

**Minutes of Annual General Meeting
Friday 27 February 2009 3pm
UCL Bloomsbury**

Present		
Name	PRN	Department
A.K.M. Mushrul Haque	701675	UCL Medical School
A.Y.M. Rahman	741533	Institute of Child Health
Aamer Ather	50166666	Civil, Environmental and Geomatic Engineering
Aayush Sharma	60394945	Economics
Abdigani Mohamed Diriye	743502	Computer Science
Abdul Alim	60174521	Economics
Abdullah Sunny Raj	726532	Economics
Abhiney Jain	705209	UCL Medical School
Abid Shahzaad Khan	843564	Mechanical Engineering
Abir Ahmad Shaikh	40338381	UCL Medical School
Abubakar Idris Bashir	836239	Mechanical Engineering
Adam Armand Sheperdigian	60522939	Division of Biosciences
Adam Douglas Alan Moore	60572956	Mathematics
Adam Gillett	708070	French
Adam Paul Levine	701958	UCL Medical School
Adam Roy George Ruffell	62382339	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Adeel Ejaz Syed	704397	UCL Medical School
Adil Naeem Ahmad	808167	UCL Medical School
Adil Omar Yusuf	718708	Mathematics
Adnan Ebrahim	805923	Economics
Ahmed Abdelkader	843675	Civil, Environmental and Geomatic Engineering
Ahmed Abdullah Ahmed	809929	Division of Biosciences
Ahmed Aweys	842074	Mechanical Engineering
Aida Al-Sibai	811924	Laws
Aisha Syeda Rahman	228279	Chemistry
Akeem Ayodeji Raji	836241	Mechanical Engineering
Akif Mahboob	820907	Civil, Environmental and Geomatic Engineering
Alexander Crallan	714104	Physics and Astronomy
Alexander James Ashman	40208730	UCL Medical School
Alexander James Dominic Nesbitt	700808	UCL Medical School
Alexander Karski	50268557	Greek and Latin
Alexander Mursal Smith	60140629	Chemistry
Alexander Popov	60579	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Alexander Ryszard Kleczkowski	51842604	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Alexander Smith	702122	History
Alexander Zoltan McKenna	701989	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Alexandra Mudd	828881	Laws

Ali Khwaja	54888210	Mechanical Engineering
Ali Saidi	60497176	Chemical Engineering
Alia Komsany	61895205	Division of Biosciences
Alice Clare Tyler	804460	UCL Medical School
Alice Elizabeth Workman	800872	History
Alistair Leonard	60132141	Division of Surgery and Interventional Science
Alistair Walker	60414379	Earth Sciences
Amanda Smith	50052794	UCL Medical School
Amanda Yuh Chyi Oon	701509	French
Amar Mahmood	711216	Economics
Amin Zribi	727299	Chemical Engineering
Amir Saleem	50251560	Economics
Amirrudin Kamsin	813779	Computer Science
Amri Rahamat	820208	Electronic and Electrical Engineering
Amy Davy	812874	History
Amy Susanna Lewis	701522	Greek and Latin
Amy Yau	60536419	Mathematics
Andrew Caddy	50719875	History of Art
Andrew Gavin Fairservice	60191506	Greek and Latin
Andrew Gowans	715544	Economics
Andrew Thomas Fester	60370282	Division of Infection and Immunity
Andrew William Weir	832110	Division of Psychology and Language Sciences
Anjana Daniel	60517	Division of Biosciences
Anjum Ul-Nisa Mirza	723931	Division of Psychology and Language Sciences
Anna Burford	60221179	Division of Biosciences
Anna Frances Addington	60539	English Language and Literature
Anna Rose Thornton	60546	Greek and Latin
Ann-Louise Anderson	706342	Chemistry
Anoushka Zara Gangji	802538	European Social and Political Studies Office
Arsalan Ali Naeem	706667	Mathematics
Arthur Michael Verdin	60954163	Greek and Latin
Aryeh Lehrer	60509387	History
Asfia Naz Malik	716544	Geography
Ashley Dale York	716091	Division of Biosciences
Ashley Joy	715839	Physics and Astronomy
Asif MacHhada	704908	UCL Medical School
Atif Siddiqui	717203	Natural Sciences Office
Atinuke Morolake Amiola Williams	50484928	UCL Medical School
Avaes Latif	723975	Ear Institute
Avni Hindocha	702737	UCL Medical School
Ayesha Nazir	747158	Bartlett School of Construction & Project Mngment
Ayesha Zainab Khatib	704262	UCL Medical School

Ayeshah Waheed	60121086	Division of Biosciences
Baseer Ahmed	843094	Biochemical Engineering
Benedict Hugo Scott McNulty	60488	Economics
Benjamin Artman	701862	UCL Medical School
Benjamin Charles Glithero	713867	French
Benjamin Guy Barnett	60508	Italian
Benjamin Holter	803893	UCL Medical School
Benjamin Hunter Sam Perry	39906777	Physics and Astronomy
Benjamin Matthew Dowsing	702161	UCL Medical School
Bethany Jane Sampson	703741	UCL Medical School
Bilal Ajmal Khan	709348	Economics
Billy Street	52200900	SSEES History Affiliate
Bronwen Olivia O'Donnell	728744	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Camilla Elizabeth Royle	841769	Geography
Candace Beoku-Betts	708764	Division of Biosciences
Carl Mikael Tornblom Duthu	727661	History
Cassandra Catherine Hancock	60429591	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Catherine Brigid Egan	731224	Laws
Catherine Mansoor	60680	Laws
Cezary Jerzy Kucewicz	60154224	History
Charles Geoffrey Alfred Horwood	701732	UCL Medical School
Charlie Clinton	50082506	Laws Affiliate
Charlie Cox	50223660	UCL Medical School
Charlotte Alice Jackson	806362	UCL Medical School
Chloe Rayner	805258	UCL Medical School
Christopher Adam Blanchard	60093749	Economics
Christopher Alexander Bullock	809104	UCL Medical School
Christopher John Anthony	50249774	Division of Surgery and Interventional Science
Christopher John Booth	60131085	Geography
Clare Shepperd	50049185	UCL Medical School
Claudia Davies	803831	UCL Medical School
Colin Harry Myer	50219146	English Language and Literature
Dalvir Kular	707284	UCL Medical School
Daniel Alan Collins	805678	UCL Medical School
Daniel Gregory Guy Wilson	30396122	UCL Medical School
Daniel Levy	60516	Laws
Daniel Sher	705250	Greek and Latin
Daniel Sommer	60045661	Division of Biosciences
Daniel Whitelock	709012	English Language and Literature
Danielle Banin	60106234	Laws
David Peter Edwards	50098138	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
David Philip Edwards	832514	Bartlett School of Architecture
Deepa Kiran Patel	60060493	Anthropology
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Desiree Yolande Egger	825399	Biochemical Engineering
Devan Kadodwala	60238834	Economics
Diana Tioe	705955	Mathematics
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Dom Smith	61474745	Geography
Dominic James William O'Hanlon	702106	English Language and Literature
Eamonn Hurley-Flynn	60350169	History
Ebrahim Dehghani-Tafti	712399	Division of Biosciences
Ebrahim Mohammed Ali	52185548	Chemical Engineering
Ed Steward	40135263	History Affiliate
Edmund Paul Heywood	50375257	Greek and Latin
Edward Charles Ross Barnes	60266505	Economics
Edward Malnick	711974	English Language and Literature
Edward Timothy Shelley	715154	European Social and Political Studies Office
Eid Aref Ahmaro	826867	Biochemical Engineering
Eleanor Margaret Isabel Singer	803133	UCL Medical School
Elima Begum Chowdhury	61679797	Chemistry
Elinor Dean	60935863	Laws
Elise Baudon	711145	Division of Biosciences
Elizabeth Jayne Aspinall	50094141	Mathematics
Elliot Peter Richard Nichols	807107	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
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Emily Dorotheou	60098353	Economics
Emily Jane Cooper	714370	Slade School of Fine Art
Emily Laetitia Wallis	701897	History of Art
Emily Long	814782	Philosophy
Emma Collinson	703238	UCL Medical School
Emma Traherne	60211538	Institute of Archaeology
Eoin Dore	804202	UCL Medical School
Erica Margaret Martin	702910	UCL Medical School
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Esfarul Qayyum Khan	824068	Economics
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Farah Bede	40241999	UCL Medical School
Fareena Butt	703112	Faculty of Life Sciences
Farhan Habib	62080837	Mechanical Engineering
Frank Yang Wang	802527	UCL Medical School
Gabrielle Nemetnejad	732896	History
George Alexander Grevett	60459439	Economics
George Patrick Stoye	703211	Economics
George Wilfrid Edmondson	706403	UCL Medical School
Gilur Rahman	40417217	UCL Medical School
Giovanna Amorosi	60225133	Natural Sciences Office
Grace Ellen Mary Barnett	60073553	Geography

Greg Brown	826884	German
Guy Woodward	50802203	Electronic and Electrical Engineering
Hamdi Khalif	706899	Division of Biosciences
Hammad Shaikh	808263	UCL Medical School
Hannah Jones	60173096	Mathematics
Haroon Hussain Sayed	50085002	UCL Medical School
Harriet Augusta Jane Stevenson	60368049	Medical Physics and Bioengineering
Hasan Ali Khan	60442110	Division of Biosciences
Hasan Samee-Ahmed	821737	Mechanical Engineering
Hassan Raza Shah	711075	Statistical Science
Heda Agic	728572	Earth Sciences
Helen Clarkson	727482	History
Henry Tristan Bazeley Lewith	40101109	UCL Medical School
Hugh Frederick Welch	40010720	UCL Medical School
Hugh Whalley	60290968	Institute of Child Health
Husn-Ubayda Islam	60168922	Chemistry
Iain Robert Martin	60391874	Natural Sciences Office
Ian David Morris	733762	French
Ibrahim Al-Tamimy	729297	Chemical Engineering
Idris Shah	713490	Chemical Engineering
Ilhan Omar	50415508	UCL Medical School
Iman Ali Hassan	60222327	Chemistry
Imran Khan	40261805	UCL Medical School
Isabella Gerber	701593	French
Isabelle Hewitt	53477125	French
Ismail Docrat	60989327	Civil, Environmental and Geomatic Engineering
Ismail Mohammed	60284299	Mathematics
Isra Sharif	810778	Ear Institute
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Jack Robert McMahon	50742080	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Jacob Ressa	801982	UCL Medical School
Jamal Ebrahim Saleh	60080600	Greek and Latin
Jamal Muse	709671	Mathematics
James Edward Henry Foster	60136965	Greek and Latin
James Mark Hibberd	702315	UCL Medical School
James Oliver Chandler	706945	Laws
James Tonkin	60147891	Division of Biosciences
James William Albert Streetley	60407854	Division of Biosciences
James William John Hodgson	60101402	Geography
Janina Osman	730028	Division of Biosciences
Jantine Anna-Nina Aver	60734	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
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Jen Currigan	20266356	UCL Medical School Affiliate
Jennifer Charlotte Hart	703941	Division of Psychology and

