**Moray College UHI – Class Rep Meeting Minutes**

**24th March 2021 – 12pm to 1pm**

***Present:***

**Class Reps:**  Corey Anderson, Edward Allan, Elizabeth Harley, Caelum Leese, Liam Cormie, Lilia Lee, Kelly Blakemore, Rhiannon Stradling, Sam McCready,

**Staff:** Anne Campbell, Joel Hockney, Derek Duncan, Heather Sharp, Nicole Hyslop

**HISA Officers**: Hermione Morris - Depute President Activities and Welfare

**HISA Elections 2021 Results:**

Joel Hockney, HISA Moray’s Staff Assistant, quickly informed the Class Reps of the results of the HISA elections for 2021-2022:

**HISA Moray Depute President (Education)** - Rhiannon Stradling

**HISA Moray Depute President (Activities & Welfare)** - Caitlin Duguid

**HISA President** - Florence Jansen

**Vice President (Further Education)** - Kyle Gee

**Vice President (Higher Education)** - Aaron Wappler

The full list of successful candidates for HISA Moray positions and across HISA can be found at: <https://www.hisa.uhi.ac.uk/student-voice/elections/2021-results>

The elected officers will begin their term from the 1st of July.

**50th Anniversary of Moray College:**

On the 16th of November, Moray College will have been operating for fifty years. The college officially opened in 1971 as Elgin Technical College and has gone through a variety of changes over the last fifty years to make part of what it is today, including being a part of the University of the Highlands and Islands (which itself celebrated 10 years of serving the community on 1st February 2021).

Moray College UHI would like you, our current as well as ex-students and staff, to help Moray College UHI celebrate. You can find more information to share your experiences at <https://www.moray.uhi.ac.uk/about-us/50-years-of-moray-college-uhi/>

**Hedgehog Friendly Campus:**

After the previous meeting last month, Moray College UHI has now put a link on their website to inform students and staff of the initiative at [www.moray.uhi.ac.uk/students/student-life/students-association/-hedgehog-friendly-campus/](http://www.moray.uhi.ac.uk/students/student-life/students-association/-hedgehog-friendly-campus/). At HISA Moray, we would like to thank Moray College UHI for providing a space to promote and inform students on their website of this initiative.

The next meeting will be on the 26th of March, and the meeting after that on the 16th of April. If you would like to see the minutes of these meetings, email Joel.Hockney@uhi.ac.uk for a copy. You can also find updates on the Instagram page at: <https://www.instagram.com/morayhedgehogs/> and the Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/Moray-Hedgehogs-112372967561048>

**Easter Quiz:**

Hermione also informed the Class Reps of the Easter Quiz, which included prizes, that ran on the 26th of March in collaboration with HISA Lewis. If you would like to see a particular type of online activity or competition, make sure to let us know your feedback and thoughts either by email or by messaging our official HISA Moray social media accounts.

**Staff Update**

Heather Sharp informed Class Reps that she has launched the Student Engagement and Satisfaction survey which students will receive a link to the survey. In previous years there have been up to 45 question in the survey, but now it will be 27 just to ensure that students do not spend too much time filling in the form. If Class Reps can please inform and encourage students to fill in the survey (**but do not forward on the email with the link to the survey**, as each link to the survey is unique for each student).

Nicole Hyslop informed the Class Reps that the deadline for SAAS funding deadline for **this academic year** is the 31st of March. Make sure that you apply as soon as you can if you have not already done so.

Derek Duncan provided a quick update on campus student capacity after the easter holidays, it is planned that they will be increasing capacity *slightly* at campus from the 12th of April. Construction, Engineering, Hairdressing, Beauty & Complementary Therapies it is hoped, *if possible*, to allow these students back on site to learn. Also, Derek mentioned that communication will also be provided to students about EIS strike action by Moray College UHI so students can be informed of strike actions.

**Open Floor Feedback**

* A Class Rep provided feedback that their class is struggling to keep on top of things, but students are continuing to support each another through for the rest of the academic year.
* A Class Rep asked Derek Duncan which students under which courses would be able to come back to the Linkwood Campus.
	+ Derek Duncan responded that is effected by the 2m gap between students moving through corridors and classrooms. Every effort is being made to get students back to campuses as long as it can be made sure that students and staff safety can be ensured.
* Another Class Rep mentioned that they were back on the campus to learn for the physical campus which they were finding was great for their learning experience and their mental wellbeing.
* Class Rep asked about their course they had to submit their assessment work roughly a month and a half earlier than previous academic year.
	+ Heather Sharp responded that the Class Rep should email their lecturer to get more clarity about the increased assessment deadline. Heather advised the Class Rep if they did not get a response to speak to HISA Moray for further guidance with the issue.

**Date of Next Meeting**

**Wednesday 27th April at 12pm - 1pm by Online Meeting.**

*Class Rep Meetings minutes by Joel Hockney, Moray HISA Student Association Assistant*