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**Council Chair Report****Richard Bennett – Council Chair**

Council Report for the fourth trustee board of the 2013 -2014 meeting – a brief summary of the topics discussed and voted on at the Union Council. This term we have had a one meeting which did not make quorum making 2 in this academic year; however both were at exam times.

Below is a summary of the meetings; for further information, all papers and minutes can be found [online](#).

**Union Council Summaries**

Council 11 February 2014

Matters discussed	Outcomes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Union's Safe Space Policy</li> <li>• Union Support for Halls located away from South Kensington</li> <li>• Union stance on voting in international and national elections.</li> <li>• Renaming DPFS Role</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Union Safe Space Policy Passed</li> <li>• Sabbatical officers to attend Hall Committees of distant halls once a term and publicise union facilities and funding available to distant halls.</li> <li>• Campaigns officer to run a campaign encouraging students to vote in national and international elections.</li> <li>• All sabbatical officers to review of current roles for next years team.</li> </ul>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• House of Lords Submission of Evidence for Immigration Bill Stance</li> <li>• Presentation of the “Consultation Framework” by Union President David Goldsmith.</li> </ul>	

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Council 29th April 2014 – Council Not Quorate but matters discussed regardless

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Motion for ICU to say no to Islamophobia and denounce the group student rights.</li><li>• Council Advocacy Procedure – creating a new framework such that topics that promote lengthy impassioned debate be moved to a separate meeting.</li><li>• How to encourage more members to attend council.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Islamophobia Paper provisionally passed.</li><li>• Council Advocacy Paper provisionally dismissed.</li></ul>