

# Board of Trustees Minutes

City, University of London Students' Union is a registered charity (charity number 1173858) and a company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales (company number 10834450).

## 07 November 2019 | Decision without a meeting

| Members                                       | Initials | Meeting 1<br>08.10.19 | Meeting 2<br>03.12.19 | Meeting 3<br>04.02.20 | Meeting 4<br>31.03.20 | Meeting 5<br>26.05.20 |
|---|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Tuna Kunt (President) (Chair)                 | TK       | ✓                     |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Saqlain Riaz (VP Education)                   | SR       | ✓                     |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Rania Salim (VP Community and Wellbeing)      | RS       | ✓                     |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Nick Ratcliffe (Lay Trustee and Deputy Chair) | NR       | ✓                     |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Edward Pearson (Lay Trustee)                  | EP       | ✓                     |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Janet Legrand (Lay Trustee)                   | JL       | ✓                     |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Alan Latham (Lay Trustee)                     | AL       | ✓                     |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Clare Searle (Lay Trustee)                    | CS       | ✓                     |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Katherine Higgins (Student Trustee)           | KH       | ✓                     |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Emmanuel Pobee (Student Trustee)              | EPo      | ✓                     |                       |                       |                       |                       |

Key: "✓" = Present, "A" = Apologies given, "N/M" = Non-member, "P" = Partial attendance, 'X' = Non-attendance

| Included in the circulation | Initials | Reason and Meeting Section                |
|-----------------------------|----------|---|
| Philip Gilks                | PG       | Chief Executive (Committee Secretary)     |
| Hannah Roberts              | HR       | Deputy Chief Executive                    |
| Margaret O'Donnell          | MO'D     | Interim SU Head of Finance and Operations |

## Formal

### 1. UCU Strike Referendum

(Paper: BT1913)

On the 28 August 2018 paper BT1913 was circulated to the Board of Trustees. This paper recommended that the Board of Trustees call a referendum putting the following question to the Union membership: 'Should City Students' Union support the 'strike' and 'action-short-of-a-strike' UCU industrial action on pensions and on pay & working conditions?'

The paper set out the reasoning behind this recommendation, background information on UCU's decision to call a strike and action-short-of-a-strike, and the governance arrangements that oversee a referendum in the Union.

At 12.55pm on 7 November 2019, the number of trustees voting in favour of the recommendation reached a 2/3 majority of all Board of Trustee members. 8 Trustees unanimously voted in support of the recommendation.

### Decision

APPROVED

The Board called a referendum putting the following question to the Union membership:  
'Should City Students' Union support the 'strike' and 'action-short-of-a-strike' UCU  
industrial action on pensions and on pay & working conditions?'