		Language Sciences
Jennifer Louise Hulse	60884653	History
Jessica Ball	801168	UCL Medical School
Jessica Kochan	713763	Geography
Jessica Vas	814492	History
Joe Yoav Dangoor	705676	UCL Medical School
John Brian Middleton	3013928	Chemistry
John William Wright	703167	Mathematics
Jonathan Emmett	844427	Civil, Environmental and Geomatic Engineering
Jonathan Henry Moses	703309	History
Jonathan Marlinde Ranatunga	50175439	Division of Biosciences
Jonathan Michael Ashley	809358	UCL Medical School
Jonathan Murdoch-Smith	61116	Italian
Jonathan Richard Wood	720299	Bartlett School of Construction & Project Mngment
Joseph Michael Wellman	60395414	Mathematics
Josephine Helena Casserly	713027	European Social and Political Studies Office
Josephine Neale	50315758	UCL Medical School
Joshua Allanigue	50434059	Laws
Joshua Karl Blacker	60121134	English Language and Literature
Joshua Killeen	712313	Division of Biosciences
Juliet Flynn	50790966	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Kartik Bhanot	802207	Economics
Kashif Javaid	50838534	Biochemical Engineering
Kate Rowley	40668255	Archaeology Affiliate
Katherine Elizabeth Woodhead	30387142	Chemistry
Katie Honney	50156243	UCL Medical School
Kazim Sajan	809156	French
Kevin Yip	805009	UCL Medical School
Khaled Abdesselam	844810	Language Centre
Khaleda Sultana	50433018	UCL Medical School
Lamiaa Chaabi	821292	Management Science and Innovation
Laughlan Jerome Steer	804967	Greek and Latin
Laura Haynes	803470	UCL Medical School
Leah Alexandra Rosenbaum	800305	UCL Medical School
Leo Alexander Nicholas	726244	Division of Biosciences
Lewis Francis Ross	714029	Geography
Liam Patrick Watson	808877	UCL Medical School
Lisa Rachel Gosbee	63996520	Greek and Latin
Longxiao Guo	60501	History
Lorena Chavez	806090	UCL Medical School
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Louie Dartmoor Corpe	727899	Mathematics

Louise Doe	715115	Earth Sciences
Lucy Harriet Bentley	60427597	Division of Biosciences
Lucy Jane Helen Dearlove	50152382	German
Luke Paul Davison	60208907	Economics
Madeeha Aziz	703388	UCL Medical School
Madelaine Miller	703623	Italian
Madeleine Upton	60335650	Institute of Archaeology
Mahdiyya Sachoo	51502812	Ear Institute
Mahmoud Chehab	51463351	Mechanical Engineering
Maram Khaled Al Sabbagh	60318011	Natural Sciences Office
Marc Levy	60106108	Economics
Marc Sarazin	708927	Faculty of Life Sciences
Marcelle Marks	60510	Division of Psychology and Language Sciences
Maria Adao Serrano	801397	UCL Medical School
Maria Zara Boland	800415	UCL Medical School
Marina Kolobova	60245658	History
Mark Clifford Whelan	715922	Chemistry
Marwa Kuwaidar	60727	French
Maryam Alkizwini	62469663	Chemistry
Maryame Tribak	704472	UCL Medical School
Matthew Edward Hawtin	701328	Geography
Matthew John Pickin	51920577	Division of Biosciences
Matthew Jones	60595	Physics and Astronomy
Matthew Kristofer Gardner	50387560	German
Matthew Vaux Hewitt	60339108	Institute of Child Health
Maya Shickell		Greek and Latin
Meetal Hirani	60587765	Chemistry
Megan Whewell	700760	Natural Sciences Office
Meghan Kobza	838055	History
Metin Tolga Buldu	60055915	Division of Biosciences
Michael Chessum	703687	History
Michael Foley	804301	UCL Medical School
Michael Peet	704080	History
Michael T Kandawasvika	712781	Division of Biosciences
Mikhael Behzad	60041009	Economics
Miles Robert Bogle	60033140	Institute of Child Health
Mirza Talat Baig	60260592	Mathematics
Mohamed Aden Mohamoud	814910	Division of Biosciences
Mohammad Dawood Khan	61949438	Mechanical Engineering
Mohammad Haroon Rashid	741501	Chemical Engineering
Mohammad Kazim Beebeejaun	719278	Division of Biosciences
Mohammed Abdul Alim		UCL Medical School
Mohammed El-Deeb	60484534	Chemical Engineering
Mohammed Kaosar Rasul Bari	717217	Mathematics
Mohammed Mahmoud	62933968	Division of Biosciences
Mohammed Muzher Ali Sharif	833074	Computer Science
Mohammed Rashid Akhtar	40006697	UCL Medical School

Mohammed Usman Mirza	707235	Mathematics
Mojeed Adams-Mogaji	706710	Division of Biosciences
Mostafa Ellatif	803219	UCL Medical School
Moyeez Uddin	819386	Division of Biosciences
Muazzamuddin Shah	707506	Chemical Engineering
Mufaddal Sulemanji	60789048	Chemical Engineering
Mugtaba Badr	50085035	Bartlett School of Graduate Studies
Muhammad Abdul Hakim	811554	Economics
Muhammad Hassan Khan	810347	Mathematics
Muhammad Patel	807321	UCL Medical School
Muhammad Talha	811075	Electronic and Electrical Engineering
Muhammed Onu Miah	805348	UCL Medical School
Musa Kazem Khan	827347	Economics
Mussa Mohamud	51016814	Chemical Engineering
Nadeem Naz	60427416	Physics and Astronomy
Nadia Muspratt-Tucker	60100416	UCL Medical School
Nadir Rahman Chowdhury	703009	UCL Medical School
Naomi Earl	806636	UCL Medical School
Naqash Yasin Raja	746245	Biochemical Engineering
Nasib Ahmed	708346	Statistical Science
Nasiru Bakare	54547270	Biochemical Engineering
Nathanael Macdonald	51885911	Physiology Affiliate
Naveed Ahmed	809473	UCL Medical School
Neena Ranchod-Shaw	60564	Division of Biosciences
Neta Bat-El Baruch	702267	Division of Biosciences
Nihad Khan	60487339	Division of Biosciences
Nirthanan Sukumar	701826	History
Nisreen Fansa	719962	Division of Psychology and Language Sciences
Nizar Issa	69041529	Chemistry
Noam Attar	64339096	Statistical Science
Nor Aziemah Hj Abd Aziz	60144801	Faculty of Life Sciences
Omar Al Ramadhani	10363142	Biochemical Engineering
Omar El Saidi	809034	Biochemical Engineering
Onvara Oeusoonthornwattana	60707260	Division of Psychology and Language Sciences
Oscar Nasim Nobi	734467	Laws
Owais Kadwani	60078880	Institute of Child Health
Patrick John Frings	50500826	Geography
Patrick John Teague	50297524	French
Paul Michael Kowalewski	831967	Laws
Paul William Coulter	707896	History
Peter Stevens	716414	Physics and Astronomy
Peter Stuart	60483560	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Philip Rackley	715278	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Philipp Christoph Victor Graf	800101	History

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Pierre Beniguel	63569139	Mathematics
Pierre Deludet	803800	Physics and Astronomy
Prem Christopher Daniel	705362	UCL Medical School
Priyesh Patel	720178	Division of Biosciences
Qasim Ali Nasar-Ullah	54615823	Mechanical Engineering
Rachael Delwyn Kimber	713081	History
Rachel Smith	717930	Civil, Environmental and Geomatic Engineering
Radoslaw Adam Rippel	802832	UCL Medical School
Rahul Bahl	809213	UCL Medical School
Rajiv Chabria	709243	Economics
Ravi Aggarwal	50565098	UCL Medical School
Raymond Warren Thompson	705305	English Language and Literature
Razia Auckbarally	701363	UCL Medical School
Razwaan Shahid Ahmed	714986	Economics
Rebecca Fiona Mullen	60203027	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Reena Rani Aggarwal	50267815	UCL Medical School
Ren Fah Lim	828544	Physics and Astronomy
Ria Grace Manwell	703301	Hebrew and Jewish Studies
Richard Denny	50252877	Geography
Richard Jay Lipson	20277248	Bartlett School of Architecture
Richard Michael Earley	50414729	History
Richard Muswell	802609	UCL Medical School
Richard William Mallett	51532211	Geography
Robert Simon Cassidy	30486216	UCL Medical School
Robin Owain Gash	718122	Physics and Astronomy
Rochelle Brainerd	704673	UCL Medical School
Rosanna Jody Rafel	707768	History
Rose Anna Sheehy Williams	714020	History
Roshni Mistry	800397	UCL Medical School
Ruman Ahmed	843063	Civil, Environmental and Geomatic Engineering
Rumana Lasker	700218	UCL Medical School
Rupert Sanford-Scutt	30470695	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Saadhekul Uddin	40108142	Mechanical Engineering
Sabrina Bilbul	824125	Mathematics
Saffan Qureshi	40422392	UCL Medical School
Sahal Quazi	806591	UCL Medical School
Sajad Obaydi	715927	Mathematics
Sajjad Abbas	40265515	UCL Medical School
Sajjid Ahmed Kurmani	60488657	Laws
Salim Shahid Niazi Malik	61044836	Division of Biosciences
Salma Haji-Hussein	60322199	Division of Biosciences
Salmaan Khan	843739	Institute of Child Health
Samar Mantache	829304	Management Science and Innovation

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Samihah Aslam	710337	Division of Biosciences
Samir Ali Khwaja	10467956	UCL Medical School
Samuel Fraser Thomas	806608	Physics and Astronomy
Samuel Michael James Fletcher	50460151	Physics and Astronomy
Samuel Smullen	60705	Greek and Latin
Samuel Yves Crews	703131	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Saniath Akbar	702740	UCL Medical School
Sanjay Joshi	713086	Division of Biosciences
Sanjay Karamsadkar	805489	UCL Medical School
Sanusi Mohammad Bello	69050037	Division of Biosciences
Sara Hall	982615575	Hebrew and Jewish Studies
Sarah Hussain	60676461	Mathematics
Sean Gasper Bye	50673991	Scandinavian Studies
Sean Skliros	802269	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Sebastian Smith	700877	Chemistry
Sefia Jivraj	51080550	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Selman Turk	747238	Management Science and Innovation
Shabbir Zavery	50757051	Economics
Shah Zohair Ahmed Abbasi	819195	Mathematics
Shakib Khamkar	40422406	UCL Medical School
Shani Inda Gray	708159	UCL Medical School
Sharmarke Mohamed	30750852	Chemistry
Shaukat Ali	721568	Biochemical Engineering
Shezad Rehman Chowdhury	719737	Geography
Shirin Fatima Beebeejaun	50020494	UCL Medical School
Shoriful Islam	53026428	Civil, Environmental and Geomatic Engineering
Shozab Naqi Lalji	718329	Mathematics
Shreyas Mahadeva Iyer	50035719	Natural Sciences Office
Shujaat Asad Rizvi Syed	843683	Division of Infection and Immunity
Sinan Hasan	718002	Mechanical Engineering
Siobhan Bailey	702786	UCL Medical School
Sofia Patel	52485769	Ear Institute
Sofia Tabasum Khan	60111238	Division of Biosciences
Sol Joseph Pickvance Gamsu	60692	European Social and Political Studies Office
Soliman Edris	60431549	Physics and Astronomy
Somia Mohammed	60288943	Division of Biosciences
Sophie Rachel Cowen	60485069	Division of Biosciences
Stefan Yashwant Arif	60321985	Earth Sciences
Stephanie Jane Robson	62136710	Earth Sciences
Stephen Andrew Sharpe	60582	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies

