GLASGOW KELVIN COLLEGE

Academic Board – 12th November 2021

Student Association Update

Report by Students' Association Presidents

1. Introduction

This report provides an update on the Student Association activities so far in 2021-22.

2. Update

Since commencing the academic year, both officers have engaged in all relevant boards, committees and working groups within the College.

The Digital and Social Media Assistant has commenced employment and has been working on raising awareness of the Student Association using the social media channels and GKC Student Microsoft Teams.

Along with the Curriculum Manager for Sport, the Student Association have been involved in establishing a working group to promote college services and fitness classes to all students. The group will look at opportunities in which students can participate in, including male and female football teams, the use of the College fitness suite and fitness classes. The group will work towards increasing student involvement in fitness activities to help improve positive mental and physical wellbeing.

Currently there are 187 class representatives. Class representative meetings took place during week commencing 25th October. Speakers from the College included, Vice Principal Curriculum and Quality Enhancement, Learner Engagement Officer, Wellbeing Officer, Cycling Officer and Health and Safety Manager. Both sessions were well attended by class reps, with students coming forward interested in voluntary positions within the Student Association Executive Committee.

The Student Association have been involved in some planning around college activities during COP-26. Both Presidents will attend the International Justice Climate Seminar on Tuesday 9th November in the Springburn campus and both officers will be attending an event on Thursday 11th November as green zone participants.

The Student Association have been promoting various awareness events including Black History Month and Stress Awareness Day. Information has been posted on social media and the GKC Student Team. Promotion of anti-bullying week and the 16 days of action will take place in November.

The Student association are working on an action plan from the four priority areas within the partnership agreement. The four areas include, health and wellbeing, inclusion, gender-based violence and digital inclusion and communication. Progress has been made in some of these areas with work continuing throughout the academic year.

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 College is supporting the Students' association to engage with learners and participate in life and work of the College.

6. Data Protection

There are no data protection implications arising directly from this report

7. Recommendations

Members are recommended to note the contents of this report.

8. Further Information

Members can obtain additional information on the contents of this report from Lauren McLaren, President of Welfare, Community and Sustainability or James McGunnigle, President of Learning and Teaching.

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