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For Information

GLASGOW KELVIN COLLEGE

Board of Management of 29 August 2022

Students Association Progress Update

Report by Students Association Presidents

1. Introduction

This report is to provide an update on Student's Association activity to date.

2. Student's Association Update

In May 2022, an election was held a full-time Students' Association President (with a remit focussed on Student Welfare and a 0.5 Students' Association President (with a remit focussed on Learning and Teaching). Following an electronic ballot, Emma Leslie was elected as full-time president, and Nomathamsanqa (Noma) Dube was elected as part-time President.

Over the summer months much of the focus has been on planning and preparation for students returning in the new academic year. The 'Meet Your Classmates' event has taken priority, with the Student Association organising the 'Freshers' part of the event. Many organisations were in attendance including, Glasgow East Women's Aid, Spike Awareness, Fast Forward, SAMH, Crew and many more. Glasgow Kelvin College support services were also in attendance at the event. The Students' Association organised activities for the students to engage with, including, a photo booth, a basketball game and a popcorn machine.

Building positive relationships with the external organisations in attendance at the event has created more opportunities for students to volunteer. Professional development opportunities for staff and students have also been offered by a number of the organisations in attendance.

The Student Association presence online has increased thanks to the Digital and Social Media Assistant. Videos and information on the new Presidents have been placed on social media platforms, which has increased followers of the various social media accounts.

The campus redevelopment has allowed the association to relocate themselves in each of our campuses, allowing a more prominent presence. The relocation and will also allow better collaboration between the association and key support staff personnel and departments.

Both officers have attended various training events including, Sparqs, "That's Quality" residential in Dundee, College organised mental health and wellbeing events and have met with College Senior Management.

Emma was elected as the GCRB student member for academic year 2022-23. Both officers have completed an induction with the Secretary to the Board of Management

and both will participate in the CDN (College Development Network), Board Induction Training.

Priorities for the beginning of term will be, to recruit class representatives and student executive members, as well as recruiting student ambassadors to help at any future College events. Opportunities to certificate students for their involvement with association activities is also being explored.

In terms of forward plans, the Student Association will focus on finalising the partnership and mental health agreement and will have input into to the overall Operational Plan for the Student Support Services.

3. Resource Implications

There are no resource implications arising directly from this report

4. Equalities

There are no equality implications arising directly from this report.

5. Risk and Assurance

This report provides assurance that the Student's Association are effectively engaging with students and encouraging the student voice to be heard.

6. Data Protection

There are no data protection implications arising directly from this report

7. Recommendations

Members are recommended to note the contents of the report.

8. Further Information

Members can obtain additional information on the contents of this report from Student Presidents Emma Leslie and Noma Dube.

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