leander Jones (Community Action Officer) speaks against approving Steering Committee's report about its decision to reject Motion 2 being approved.</p> <p>Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy and Resources) speaks in favour.</p> <p>Simon Furse (Open Place) speaks in favour of procedural motion to move to a vote. No speech against. A vote is held on the procedural motion.</p> <p>Yes 93% No 7%</p> <p>A vote is therefore held on the substantive motion concerning Steering Committee's decision on Motion 2</p> <p>Yes 52% No 48%</p> <p>Steering Committee's decision on the motion is approved.</p> <p>Steering Committee's Decision on Motion 5</p> <p>Leander Jones (Community Action Officer) spoke against approving Steering Committee's report on its decision to reject Motion 5: Holding A General Meeting</p> <p>Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy & Resources) speaks in favour of ratifying steering decision on motion</p> <p>Adam Paige (Maple Bank) in favour of procedural motion to move straight to a vote</p> <p>Hannah Dadd (Inter-Faith Association) speaks against moving straight to the vote.</p> <p>Yes 76% No 24%</p> <p>A vote is therefore held on the substantive motion concerning Steering Committee's decision on Motion 5.</p> <p>Yes 56% No 44%</p>	
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6	Questions and Scrutiny	<p>Johnny Dolan (Chair of Council) announces that the Anti Racism Anti Fascism Officer, Ethnic Minority Students' Officer and Ethical and Environmental Officer have all been censured for not blogging in the allotted time.</p> <p>Claire Lister (DAMSA) asked Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy & Resources) and Jennifer Kirk (Disabled Students' Officer) about why a student had to get a radar key from reception to use a disabled toilet. Jennifer said that such keys are commonly used while Hugo assured Claire that they were happy to discuss the issue further if DAMSA had concerns.</p> <p>Claire also asked why a student received no response to practical questions she asked about the accessible coach to the November 9th demo being provided for disabled students. Jennifer explained that she is working with the student and apologies for any error on the part of the Guild of Students.</p> <p>Samuel Lear (Departmental Mini-Forum) proposes the censure of the President for his unprofessional use of twitter by making personal tweets through his Guild twitter profile.</p> <p>Zuki Majquwana (Vice President Housing and Community) spoke against the censure.</p> <p>Yes 30% No 70%</p> <p>The censure is not approved.</p> <p>Sandhya Trott (No Constituency) asks Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy & Resources) whether he feels the jargon has been taken out of Guild Council, and if not what will he do to achieve this? Hugo says he</p>	<p>VPW and DSO to work with DAMSA to address student concerns on use of radar keys.</p> <p>VPDR to work to prepare Guild Council jargon buster for the next meeting</p>

		<p>had planned to provide Guild Councillors with a jargon buster document but due to staffing issues this was not possible for this meeting. It has however been incorporated into training.</p> <p>Alice Swift (Campaigning Mini-Forum) proposed a censure of Abby Levy (Ethical and Environmental Officer) for poor communication and not sticking to her mandate</p> <p>Zuki Majquwana (Vice President Housing and Community) spoke against censure of Abby Levy (Ethical and Environmental Officer).</p> <p>Yes 45% No 55%</p> <p>The censure is not approved</p> <p>John Hilliard (FOCSOC) and Jessica Sarfas (Hunter Court) asked whether it's acceptable for a non-sabbatical officer to be an employee of Vodbull when RA's are not. Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy & Resources) and Zuki Majquwana (Vice President Housing & Community) explained that as non-sabbatical officers are not involved in organising large-scale social activities the previous judgement of officer teams has been that there is not the same conflict of interest that exists with RAs. But they are happy to look into the issue in more detail and report back to Guild Council.</p> <p>Tim Lucas (No Constituency) asked Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy and Resources) whether the Memorandum and Articles of Association contradict the idea that Guild Council cannot discuss operational issues. Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy and Resources) says he will into this matter and report back to Guild Council.</p> <p>Tim Lucas (No Constituency) asked Zuki Majquwana (Vice President Housing and Community) why the Freshers Pack increased in cost to £2.50 and the other packs to £5 by the Sabbatical Officer Group without consulting Fresher Fest Committee and despite already achieved cost savings. Zuki explained that this decision was taken on the basis of advice that to cover costs they needed to raise the price of the packs.</p> <p>Jessica Sarfas (Hunter Court) asked Zuki</p>	<p>VPHC to investigate whether rules on non-sabbatical officer conflict of interests should be tightened.</p> <p>VPDR to update Guild Council on this issue.</p> <p>VPHC to update Guild Council on the progress of review.</p>
