

SOCIAL POLICY COMMISSION 16/17

Meeting #5
University of Malta, TAKEOFF
15th September 2016, 19:00

AGENDA

18:45 Registration

1. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Agenda as amended approved.
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Minutes of previous meeting put forward to a vote. Approved nem con.
3. Pre-Budget Document
Etienne Buttigieg (KSU): A document is currently being drafted through the KPS subcommittee to represent the students' expectations of this year's budget. A draft will be circulated – organisations are invited to submit their views. Anything economy-related may be submitted.
4. Blood Drive
Etienne Buttigieg (KSU): An organisations' blood drive will be held on Tuesday 15th November. An email will be circulated to conclude which organisations will be on board. Logistical details will be communicated shortly.
5. RAR results
RAR results were presented. Robert Napier (KSU) states that there will be a period of 24 hours to appeal. Quality was not bad however emphasis needs to be put on evidence for RAR.
6. Stand Allocations
7. Freshers' Week Tours
Etienne Buttigieg (KSU): This year a generic freshers' week tour will be offered by KSU however we will also be promoting organisations who will be conducting their own freshers' week tours. Interested organisations can contact KSU and attach their logo and contact email for students to apply.
8. Other Matters
 - a. Futsal Venue
An email was sent with a PR prepared by UoM Futsal regarding the issue of lack of venues for this year's season. A vote was taken with respect to this issue. Abstentions: MHSA, JEF, GhMU. Vote passes.
 - b. Minimum Wage
An individual approached KSU with regards to a proposal for the government to increase the minimum wage by 3% each year for three years. The intention is for this initiative NOT to have any political affiliations. KSU was asked to endorse this document alongside other organisations. This document will be sent via email and feedback will be analysed.

Giulia Magri (DESA): States that one must analyse this issue in detail and expresses concern if tax brackets will affect this increase to the detriment of segments in society such as single mothers.

Luke Young (AIESEC): Questions how well researched this document is.

Mark Said Camilleri (UoM Rowing): Questions whether the unemployed will be affected.

Alex Hili (KSU): States that Malta's economy is growing and hence can support this increase.

Kayrin Gauci (JEF): Disagrees and says that one must also consider inflation.

Chiara Vassallo (AIESEC): Says that this seems to be a good idea but one must see the economics behind it.

Etienne Buttigieg (KSU): Thanks those who gave their opinion. Document will be sent via email and feedback will be analysed after.

Meeting adjourned at 20:22pm.