

## **Deputy President (Welfare) report to Council**

**Christopher Kaye, Deputy President (Welfare)**

### **College Committees & Services**

Miss de Bruin and I attended a meeting about Women at Imperial Week, which will be happening this term. It involves talks, exhibitions and other inspirational events. We discussed the Union's involvement and support and I recommended some VIPs who can be invited.

Before Christmas, the Welfare team and I met the Counselling Service to discuss Counselling Provision and the challenges they are facing and I look forward to inviting them to the Union to show them our provision of services.

### **Subwarden Interviews**

I was on the panel that interviewed for a replacement subwarden at Pembridge Hall. I am very pleased with the candidate we chose. These interviews happen on an *ad hoc* basis. So watch this space for the next update!

### **Note taking and disabled students' allowance**

Mr Loose and I met the Director of Student Support to discuss note-taking provisions and the further use of Panopto lecture recordings. We also discussed the disabled students allowance and how changes here have the potential to improve the College's provisions to Disabled students, regardless of the student's origin, under the obligations of the Equality Act 2010.

### **Autism and Aspergers Syndrome Support Group meeting**

I met the College's Disability Advisory Service's facilitator to discuss & explain how the Union can support this group through our campaigns and projects routes. I look forward to working closely on this.

### **Disciplinary Panels**

I have sat on Disciplinary Panels and will be sitting on others in the near future.

### **Healthy Living Week**

The entire sabbatical team met representatives from Ethos/Sport Imperial to discuss our involvement in Healthy Living Week. It is happening 19th – 25th January 2015 – get involved!

### **Student Finance**

Mr Savell and I met representatives from College Student Finance to discuss the level of credit card surcharges that are currently levelled on many credit card payments and international debit card transactions.

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I have continued to engage in student media, where appropriate.

### **Motor Clubs**

I had a very enjoyable trip on Clem and would like to pass on my thanks to the Motor Clubs for their dedication.

### **New Year**

Her Majesty the Queen mentioned in her Christmas address to the Commonwealth about the importance of reconciliation and the need to respect and value all people. In September this year, she will become our longest-serving Sovereign. She is a truly inspiring leader, and her words of wisdom will continue to lead me into the New Year.

I wish you all goodwill and happiness in this New Year.