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Summen Chaudhry	802834	Division of Biosciences
Sunil Tailor	60692335	Economics
Susan Raji Arasaretnam	60149079	Division of Biosciences
Swasti Shukla Shivaprasad	50248434	French
Syed Daniel Mossadeque Ali	837007	Mechanical Engineering
Syeda Fatimah Anbrin Jilani	706722	UCL Medical School
Sylvia Kowalska	706534	Greek and Latin
Tahir Imran Hussain	50445468	UCL Medical School
Tahir Khonmir Maruf	718588	Chemical Engineering
Tajkia Misbah	703160	UCL Medical School
Tanveen Chowdhury	60749972	Division of Psychology and Language Sciences
Taufiq Dawood	702868	UCL Medical School
Taylor Law	809197	UCL Medical School
Theodora Adisa	708269	Division of Biosciences
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Thomas Alister Griffiths	705160	Earth Sciences
Thomas Ambrose Mellan	711666	Physics and Astronomy
Thomas Anthony Milnes Coates	50037997	Division of Biosciences
Thomas Daley	61535851	Chemistry
Thomas George Bance	709820	Physics and Astronomy
Thomas James Parkinson	716946	History
Thomas Webb	809766	Laws
Timothy Samuel John Rees Jones	700766	History
Tom Matthew Risdon	707362	Greek and Latin
Tom Peter Allen	710078	English Language and Literature
Tristram Hubbard - Miles	814462	Physics and Astronomy
Tun Win Hla	806000	UCL Medical School
Umar Naeem Shareef	40121532	Chemical Engineering
Usman Hyder	741624	Division of Biosciences
Victoria Baker	809327	History
Victoria Gilbert	701919	Natural Sciences Office
Victoria Grinbaum	811766	Institute of Archaeology
Vildane Berani	746439	UCL Medical School
Vishal Kohli	40121554	UCL Medical School
Wasim Awaiz Mir	802464	UCL Medical School
Will Chambers	810148	UCL Medical School
William Alexander John Wilkes	40514985	German
William Alistair Cobb	50321999	UCL Medical School
William Henry Ashman	810435	Electronic and Electrical Engineering
William Robert Lawrence Ferrier	709143	Anthropology
William Tanner	704455	History

Yasin Ivan Rosowsky	41894064	Mechanical Engineering
Yazeed Al-Thenyan	844816	Language Centre
Yumna Ahmed	704652	Division of Biosciences
Zakari Smith	813040	History
Zayd Mahomed	810538	Statistical Science
Zhaxybek Nurtlessov	69900983	UCL Medical School
Zoe Samer	833445	SSEES - School of Slavonic & East European Studies
Zoya Naveen Kidwai	814404	Management Science and Innovation
Zubair Idris	808066	UCL Medical School
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Name withdrawn by Data Protection Act	60387589	Statistical Science

The Chair opened the meeting at 15:20. The Chair introduced members present on the stage and members of the Executive Committee. He outlined housekeeping points for the meeting and ran a test vote using the electronic voting technology.

AGM08/1/1 Announcements

AGM08/1/1.1 Elections: Voting Opens, Friday 27 February until midnight, Thursday 5 March.

NOTED

AGM08/1/1.2 The Chair accepted an announcement from the floor about a *Why Europe?* debate taking place later in the week.

NOTED.

AGM08/1/2 Data Protection Act

AGM08/1/2.1 There were no further objections to names or initials being published on the internet.

AGM08/1/3 Minutes of the Last Meeting

AGM08/1/3.1 The minutes of the AGM dated 5 February 2008 were

APPROVED.

AGM08/1/3.2 The minutes of the reconvened AGM dated 5 March 2008 were

APPROVED.

AGM08/1/4 Report to the Membership

AGM08/1/4.1 The Annual Report and Accounts 2007/8 were

APPROVED.

AGM08/1/5 Acceptance of the Agenda¹

AGM08/1/5.1 Edward Malnick proposed that agenda items 7.5 and 7.6 be moved to the top of the agenda.

The Finance & Democracy Officer provided a speech against the proposal.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the proposal and the following votes were recorded:

For: 58

Against: 201

Abstentions: 28

The Chair declared that as there was not a majority, the proposal

NOT APPROVED.

AGM08/1/5.2 Edward Malnick proposed that agenda items 7.5 and 7.6 be moved to the top of the motions (agenda point 7).

Isabelle Hewitt provided a speech against the proposal.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the proposal and the following votes were recorded:

For: 58

Against: 191

Abstentions: 34

The Chair declared that as there was not a majority, the proposal

NOT APPROVED.

AGM08/1/5.3 The Chair asked whether there was any opposition to accepting the agenda. As there were no objections, the Chair declared that the agenda was

ACCEPTED.

AGM08/1/6 Special Resolutions

AGM08/1/6.1 **Special Resolution for the PGA to be commensurate with RUMS and SSEES in UCL Union's Constitution. [Second Reading]**

The Medical & Postgraduate Students' Officer provided a speech proposing the second reading of the Special Resolution.

There was no speech against.

¹ The relevant sections of the Standing Order relating to the agenda order for the Annual General Meeting were suspended by Union Council at its meeting of 27 January 2009.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the Special Resolution and the following votes were recorded:

For: 237

Against: 14

Abstentions: 52

The Chair declared that as there was a clear two-thirds majority, the *Special Resolution for the PGA to be commensurate with RUMS and SSEES in UCL Union's Constitution* was

CARRIED.

Special Resolution for the PGA to be commensurate with RUMS and SSEES in UCL Union's Constitution

This Union notes:

- 1. There are approximately 8000 postgraduate students at UCL.*
- 2. That the RUMS and SSEES Student Societies are mentioned in the Union's Standing Orders and that each has a Constitution.*
- 3. That the Postgraduate Association is mentioned in the Union's Standing Orders.*

This Union believes:

- 1. That the Postgraduate Association has an important role in representing the views of postgraduate students to the rest of the Union and to College.*
- 2. That the Postgraduate Association should have equal status within UCL Union's Constitution and Standing Orders, to the RUMS and SSEES Student Societies.*

This Union resolves:

- 1. To amend Section XV.D of UCL Union's Constitution to read:
"The Postgraduate Association (PGA), Royal Free and UCL Medical Students (RUMS) and students of the School of Slavonic and East European Studies (SSEES) shall be Societies of University College London Union and are therefore bound under XV. A, B and C above."*
- 2. To put this Special Resolution onto the agenda of the next General Meeting.*

Proposed by:

Julian Mazowiecki, 33560685, Geography Affiliate

Seconded by:

Sean Clothier, 40086035, English Affiliate

Jim Hunkin, 721944, Public Policy MSc

Olivia Alford, 30512548, SSEES Affiliate

James O'Dwyer, 517, 04092, Physics II

Markus Krumins, 51640871, Physics III

Eu Jet Seow, 50352993, Medicine III

Chris Lagen, 69013087, Archaeology PhD II

Primal Fernando, 40425845, Physics Affiliate

Steve Whittle, 40222057, Maths Affiliate

Alex Karski, 50268557, Classics III

AGM08/1/6.2 **Special Resolution to Accept the New Constitution**

The Medical & Postgraduate Students' Officer provided a speech proposing the Special Resolution.

The Chair advised that there had been an amendment to the Special Resolution submitted which was available to members present and through the Union Notice Board.

Samuel Crews provided a speech proposing the amendment.

The Education Officer provided a speech against the amendment.

The Chair invited a further round of speeches.

Sol Gamsu provided a speech for the amendment.

The Finance & Democracy Officer provided a speech against the amendment.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the amendment and the following votes were recorded:

For: 124

Against: 129

Abstentions: 79

The Chair declared that as there was not a majority, the amendment to the Special Resolution was

NOT CARRIED.

The Chair invited a speech against the Special Resolution.

Sol Gamsu provided a speech against the Special Resolution.

The Chair invited a further round of speeches.

The Finance & Democracy Officer provided a speech for the Special Resolution.

Samuel Crews provided a speech against the Special Resolution.

There was a general discussion on the floor.

Isabelle Hewitt proposed the procedural motion to move to the vote on the Special Resolution.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the procedural motion and the following votes were recorded:

For: 277
Against: 93
Abstentions: 36

The Chair declared that as there was a clear majority, the procedural motion to move to the vote was

CARRIED.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the Special Resolution and the following votes were recorded:

For: 227
Against: 84
Abstentions: 89

The Chair declared that as there was a clear two-thirds majority, the *Special Resolution to Accept the New Constitution* was

CARRIED

for a second reading.

Special Resolution to Accept the New Constitution

This Union Notes:

1. *The 2006 Charities Act.*
2. *This new law dictates that student unions must register with the Charities Commission to become independent of their 'parent institutions'.*
3. *At the moment, the Union is not registered as it enjoys protection from its 'parent institution' which is UCL.*
4. *When the Charities Act comes into force, the Union will automatically no longer have the protection of UCL.*
5. *Council's policy to define a trustee board and a mission statement after consultation with the student body.*
6. *Council's advice on the make-up and nature of the trustee board and mission statement.*

This Union Believes:

1. *The attached appendix is the best representation of collated student feedback from the survey and focus groups, Council's collective view, and the legal advice that the Sabbatical Officers sought.*
2. *The attached appendix will place the Union in a position to register with the Charities Commission.*
3. *The new trustee board will only have power to veto Union activities based on financial and legal considerations, leaving the policy making, management, and strategic direction of the Union in the hands of the student body.*
4. *The new TrusteeBoard's actions are strictly controlled in the attached appendix.*

The Communications & Services Officer raised a point of information asking the speaker whether he was aware that the Officer Training Corps (OTC) were charged commercial rates for attending UCLU events.

Andrew Weir responded.

Richard Denny raised a point of information asking the speaker whether he was aware that members of the OTC did not have to join the army.

Andrew Weir responded.

Sol Gamsu raised a point of information asking the Chair which point of the Constitution was referred to in the earlier speech proposing the motion.

The Chair quoted sections II.A.5. and II.B. in his response.

Ian Morris provided a further speech for the motion.

Amanda Smith raised the procedural motion to move to the vote.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the procedural motion and the following votes were recorded:

For: 345

Against: 74

Abstentions: 19

The Chair declared that as there was a clear majority, the procedural motion to move to the vote was

CARRIED.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the motion and the following votes were recorded:

For: 227

Against: 177

Abstentions: 27

The Chair declared that as there was a clear majority, the *Motion to allow student military organisations to attend Fresher's Fairs and other UCLU events, and publicise their activities through UCL union media* was

CARRIED.