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		<p>that he is currently leading a review to produce a report on this topic for term two. Mark confirmed to Bryn that he will be looking at practice from all HEIs but focusing on Russell Group.</p> <p>Alice Swift (Campaigning Mini-Forum) says that it should be taken into account that just because all universities do something that doesn't mean it's the right thing to do.</p> <p>Amanda Moorghen asked how the review will be feedback to Guild Council and what the propose timeframe is? Mark Harrop (President) said that it will go back to the first Better Forum or Guild Council after it's completed. No firm timeframe for the review as of yet but it will not be completed until the second term.</p> <p>Leander Jones (Community Action Offier) asked whether the review will include an historical analysis about strategies that students' unions have used over the past thirty years. Mark Harrop (President) says it may be looked into but it won't be a major focus.</p> <p>Claire Lister (DAMSA) said that the Open Place Guild Council Election Results and the nature of debate Guild Council shows male dominated nature of Guild democracy. Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy & Resources) and Kelly Rogers (Women's Officer) said that they are happy to look into the issue although Hugo stressed he wanted to look into the gender spread of candidates not winners.</p> <p>Rachael Foreman (LGBTQ) said that gender has no bearing on ability to do your job. Alice Swift (Campaigning Mini-Forum) responded that lack of women participation may undermine women engagement. Kelly Rogers (Women's Officer) says that best practice says there should be a quota but first the number of female candidates must be increased.</p> <p>Simon Furse (Open Place) asked what the President is doing to fight against fees and cuts and recent higher education white paper. Mark Harrop (President) said he had a really constructive discussion with students on the November 9th demo. One of the suggestions raised was to hold educational events to ensure students are better informed about the</p>	<p>VPDR and WO to investigate gender spread of election candidates and how to better encourage female students to stand in Guild Elections.</p> <p>President to continue to identify ways to best involve students in higher education campaigning.</p>
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		<p>issues surrounding higher education.</p> <p>He explained that to ensure the Guild of Students is aware of any impending cuts, at the moment each Vice President sits on College committees and the President on University committees where those decisions would be made. At the moment no Vice President has received any information through the Colleges about the University planning to cut funding for departments although he has worked with a Senate Rep about cuts to a particular course. He stresses that the University invited the Guild to more and more meetings to discuss the student experience.</p> <p>Amanda Moorghen asked whether the National Student Survey is causing the university to misprioritise. Mark Harrop (President) responded that the NSS actually helps the Guild's lobbying efforts on issues such as exam feedback and essay deadlines. The Guild compliments this by producing the Student Voice Report, a report on the student experience based on not just the NSS but also feedback from Student Reps and other students.</p> <p>Kelly Rogers (Women's Officer) asked whether student groups will be involved in running the seminars. Mark Harrop (President) explained that he has yet to clarify how they will be organised and is gathering best practice from Leeds and Nottingham. Mark explained that the level of student input will vary depending on the nature of the issue and how officers interact with university committees. Mark said that he is happy to look into better involving Student Reps</p> <p>Adam Paigge (Maple Bank) asked Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy & Resources) if the new Guild policy document is available and how it's being communicated. Hugo responded by saying that the Beliefs and Commitments Document is now available online and has been communicated through the usual social networking channels.</p> <p>Alex Fenton (English, Drama, American and Canadian Studies) asked Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy & Resources) how much of their election budgets Guild Councillor</p>	
