

Student Council (26.01.22) – Updates from Junaid

Manifesto Themes:

Reducing student loneliness.

What progress has been made / what has been achieved?

- I've been speaking to students lately about their experience at university and whether they're satisfied with different variety of fun events/activities we put on for them or not. I was lucky enough to gather useful feedback. I've spoken to wide range of international students and cleared their misunderstandings and myths! Some of them have joined us this January and few will be joining in September session. I hosted a language cafe yesterday which was such a big win for me as I didn't have any script or preparation for it at all but I made so many people smile and happy. The whole idea is to let students make friends with each other and get familiar with people of different backgrounds and cultures. I'll be hosting them more often as I had a very positive feedback from peers who attended.

What are my next steps / what do I hope to achieve by the next meeting?

- I will be putting up more student led events in order to get more engagement from students who don't really come out their halls and find it difficult to make friends on their own.

Helping societies progress and win.

What progress has been made / what has been achieved?

- I've been speaking to societies who got less involvement from students to get more student members and engagement from the peers. Also I've helped my activities team make room booking processes and risk assessments easier for societies so that they could put up more stuff this semester.

What are my next steps / what do I hope to achieve by the next meeting?

- I'd wish to see more student engagement in society events and more students starting new societies from scratch.

Herts squad.

What progress has been made / what has been achieved?

- I've been able to put up more disabled and abled sports and it's started yesterday for this semester! I've spoken to Herts squad to let students play

matches in active student sessions and we might be able to adjust new early timings for commuters as-well.

What are my next steps / what do I hope to achieve by the next meeting?

- I will be encouraging more students and societies to at-least try and engage in sports as it's very much needed for your mental and physical fitness.

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Bits and bobs:

- n/a