# Liverpool Hope Students’ Union

# AGM 2018

# 1st May 2018 12noon LTCA

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| In Attendance: | |
| Members | Staff |
| Jack Johnson (Chair and President) | Ruth Dalton (General Manager) |
| Feidhelm Doolin (Vice President Education) | Steve Cox (Student Activities & Engagement Coordinator) |
| Sarah Doyle (Chair of Executive Council) |  |
| Roisin Finnegan |  |
| Joel Clarke |  |
| Sophie Hewitson |  |
| Tori Warde |  |
| Hannah Fleming |  |
| Courtmey Rose Vanblydenstein |  |
| Anna Chick |  |
| Jessica Willis |  |
| William Martin |  |
| Sam Olle |  |
| Kerri Charsley |  |
| Gabrielle Wordsworth |  |
| Gemma Sparkes |  |
| Shannon Stuart |  |
| Safi Ford |  |
| Rebecca Ihekwe |  |
| Charlotte Scully |  |
| Ashley Blood |  |
| Alex Jones |  |
| Hollie Kenney |  |
| Alex Lind |  |
| Rachel Hepple |  |
| Tia Prior |  |
| Francesca Callander |  |
| Danta Al Maher |  |
| Jess Boardman |  |
| Alice Richmond |  |
| Charlotte Walmsley |  |
| Emma Sharpe |  |
| Georgia James |  |
| Katie Graham |  |
| Ethein Kelly |  |
| Niamh Lockhart |  |
| Harriet Matchett |  |
| Michael Browne |  |
| Robert Jones |  |
| Stephanie Stamp |  |
| Luke Denham |  |
| Hannah Ritchie |  |
| Sam North |  |
| Luke Skilbeck |  |
| Harry Marston |  |
| Rory Howard |  |
| Alicia Johnson |  |
| Kate Caley |  |
| Emma Little |  |
| Jess Carberry |  |
| Bethany Bowe |  |
| Mia Thornton |  |
| Lois Proctor |  |
| Hannah Bell |  |
| Libby Biwet |  |
| Nia Lyimo |  |
| Abigail Swift |  |
| Elliot Woodcock |  |
| David Berrisford |  |
| Josh Evans |  |
| Barbara Rubio |  |
| Carly Colburn |  |
| Olivia Mccormack |  |