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		<p>Election Candidates had spent. Hugo answered that they spent £539 out of a possible £1,260,000.</p> <p>Steven Johnson (Postgraduate) congratulated Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy & Resources) on the increased turnout and asked why he thought it had increased. Hugo answered that the reason was a combination of the increase in the number of candidates and moving voting online.</p> <p>Matthew Rolfe (Institute of Archaeology and Antiquity) asked about intra-league sport and the difference between male soccer (£200) and female soccer (£100). Time Smith (Vice President Sport) said that he will look into the issue.</p> <p>Ben Aylott (PGSA) asked about students being charged income tax whilst writing up and international postgraduates being forced into expensive university accommodation when private accommodation is cheaper. Mark Harrop (President), Luke Reynolds (Vice President Welfare) and Zuki Mujquwana (Vice President Housing and Community) explained that the issue is a mess due to councils changing the goal posts. Mark said that he is currently discussing with the NUS PG Rep about the national issue. Zuki explained that in regards of accommodation he is working to reduce hall fees and increase the profile of the SHAC and lettings agency.</p> <p>Tim Lucas (No Constituency) asked about writing up fees increasing from £125 to £160. Mark Harrop (President) said he would get back to him.</p> <p>Tom Petrie (No Constituency) asked Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy & Resources) about the facebook forums and unproductive comments on them. Hugo acknowledged that there had been poor comments on the forums and agreed that this undermines constructive debate. Hugo suggested he may post a terms of reference</p>	<p>VPS to look into price differential for intra-league soccer.</p> <p>President to continue to investigate problems surrounding council tax status for postgraduate researchers whilst writing up and VPHC to investigate any problems surrounding postgraduate housing.</p> <p>President to respond to proposer about issues surrounding writing-up fees.</p> <p>Hugo Sumner to create 'Terms of Reference' for each online forum after consulting with members.</p>
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		<p>for each forum after a debate amongst to reach a consensus on what is acceptable.</p> <p>Tom also asked Hugo to expand on the information in his report about an RA being removed from his position. Hugo explained that he cannot do so confidentially.</p> <p>Simon Furse (Open Place) asked about inaccurate comments made by Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy and Resources) in Guild Councillor Training. Hugo apologized if he spoke in error. Simon also asked for more information to be provided in Guild Councillor training on Guild Council's place in the organisational structures</p> <p>Glen Moutre (Media Mini-Forum) spoke for the censure of the Guild President for requesting that a picture in Redbrick have details obscured at late notice.</p> <p>Mark Harrop (President) speaks against the censure.</p> <p>Yes 43% No 57%</p> <p>Censure is not approved.</p> <p>Bryn Gough (Government and Society) asked for information about when the investigation into the Vice President Education will be concluded. Luke Reynolds (Vice President Welfare) and Mark Harrop (President) explained that the investigation has concluded but the process continues. To a point of clarification they confirmed that a disciplinary panel has been convened.</p> <p>Amanda Moorghen asks for more information about the disciplinary panel and its procedures, and when its business will be concluded. Tim Smith (Vice President Sport) explained that he can only talk about what is in the policy and suggested people read the Officer Disciplinary Policy.</p> <p>Simon Furse (Open Place) asked about the Guild Officer team efforts to review and improve the Guild Officer Disciplinary Policy. Tim Smith (Vice President Sport) and Mark Harrop (President) said that they will take the document away and work to bring it back to</p>	
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		<p>Guild Council.</p> <p>Antonine Vallatos (Chemistry) asked why democratically elected representatives cannot receive more information about the issues at hand. He also that even if doing so was against employment law then why not break it? Mark Harrop (President) stressed in response that the Sabbatical Officer Team will not break the law.</p> <p>Mma Yeebo-Agoe (Birmingham Ethnic Minority Association) asked when the disciplinary panel will meet. Tim Smith (Vice President Sport) and Mark Harrop (President) said that it will meet shortly but they are bound by people's timetables.</p> <p>Francis Bunce spoke for a procedural motion to move to the next agenda item. Amanda Moorghen (No Constituency) spoke against procedural motion.</p> <p>Yes 80% No 20%</p>	
