

Imperial College Union
Council Report
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Budgeting

Budgeting is on-going after three meetings with the next CSPB occurring on the 6th of May. The deadline for appeals has passed and we have received forty seven from clubs, societies and projects who wish to receive more money next academic year. Following this process we will be collecting feedback to build on the new process in the future and I will also be looking at how the development fund will work and be administered next academic year.

Tours

The Summer tour applications close on Monday 28th at Midnight. They will be reviewed at CSPB and successful applications will receive some funds towards the transport costs of their tour. Money has already gone out to those successful in getting winter and spring tour funding and I am currently collating submitted tour reports and requesting those not yet submitted. All tour reports from student groups who were successful in their applications and went on a tour, form a full report that will be submitted to the IC trust next academic year to apply for more money for tours.

NCC and NPC

Below a summary of the new club, society and project applications I have received so far this year and the outcomes after new club committee and new project committee meetings. We have 11 to look at now the term has restarted and the committee and applicants are back at Imperial. I have been meeting with students who have CSPs in the New Club Incubator (NCI) and the new clubs and new projects committees will be reviewing their activities and progress before the end of the academic year so those which can become full clubs do so before next year and receive the benefits of being a club at the start of first term.

Outcome	Number of Applications
Yes	3
No	12
NCI	14
Due	11
No attendance	4
	44

Sports Strategy

I have been continuing my work on the Union's first ever sports strategy, focussing mainly on participation but encompassing a wide variety of topics relating to student sport and physical activity. The strategy will soon be in a format where I can begin to gain feedback and opinions from relevant student groups and College, and anyone else who would be interested in this. I will also be bringing the final version it to Council later this year.

Storage

I have been working on a couple of storage areas to try to maximise the use student groups get from the space we have available. The locks on the store room at the back of the Union Dining Hall have now been fixed after a lengthy waiting time for College, and is currently being tidied and reorganised by the users to free up some additional space. There are some plans to changes some of the storage arrangements shared by musical theatre society and some other groups on third floor and I will also begin to have the Union gym storage space sorted and tidied by the users now term has restarted. In addition to this, I am collecting information on users of the washing machines in the west basement to understand the use they have.

Imperial Hub Advisory Board

I attended the first Imperial Hub Advisory Board which was chaired by one of our appointed trustees. Its purpose is to drive the strategic direction of Imperial Hub and improve relations between the charity and the Union without duplicating what is on offer at Imperial College either by the Union centrally or by existing student groups. The first meeting went well, with plans to invite some other board members with specialist knowledge in areas Imperial Hub works in.

Sabb Role Review

We have all been involved in an entire sabbatical role review. Discussions have been going well and I have been focussing on the current DPCS and DPFS role with Kieron and various members of Union staff. There is some overlap in the two roles with regards to responsibilities and jobs and we are looking to see where the roles will and should be going in the next few years. This will eventually be brought to council and will seek the opinions of others including past and future sabbatical officers before then to get a balanced view of the sabbatical roles at Imperial College Union.