

The University of Chichester Students Union

Annual General Meeting

19th November 2013, 16:00
Mitre Lecture Theatre, BOC

1. **Welcome and Apologies**

The Annual general Meeting of University of Chichester Students' Union was not quorate so no votes will be taking place today.

2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The Minutes of the Previous Annual General Meeting held on the 9th November 2012 were approved to be a true and accurate record of events with no matters arising and no questions coming from the membership.

3. **Agenda**

The Agenda was accepted for this meeting.

4. **Announcements**

4.1 By-Election – UCSU recently held a by-election which saw the successful election of Six new officers to the Executive Committee and Student Senate. There is currently only one position remaining to be filled, that of Post Graduate Trustee. A By-Election will be held in the near future for this position.

The Successful candidates were:

Executive Committee

Environmental Officer

Martha Simmons

Student Senate

Postgraduate Officer

Sarah Shepherd

Chichester Campus Officer

Robbie McIlwrack

Part Time & Mature Students' Officer

Tim Hogarth

Open Portfolio Officer

Sophie Thomas

Open Portfolio Officer (First Year)

Sarah-Louise Boulding

5. **Financial Accounts**

Chair of Senate invited Anne Elliott the Finance Manager (FM) to address the AGM.

FM was delighted to report that the audited financial accounts were approved by the board of trustees on 18th October 2013, with nothing of note to report to AGM.

There were no objections to this or any questions fielded from the floor with regards to the financial report.

AGM would like to accept the financial report.

6. **Appointment of Auditors**

UCSU will again be appointing Crowe Clark Whitehill as this year's auditors. The audit will take place during August/September 2014.

There were no objections fielded to this proposal and UCSU looks forward to working with Crowe Clark Whitehill in the coming year.

7. Union Affiliations

The following proposals were given to the meeting and were met with no objections and were approved by AGM.

- UCSU proposes to remain affiliated to The National Union of Students (NUS)
- UCSU proposes to remain affiliated to The National Union of Students Services Ltd (NUSSL)
- UCSU proposes to remain affiliated to British University College Sports (BUCS)

8. Presidents Report

The UCSU President addressed AGM giving a brief presentation on this year's successes and plans for next academic year. The President started by highlighting the difficulties UCSU has faced this academic year due to the long term illness of the General Manager and would like to thank Anne Elliott the Finance Manager for their continuing hard work and support that they have provided to the President and the Vice President.

The President also thanked all of the Union Support staff for their continued expertise and enthusiasm in ensuring that the Unions aims and objectives can be met, facing each challenge as a team. A special mention must go to all of the Student Staff and Volunteer Officers for their contributions and support over the past six months, ensuring the student body get the very best student experience whilst in Chichester. This team work has enabled the Union to get through this difficult time and to see an increase in services offered amid ever increasing demands on resources.

The report can found as appendix 1 at the end of these minutes.

The President would also like it noted that when giving the presentation they accidentally omitted to mention the success and achievements of the societies Federation President and their committee. This was an error and full details of their achievements can be found in the report.

9. Motions

No Motions were submitted to this year's AGM.

10. Any Other Business

9.1 "I'm a Chi Uni Student..." – The student survey carried out for this year's AGM has been very popular with over numerous contributions for ideas and concerns from the student body.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The Next meeting will be held in Semester 1 of the next Academic Year, Venue to be confirmed