This union resolves to allow student military organisations to attend Fresher's Fairs and other UCLU events, and publicise their activities through UCL union media.

This Union notes:

- 1. The constitution of UCL Union states that the Union exists to provide for the physical recreation of members and further the interests of students generally*
- 2. The constitution of UCL Union states that the Union exists to provide equality of opportunity for all its students*

3. *That the OTC provides opportunities for leadership development through military training, adventure training and social activities*
4. *That at the reconvened AGM last year a motion was passed banning student military organisations from attending the Union freshers' fairs, or other UCL union events, the premises and media*

This Union believes:

1. *That students should be allowed to engage in any activity offered to students as a body of young people, as long as they act within the law and constitution and standing orders of UCL Union*
2. *That these activities should be advertised to students wherever possible, to ensure that every potentially interested party has every opportunity to find out more about what is on offer to them*
3. *That one of the main opportunities for advertising to students is within their Union and at Union events, with particular reference to fresher's fairs, as it is the Union that is dedicated to furthering students' interests, with the fresher's fair is designed to facilitate this.*
4. *That military organisations, for interested/involved students, have the potential to impact positively on a students life at and beyond university, so should be allowed to advertise to students where deemed appropriate.*
5. *That the student military organisations should therefore be allowed to advertise their activities to students via union events, such as the fresher's fair, and on union premises*

This Union resolves:

1. *To remove the 'Motion on Troops Out of UCL' document from UCL Union's policy file.*
2. *To allow student military organisations such as the OTC to attend UCL union events, including the fresher's fair, and advertise on the premises and via the media, as was previously allowed before the ban was imposed.*
3. *To remove the mandate placed on UCL union representatives to lobby ULU to ban the OTC and other student military organisations.*

Proposer

Amanda Smith Medicine 4 50052794

Seconders

<i>James Foster</i>	<i>Classics 3</i>	<i>60136965</i>
<i>Adam Sawyer</i>	<i>Medicine 4</i>	<i>50188222</i>
<i>Aniket Nadgir</i>	<i>Medicine 4</i>	<i>50508947</i>
<i>Jonathan Cornell</i>	<i>Medicine 4</i>	<i>50147562</i>
<i>Eammon Hurley-Flynn</i>	<i>History 3</i>	<i>60350169</i>

<i>Benjamin Worcester</i>	<i>Medicine 4</i>	<i>40088132</i>
<i>Seb Roberts</i>	<i>Medicine 4</i>	<i>60030286</i>
<i>Bryn Williams</i>	<i>Medicine 4</i>	<i>50147300</i>
<i>Joshua Blacker</i>	<i>English 3</i>	<i>60121134</i>
<i>David Edwards</i>	<i>SSEES 4</i>	<i>50098138</i>

AGM08/1/7.2 Education is a right and should be free for all: Motion on the state of higher education (HE) and the future of HE Finance.

Sol Gamsu provided a speech proposing the motion.

Sophie Cohen raised a point of information on how the proposer intended that higher education be funded.

Sol Gamsu responded.

Amanda Smith raised a point of information on whether the proposer thought that this motion would be fighting the cap.

Sol Gamsu responded.

The Finance & Democracy Officer raised the procedural motion to move to the vote.

The Chair struck the procedural motion in order to balance the debate before moving to the vote.

There was no speech against.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the motion and the following votes were recorded:

For: 312

Against: 88

Abstentions: 29

The Chair declared that as there was a clear majority, the *Motion on the state of higher education (HE) and the future of HE Finance* was

CARRIED.

Education is a right and should be free for all: Motion on the state of higher education (HE) and the future of HE finance

This union notes:

- 1. That in Spring this academic year (2008-2009) the government is planning a review of higher education finance.*
- 2. That one potential consequence of this review could be the lifting of the £3,000 cap on university tuition fees.*
- 3. That access to higher education in the UK remains highly dependent on social background and socio-economic grouping.¹*
- 4. That intake at more prestigious and traditional universities and the newer universities, remains highly influenced by social class even with the supposed increase in cash available for bursaries since the introduction of tuition fees.²*

5. *That students are increasingly forced to work full- or part-time jobs while they are at university to fund their studies³ and that this is an indication of the rising living costs and higher levels of debt faced by students. Furthermore the issue of part-time work has a substantial impact on socially disadvantaged students⁴.*
6. *That on a national and international level higher education is increasingly viewed as a commodity and as a result the market increasingly dominates the orientation of universities.⁵*
7. *That research indicates fear of debt is the most significant disincentive for those who choose not to continue in higher education⁶.*
8. *That the bursary system provided under the 2004 Higher Education Act has allowed the development of a two tier system of bursaries⁷, that it provides insufficient financial support for students⁸ and that the highly complex system for gaining access to these bursaries acts as a hindrance to students⁹.*
9. *That many universities failed to spend the money allocated for bursaries in 2006-2007.¹⁰*
10. *That internationally many countries continue to provide free education. This has not necessarily resulted in a loss of quality¹¹.*
11. *That in 2008 students in the central German state of Hesse were able to successfully campaign against the introduction of top-up fees and create the pressure and momentum required to force mainstream parties to vote in favour of the reintroduction of free education and the abolition of fees.*
12. *That in October 2008 partial grants for students whose parents earn a combined income of between £50,200 and £60,000 were cut, this could affect up to 130,000 students a year¹². At some universities, such as Bradford, this cut has been partially or wholly compensated for by the university (i.e. the university has offered all those who would have received a partial grant from the government a bursary from the university).*
13. *That UCL's current Provost, Malcolm Grant, Chair of the Russell Group, has previously indicated his support for an increase in top-up fees¹³.*
14. *That as a result of the financial crisis and worsening economic situation, graduates are facing an increasingly difficult job market with larger debts than previous generations.*

This Union believes:

1. *That if the tuition fee cap is not raised by a Labour government, the abolition of the tuition fee cap remains a distinct possibility under future governments¹⁴.*
2. *That under the current funding system part-time students lack financial support.*
3. *That under the current funding system international students are exploited to maximize profits for universities.*

4. *That if the fee cap is lifted, students are likely to face harsher terms of repayment on student loans¹⁵ and that levels of student debt will increase massively.*
5. *That if the fee cap is lifted the graduate premium ("the amount a graduate can expect to earn over their working lifetime compared to a person with two A-levels") would decrease for students in all subjects, with students studying arts and humanities courses particularly severely affected¹⁶.*
6. *That the market logic which dominates higher education is damaging to the educational environment of a university.¹⁷*
7. *That lifting the cap would exacerbate existing inequalities within the university system in the UK and lead to the creation of a clear two tier system of elite research-based institutions charging higher fees and a rump of universities charging lower fees for a lower standard of education. Such a situation would further encourage students to choose courses and universities on cost rather than on their individual merit.*
8. *That bursary systems, however large, provide an inadequate solution to the problem of unequal access to education.*
9. *That education is a social good and a fundamental right and that this is incompatible with a system of higher education which forces students to pay for their education and reduces teaching, learning and research to a simple tool for economic growth.*
10. *That tuition fees and charging of any form for higher education should be abolished in favour of a system of free, government-funded universities with the return of a living grant for all students.*
11. *That UCL should offer all students, current and future, who would have received a grant until the cuts of October 2008, an equivalent bursary.*
12. *That it is unacceptable that the Provost of UCL should be encouraging the government to charge more fees to students, particularly at a time when students and graduates have larger debts than ever before and poorer prospects of finding work.*

This Union resolves:

1. *To mandate the education officer to write to the Provost outlining the concerns stated in this motion and indicating UCLU's support for free education. The letter should also request a clear indication from the Provost as to his preferred system of higher education finance. Any response received from the Provost should be publicized on the UCLU Noticedboard on the website.*
2. *To mandate the education officer to negotiate with College to ensure students who would have received a partial grant until October 2008 will receive the equivalent amount through UCL's bursary scheme.*
3. *To mandate the education officer to write to Wes Streeting, President of the NUS outlining the concerns stated in this motion and indicating UCLU's support for free education and an NUS campaign for free education. The letter should also request a clear indication from the*

President as to his preferred system of higher education finance. Any response received should be publicized on the UCLU Noticedboard on the website.

4. *To mandate the education officer to write to John Denham MP, current Secretary of State for Universities and Skills outlining the concerns stated in this motion and indicating UCLU's support for free education and the complete reform of the current system of funding. The letter should also request a clear indication from the Secretary of State as to why he believes free education is possible in many other European countries but not in the UK. Any response received should be publicized on the UCLU Noticedboard on the website.*
5. *To mandate the education officer to sign the call on behalf of UCLU recently launched by student union officers and activists from across the country for a national demonstration calling for a free education and an end to marketisation of education¹⁸.*
6. *To mandate the Education and Communication and Services Officers to publicize any relevant future events relating to higher education finance they are informed of. This publicity would include using the UCLU website's events' calendar, including information of events in UCLU's Email Newsletter and a poster campaign*
7. *To mandate the Education and Communication and Services Officers to organise a publicity campaign to encourage UCL students to attend the National Demonstration for Free Education, which will be taking place on Wednesday 25th February beginning at 12pm in front of the School of Oriental and African Studies (UCL meet-up in the main quad at 12pm). This should include posters and flyers, as well as placards and banners for the day itself.*
8. *To mandate the education officer or another member of the sabbatical team to bring an adapted version of this motion to ULU Senate. The motion must call for coordination between different University of London sabbatical officers who wish to campaign for free education. This coordination should include a call for an open meeting between all interested sabbatical officers (including those from outside the University of London), if possible before the national demonstration on 25th February, though it may have to be after.*

Details can be found here:

<http://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=503956354&ref=profile#/group.php?gid=41870918296>

¹ According to a HEFCE report of 2005 "Young people living in the most advantaged 20 percent of areas are five or six times more likely to enter higher education than those living in the least advantaged 20 percent of areas.", HEFCE, *Young Participation in Higher Education*, January 2005, www.hefce.ac.uk, pp 10-11.

² This is highlighted by the fact that in 2006-2007, the percentage of students from socio-economic classifications 4-7 in the Russell Group of universities was around 19% and the percentage who came from state schools was 72%; the same figures from the Million+ Group of universities was 40% and 97%. NUS, *Broke and Broken*, September 2008, www.nus.org.uk, p. 9.

³ NUS TUC, *All work and low pay*, 2006, www.tuc.orR.uk, p. 6

4 "Part-time work was perceived as essential by many socially disadvantaged students..." Sutton Trust, *Knowing Where to Study? Fees, Bursaries and Fair Access*, February 2008, p. 5

55 "Underlying the market orientation of tertiary [higher] education is the ascendance, almost worldwide, of market capitalism and the principles of neo-liberal economics." D. Bruce Johnstone for the World Bank, *The Financing and Management of Higher Education: A Status Report on Worldwide Reforms*, 1999, http://www.bc.edu/bc_org/avp/soe/cihe/ihec/policy/financing_education_WB.pdf

6 "Nearly two-thirds (fifty-nine percent) of students who had decided not to pursue study in higher education reported that avoiding debt had affected their decision 'much or 'very much'." Sutton Trust, *Knowing Where to Study? Fees, Bursaries and Fair Access*, February 2008, p. 4.

