

Kieran Minto President officer report: December

December was a shorter work month as I took off extra time in addition to the SUs closure days. A lot of time was spent planning and policy writing for the new year.

Meetings:

- I attended the usual **recuring committees** and meetings with senior staff that is expected of the role, including student debt management, planning and finance, Vice chancellor meetings, senate and academic board.
- I along with the director, SU voice, marketing and clubs & socs manager, meet with the director of the digital and Information Services to discuss the possibility of **digital support for SU** on the back of a presentation made to the universities UMB.
- I attended a series of meetings on **conduct penalties**, focusing on conduct outside of the university and fines. The goal of the group is to make recommendations on the implementation of fines.
- I attended the **student scholarships** and awards group
- I meet with the head of the UCU and the PVC for education and students to discuss **student voice committees** and how they are being fun in EPS, with a plan for changes created.
- I and the C&E officer attended senate, successfully blocking a planned 3-year increase in accommodation fees, with guarantees for a meeting to discuss the future of funding for accommodation in the new year (ahead of the next **senate** meeting).

Internal events:

- The officers and I took part in all the winter **graduation** ceremonies. I also took part in the winter honorary graduation ceremony.
- I attended and spoke as part of a panel on sustainability at the **Queens global leadership programme**.
- I and the officers attended the award ceremony for **“what’s the big idea”**

Other:

- The **BBC** came in to do a story on the Pantry and swap shop, focusing on student hunger especially going into the winter. The officers and I gave interviews and answered questions.

Project focus:

- Planning and writing presentations/report for the hosting of the **Russell group SU conference** in January.
- Preparing arguments for **senate** and writing an alternative accommodation funding policy for discussion with the university.