



KE Meeting 5

Minutes

Date: 29th November, 2016

Time: 18:10 hrs

Venue: KSU Boardroom

Attendance:

Present:

Martina Miggiani	Jacob Portelli
Rebecca Stoner	Ryan Falzon
Omar Shamala	Nico Muscat
Denis Muscat	Jean Claude Scicluna
Daniel Vella	Shanice Borg
Dylan Gauci	Cody Galea
Gabriella Sutton	

Excused:

Kaityln Byrne	Michael Piccinino
Gayle Lynn Callus	Alexander Hili
Martina Cutajar	Martina Camilleri
Valeriya Bonkova	

Absent:

Clayton Axisa	Manuel Xuereb (PG)
Patrick Gatt (PG)	Mark Borg
Maria Katrina Azzopardi	Chantelle Abela
Duncan Muscat (PG)	Brenda Lee Cutajar (PG)
Tracey Sammut	Luke Young
Monique Dimech Genius	Rachel Cauchi
Stuart Vella Bonello	Dylan Mercieca
Rita Catherine Mangion Bianco (PG)	James Attard (PG)
Nicholas Karl Buttigieg	Robert Dingli (PG)



Bernine Caruana	Francesco Refalo
Martha Marie Bartolo	Alexander Clayman
George Zamit Montebello	Marya Camenzuli (PG)
Julian Bonello(PG)	Joshua Cortis
Martha Marie Bartolo	Nathan Adams/ John Montebello
Felic Micallef	Nigel Xuereb Said
Duncan Muscat (PG)	Samiro Bartolo
Christian Cordina	Anthony David Brincat
Elizabeth Camilleri	Meverick Spiteri
Isabelle Kniestedt	Deandra Cutajar
Carmel Theuma	Robert Micallef
Eman Mifsud	Gabriella Calamatta
Terry Duca	Mark Borg
Andrew Pisani	Neville Decelis
Analise Sammut	Maxim Georgievich Nikitin
Nicole Tabone	Elizabeth Borg Cardona
Maria Azzopardi	Francesca Zammit

Meeting started: 18.10 hours

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. Welcome to New members

A welcome to the new KE members was given by the Education Commissioner. A copy of the student representative handbook was given to each members. A brief overview of what the aim of the KE is and what the meetings entail was given.

5. Guidelines Subcommittee

An update was about the subcommittee for Guidelines which was launched last meeting, which will be working on a new set of guidelines to be published, hopefully after being approved by the University, with the aim of helping new student representatives tackle their role. Members were invited to join. Omar Shamala and Gabriella Sutton expressed interest in joining the Subcommittee.

6. Examinations in Gozo



After a period of pressure by students to hold examinations in Gozo, the Faculty of Medicine and Surgery was the last faculty to agree to this initiative, resulting in all faculties now offering this option. An update about the issue regarding Maths and Statistics was given, since they have an exam in which the relevant programme can only be accessed on the computers on the campus in Malta, since these need a particular license which has only been bought for these computers. Omar Shamala suggested linking computers which would allow you to open the programme on any linked computer which is turned on first. This would entail having to check with the supplier. Denis Muscat suggested speaking to IT services about the issue. Ryan Falzon asked for an update about the technician issue for Maths and Statistics which arose last year, and Martina Miggiani explained that the registrar informed her that there were not enough computers for this to be held anyway. According to Ryan Falzon, the minister of education had been willing to fund this. It was decided that a meeting with IT services would be set up.

7. Update and Funds and Grants Subcommittee

An update about the work of the subcommittee was given. This was launched in the beginning of the term, and is now ready to be uploaded on the website. KE members were asked to kindly inform the subcommittee if they were aware of any student organisations which offer funds.

8. Post-Assessment Feedback Report

In reference to the discussion held about this last year, during the previous Senate Meeting, the PVC board passed the suggestion that after every exam the lecturer of each study unit should release a report about which questions were answered by what amount of students, and what was expected for each questions. This was accepted by senate. This morning during a meeting with the registrar, this was discussed and it was confirmed that this will be piloted by the 4 lecturers on the PVC board for their respective study units, to act as sample reports so that these can be used by all lecturers for the June exams. More updates will be given throughout the term. Any suggestions about what should be included are welcomed by the KE.

9. Study area

Suggestions for new places to study were requested. The following venues were suggested: outside central auditorium at Mater Dei Hospital, the Arts' Faculty library, Gateway, the common room of the ICT faculty, outside the library, the canteen at student house, TakeOff, Sire Termi, Library Basement and the Library Reception area. It was suggested that the Melita Buildings be promoted as a 'silent study area'. A suggestion was also made to look into getting WIFI reception for the Amphitheatre area, to facilitate studying over there. It was agreed that these options would be considered and looked into.

10. Other matters:

- Denis Muscat was approached by the Vice principle of Gozo 6th form, as they are bringing students to see the faculties and he suggested the student organisations



should give these tours. Denis will be contacting the student representatives to facilitate this.

- Rebecca Stoner asked to clarify whether the writing during the 5 minute reading time had already been implemented, as this was not allowed during an exam the week before. It was agreed that this would be brought up with the registrar.

The meeting was adjourned at 19:08hrs

Martina Miggiani

KSU Education Commissioner

Rebecca Stoner

KSU Education Coordinator