7 "(in 2006/7) the average annual needs-based bursary for the poorest students in the Russell Group of universities was £1,791, but in the Million-!- Group this was only £680." NUS, *Broke & Broken*, September 2008.

"Unless a bursary is large (say £2,000 or more) it will be unlikely to exert much influence in the face of other factors that bear upon a student's financial situation." Sutton Trust, *Knowing Where to Study? Fees, Bursaries and Fair Access*, February 2008, p. 4

9 "The complex range of options facing students discourages efficient decision-making", Sutton Trust, *Knowing Where to Study? Fees, Bursaries and Fair Access*, February 2008, p. 4. See also <http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk/2008/jan/24/studentfinance.students>.

10 "Millions of pounds which could have funded thousands of students through top universities went unspent last year as some institutions failed to allocate an average of 19% of the money put aside to provide bursaries for state school pupils. The country's leading universities have failed to allocate more than £3m in bursary cash, the Guardian has learned." <http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk/2008/jan/23/universityfunding.studentfinance>.

11 Finland for example, in common with its Nordic neighbours, maintains a free higher education system which is highly rated amongst OECD countries in terms of investment per student and course completion rate. See here for current comparative information: <http://www.oecd.org/dataoecd/31/46/41277828.pdf>

12 <http://www.guardian.co.uk/education/2008/dec/02/student-grants-dispute>

13 <http://www.guardian.co.uk/education/2006/oct/04/highereducation.tuitionfees>

14 A report being prepared by Policy Exchange, a thinktank closely associated with the Conservative Party since Cameron's election as leader, is likely to suggest removing all or most state control from Russell Group universities and permitting them to set their own level of tuition fees. See here: *London Student, Mega-Fees*, October 2008, <http://www.london-student.net/2008/10/07/mega-fees/>.

15 NUS, *Broke & Broken*, September 2008, p.6.

16 NUS, *Broke & Broken*, September 2008, p.7

"The dominance of the commercial imperative within universities has often meant loss of open communication and collegiality. These are the lifeblood of universities and science. Their loss undermines real innovation." Dr Miller talking to *Times Higher Education*, <http://www.timeshighereducation.co.uk/story.asp?sectioncode=26&storycode=403243&c=l>.

Proposer:

Sol Gamsu

Seconders:

Michael Chessum, History 1st, 703687

Samuel Crews, SSEES 2nd, 703131

Phil Rackley, History 2nd, 715278

Katherine Street, Psychology 3rd, 60372633

Ian Morris, French & Arabic 2nd, 733762

Adam Gillet, French 1st, 708070

Robert Young, ESPS 4th, 51459206

Jo Casserly, ESPS 2nd, 713027

George Ward, ESPS 2nd, 701910

Camilla Royle, ESS Masters, 841769

AGM08/1/7.3 Motion to increase the provision of quiet contemplation facilities at UCL.

The Academic Affairs Officer provided a speech proposing the motion.

There was no speech against.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the motion and the following votes were recorded:

For: 369

Against: 40

Abstentions: 11

The Chair declared that as there was a clear majority, the *Motion to increase the provision of quiet contemplation facilities at UCL* was

CARRIED.

MOTION TO INCREASE THE PROVISION OF QUIET CONTEMPLATION FACILITIES AT UCL.

THIS UNION NOTES:

1. *That University College London (henceforth referred to as UCL) and University College London Union (henceforth referred to as UCLU) were both founded on a secular basis, admitting students without reference to their cultural background, class, race, gender or religion, allowing for the inclusion of all students.*
2. *That in recognition of the differing faiths of certain students, a Quiet Contemplation Room (known as Hut 34 and co-located with the School of Library, Archival and Information Studies [SLAIS]) is provided for all UCL students to allow them to carry out their religious duties and other spiritual obligations that may need to be performed at various times of day.*
3. *That UCL has rebranded itself 'London's Global University' in recognition of its increasingly international outlook along with its key objective of increasing the number of International Students studying at UCL.*
4. *That in the International Student Barometer, UCL scored extremely low in faith provision, a score of 2.85, compared to a quartile score of 3.13.*

5. *That both the Union and College, cater to a proportion of the student population by providing bars and club nights, whereas a Quiet Contemplation room would be for the benefit of all UCL students, including those International Students who feel excluded from using bars, clubs and other UCL/UCLU recreational facilities.*
6. *That the Quiet Contemplation Room is regularly over full capacity, requiring students to wait outside when wanting to make use of the facilities.*

THIS UNION BELIEVES:

1. *That the size of the Quiet Contemplation room is no longer adequate for the large number of students who use it.*
2. *The cramped conditions and severe delays that users of the contemplation room endure when utilising the room are detrimental, both psychologically and academically to a large proportion of students.*
3. *That the Quiet Contemplation Room, is wholly inaccessible for Disabled Persons, due to the narrow and cramped facilities, contravening the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (2004 Amendment), in which it is stated that "reasonable adjustments' must be made in relation to the physical features of the premises to overcome physical barriers to access."*
4. *That other University of London and Russell Group Institutions provide much more amenable facilities and that by continuing to provide such poor facilities, UCL and UCLU are neglecting their obligations and responsibilities to look after the welfare of all UCL students.*
5. *That providing a larger contemplation room will benefit all current and future UCL Students and Staff.*

THIS UNION RESOLVES:

1. *To provide larger temporary facilities for the remainder of the Academic Year until such time as an agreed permanent solution, agreed upon by the particular UCLU Faith societies, is found.*
2. *To lobby College Administration to provide facilities amenable to all faiths.*
3. *To provide the relevant funding for the Quiet Contemplation Room Campaign, until such time as the Quiet Contemplation Room Campaign has achieved its objectives of securing a bigger facility, open to all, for use by all.*

THIS UNION MANDATES:

1. *The UCLU Welfare Officer, in conjunction with the UCLU Medical & Postgraduate Students Officer, UCLU International Students Officer and Students with Disabilities Officer, lobby College to provide, permanently, a larger Contemplation Room as well as improved facilities so that a permanent solution be found and agreed upon by the end of the Academic Year 2009-2010.*

2. *The UCLU Welfare Officer to liaise with the Dean of Students(Welfare), Joint Staff Student Committee (JSSC) and Estates Committee in finding a larger temporary room, to accommodate those who wish to use the Quiet Contemplation Room.*
3. *The UCLU Education Officer to place the Quiet Contemplation Room Campaign on the agenda for each Student Affairs Committee for discussion and updates until such time as this issue is resolved.*

PROPOSED BY:

Adam Bouzelmate, 60467009, Natural Sciences, MAPS, III

SECONDED BY:

Charlie Clinton, 50082506, Laws Affiliate

Nathanael Macdonald, 500818911, Biomedical Affiliate

Jen Currigan, 20266356, Medicine Affiliate

Nilhad Khan, 60487339, Medicine 3

Adeel Syed, 704397, Medicine 2

Navid Choudhury, 743869, Biomedical Engineering

Mohammed Mahmoud, 62933968, CIOB/BIOLL 2nd

Kazim Sajan, 809156, French 1st

Asif Hussain, 705827, Law

AGM08/1/7.4 UCL Union should support open access to information regarding UCL's patent portfolio.

Alexandra Mudd provided a speech proposing the motion.

There was no speech against.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the motion and the following votes were recorded:

For: 259

Against: 34

Abstentions: 121

The Chair declared that as there was a clear majority, the *Motion: UCL Union should support open access to information regarding UCL's patent portfolio* was

CARRIED.

Motion to the UCL Union Council: UCL Union should support open access to information surrounding UCL's patent portfolio.

This Union Notes:

1. *As a large and well respected research institution UCL owns a patent portfolio that is managed by UCL Business.*

2. *A significant amount of resources can be used in maintaining patent portfolios.*
3. *It can be difficult to gain access to information regarding the procedures involved in maintaining UCL's patent portfolio.*

This Union believes:

1. *It is important for staff and students to gain understanding of the policies underlying the research and development that goes into maintaining UCL's patent portfolio.*
2. *Staff and students of UCL should have the opportunity to participate in the decision-making processes regarding maintenance of UCL's patent portfolio.*
3. *UCL's resources should be used in a manner consistent with the UCL Ethical Investment Policy.*

This Union resolves:

1. *To support open access to procedures underlying UCL's patent portfolio, in a manner consistent with UCL's Ethical Investment Policy.*

Proposer:

Alexandra Mudd, 82881, Laws, 1

Seconders:

Caroline Camp, 50055441, Law, 3

Peter John Vas, 707063, Law, 1

Afin Nicholas, 807740, Law, 1

Cerise Stevens, 806446, Laws, 1

Tourla Lebbad, 60754, Laws, 2

Stelios Pittas, 700960, Laws, 2

Rich Jones, 811734, Laws, 1

Erwin Yau, 60010116, Laws, 3

Thomas Nabney, 825826, Laws, 1

Teresa Buccisel, 842292, Laws, 1

AGM08/1/7.5 Support peace and unity in the Middle East and on Campus.

Amanda Smith provided a speech proposing the motion.

Zubair Idris provided a speech against the motion.

The Academic Affairs Officer raised the procedural motion to move to the vote.

Upon request from the floor, the Academic Affairs Officer provided a speech for the procedural motion.

Joshua Blacker provided a speech against the procedural motion.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the procedural motion and the following votes were recorded:

For: 256

Against: 136

Abstentions: 23

The Chair declared that as there was a clear majority, the procedural motion to move to the vote was

CARRIED.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the motion and the following votes were recorded:

For: 132

Against: 251

Abstentions: 33

The Chair declared that as there was not a majority, the *Motion to Support peace and unity in the Middle East and on Campus* was

NOT CARRIED.

AGM08/1/7.6 Motion against Israel's attacks on Gaza.

Jo Casserly provided a speech proposing the motion.

Aryeh Lehrer provided a speech against the motion.

The Chair moved the meeting to a recorded vote on the motion and the following votes were recorded:

For: 218

Against: 183

Abstentions: 20

The Chair declared that as there was a clear majority, the *Motion against Israel's attacks on Gaza* was

CARRIED.