7	Communications	Guild Members updated Guild Council on issues of interest.	
8	Common Room Redevelopment	<p>Hugo Sumner (Vice President Democracy & Resources) and Fliss Cross (Vice President Activities and Development) introduced Common Room Redevelopment proposal and the associated measures to mitigate impact on student groups through redevelopment of the basement. Hugo then explained that the Officer Team was looking for a steer from Guild Council on whether the redevelopment of the basement was sufficient to replace the Common Room as a bookable space for Student Groups.</p> <p>Tim Lucas (No Constituency) asked if Hugo could talk about the common room development. Hugo explained the Costa offer and associated offer from the University for the development of a new computer cluster inside the Guild.</p> <p>Adam Paigge (Maple Bank) asked if the Costa Coffee would take the entire common room. Fliss answer that a third of the space would be taken up by a new computer cluster and two thirds a Costa Coffee Shop.</p> <p>Erin Lee (Student Parents and Carers</p>	

	<p>Association) said that by taking the Common Room away the Guild would be taking something away from students who don't use spaces such as Joe. Hugo says that market research shows that such a coffee shop would best meet the needs of such students.</p> <p>David Franklin (No Constituency) asked how the money would be reinvested into the Guild. Hugo said that there would be a lease that would go to for the Guild.</p> <p>Chris Bates (Drama and Performance Mini-Forum) congratulates both officers for the efforts they've done to redevelop the basement space into a drama rehearsal room and supports the proposal.</p> <p>Molly Wright (Media) asked whether the Guild could bring in an independent coffee shop rather than a branded chain. Hugo explained that such an approach would increase the risk to the Guild.</p> <p>Phil Coombes (Open Place) asked for a timeframe for the redevelopment. Hugo said that it would take term two for the basement space to be redeveloped and then the Easter holiday would see the Costa Coffee would be built.</p> <p>Alexander Tarr (Music and Dance) asked whether the Common Room would be usable by dance societies in the future. Fliss said that it couldn't be used in the same ways as currently even when the shop was closed due to the issue of noise disturbing people using the computers.</p> <p>Luke Palmer (Indoor Activities Mini-Forum) suggested that if the coffee shop was a Guild franchise then it would create more opportunities for students to work part-time. Hugo responded that with Costa all students other than management will be students.</p> <p>Julian asks what the role of Guild Council is in this decision? Hugo says that its to provide a general steer and specific feedback.</p> <p>Ben Eliad (Anti-Racism Anti-Fascism Officer) asked whether the dance studio would be available to all student groups. Fliss said that</p>	
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		<p>roombookings is under review but all student groups will have access to rooms.</p> <p>Josh Henwood (HAS) said that the Common Room provides a quiet space for home students to work and get away from the noise. Fliss and Hugo said that they will look into how students can use the new space for work.</p> <p>Chris Hutchinson asked for information about how the money generated will be used. Hugo answered that he cannot go into specifics but all lease money will be reinvested into the Guild.</p> <p>Kelly Rogers (Women's Officer) asked why the Guild cannot run a coffee shop when it successfully runs a bar. She notes the negative feedback to the proposal at Student Groups Forum. Fliss answered that because she is so committed to getting student feedback she has worked closely to address issues raised and brought it back to Guild Council.</p> <p>Tim Lucas (No Constituency) asked whether the Guild could lose money on this deal. Hugo answered that it could. He also asked whether the computer cluster would be separate from the shop. Hugo answered yes. He then asked whether the Guild can assure students that associations won't lose rooms. Hugo answered no. Lastly he asked whether it's true that the dance studio would always have been redeveloped. Hugo explained that it would have been redeveloped but not as quickly as now planned.</p> <p>Alice Swift (Campaigning Mini-Forum) asked why guild council can't discuss commercial issues. Hugo explained that it is beyond Council's authority.</p> <p>A vote was held on whether Guild Council should provide a steer to the Sabbatical Officer Group in favour of the redevelopment proposals</p> <p>Yes 60% No 40%</p> <p>Therefore Guild Council gave a positive steer for the redevelopment of the Common Room.</p>	
9	Elections		
9s	Elections	Carmilla De Kare Silver was elected as First Year	

	Committee	Representative on Elections Committee	
9b	Good Governance	Rob Sassoon was elected as the Guild Council representative on Good Governance working group	
9c	Appointments Panel	Rob Sassoon and Tom Defraine were elected as the Guild Council representatives on Appointments Panel	
9d	Ethical and Environmental Working Group	Alice Swift and Sean Farmelo were elected as Guild Council representatives on Ethical and Environmental Working Group.	
10	Motions		
10B	McCartney Room	Motion is deferred to the next meeting as requested by the proposer	
10E	Bicycle Racks	Motion is carried on a vote with 100% of Guild Council voting in favour	
10J	Gender Equality In The Guild	Amended motion is carried on a vote with 74% voting in favour, 16% against and 10% abstained.	
10K	NUS Demonstrations	Amended motion is carried on a vote that saw 48% vote in favour, 44% against and 8% abstained.	