

## UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN STUDENTS' UNION President Report May 2019

## Visibility & Impact

Since the last report, the Student Leaders have continued work to engage with the student body. We conducted one of our 'Less Stress More Success' campaigns that looked to engage with students in regard to their mental wellbeing. We were able to arrange student breakfasts for a week and engaged around 600 students who were in the process of revising or taking exams and assessments. The feedback received was overwhelmingly positive and hopefully something that can be taken into the next academic year.

The Executive Committee met to discuss changes to the University's Student Disciplinary regulations. This process had been initiated by the Head of Governance within the University and this has given us an opportunity to feedback on a particular policy and regulation that has a direct impact on our membership. One of the key recommendations that we are putting forward will hopefully allow us to be able to ensure that the process is easier for us to work with the university on complex matters in regard to student disciplinaries.

I have been involved in the recruitment process for quite a lot of our commercial services staff. Over the last few weeks I have been involved in Supervisor and Barge Assistant Manager interviews. All of which have been very good, and a great calibre of candidates have been put forward. It is really reassuring to see the change in culture in our commercial services and it is evident that a lot of hard work is going into not only improving the business and service provision but also improving the student experience.

The SU Awards took place at the start of May and it was a wonderful opportunity to reflect on a year's hard work and impact within the Union and the University. I really want to express my gratitude and thanks to the all the teams behind putting together the awards and the evening. There has been an overwhelming amount of positive feedback both from students and staff and it was a great opportunity to celebrate successes in the University community.

At the time of writing, I am to attend a Student Attendance Monitoring Management working group meeting discussing key elements of the attendance monitoring process. Several policy changes are being put forward to the Education & Student Life Committee of which the Student Leaders all sit as members. I am also involved in work around Equality, Diversity and Inclusion at the university, particularly within the curriculum and there are a few working group meetings that are happening as part of the Lincoln Equality of Attainment Project

As this will be my final report as President of the Students' Union, I just wanted to take the opportunity to express my thanks for the opportunities that have been afforded to me by this organisation, its student members and staff. I joined the University of Lincoln in 2014 studying a degree in Psychology and was involved in the Students' Union as a team member in the bars during my second year of university. It has been a wonderfully unique experience that I have gained a lot from over the past 4-5 years.

I would especially like to thank all the student volunteers, from Senior Reps to our Campaigns' Network and everyone in between. Without the hard work of the students we have at this University, we would not be able to accomplish all that we do. Additionally, I would like to thank all of the staff team: old, current and new. There is absolutely no way that the Student Leaders would be able to achieve anything without their support.

I also want to express my thanks to the Executive team of the Students' Union, from Sabbatical Officers through SMT whose support and drive over my tenure as President has been excellent.

And finally, I would also like to thank all the students who were bonkers enough to vote me in twice as President of the SU. You guys are the real MVPs and I've had a great two years representing students at Lincoln.

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