Motion against Israel's attacks on Gaza

This union notes:

1. *The scale of the humanitarian crisis in Gaza since Israel began its economic and import blockade in June 2007.*
2. *That, on 9th July 2004, the International Court of Justice ruled that the Israeli settlements on the West Bank contravened International law.*
3. *That, in late January 2006, following their victory in democratic Parliamentary elections, the Palestinian Government of Hamas offered a ten year truce (hudna) to Israel in exchange to an end to the*

occupation of the West Bank, including East Jerusalem and Gaza. This would amount to a “defacto” recognition of the right of the state of Israel to exist within its defined 1967 borders under International Law.³

4. That, on 23rd February 2008, the mayor of the Israeli town of Sderot, which has received most rocket attacks said he is ready to talk to Hamas and accept a ten year ceasefire, despite bans on talking to Hamas by the Government of Israel.⁴
5. That the last ceasefire was broken by Israel by “the killing of six Palestinian militants in Gaza by Israeli forces in a ground incursion and air strikes on 4 November” (as reported by Amnesty International)⁵. This violation of the ceasefire by Israel is regarded as the start of the recent violence, including the retaliatory rocket fire.
6. As a result of Israel’s attacks on Gaza, more than 1,300 Palestinians, including 410 children and over 100 women have been killed. 13 Israelis have also been killed – 3 of whom were civilians.
7. The indiscriminate bombings by Israeli forces of fundamental infrastructure which destroyed 4,000 buildings and damaged 20,000.⁶
8. That Israeli shells hit the UN headquarters as well as two UN schools and that the UN Secretary General Ban-Ki Moon described the attacks as ‘outrageous and totally unacceptable’.
9. The attacks have seriously damaged much of Gaza’s education system in what Oxford University academic Karma Nabulsi has termed “scholasticide”. Israel has bombed the ministry of education, the Islamic University of Gaza, the University Teachers’ Association of Gaza and tens of schools.⁷
10. Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch and foreign journalists who have gone into Gaza since the operation ended say they have found evidence of the use of white phosphorus in crowded residential areas. It is a war crime to use white phosphorus in residential areas as it can burn victims alive and survivors are left with painful wounds which take long to heal.
11. The ongoing devastation in Gaza where 50,000 and now homeless and 400,000 are without running water as a result of the attacks.⁸
12. That South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu has accused Israel of practising apartheid in its policies towards the Palestinians.
13. That UCL Union is twinned with two Palestinian universities: Al-Quds University in East Jerusalem, the West Bank and Al-Azhar University, Gaza.

This union notes further:

³ <http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2006/nov/01/israel>

⁴ [Israeli mayor of bombarded border town offers to break ranks and talk to Hamas, *The Guardian*](#)

⁵ <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE15/045/2008/en/fee17499-ab4e-11dd-a4cd-bfa0fdea9647/mde150452008en.pdf>

⁶ http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/middle_east/7839863.stm

⁷ <http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2009/jan/10/gaza-schools>

⁸ http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/middle_east/7839863.stm

1. *That Britain sold armaments worth over £19 million to Israel in the first three months of 2008⁹*
2. *That Britain continues to hold normal diplomatic relations with Israel.*
3. *That the Venezuelan government has expelled the Israeli ambassador in solidarity with the Palestinian people.*
4. *That, on January 16th 2009 hundreds of academics (including 12 from UCL) submitted a letter to The Guardian stating:*
5. *'We must do what we can to stop Israel from winning its war. Israel must accept that its security depends on justice and peaceful coexistence with its neighbours, and not upon the criminal use of force.*
6. *We believe Israel should immediately and unconditionally end its assault on Gaza, end the occupation of the West Bank, and abandon all claims to possess or control territory beyond its 1967 borders. We call on the British government and the British people to take all feasible steps to oblige Israel to comply with these demands, starting with a programme of boycott, divestment and sanctions.'* See full letter appendix 1
7. *That students at SOAS, LSE, KCL, Leeds, Manchester, Warwick, Oxford, Birmingham, Cambridge, Sussex and Essex have occupied university buildings in solidarity with the people of Gaza – and some have won demands which will improve the lives of Palestinians.*
8. *That hundreds of thousands of people have attended demonstrations to protest Israel's actions across the UK and the world including Jewish organisations such as Jews for Justice for Palestinians.*

This union believes:

1. *That the actions of the Israeli state in so far as it relates to the education of Palestinian students is ethically wrong.*
2. *That the British government should immediately stop arms purchases and sales to and from Israel, in line with the Union's ethical investment policy.*
3. *That UCL has a responsibility to condemn Israel's attacks on Gaza.*

This union resolves:

1. *To call for Israel to fully open the borders and end the long siege of Gaza. Restoration of full supplies of food, fuel, medical supplies. For the delivery of aid to support education.*
2. *To mandate the Academic Affairs officer (AAO) to write a letter to the Provost on behalf of the union outlining the Union's beliefs and demanding he condemn Israel's attacks on Gaza, as well as demanding that old books and computers are sent to universities in Gaza and scholarships offered to Palestinian students.*

⁹ <http://www.parliament.uk/commons/lib/research/briefings/snias-04931.pdf>

3. *To mandate the Academic Affairs Officer (AAO) to lobby UCL Council via Provost to establish an exchange between UCL students and the students in Al-Quds University (West Bank) and Al-Azhar (Gaza). The first objective is to attempt to bring a delegation of students from the university to UCL next academic year to talk on their experiences. The AAO should report to students before every UCL Union General Meeting about progress made on twinning.*
4. *To mandate the AAO to send an email to the UCL Director of Finance, requesting a copy of UCL's investment portfolio.*
5. *the AAO to write to the UCL Ethical Investment Review Committee to remove stocks that sustain the illegal Israeli occupation of the Occupied Palestinian Territories since 1967 once the information is received from the Director of Finance. Specifically, stocks that are in arms companies that fund the Israeli military. All correspondence must be made accessible to the student body by request. The AAO must post feedback on UCL Union Noticeboard about progress by the next General Meeting of UCL Union.*
6. *To mandate the AAO to organise the placement of a wooden placard in the UCL Union building stating "UCL Union is twinned with Al-Quds University (West Bank) and Al-Azhar University (Gaza)"*
7. *To reaffirm the resolves section of "Emergency Motion on Occupied Palestinian Territories" (See UCLU Policy File)*
8. *To offer public and material support for protests against Israeli aggression towards Gaza by mandating the Communications & Services Officer to publicise in weekly emails all relevant demonstrations, occupations and events in solidarity with Palestine happening across London. And to arrange fortnightly meetings between the Communications & Services Officer and students involved in societies which campaign in solidarity with Palestine (UCLU Stop the War and UCLU Friends of Palestine) to inform the officer about upcoming events.*
9. *To mandate all UCLU delegates to NUS conference to vote for resolutions which echo this one in condemning Israel's actions up to this date (3 February 2009) as unjustifiable.*
10. *To mandate the Communications & Services Officer to put an advert for the DEC Gaza aid appeal on the union website and in an email to all students as long as it continues.*
11. **Appendix 1**
12. *Letter to the Guardian by hundreds of academics including 12 from UCL (shown below)*
13. *The massacres in Gaza are the latest phase of a war that Israel has been waging against the people of Palestine for more than 60 years. The goal of this war has never changed: to use overwhelming military power to eradicate the Palestinians as a political force, one capable of resisting Israel's ongoing appropriation of their land and resources. Israel's war against the Palestinians has turned Gaza and the West Bank into a pair of gigantic political prisons. There is nothing*

symmetrical about this war in terms of principles, tactics or consequences. Israel is responsible for launching and intensifying it, and for ending the most recent lull in hostilities.

14. *Israel must lose. It is not enough to call for another ceasefire, or more humanitarian assistance. It is not enough to urge the renewal of dialogue and to acknowledge the concerns and suffering of both sides. If we believe in the principle of democratic self-determination, if we affirm the right to resist military aggression and colonial occupation, then we are obliged to take sides... against Israel, and with the people of Gaza and the West Bank.*
15. *We must do what we can to stop Israel from winning its war. Israel must accept that its security depends on justice and peaceful coexistence with its neighbours, and not upon the criminal use of force.*
16. *We believe Israel should immediately and unconditionally end its assault on Gaza, end the occupation of the West Bank, and abandon all claims to possess or control territory beyond its 1967 borders. We call on the British government and the British people to take all feasible steps to oblige Israel to comply with these demands, starting with a programme of boycott, divestment and sanctions.*
17. *Professor Celia Britton, French*
18. *Professor Charles Brook, Paediatric Endocrinology*
19. *Dr. Judit Druks, Psychology & Language Science*
20. *Professor Ted Honderich, Philosophy*
21. *Professor Richard Hudson, Linguistics*
22. *Dr. Cecile Laborde, Political Science*
23. *Professor Andrew Leak, French*
24. *Dr. Saladin Meckled-Garcia, Human Rights Studies*
25. *Dr. George Paizis, French*
26. *Professor Jane Rendell, Architecture*
27. *Professor Neil Smith (emeritus), Linguistics*
28. *Sean Wallis, Survey of English Usage*

Proposer:

Jo Casserly ESPS 713027

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<i>Michael Chessua</i>	<i>History</i>	<i>703687</i>
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<i>Ian Morris</i>	<i>French</i>	<i>733762</i>
<i>Gayle Magennis Maldiney</i>	<i>Economics</i>	<i>720853</i>
<i>Philip Rackley</i>	<i>History</i>	<i>715278</i>
<i>Harriot Redman</i>	<i>Barlett</i>	<i>60098548</i>

The Chair advised that as the agreed guillotine for motion debates had been reached, the remaining motions would not be considered at this meeting.

A quorum count was taken. The Chair declared the meeting inquorate with 119 members present. The meeting took an indicative vote to continue with the remaining items on the agenda.

AGM08/1/8 Matters Arising

There were none.

AGM08/1/9 Questions to Officers

There were none.

AGM08/1/10 Any Other Business

There were none.

Meeting closed at: 4:39pm

Appendix 1

CONSTITUTION OF UCL UNION

This Constitution applies to the joint functions and activities of University College London Men's Union Society and University College London Women's Union Society (the "**Component Unions**"), under the provisions of the Federation Agreement of 1954, and independent of the rules of each Society in relation to matters outside the scope of the Federation Agreement. Nothing in this Constitution shall contravene the provisions of the Trust Deeds dated respectively 10th August, 1910 and 17th April, 1911 referred to in the said Federation Agreement, or Charter, Statutes and Regulations for management of UCL (the "**College**").

The Union's mission statement is:

UCL Union: Supporting, serving and empowering UCL students.

I. Name

- A. The Union being a constituent part of UCL shall be called "UCL Union" (the "**Union**").

II. Objects

- A. The objects of the Union (the "**Objects**") are the advancement of education of students of the College for the public benefit by:
1. providing for the intellectual, cultural, social and physical recreation of members;
 2. representing students of the College on any matter that has a legitimate student interest;
 3. fostering and encouraging the freedom of speech, expression, assembly and association amongst members;
 4. providing equality and opportunity for all its members;
 5. remaining a democratic, student lead organisation independent of any political party or religious body;
 6. implementing these Objects in a socially and environmentally responsible manner;
 7. providing welfare support for the membership.

III. Powers

- A. To further its objects, but not otherwise, the Union may:
1. provide services and facilities (including licensed facilities) for members;
 2. establish, support, promote and operate a network of student activities for members;
 3. alone or with other organisations carry out campaigning activities in relation to the development and implementation of appropriate policies;
 4. purchase lease, hire or receive property including land, buildings and equipment and equip it for use;
 5. sell, manage, lease, mortgage, exchange, dispose of or deal with all or any of its property (subject to any consent required by law);

6. borrow and raise money on such terms and security as the Union may think suitable (subject to any consent required by law);
7. raise funds and invite and receive contributions from any person(s) provided that the Union shall not undertake any taxable trading activities in raising funds;
8. invest and deal with the Union's money not immediately required for its objects in or upon any investments, securities, or property;
9. delegate the management of investments to an appropriately experienced and qualified financial expert;
10. open and operate banking accounts; and
11. do all such other lawful things as shall further the Union's objects.

