**Societies Executive Committee Meeting 8 Agenda**

**04/12/24**

1. Welcome and Apologies

Apologies from Shania Maritz

Chep Jackson (CJ)

Jo Fitzpatrick (JF)

Cameron Pattinson (CP)

Rachel Baird (RB)

Oli Page (OP)

Jamie Campbell (VP Community) - Chair

Sarah Holmes (Activities Coordinator) - Clerk

JC welcome everyone to Socs exec 8, thanked Erin Ross for her service and acknowledged she had left

Change to minutes from last week’s minutes – request to change Olivia Page to Oli Page

1. Matters Arising
	* Social Media Content
2. Budget Update: <https://www.strathunion.com/groups/societies-exec/>

JC gave a budget update

1. New Affiliation Requests
* Strathclyde North African Society (SNAS) – want to change their name to NASS

Approved with name change – union staff to make sure their committee is re-elected at handover, they cannot stay on

* Conservative &amp; Unionist Alliance – I think they meant ‘Conservative Unionist Alliance’

High membership charge – student higher than associate

Committee cannot hold roles until they graduate, JC pointed out Next committee need to be elected

OP pointed out they can’t be imposing views on anyone – Union code of conduct/policy

Can’t hold two AGMs, explain difference with GM and AGM

JC likes the way they lined out their activities

Approved – with the comments made to be directed to them.

1. Reaffiliations (for information)
* Business Analytics Society
1. Welcome Grant Requests (£45) – For Information. Total: £90
* Biomedical Engineering Society (asked last week but requested wrong amount so resubmitted new request)

Approved

* Strath Speechies

Approved

* Chess society

Approved

1. Grant Requests. Total: £5435.76

**Biomedical Sciences – 403 - – Welcome event/Freshers Fair #1702**

* Amount: £19.78 from Arts & Culture
* This request was resubmitted on 31st August but missed on the system so is put to committee now for exceptional consideration for retrospective funding

Approved from General Pot not Arts & Culture

**Modern Foreign Languages Society - 440 – Joint Ceilidh #1816**

* Amount: £476.98 (112% of £426.89)
* Memberships: 218
* Queried – 03/12 about 100%+ and asked to review

Wouldn’t fund drinks as event is in the venue and they should purchase drinks from the bar

Is it a ticketed event?

Happy to fund £300 for ceilidh band from General Pot but not external food.

If they want to order food from Phil, they can ask him how much that would cost and apply for a grant to part fund the cost of union food only not drinks. Can do tickets for £1 to cover the rest of costs.

**Marine Robotics Society – 944 – 3D printer #1825**

* Amount: £399 (100% of £399)
* Memberships: 22

Where will this be stored – what if the society goes defunct, who will be responsible for it

Should this be coming from their sponsorships/savings account? Part funding

Price increase on website – is this an accurate price?

Not enough evidence of comparison to other printers

Not Approved – Can reapply with answers to questions, union staff to track down existing 3D printer

**SUSO – 914 – Tutor Grant #1826**

* Amount: £4495 (100% of 4495)
* Memberships: 121

Do they need tutors every week?

Could they charge members more, £5 extra for 121 members would go a long way?

Alumni fund in January potential for more funding

Part funding, charge more for memberships.

Can’t use general pot to fund their entire tutor costs. Do they need weekly tutors or biweekly, can they adjust their activities to meet this change in funding.

Not approved – Look at comments, consider reducing tutor frequency. Also will need to consider the needs of other music societies who receive Arts & Culture with this and future requests. Can email lisa.brennan@strath.ac.uk if any concerns.

**Strath AIS – 936 - Spaceport America Cup 2025: Entry Fees and Motor - #1820**

* Amount: £3574.83 (100%)
* Memberships: 192

Remind them this is the only application they can put in for it

This isn’t how much the whole project would cost – OP if they put in their whole budget, and show this is part funding. CJ would like to see it filled out properly, thanks them for nice and clear pie chart.

Happy to fund and wish them luck – next time put all their income in, so it shows exec are funding 10% not 100%.

1. AOCB