



KE Meeting 9

Minutes

Date: 17th April, 2017

Time: 18:10

Venue: KSU Boars Room

Attendance:

Present:

Martina Miggiani	Rebecca Stoner
Sean Ellul	Gabriella Sutton
Patrick Gatt	Steph Dalli
Jacob Portelli	Omar Shamala
Martina Camilleri	Nico Muscat
Jean Claude Scicluna	Dirk Urpani
Matthew Pulis	Valeriya Bonkovaa
Nathan Grech	

Excused:

Martina Cutajar	Francesco Refalo
Michael Piccinino	Denis Muscat
Alex Hili	Sinclair Bugeja
Bernard Micallef	Shanice Borg
Ryan Falzon	Kaitlyn Byrne

Absent:

Clayton Axisa	Manuel Xuereb (PG)
Daniel Vella	Dylan Gauci

Maria Katrina Azzopardi	Mark Borg
Tracey Sammut	Chantelle Abela
Nicholas Karl Buttigieg	Tiziana Gatt
Bernine Caruana	Rachel Cauchi
Martha Marie Bartolo	Dylan Mercieca
George Zamit Montebello	Maria Dimech
Julian Bonello(PG)	Keith Vassallo
Cody Galea	Alexander Clayman
Elizabeth Camilleri	John Montebello
Isabelle Kniestedt	Nigel Xuereb Said
Eman Mifsud	Anthony David Brincat
Terry Duca	Meverick Spiteri
Andrew Pisani	Deandra Cutajar
Nicole Tabone	Mark Borg
Maria Azzopardi	Neville Decelis
Anabel Muscat	Elizabeth Borg Cardona
Matthew Galea	Francesca Zammit
Yacopo Luigi Baldacchino	Martina Camilleri
Mevrick Spiteri	David Mallia
Noemi Said	Amy Christina Slater

1. Approval of Agenda – Approved nemo con.
2. Approval of Minutes – Approved nemo con.
3. Arising Matters out of Minutes

There were no matters arising out of the minutes of the previous meeting.

4. Placement Feedback Form

At the beginning of the year the KE was asked for feedback about the placement forms. The feedback form which is general for all courses is now available online to be shared with students of the different faculties of the student representatives. The form also includes a section which provides feedback for the tutor. Any feedback on the form is welcome.

5. Update Regarding KSU Education Working Group



Last meeting Alex Clayman from PNP gave a presentation and a working group was started. The group met recently and an update was given. It was decided that an announcement will be made that a group has been started and a meeting with the minister has been set up. When discussing the issue in the working group it was noted that there was different information given to different groups of students.

6. University Act Proposal

The university released a new act for consultation. A number of recommendations were made, speaking about a high level improvement in the education system, with an overview of what they would like to apply. Steph Dalli was invited to the press conference and they would like to hear what the students think. She will be starting a meeting to gather feedback from the organisations and the proposers. Omar Shamala would like for more to be included which might empower students more and give them more of a decision making role. The senate, council and faculty board currently exist, they would like to include another two boards – one about strategy and one about governance. Omar Shamala would like students to be involved in these boards. Martina Miggiani suggested a thread on a google group, and all members of KE can make suggestions, proposals and this can be proposed. She also suggested a debate about it. Patrick Gatt was as in a subcommittee which tackled the education act, whose aim was to do away with it and implement the university act. The individual institution would have its own act. The SC had proposed its own recommendations as KSU, he will forward it to Martina to be circulated. He is unaware whether this was passed on to administration. Omar also suggests that in this debate we can promote the recognition of student activism. Dirk Urpani points out that this recognition needs to be validated. He added that at the national youth council, it was discussed about how this is going to be done, classifying skill sets achieved etc. He suggests that perhaps a type of reference letter could be provided. Valeriya Bonkova suggested a working group be set up – volunteers included Steph Dalli, Gaby Sutton, Nico Muscat, Matthew Pulis, Jacob Portelli, Omar Shamala, Valeriya Bonkova, Martina Camilleri and Sean Ellul. A working group will be set up and this act will be discussed. Dirk Urpani suggests a round table not debate, to be more focussed.

7. The KSU AGM

Next Wednesday 26th at 12pm the KSU AGM will be taking places, all the KE are encouraged to attend.



8. Other matters

- Resit Exam Schedule

Jean Claude Scicluna explained that a number of students in fifth year medicine failed an exam, and the resit will be in September, this would mean that students would have to miss out on 3 months of work, or a year depending on where they applied. Furthermore, the exam time did not correspond with the number of credits – Dirk Urpani suggested we ask for the resit to be first sit for this. Patrick Gatt suggested that these students could bring it up at senate as was done before, but Dirk Urpani pointed out that this was a special circumstance and this loop hole was closed. However, he suggests that this can be brought up as a special circumstance anyway. Matthew Pulis suggests students have the option to sit the resit in June or September. Jean Claude Scicluna will bring it up at Faculty Board tomorrow.

The meeting was adjourned at 19:00hrs

Martina Miggiani, KSU Education Commissioner

Rebecca Stoner, KSU Education Coordinator