

Board of Management Students, Staff & Equalities Committee

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1. Recommendations

The Committee is asked to note the Students' Association update.

Work area	Progress
Shaping the Life and Work of the College	
College Board and Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Students' Association Presidential Team have been present at all meeting of the Board of Management and its Committees so far. At the October Board Planning Day, the Student President presented a video highlighting the experiences of a diverse range of students.
Regional Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Student President has convened two meetings of the Glasgow Colleges' Regional Student Executive – a forum that brings together the elected student representatives of Glasgow' three colleges. The Director of Student Experience was invited to address the GCRSE to update student representatives on developments around attendance policy. The Student President has also attended the first meeting of the Regional Board.
My Student Experience Questionnaire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Students' Association supported the promotion of the My Student Experience Questionnaire by sending representatives to talk to classes with low response rates. All Class Reps have been emailed to promote the dissemination of the Questionnaire results.
Class Representative Induction, Training and Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information about electing Class Reps for January start classes will be sent out to staff and students in the week beginning 14th January. New Class Rep Training dates have been organised for the start of February for both students starting in January and students who could not attend in October. Faculty based Think Tank session will take place in the week beginning 21st January.
Faculty Representatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty Representative elections took place from 5th-8th November and 10 of the 12 positions (three per Faculty) have been filled.
Teaching Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A paper has been produced outlining the proposal for student-led teaching awards to be introduced within the College. The paper will be submitted to the first meeting of the new Student Academic Experience Committee.
Governance and Democracy	
National Union of Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Five members of the Executive Committee attended the NUS Scotland Zone Conference on November 22nd to contribute to the strategic and political direction of the student movement in Scotland. Themes included student mental health, Brexit and students' association funding. The Student President will be attending a Presidents Summit at the Scottish Parliament on 29th January where the Minister for FE, HE & Science, Richard Lochhead will be in attendance also.

Student Representative Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The next SRC meeting will be taking place on the 18th January. The SRC is comprised of the Executive Committee of the Students' Association and the Faculty Representatives.
Presidential Team Elections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The nominations for the Presidential Team elections will open on 28th January until 15th February.
Aware and Active Student	
Societies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are 11 active student-led societies (9 at City and 2 at Riverside). As it stands, there are more societies than ever before and for the first time we have been able to offer societies at the Riverside Campus.
Sports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Students' Association continues to work in partnership with the Sports Coordinator to deliver a programme of recreational and competitive sporting activities with 5 recreational clubs and 5 competitive teams running throughout the week. The Students' Association is supporting the work of the College to gain the Scottish Student Sport accreditation – College Sport Award.
Healthy Body, Healthy Mind	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are aiming to build on the success of last year's five star award and retain our accreditation. This year we intend to run more events and campaigns including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with our fellow Glasgow colleges to offer a regional wellbeing event. Sports taster sessions for Supported Learning students. Weekly smoking cessation clinics. A new filter has been added to the MyCity calendar to make access to HBHM events easier.
Student Mental Health Agreement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Students' Association continue to work in partnership with the Mental Health Coordinator to develop the Student Mental Health Agreement.
Be Inspired	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our annual conference for Class Representatives took place on Thursday 6th December 2018 in the Lecture Theatre. The guest speakers included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brian Costello, NLP Coach, HeadStrong Emily Yates, Accessibility Consultant and Travel Writer Molly Hughes, Motivational Speaker and Mountaineer Chris Dinwoodie, Magician and Comedian A total of 100 students attended this event.
Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In November, we continued to promote our 'It's Your City' campaign to encourage students to respect our College and our neighbours by being considerate when eating in College, smoking and parking near our campuses.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Executive Committee continue to be active with our 'SA on Campus' events which take place on both campuses and in the evening to ensure that we can engage with as many different groups of students as possible.
Charitable Fundraising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Students' Association raised £394.69 at our charity event on World Mental Health Day which was split between PTSD UK and See Me. The Executive Committee have voted to adopt See Me as our charity of the year to coincide with the work we are doing around student mental health. The Students' Association have also given £747.95 to events students who are running charitable events as part of their course. We will be recording the amount of money these students raise in order to measure the impact of this funding. Our 'Raise It' charity introduced the 'Sock It' initiative where 140 socks, filled with essential items for those affected by homelessness, were donated for the Lodging House Mission.
Sustainable Resources	
Finances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students' Association spending is in line with budget at this point in the year. The Students' Association have surpassed our target of generating £4,000 of income and have so far raised £5,305.80 comprised of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> £3,700 from Freshers' stalls £698 from Freshers' event ticket sales £907.80 from NUS Extra Card sales (to date)
Executive Committee Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As part of the continued development of our Executive Committee, we are planning to develop a module on Moodle which will help to build the independence and capacity by making information about how to effectively perform their roles easily accessible.
Website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The new Students' Association website is due to launch at the end of January. The new website offers a clean new design with improved accessibility for all users. The website will allow us to better understand the variety in engagement levels for different groups of students and send targeted communications.
Students' Association Space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following the removal of the games consoles, work has now been completed to remove the furniture that housed them. Initially the new space will be used to showcase the work of students and going forward it offers the Students' Association more flexibility in the events and activities we offer.
Value and Impact	
Strategic Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Student President and the Executive Committee have agreed that in order for the Students' Association to continue to develop and offer more to our students we will produce a Strategic Plan for the Students' Association.

Green Impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NUS are set to launch the new guidance for Green Impact Colleges soon and we are looking forward to taking part and earning our first Green Impact Award. • The bottle swap campaign started in December 2018 where students are encouraged to swap their disposable water bottles for reusable bottles and 5,000 will be distributed to our students.
Quality Students' Unions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Students' Association have confirmed that we will take part in the first ever cohort of Scottish colleges aiming to achieve the Quality Students' Unions Award. • We expect to begin this work early in 2019 once NUS have launched the new criteria.
Student Partnership Agreement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first round of student ideas for the Student Partnership Agreement were gathered in October 2018. • The first topic, linked to Aim 6 of the Learning Experience Strategy, was: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What can the college do to help you stay motivated and support your own wellbeing? ○ Think of the services the college already provides, do you think these could be promoted differently? Consider what you already do yourself to stay focused on your studies, could this be shared with other students? • From the first meeting of the City Partnership Forum there were agreements made that the College would look at the usage of open classrooms and the Students' Association would address greater provision of social events and investigate discounted parking for students.