IV. Membership: Eligibility

- A. All registered students at the College shall automatically be ordinary members of the Union.
- B. Students who do not wish to be members of the Union or any of its Clubs or Societies may opt out according to the procedures set out in the Standing Orders and shall not be unfairly disadvantaged, with regard to the provision of services or otherwise, by reason of their having done so.
- C. Associate membership of the Union shall be open to all members of the College staff (including honorary members of the academic staff), Union staff, Fellows of the College, past students of the College and those who are employed by the College upon payment of the relevant membership fee, as laid down by Union Council.
- D. Honorary Life Membership of the Union may be granted by a Special Resolution of Union Council.
- E. Visiting membership of the Union may be granted by the Council to members of Students' Unions or equivalent societies in other Colleges or Universities for a period not exceeding twelve months, upon payment of a membership fee as defined in Standing Orders for membership of the Union.

V. Membership: Privileges

- A. Every member of the Union shall be entitled to the privileges as shown below:
 1. to use the rooms and facilities of the Union in accordance with regulations approved by Union Council;
 2. to attend and bring visitors to functions in accordance with regulations approved by Union Council;
 3. to membership of any or all Clubs and Societies subject to their regulations;
 4. to membership in the case of male members of the Men's Union Society and in the case of female members of the Women's Union Society.
- B. In addition only those members who are registered students of the College shall be entitled:
 1. to represent the Union in athletic or other activities if selected by the appropriate authority;

2. to serve as officers or in leadership roles in any or all Clubs and Societies subject to their regulations;
3. to participate in Union General Meetings, to vote in elections or to seek office in the Union or any of its Societies, subject to the Standing Orders;
4. to membership privileges of the National Union of Students in respect of the capitation fee paid by the Union.

VI. Discipline

- A. Any member whose conduct is considered prejudicial to the reputation or administration of the Union may be disciplined as outlined in the Standing Orders subject to the right of appeal to a General Meeting.
- B. If the member is not satisfied by the decision of the General Meeting, they may appeal to an external panel convened by the College. This panel may overturn the decision of the General Meeting.

VII. Government of the Union

- A. The Union, its Trustees, and its officers shall at all times act within the general law and this Constitution.

IX. Government: Appointment of Trustees

- A. The charity trustees of the Union (the "**Trustees**") shall be made up of the following persons:-
 1. the six sabbatical officers of the Union (the "**Sabbatical Trustees**");
 2. not more than six students of the College elected in accordance with Paragraph D of this Clause IX (the "**Student Trustees**");
 3. not more than five individuals appointed in accordance with Paragraph E of this Clause IX (the "**External Trustees**").
- B. Prior to their appointment, each Trustee must sign a declaration confirming that they understand the duties imposed on charity trustees and is willing to act as a trustee of the Union.
- C. Sabbatical Trustees are elected for a term of 12 months.
- D. Up to six Student Trustees shall be elected by secret ballot by the members of the Union at an election to be held in accordance with the Standing Orders and shall remain in office for a term of 12 months.
- E. The Executive shall appoint by a simple majority of those present and voting:-
 - two members of College staff;
 - two individuals who are alumni of the College and graduated from the College at least five years previously;
 - one individual who is not a student, alumni or staff member of the College,as they consider suitable to be charity trustees (having regard to their skills and experience), as External Trustees. Names of suitable candidates shall be proposed to the Executive by a panel which will be formed in accordance with and act within with the Union's Human Resources policies. Unless their appointment is terminated in accordance with Clause XV, External Trustees shall

remain in office for terms of up to four years calculated from the date of appointment. The first External Trustees shall draw lots to decide which two External Trustees shall retire two years after the date of their appointment. The remaining first External Trustees shall retire four years after the date of their appointment.

X. Government: Trustees' powers and duties

- A. The Trustees shall be responsible for overseeing the management and administration of the Union. The Trustees shall have ultimate responsibility for:-
the governance of the Union; and
the budget of the Union.
- B. The Trustees shall provide the Union Council with a regular update of their meetings and decisions either orally or in writing.

XI. Government: Trustee delegation

- A. The Trustees may delegate any of their powers or the implementation of any of their resolutions to any committee which may comprise of such of their number (if any) as the resolution may specify. The meetings and proceedings of any committee shall be governed by this Constitution and the Standing Orders regulating the meetings and proceedings of the Trustees.
- B. The committee shall report regularly to the Trustees, and any resolution passed or decision taken by any such committee shall be reported as soon as possible to the Trustees.

XII. Government: Trustee payments

- A. The Trustees may be paid all reasonable travelling, hotel and other expenses properly incurred by them in connection with their attendance at meetings of Trustees, committees of Trustees, or General Meetings of the Union or otherwise in connection with the discharge of their duties.
- B. Sabbatical Trustees may receive a reasonable and proper payment for their work but:
 - 1. only if the procedure described in Clause XVI of the Constitution is followed in relation to the Sabbatical Trustee; and
 - 2. subject always to the provisions of section 22 of the Education Act 1994 (as amended, revoked, consolidated or re-enacted in any form)except that at no time shall a majority of the Trustees benefit under this provision and provided that any such Trustee shall withdraw from any meeting at which their appointment or payment or that of his or her partner is under discussion.

XIII. Government: Trustee Chair

- A. The chair of the Trustees (the "**Trustee Chair**") shall be a Sabbatical Trustee and shall preside at Trustee meetings. The Sabbatical Trustees shall agree a rotation of the role of Trustee Chair between the Sabbatical Trustees so it is clear which Sabbatical Trustee shall act as the Trustee Chair of each Trustee meeting. If the Sabbatical Trustee nominated to act as Trustee Chair is unwilling to preside or is not present within five minutes

after the time appointed for the meeting, the Trustees present may appoint another Sabbatical Trustee to chair the meeting.

XIV. Government: Trustee meetings

- A. Subject to the provisions of this Constitution and the Standing Orders, the Trustees may regulate their proceedings as they think fit.
- B. Any three Trustees may call a meeting of the Trustees. Notice of every meeting of the Trustees stating the general particulars of all business to be considered at such meeting shall be sent by post or by electronic communication to each Trustee at least five working days before such meeting unless urgent circumstances arise and a simple majority of the Trustees agree in writing to a meeting being called with two or more working days notice. The proceedings of any meeting shall not be deemed invalid due to any irregularity in respect of such notice of by reason of any business being considered which is not specified in such general particulars.
- C. Questions arising at a meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes. In the case of an equality of votes, the Trustee Chair shall have a second or casting vote.
- D. No business may be dealt with at a meeting of the Trustees unless at least nine Trustees are present including at least one External Trustee and at least one Sabbatical Trustee (to act as Trustee Chair).
- E. The Trustees may continue to act despite any vacancies in their number but, if and so long as the number of Trustees is less than the number fixed as a quorum in Paragraph D of this Clause XIV, the Trustees may act for the purpose of increasing the number of Trustees to that number or of arranging an election but for no other purpose.
- F. All acts done by a meeting of Trustees, or of a committee of Trustees, or by a person acting as a Trustee shall, even if afterwards discovered that there was a defect in the appointment of any Trustee (apart from the selection or election procedure), that any of them were disqualified from holding office, had vacated office, or were not entitled to vote, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified and had continued to be a Trustee and had been entitled to vote.
- G. A meeting of the Trustees may be held either in person or by teleconference or by other suitable electronic means agreed between the Trustees in which all participants may communicate simultaneously with all other participants.
- H. The Trustees shall hold a minimum of one meeting in each College term.

XV. Government: Disqualification and Removal of Trustees

- A. The office of Trustee shall be vacated if:-
 - 1. they become prohibited by law from being a charity trustee;
 - 2. they become bankrupt or make any arrangement or composition with their creditors generally;
 - 3. they are or may be suffering from mental ill health and the other Trustees believe that they have become incapable of

fulfilling their duties as a Trustee and as a result the Union is put at risk;

4. they resign their office by three months' notice to the Union (but only if at least two Trustees remain in office when the notice of resignation is to take effect); or
5. they are absent from three consecutive meetings of the Trustees without good cause.

B. The office of Trustee shall be vacated if:-

1. a petition for a Referendum on the motion of no confidence in the Trustee is signed by at least 5% of the members of the Union or such a motion for a Referendum is passed by a two-thirds majority of the Union Council and the motion of no confidence is passed by Referendum held in accordance with the Standing Orders requiring a simple two-thirds majority of members voting on the motion provided that 20% or more of the total membership votes; or
2. they are removed by a resolution by three-quarters of those Trustees present and voting for failing to act in the best interests of the Union.

C.

1. A resolution to remove a Trustee in accordance with this Clause XV shall not take effect unless the Trustee concerned has been given at least 14 clear days' notice in writing that the resolution is to be proposed, specifying the circumstances alleged to justify removal from office, and has been forwarded a reasonable opportunity of being heard or making written representations to the other Trustees.
2. A Trustee removed from office in accordance with Paragraph B of this Clause XV only shall be entitled to appeal the decision to remove them to an appeal body (the "**Appeal Body**") within 14 days of the resolution. The Appeal Body shall be a sub-committee of the College Council as nominated by the College Council.

D.

1. If a Sabbatical Trustee or a Student Trustee retires, is disqualified or is removed from office, the Union may hold a By-Election to appoint a replacement in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution and the Standing Orders of the Union.
2. If an External Trustee retires, is disqualified, or is removed from office, the Executive may appoint a replacement in accordance with Paragraph E of Clause IX.

XVI. Government: Trustees' conflict of interest

- A. Whenever a Trustee has a personal interest in a matter to be discussed at a meeting and whenever a Trustee has an interest in another organisation whose interests are reasonably likely to conflict with those of the Union in relation to a matter to be discussed at a meeting, they must:-
1. declare an interest before discussion begins on the matter;
 2. withdraw from that part of the meeting unless expressly invited to remain;

3. in the case of personal interests not be counted in the quorum for that part of the meeting; and
4. in the case of personal interests withdraw during the vote and have no vote on the matter.

VIII. Government: Referenda

- A. Subject to the provisions of this Constitution and of the appropriate Standing Orders, a Referendum shall override decisions of any General Meeting, Union Council or any Union Committee except for Establishment Committee whose business shall not be discussed in any Referendum.
- B. A Referendum may consider any matter that is raised correctly according to the Standing Orders for Referenda. The notice of a Referendum and the quorum and procedure for Referenda shall be as laid out in the Standing Orders for Referenda.
- C. Decisions made by a Referendum shall be subject to the approval of the Trustees on the following grounds only:
 1. financial considerations;
 2. charity law or other legal requirements (including ultra vires).

