

Duties

Particular duties shall include:

- a) Monitor and propose updates on HUU equality policy;

Equal ops meeting was cancelled due to staff sickness has been rescheduled for the new year. Will be reviewing it there and bringing it to first welfare zone meeting for approval/changes. Will be making several changes to our staff equal ops monitoring forms according to latest guidance from the NUS/stonewall

- b) Promote and campaign for equal opportunities within the University, HUU and the wider community;
Reports on university committees to follow in relevant section.

Supporting the work of the liberation campaigns. Well done and thanks to the chairs for all their work this semester.

I am helping organise a disabilities conference to be held at Huddersfield university.

- c) Liaising with national, regional and local organisations on issues of equality and student welfare;

The saga of international students on summer courses and council tax is ongoing. There is a meeting in January between the university and the council which we will hopefully be attending. The university are unwilling to count the English course as part of the degree on the exemption certificates. Chris Marks is pressuring them to do this as it would solve the problem without having to change the law. Our MPs Diana and Alan Johnson have responded to my complaints and have forward it on to relevant bodies. The NUS are yet to take up the cause.

There is an NUS on violence experienced by female students whilst at university. There is a link to it on Hull student.

- d) Work actively with local and regional bodies on matters affecting student health;
e) Lobby and campaign to ensure sufficient provision is available for student general, sexual and mental health;

The health fair event was reasonably successful with lots of health organisations invited. We will be holding it in freshers week next year in the gazebo. It will hopefully tie in with GP registration which the university is trying to revamp for next year.

I am yet to get any free condoms out of corner house and supplies are running low! They have agreed to give myself and anyone else interested some contraceptive dispensation training but are being slow to organise it.

A lot of people signed up for the sexual health kiosk, which is fantastic on the odd occasion that it works! Thanks to Kate in teh advice centre for all her work in keeping it running.

I am working with Sue Oxtan from conifer house to set up a volunteering project aimed at improving the sexual health of university students.

I have a meeting with the people responsible for sexual health in North Yorkshire about Scarborough Campus and my plans for SHAG week.

The mental health event went really well lots of local mental health charities were involved as well as the university and the bbc. I also ran a smaller scale event in Scarborough which was also successful.

I am supporting a campaign put forward by Rowan Cutts to encourage students to sign up for the HC1 (help with health costs) form and to lobby for free prescriptions for students. We are hoping that the NHS will send some staff down to help promote it.

- f) Lobby and campaign to ensure sufficient provision is available for financial and debt management;

The advice centre has been busier than ever because of the student loans crisis. We have plastered the campus with posters encouraging people to get in touch if they are struggling.

Next semester there will be an event in the union encouraging people to budget. It will involve balloons.

- g) Spend a minimum of one afternoon per week in the Advice Centre during vacations and attend as many Wednesday afternoon training sessions as possible;

I enjoyed helping with the interviews for the volunteers who have been fantastic. There are so many of them that we don't need to recruit any more this semester. I have been attending the committee meetings. We are planning to fund raise for food parcels on Wednesday night outside asylum.

- h) Liaise with the Advice Centre Co-ordinator with regard to support, advice and information dissemination.

I've continued to work closely with the advice centre. They often flag up issues for me to chase up.