

# DPCS report to Union Council

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## Updates:

- **CSP Activity** Post the Omicron wave, our CSPs are starting to get back to normal activity. We still advise caution but it is great to get back to it after the disappointment of so many cancelled Christmas dinners!
- **Budgeting** By the time this paper is read (lets be honest, who reads it more than a day in advance of council) budgeting will have closed for CSPs! They can all take a deep breath and cross their fingers while the management groups and CUs limber up for the fun process of telling people they can't have all the money they want. Hopefully I will have resolved all the access issues and tax queries that came my way!
- **Elections** The deadline for opting out and changing your committee structure in time for the elections was yesterday, so if you missed it, congratulations you are using e-Voting (obviously your favourite platform). I sorted out a lot of committee structure changes and authorised a lot of opting out so hopefully everyone is sorted and ready to elect their successors!
- **Activities Development Fund** ADF Round 1 and 2 have now been processed and should be in your account, bar a few that required more information.
- **Tours** Tours have been approved, budgets judged and money allocated. We were able to fund all eligible tours up to the maximum which is great!
- **New staff** The activities team has welcomed a new member of staff that will be taking charge of spaces and storage, which will hopefully help iron out the many issues we have surrounding those areas! They started last week so will be getting their footing now.
- **Minibuses** Minibuses are (finally) back! Committee members can book them on eActivities again, and they are being used for Sports fixtures already! A lot of hard work from the activities team has gone into getting this up and running again after the pandemic and we are sorry it took so long - blame the permits that took 3 months to come back!
- **Imperial Athletes** I finally finished writing up all the comments from the consultations last term. Over this term, we will be seriously considering what aspects work and what doesn't, as well as figuring out how we fix them.

## Upcoming:

- Budgeting closes, review process begin
- Elections!!! If you are at all interested in running for DPCS, I am always happy to talk.

## Clubs, Societies and Projects Board (CSPB) Update:

- The last CSPB was held on the 20th January.
- The outcomes of the Imperial Athletes consultation report were discussed.
- We also decided the policy for ring fencing for CU budgets, how putting money into ADF works and how the appeals process will work for clubs that disagree with their allocation.
- The upcoming CSP elections and associated processes and deadlines were discussed.

## **Objective Updates:**

### **Objective 1: Training for CSP Committees - [Not yet fully started/done a bit]**

This term so far, we have run two different types of budgeting training (for MG/CU level and for CSPs) and an elections training/FAQ session. These were well received and successful. Throughout the rest of this term, we will be looking closely at the training offering that new committee members are given, particularly soon after election so that they can go into their roles as prepared as they possibly can be. We are also slowly working on reviewing the website training pages, consolidating where possible and removing outdated information. There is a lot, so bear with us!

### **Objective 2: CSP Systems and Processes - [In progress]**

We have reached a point within the team that the processes currently are just about functional with reasonable expectations. Some still need work, but this is not a top priority right now.

### **Objective 3: Imperial Athletes - [In Progress]**

I have written up all the work from last term and we are now actively working on outlining the best plan for next year, and what changes need to be made.

### **Objective 4: Communication (Response Times) - [Complete/Reviewing]**

We will still be considering a ticketing system, or some kind of management system, but for now the aim will be to manage the inboxes with the resources we have.

### **Objective 5: Student Representation around Spaces - [Not yet started]**

This objective still needs to be started - however, a brief planning discussion has occurred, and we anticipate scoping and planning of the project will happen throughout this term, with election of appropriate students to representative positions for the next academic year.