

NUS Scotland President

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Priorities

Main priorities	Progress (what have you achieved since the last Committee meeting)
Student Mental Health	We are at early planning stages for this identifying partners to work with and research to help build our case for change as well as examples of good practice from within and outwith the sector.
Student Support Review	I have been to one meeting of the SSR where the direction of the review changed completely and have been working on our position paper that will be discussed at the first SEC meeting.
Union Development	I supported the tutors at two lead and change events.
Brexit: All Students welcome	Again early planning stages of this looking at celebrating diversity within our associations and with partners who share our values.

Other achievements

Training	Attended 8 days of training on 27-30/6, 3/7, 7/7, 12/7 and 13/7.
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Attendance at events/meetings and actions taken or agreed

Event/meeting	Outcomes and/or actions taken or agreed on
Scottish Funding Council	23/6 I attended as an observer.
NUS SU17	4-5/7 I hosted a work stream at SU17.
Herald Awards	6/7 I was invited to attend this event by Universities Scotland and sat next to Shirley-Anne Somerville Minister for Further Education, Higher Education and Science. We discussed NUS priorities for the year and a number of other things related to politics and the student movement.
Lead and Change: Livingston	10/7 I supported the tutors during this event.
Lead and Change: Leeds	18-20/7 I supported the tutors during this event.



Plans before the next meeting

Action/work area	What I hope to achieve
Student Mental Health	To identify desired outcomes and start looking at how these can be achieved.
Student Support Review	To continue to attend Review Group meetings and ensure NUS Scotland continues to work for an outcome that will benefit students.
Union Development	To support SAs in development and help tutors at Lead and Change: Nottingham.
Brexit: All Students welcome	To identify desired outcomes and start looking at how these can be achieved.

Membership Engagement

Member Union	Purpose and anything to report on
Various	I've met various member associations at events already this year. Nothing to report.

Media engagement and external relations

Member Union	Purpose and anything to report on
TES Scotland	30/6 First interview https://www.tes.com/news/tes-magazine/tes-magazine/incoming-nus-president-grants-would-be-dreamy
TES Scotland	7/7 About Student Mental Health https://www.tes.com/news/tes-magazine/tes-magazine/student-mental-health-worsens-support-scant
The Herald	13/7 About student numbers http://www.heraldscotland.com/news/15406926.Record_numbers_of_English_students_targeting_Scottish_universities/?ref=rss
TES Scotland	21/7 About funding for College SAs https://www.tes.com/news/tes-magazine/tes-magazine/colleges-are-not-properly-funding-student-bodies

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Declaration	Further comment
None	Nothing to declare