

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2015

1pm - 2pm

The Old Theatre, Old Building



# AGENDA - 19th March 2015

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1. Welcome - What the AGM is

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2. Ratification of the previous AGM

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3. Receive Trustees Report & Strategic Priorities Update

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4. Receive 2013/14 Accounts

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5. Appointments of the Auditors

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6. Review and Approve list of affiliations

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7. Discussion and Debate on the 2014/15 Financial Year

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8. Discussion and Debate on the 2015/16 Financial Year

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9. Open questions to the Trustees by the members

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## UGM

1. Motion: The salary for full-time LSESU sabbatical officers should be pegged to the average starting salary of LSE undergraduates

Proposer - Harry Maxwell

Secunder - Chris Hulm

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2. Vote online at [lesu.com/vote](http://lesu.com/vote) - log in with your School username and password

*Please note that this AGM will be recorded through the lecture capture system.*

## **EQUAL ACCESS**

LSESU has a zero tolerance policy on harassment or threatening behaviour towards our students. The UGM is a safe space whereby any student can raise issues without having to worry about intimidation, abuse or attacks on their character. If the chair feels that this spirit has been compromised, the meeting will be terminated.

## **TO DEBATE**

- To submit a debate or to get involved in a debate email [su.democracy@lse.ac.uk](mailto:su.democracy@lse.ac.uk) or L.A.Burley@lse.ac.uk
- Join the debate on twitter - #lovelse @lsesu

## **CALL FOR ACCOUNTABILITY**

If you would like to question the Sabbatical Officers or any other elected Officers you can call for accountability to the Chair.

# HOW TO SUBMIT A MOTION

## What is a motion?

A UGM motion is a document proposing a change to the Union's policy. Motion can be submitted on anything ranging from decisions the School or Union has taken, to wider national and even international concerns.

## How do I submit a motion?

Motions must be submitted via email ([su.democracy@lse.ac.uk](mailto:su.democracy@lse.ac.uk)) **before Friday at 5pm** to be discussed at the Democracy Committee the next week. If the motion is accepted by the Committee, it will appear on the order paper at the next UGM.

**Check out the guide to submitting a motion at [lesu.com/yourunion](https://lesu.com/yourunion)**

## How do I get a motion passed?

At the UGM the motion will need to be proposed and seconded. You should be ready to take questions from students. The motion will then go to an online vote. Once 250 people have voted, a simple majority is required for the motion to be passed into policy.

## Any Questions?

Contact the Democracy Committee on [su.democracy@lse.ac.uk](mailto:su.democracy@lse.ac.uk) or the Engagement Coordinator on [L.A.Burley@lse.ac.uk](mailto:L.A.Burley@lse.ac.uk).

# AFFILIATIONS

- 3 Cosas
- Abortion Rights
- Advice UK
- British Universities & Colleges Sport (BUCS)
- Defend the Right to Protest Campaign
- Equal Access Campaign
- Love Music Hate Racism
- Meat Free Mondays
- National Union of Students (NUS)
- Save A Child's Heart
- Student Action for Refugees
- UK Council for International Student Affairs (UKCISA)
- Workers' Rights Consortium
- People & Planet

## **The salary for full-time LSESU sabbatical officers should be pegged to the average starting salary of LSE undergraduates**

Proposer: Harry Maxwell

Secunder: Christopher Hulm

### **This Union Notes:**

- The current annual salary for LSESU sabbatical officers is c.£26,500.
- The latest figures from LSE careers for the average LSE undergraduate starting salary is £29,400.
- Last year, two General Secretary candidates held 75% of the #1 votes in the first instance.
- Last year, one Community and Welfare Officer candidate held 76% of the #1 votes in the first instance.
- Last year, three Education Officer candidates held 82% of the #1 votes in the first instance.

### **This Union Believes:**

- Based on the above figures, the number of popular candidates running for sabbatical officer positions is highly limited.
- The sabbatical officers have a large role in defining the fulfilment of students' time at LSE.
- The current salary offered to sabbatical officers is uncompetitive.
- A more competitive salary offering will result in a greater number of popular candidates running for sabbatical officer positions.

### **This Union Resolves:**

- The salary for LSESU sabbatical offers should be adjusted on annual basis and equal the most recent figure for the average LSE undergraduate salary, as provided by LSE careers.
- That the Trustee Board will retain the responsibility to approve a change to the Executive Committee Bye-Law Clause 24 because it has resource implications, but if a vote is in favour of the change they always have to demonstrate how any decision has the support of members, and therefore would have a duty to implement the outcome of the vote.
- That salary changes should be effective commencing 2016/17, as these measures are purely in the interest of attracting better nominees.