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| **No.** | **Agenda Item** |
| 1 | **Chair’s Announcements:**  JJ welcomed everyone to LHSU’s AGM 2018 and explained the format of the meeting.  61 students were in attendance, and 2 Sabbatical Officers, and the meeting was therefore quorate. |
| 2 | **Minutes from the last meeting**  Minutes from LHSU’s AGM 2017 [can be found here](https://www.hopesu.com/main-menu/your-su/how-we-re-run/annual-general-meetings/agm-2017) |
| 3 | **Matters Arising**  None |
| 4 | **Trustee’s Annual Report**  JJ, as Chair of the Trustee Board, presented the Trustee’s Annual Report, which included a reminder of the Union’s values and objectives, and a KPI update  There were no further questions. |
| 5 | **Financial Report**  FD, as Chair of the Finance and Audit Sub-Committee of the Trustee Board, presented the Financial Report, which included a presentation of the Financial Accounts for 2016-2017.  AGM unanimously approved, by a show of hands, the proposal for the Trustee Board to review the appointment of Independent Examiners for 2017 and implement a tender process to find a more competitive quote.  There were no further questions. |
| 6 | **Sabbatical Officer Report**  JJ presented the President’s Report  FD presented the Vice President Education’s Report  There were no further questions. |
| 7 | **Executive Council Report**  Sarah Doyle, as the Chair of Executive Council, presented the Executive Council Report.  There were no further questions. |
| 8 | **Affiliations**  AGM unanimously approved, by show of hands, the approval of the following affiliations:   * National Union of Students * British College Universities Sports (BUCS) * Liverpool FA Club Affiliation * Rugby Referees Registration * Gaelic Athletic Association * England Hockey * Basketball England * Advice UK * Child Poverty Action Group * National Homelessness Advisory Service * UK Council for International Student Affairs   It was highlighted that the Rugby Football Union was missing from this list. AGM unanimously approved, by show of hands, the approval of this affiliation. |
| 9 | **Motion A: Gender Neutral Toilets**  This motion was proposed by Kerri Charsley.  **“**This union notes:   * Liverpool hope’s values include to be open, accessible and inclusive and to be a community of communities and it’s time for the hope community to step up for the transgender community * This Union Believes: * The lack of facilities within this university is atrocious and above all else behind on the times. * Universities ranging from Oxford, Northampton to Dublin have gender neutral toilets so why shouldn’t Hope * 9 toilets in the Eden building isn’t enough for all of campus * This union resolves: * The entire Students union to push for toilets within each building to be changed into gender neutral and any new building to be built within the future to contain at least one block of gender neutral toilets.”   KC presented this motion.  Clarification was sought as to whether this motion was resolving the Union to push for all toilets within each building to be gender neutral. Concerns were raised about those students, particularly those belonging to faith groups, who may feel uncomfortable using a gender-neutral toilet.  KC confirmed that the motion was resolving the Union to push for a set of gender neutral toilets within each building, rather than all toilets being gender neutral.  An amendment was requested, and approved by a majority by show of hands, which clarified that the motion was resolving the Union to push for a set of gender neutral toilets within each building, rather than all toilets being gender neutral.  A vote was taken by paper ballot.  Votes for: 62  Votes against: 5  Abstain: 1  Refer to Executive Council for further discussion: 0  This motion was passed. |
| 10 | **Motion B: Gender Neutral Changing Rooms**  This motion was proposed by Kerri Charsley.  **“**This union notes:   * Liverpool hope’s values include to be open, accessible and inclusive and to be a community of communities and it’s time for the hope community to step up for the transgender community * This Union Believes: * The lack of inclusivity to be ridiculous and once again behind on the times. It goes against the Universities policy and will affect recruitment of future students * This union resolves: * The entire Students union to push for facilities with each building to be inclusive of all by having gender neutral changing rooms and to encourage the sports hall to do the same.”   KC presented this motion.  Clarification was sought as to whether this motion was resolving the Union to push for all changing rooms to be gender neutral or whether there would still be provision for men’s and women’s changing rooms. KC confirmed that the motion was resolving the Union to push for gender neutral changing rooms in addition to men’s and women’s changing rooms.  A vote was taken by paper ballot.  Votes for: 49  Votes against: 10  Abstain: 0  Refer to Executive Council for further discussion: 3  This motion was passed. |
| 11 | **Motion C: Dental Dams**  This motion was proposed by Kerri Charsley.  “This union notes:   * Liverpool hope’s values include to be open, accessible and inclusive to all * This Union Believes: * It isn’t enough just to have condoms available, Dental dams should also be available for all. These aren’t just for lesbian couples but should be as available as condoms. * This union resolves: * The student’s union to supply both dental dams and condoms to the students and that any education given on safe sex should include dental dams as well.”   KC presented this motion.  There was no further discussion of this motion and no further information was provided.  A vote was taken by paper ballot.  Votes for: 52  Votes against: 6  Abstain: 2  Refer to Executive Council for further discussion: 2  This motion was passed. |
| 12 | **Motion D: Part-time Transgender Plus Officer**  This motion was proposed by Kerri Charsley.  “This union notes:   * Liverpool hope’s values include to be open, accessible and inclusive and to be a community of communities and it’s time for the hope community to step up for the transgender community * This Union Believes: * It isn’t enough to have just an LGBT+ officer alone due to the fact that not all LGBT officers will be Transgender and so won’t understand the full extent of what Transgender students will go through and won’t be able to speak for their experience. * This union resolves: * At the next part-time officer elections for there to be not only an LGBT+ officer but also for a Transgender + officer, in order to be fully inclusive.”   KC presented this motion. KC acknowledged that she would have no problem with this motion being sent to Executive Council. FD expanded that LHSU would like to conduct a review of Part-Time Officers to ensure that all groups are represented at Executive Council.  A vote was taken by paper ballot.  Votes for: 45  Votes against: 5  Abstain: 0  Refer to Executive Council for further discussion: 11  This motion was passed. |
| 13 | **Motion E: More Mental Health Resources**  This motion was proposed by Kerri Charsley.  “This union notes:   * Liverpool hope’s values include to be open, accessible and inclusive * This Union Believes: * One week of activities isn’t enough in order to help reduce Mental Health and these events don’t end the stigma behind Mental Health problems as they don’t always educate individuals * The current individuals in charge of the events need more support and resources * This union resolves: * The entire Students union to push for more Mental Health days and when setting these days up that they communicate effectively with Student wellbeing and the SEN department in order to run events which will make a difference.”   KC presented this motion.  There was no further discussion of this motion and no further information was provided.  A vote was taken by paper ballot.  Votes for: 55  Votes against: 4  Abstain: 0  Refer to Executive Council for further discussion: 1  This motion was passed. |
| 14 | **Any Other Business**  There was no further business. |

Chair closed the meeting.

Date, time and venue of next meeting TBC.