

# National Executive Council Meeting

## Thursday 12/12/2018

### Minutes

<b>Date</b>	12/12/2018, Second meeting 2018/19	
<b>Time</b>	11pm – 5pm	
<b>Location</b>	Online via Skype and NUS Offices, Macadam House, 275 Gray's Inn Road	
<b>Zones</b>	Shakira Martin (SM)	National President & Chair
	Eve Alcock (EA)	Higher Education
	Shannon Young (SY)	Further Education
	Ali Milani (AM) & Katherine Hackshaw (KH)	Union Development
	Zamzam Ibrahim (ZI) & Charles Walker (CW)	Society and Citizenship
<b>Liberation</b>	Eva Crossan Jory (ECJ) & Nabeela Mowlana (NB)	Welfare
	Ilyas Nagdee (IN) & Fope Olaleye (FO)	Black Student
	Rachel O'Brien (RO) & Piers Wilkinson (PW)	Disabled Students
	Rob Noon (RO)	LGBT+ Officer (Open Place)
	Eden Ladley (EL)	LGBT+ Officer (Women's Place)
<b>Sections</b>	Natalia Mole (NM)	Trans Students
	Sarah Lasoye (SL) & Lola Olufemi (LO)	Women's Students
	Yinbo Yu (YY) & Erica Ramos (ER)	International Students
	Amelia Horgan (AH)	Postgraduate Taught Students
	Fiona Wood (FW)	Postgraduate Research Students
<b>Nations</b>	Tom Campbell (TC)	Part-Time Students
		Mature Students
		Parents & Carers Students
	Liam McCabe (LMC) & Shuwanna Aaron (SA)	NUS Scotland
	Olivia Potter-Hughes (OPH)	NUS-USI
<b>Block of 15</b>	Juliana Mohamad Noor, Laura Lunn-Bates, Myriam Kane, Phillip Dowler, Riddi Viswanathan, Sally Patterson and Sarah Al-Aride	

**In Attendance** Alex Rollason, NUS Wales  
NUS Staff: James Coe, Christine Milburn, Peter Robertson, Linda Somerville, Kat Stark, Richard Whitmill, Ben Whittaker  
Trade Union Observers: Carly Baxter, Angelina Linker

**Opening of official business** 11:05

**Welcome and President's Opening Remarks** 11:09

The Chair welcomed the new members elected at the Zones Conference

Apologies: Emily Chapman, James Cleverley, Amatey Doku, Gwyneth Sweatman

As more than 15 members were present the Chair declared the meeting Quorate

Disclosure of potential conflicts of interest from the agenda: None declared

**Appointments and Elections** 11:10

Election results for ARAF, Nominations Committee and from Zones Conference noted

**Accountability** 11:12

**Lola Olufemi took the chair for President accountability**

Shakira Martin, National President

Verbal update followed by questions

**Zone Vice President Accountability** 11:31

**Shakira Martin took the Chair**

Amatey Doku, Vice President Higher Education

Not present

Emily Chapman, Vice President Further Education

Not present

Zamzam Ibrahim, Vice President Society and Citizenship

Not present for this session

Ali Milani, Vice President Union Development

Verbal update followed by questions

Eva Crossan Jory, Vice President Welfare 11:48

Verbal update followed by questions. Video submitted online



## Board Updates

### **Shakira Martin NUS UK Board Update- 12:07**

- Shakira Martin gave an update on the NUS UK and Joint Boards

### **Ali Milani- NUS UK Charity/Services Board Update- 12:09**

- Ali Milani gave an update on the NUS UK, Charity and Services Boards

### **Shuwanna Aaron – NUS Charity Update 12:11**

- Shuwanna Aaron gave a further update on the work of the NUS Charity Board

**Olivia Hughes- Olivia Hughes had no further update to Board business.**

**Following Board members not present for update:**

**Amatey Doku**

**Gwyneth Sweatman**

**Zamzam Ibrahim**

## Lunch- 12:13- 13:00

## Motions Debate: 13:03

The Motion Save our Universities! was withdrawn by the proposer

### **Transparency, Accountability, and Visibility for NEC**

*For: Piers Wilkinson*

*Against: Shakira Martin*

*This motion passed*

### **#WITHOUTUS**

*For: Riddi Viswanathan*

*Against: None*

*This motion passed*

### **Fascists off our campus**

*For: Myriam Kane*

*Against: None*

*This motion passed*

### **Stop Funding Hate and transphobia in the media**

*For: Eden Ladley*

*Against: None*



*This motion passed*

## **International Students want quality support not extortion**

*For: Riddi Vaswanathan*

*Against: None*

*This motion passed*

## **Access Break: 13:35**

## **Peter Robertson: Update on Financial Position and Turnaround Work: 13:45-14:10**

- Acting NUS Chief Executive provided an update on NUS' current financial position and turnaround work. This was followed by questions.

## **Turnaround Consultation: 14:15-15:30**

- The NEC broke off into three groups for a facilitated consultation on Turnaround. More detailed minutes are to follow.

## **Access Break: 15:30- 15:48**

## **Turnaround Consultation Continued**

- Rachel O'Brien chaired the remainder of the meeting in which feedback from each group was presented to NEC

## **AOB:**

*Eva Crossan Jory: It was confirmed that the summation of the consultation will be made available to NEC members prior to publication to the wider NUS membership.*

*Piers Wilkinson drew NEC's attention to his Stick up for Accessibility campaign around Digital Content accessibility regulations (EU Web Accessibility Directive). Asked NEC members to contact him for more information or to get involved in the campaign.*

**Next meeting: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February: motions deadline for the next NEC is 23<sup>rd</sup> January**