XVIII. Government: General Meetings

- A. Every student member of the Union shall be entitled to attend General Meetings.
- B. There shall be three types of General Meeting: an Annual General Meeting (AGM), a Welcome General Meeting (WGM), and an Extraordinary General Meetings (EGM).
- C. An AGM shall be held once per annum in the first or second term and the WGM shall be held once per annum in the first term.
- D. Decisions made at any General Meeting of the members shall override those made at Union Council or any Union Committee subject to the standing orders for General Meetings.
- E. A General Meeting may consider any matter, except an establishment matter, that is raised correctly according to the Standing Orders for General Meetings. The quorum of General Meetings shall be as laid out in the Standing Orders for General Meetings. Notice and procedure for General Meetings shall be in accordance with the Standing Orders for General Meetings.
- F. Decisions made by a General Meeting shall be subject to the approval of the Trustees on the following grounds only:
 1. financial considerations; and
 2. charity law or other legal requirements (including ultra vires).

XIX. Government: Sectional Meetings

- A. A Sectional meeting of men or of women may be called to deal with matters affecting them differently. The quorum for a Sectional Meeting shall be 100 voting members.

XVII. Government: Union Council

- A. Union Council (the "**Council**") shall be the policy making body of the Union and shall be responsible for the formulation of Union policy, except when policy is determined by Referendum or General Meeting as outlined in this Constitution. Council shall

exercise the powers of the Union, save those required to be exercised by the Trustees, a General Meeting or Referendum, or in some other manner under the terms of the Federation Agreement.

- B. Decisions made at Council override those made at any Union Committee or Associated Society Committee subject to the Standing Orders.
- C. Decisions made by Council shall only be subject to the approval of the Trustees on the following grounds:
 - 1. financial considerations; and
 - 2. charity law or other legal requirements (including ultra vires).
- D. In an emergency, in the event of Union Council not being readily available, the Executive shall exercise plenary powers subject to report to Union Council. Before exercising such plenary powers members of the Executive shall so far as practicable consult the other members of the Executive.
- E. Council shall consist of the following members:
 - 1. the Executive as outlined in the Standing Orders for the Executive. When necessary, one of the Sabbatical officers will assume ultimate responsibility according to the terms of reference of their posts.
 - 2. General Secretary.
 - 3. Hall Reps as outlined by, and as elected in such a manner as the Standing Orders may determine.
 - 4. Council Members as outlined by, and as elected in such a manner as the Standing Orders may determine.
 - 5. Co-opted between 1 April and 31 July each year, the Sabbatical Officers-Elect whose term of office starts on 1 August following.
 - 6. Four Senior Treasurers, appointed by Union Council, whose duties shall be defined in Standing Orders, provided that at least two of the Senior Treasurers shall normally be members of the academic or academically related staff of the College.
- F. All members of Union Council must be student members of the Union except for the Senior Treasurers. No member of Council may hold more than one of these positions at a time. No Sabbatical Officer may stand for election to a Sabbatical post at the end of their term of office or on any subsequent occasion.

XX. Government: Executive

- A. The Executive shall consist of the Officers of the Union designated in the Standing Orders. The Executive shall function as a means of continuity and co-ordination between Union Council meetings.
- B. Within five days of the Declaration of Nominations for Sabbatical posts each candidate must sign the Contract for Sabbatical Officers as laid out in the Standing Orders by which they will be bound should they be elected.
- C. A member of the Executive may be removed from office if a vote of no confidence is passed in accordance with the Standing Orders in force at the time of their election.

XXI. Government: Union Committees

- A. Union Council may appoint Standing Committees to which may be delegated responsibility for any aspect of the activities of the Union.
- B. In addition any committee of the Union may appoint working parties or sub-committees to which may be delegated any aspect of work of the Committee in question.

XXII. Government: Standing Orders

- A. Union activities shall be regulated by the Standing Orders framed in conformity with the Union Constitution.
- B. Only Union Council, a General Meeting or a Referendum may by Special Resolution make, rescind or amend the Standing Orders subject to the approval of the Trustees on the following grounds:
 - 1. financial considerations; and
 - 2. charity law or other legal requirements (including ultra vires).
- C. Individual Standing Orders may be suspended with the consent of two-thirds of those present and voting at Union Council or a General Meeting, provided that this power is not used to suspend the standing orders relating to quorum or to introduce a substantive motion to the Agenda unless notice in writing has been given to the Finance and Democracy Officer, or if unavailable, another member of Governance committee and the motion has been displayed on the official notice board for not less than three hours immediately preceding the time of the meeting.

XXIII. Elections

- A. The terms of office for all Union posts shall be as laid out in the Standing Orders.
- B. Powers of organisation and discipline of Union elections shall be vested in the Elections Committee and shall be exercised in accordance with the Standing Orders for Elections, provided that any action by Elections Committee in a matter of discipline shall be reported to Union Council and may be varied or rescinded by a Special Resolution of Union Council.
- C. Elections to all Union posts shall be by a secret ballot in which all students of the College who are eligible to vote as determined by the Standing Orders may do so.
- D. All students of the College who are Union members shall be entitled to vote in elections to sabbatical posts.
- E. The College Council shall satisfy itself that elections are fairly and properly conducted.

XXIV. Clubs and Societies

- A. Clubs and Societies shall be those Societies which are answerable to Union Council and whose finances are administered by the Union. The Activities Board may by simple majority admit or exclude such Societies, taking into account the recommendations of the Finance Committee.
- B. The constitution of a Club or Society shall require the approval of the Governance Committee, who shall ensure that all such constitutions comply with the Union's Constitution and Standing Orders. Any changes to existing Club or Society constitutions

must be verified by the Governance Committee, who shall ensure that the proposed changes are introduced under the rules of the old constitution. Societies and Clubs whose constitutions are deemed invalid by Governance Committee shall be required to make the necessary changes.

- C. The constitution of a Club or Society shall also require the approval of the Activities Board, who shall ensure that the objects of the Club or Society do not duplicate those of any existing Club or Society. Any changes to existing Club or Society constitutions must be verified by the Activities Board. Societies and Clubs whose constitutions are not approved by Activities Board shall be required to make the necessary changes.
- D. The procedure to fairly allocate resources to Clubs and Societies is contained in the Standing Orders.
- E. The Royal Free, University College, and Middlesex Medical Students' Society (RUMS), the Postgraduate Association (PGA), and the School of Slavonic and Eastern European Studies (SSEES) Executive Committee shall be Societies of the Union and therefore bound under paragraphs A, B, and C of this clause XXIV.

XXV. Finance

- A. Financial year
The Union financial year shall be from August 1 to July 31 following.
- B. Estimates
 - 1. Estimates for the forthcoming financial year and revised estimates for the current financial year shall be submitted by the Union Finance Committee to the Union Council for presentation to the College as a report, with such explanations, and at such time annually or more frequently as shall be agreed between the College and the Union. This report shall be subject to the approval of the College Council. The College Council shall monitor the Union's expenditure.
 - 2. Detailed allocations within the estimates so submitted shall include such sums as may in the view of the Union, confirmed by the College, be required for the amortisation of debt, the replacement of assets and to meet any other long-term commitments.
- C. Income
 - 1. The financial income of the Union shall include:
 - a. An annual sum payable to the Union by the College, of such amount as shall be determined by the College Council after presentation of the report by the Union and after consultation between the College authorities and the Union.
 - b. A subscription payable by members other than registered students of the College, which shall be fixed by Union Council.
 - c. Such surpluses from Union concerns, functions, and other income receipts as from time to time may accrue.
- D. Expenditure

1. The expenditure of the Union shall be in accordance with the Objects and Powers of the Union as specified in Clause II, and in conformity with the purposes for which grants or subventions are made by the College as shown in the report submitted under paragraph B of this Clause XXV and approved by the College Council, subject, in this latter respect, to a reasonable tolerance to be agreed from time to time with the College.
 2. This report, which shall contain a list of the external organisations to which the Union has made donations in the period to which the report relates and details of those donations, shall be available to any student on request.
- E. Auditors and Accounts
1. The annual account of the Union shall be prepared in such forms as may be agreed from time to time by the College and shall be audited by professional auditors duly appointed by the Union with the approval of the College. The audited accounts, a report by the Union thereon and the auditors report shall be submitted by the Union Finance Committee to Union Council and sent to the College at such a time as may be required by the College.
- F. Financial Regulations
1. The Union shall make regulations for the control and management of Union finances. Changes to these regulations shall require the approval of the College Finance Committee prior to those changes taking effect.

XXVI. Affiliation to Outside Bodies

- A. The Union may not affiliate to any religious, political or other sectarian organisations, other than the NUS and the University of London Union. The Union must comply with the procedure for affiliations set out in the Standing Orders.
- B. A referendum shall be held on affiliation to the NUS and the University of London Union no less than once every three years.

XXVII. Complaints

- A. The Union's complaints procedure is set out in the Standing Orders. Students who are dissatisfied in their dealings with the Union or claim to have been unfairly disadvantaged by reason of their having exercised the right in Clause IV, Paragraph B shall be able to make a complaint under the procedure.

XXVIII. Amendments and Alterations

- A. The Constitution may be added to, amended, or rescinded by a Special Resolution of a General Meeting subject to ratification by a Special Resolution at the following General Meeting.
- B. As required by the Education Act 1994, the College Council has approved this Constitution and all changes to this Constitution shall be forwarded to College Council for their approval prior to those changes taking effect. The College Council will review this Constitution at intervals of not more than five years.

- C. An Amendment to any Special Resolution (other than a drafting amendment) must be posted not later than four days before the discussion of the original resolution.

XXIX. Rider 'A'

- A. Provided that no alteration or addition to this Constitution or the Standing Orders which affects or varies the rights or privileges of the members of either Component Union without similarly affecting or varying the rights or privileges of the Component Union or which otherwise will have the effect of creating any material distinction between the rights or duties of the respective Component Unions shall be effective without written consent of two-thirds of the total members of each of the Component Unions or the sanction of a resolution passed at a separate meeting of the members of each Component Union convened and held in accordance with its rules by a majority of no less than two-thirds of the members present and voting in each of such separate meetings. In the event of any dispute as to whether the rights or privileges of the members of either of the Component Unions may have been affected or varied or whether any material distinction has been created between the rights and duties of the members of the respective Component Unions the question shall be referred to the Provost for the time being of the College.

XXX. Interpretation

- A. In this Constitution, the following shall have the meaning here assigned to them, except where the context requires otherwise:
 - 1. 'an Officer of the Union' shall mean a student elected to a Union Office;
 - 2. 'Official Notice Board' shall mean that notice board from time to time designated by Union Council for the posting of official notices. Notices thus posted shall be deemed to have been given to every member of the Union;
 - 3. 'Special Resolution' shall mean a resolution passed by a two-thirds majority of members present and voting at any Union Council or General Meeting, provided that at least fourteen days notice of the proposed motion has been given by posting on the official notice board;
 - 4. 'Union Premises' means the accommodation in College buildings allocated from time to time by the College Council for use of the Union as listed in a schedule from time to time between the College and Union;
 - 5. all phrases and words not defined in this Constitution shall have the meanings given in the Standing Orders.