

## **Deputy President (Welfare) report to Council**

**Christopher Kaye, Deputy President (Welfare)**

### **New web-pages & student parents and carers**

We now have a top-level campaigns page on the imperialcollegeunion.org website, which is a very exciting addition to the 'internet'. It is now a lot easier to submit an idea for a campaign via electronic means – with a dedicated form for doing so. I'd like to thank the team for their hard work on this.

We also have a student parents and carers page, with an in-built form for submission of any questions or feedback people may have around the support available. I am very pleased with this because student parents and carers have been a challenging group to engage with as their numbers are not recorded by Registry and the only ones I know of are those who use the Early Years Education Centre, which is only a minority of the total.

It is also very important that the Union engages with those students starting families or those students with caring duties – it ties in nicely with my manifesto commitment to promote women in science.

### **College Committees**

I've attended the following College committee meetings: Student Recruitment (Operational Excellence), Early Years Education Centre committee (where I fed back my actions from the previous meeting, including the webpage) and the meeting on the Amenities Fund.

### **CWB 'drop in'**

I held a CWB drop-in session so that proposed new campaigns had an opportunity to get their funding application appropriately scrutinised before the next CWB meeting. The campaign proposals were being voted on *via* electronic ballot last week.

### **External Committees**

Ward Panel (Knightsbridge & Belgravia) where I expressed student concerns around cycle theft and safety when walking through Hyde Park. We set policing priorities for the Ward appropriately.

Knightsbridge Law & Order committee, which this time I attended with Miss de Bruin. We heard from the local police and UK Border Force about problems in the area. We took the networking opportunity afterwards to meet the members of the committee and impress upon them Imperial College Union's commitment to be active members of the local community.

### **Associate Member events**

I attended FIE's evening welcome event in Queen's Tower Rooms, manning the Union stall.

### **Subwarden Interviews**

I was on the panel that interviewed for a replacement subwarden at Tizard Hall. I am very pleased with the candidate we chose.

**Meeting, Director of Student Support**

Mr Loose, Mr Savell and I met the Director of Student Support to discuss Note-taking, lecture recordings and accessibility, as well as alcohol related issues.

**Disciplinary Panels**

I have sat on a further two Disciplinary Panels.

**Rag's event with Andrew Mitchell MP**

I attended this very interesting event on International Development. I would like to congratulate the Rag team on organising it.

**Chemsoc's event with Professor Poliakoff**

Of 'periodic table of videos' fame. Again, much praise to ChemSoc for organising this superb event.

**Felix**

As at 3rd February I have continued to engage in student media, where appropriate.