



NOTES
STUDENT CONSULTATIVE FORUM

Date: Tuesday 26 February 2019
 Venue: D12 Stratford Campus
 Time: 4:30pm

Chair	Vice Chair (Student Consultative Forum): Andrew Edwards
Corporation Members	Principal & CEO: Paul Stephen
In Attendance	Deputy Principal, Curriculum & Quality Deputy Principal, Financial & Infrastructure: Anil Nagpal Head of Estates: Paul Mealing Director of Registry & Funding: Simeon Gibbons Director of Finance: Pieter Vermeulen Director of Curriculum ESOL & COMED: Janet Prendergast Director of Human Resources: Olivia Besly Interim Director, Student Services: Judi Harper Deputy Director of HE & Access: Bushra Iqbal Learner Voice and Enrichment Co-ordinator: Sonia Hill Registration Services Administrator: Christine Smith Students
Clerk to the Corporation	Judith Nelson

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PRELIMINARY PROCEDURAL MATTERS	
1.	<p>Chair's Welcome & Opening Remarks It should be noted the meeting was chaired by Andrew Edwards. The Deputy Principal – Curriculum & Quality opened up the meeting by giving students the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The College management is currently working with employers to help shape our curriculum programmes i.e. East London Business Alliance (ELBA), representing employers in East London. ▪ Study programmes will include leadership, communication and resilience. ▪ Working with National Academy for NSAR on an engineering programme, creating high level pathways of study. ▪ Digital skills with our subsidiary Digital Skills Solution (DSS). Looking at a pilot scheme for higher level skills set.
2.	<p>Apologies For Absence Stephen Parry – Director of IT</p>
3.	<p>Declaration of Interests None recorded.</p>
4.	<p>Matters Arising and Action Points from the Meeting All matters arising / actions points were noted on the "You said, we did" tabled item.</p>
5.	<p>Matters Raised by Students were as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Psychology / Social Studies Students raised concerns about teachers that were leaving and not having the continuity of learning. Bushra Iqbal noted this point, where teaching staff had left with very little notice. Additional support will be given to students under exceptional circumstances. b. Students advised the motivational posters seen around the College are very good initiative taken by the College. c. Canteen food: Students gave their feedback as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long queues for service when students are on a restrictive lunch break • Not enough food choices of food, therefore, students are spending time travelling offsite for food when their lunch breaks are restrictive • Paninis in the coffee shop is nicer than the canteen food The Vice Chair asked for the students to form a Students Union focus group, liaising and providing feedback to the catering department. HR Director to liaise with the Head of Catering to get the focus group underway.

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	d. Students felt that GCSE English lessons were too long.
MEETING SCHEDULE 2018-19	
6.	Meeting Schedule for 2018-19 (All to Note) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 08 May 2019 – East Ham Campus @ 4:00pm