

GLASGOW KELVIN COLLEGE**Board of Management – 07 October 2021****Student Association Update on 2021.22 Priorities****Report by Students' Association Presidents****1. Introduction**

This report seeks to update members on the progress of the Student Association to date and on their future plans.

2. Update

Recruitment for class representatives has begun and at present we have over 100 elected class representatives. Training from SPARQS (Student Partnership in Quality Scotland) is in the process of being organised, which will be carried out online again this year. Student Association class representative meetings will be arranged after the October break.

Information sessions facilitated by the Student Association took place in the week commencing Monday 30th August. The turnout was less than expected, but more sessions will be arranged in the near future and we will increase student participation by advertising more in advance using the skills and knowledge of the newly appointed Digital and Social Media Assistant.

The Student Association Officers have continued to meet college members of staff regarding COP26, and input to any future events or discussions that will enable students to participate in and create a better understanding of environmental issues effecting the planet.

Following money received from the Scottish Funding Council, to allow Student Associations in colleges and universities to build capacity within their own organisation, recruitment is now complete for a part time, temporary, Digital & Social Media Assistant, who will be commencing the role in the next few weeks. This new role will allow more effective and efficient communication with students using a variety of social and digital media channels and raise awareness of the Student Association and how students can get involved.

The Student Association have created a survey to gauge interested in any future development of clubs and societies. The response has so far been positive with students requesting a variety of activities including, football, a film club, fitness classes and a book club. Results will be analysed in due course with implementation of the most popular activities.

As part of the college restructure Learner Engagement and the Student Association now sits within the Student Support Services Department. This will allow the opportunity to be involved in a more joined up approach to supporting students and raise the profile of Learner Engagement and Student Association activity.

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 the report.

8. Further Information

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

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