




nus **NATIONAL CONFERENCE**

27 – 29 March 2018 | Glasgow

Agenda

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Purpose of this document

Democratic Procedures Committee (DPC) are volunteers elected by National Conference. A key responsibility is to oversee the business and smooth running of Conference. Democratic Procedures Committee's role and composition is defined by the Articles and Rules of NUS.

Members of DPC

Sam Mujunga (Chair) (re-elected 2017)

Naa Acquah (Vice Chair) (elected 2016)

Millie Thomas (elected 2016)

John Hein (re-elected 2017)

Bradley Langer (elected 2017)

Mariya Hussain (elected 2017)

Hassun el Zafar (elected 2017)

Michaela Tharby (co-opted from NUS Womens Steering Committee)

Noah Levy (co-opted as a former member of DPC)

This Document

This document is the agenda for Conference and shows the order and timing of all business that will be discussed.

Please note that the following are fixed and cannot change:

- The opening and closing of conference floor
- Elections and Election Deadlines
- Access Breaks
- The end of Conference

All other times are subject to change as conference progresses but no session can be reduced to less than 30 minutes long. The Democratic Procedures Committee will announce changes and they will be displayed on screens in the Conference hall. All sessions will start promptly at the times shown. Please note that mobile phones should always be on silent when on Conference floor and food & drink (other than bottled water) cannot be taken into the Conference hall unless it relates to a medical or access need.

Allocation of Time

Each of the 5 zones has been allocated time to allow:

The Zone Committee to report on their work through the past year and be held to account by Conference

The Zone Committee to propose policy recommendations for the year ahead, to be debated


Constituent Members (CMs) to propose policy motions for the year ahead, to be debated

The time allocated to each Zone is based on the number of motions submitted to it.

We do not expect to discuss every recommendation and motion contained in the motions document. By tradition a procedural motion is usually moved that causes those motions that fall beyond the allocated time to be remitted to the new National Executive Council to consider at its first meeting.

We would urge delegates to return from breaks and meals on time so that valuable time for consideration of motions is not lost. Please note that we would not encourage delegates to leave "en mass" during access breaks that have been introduced to facilitate the participation of some disabled students.

Deadlines are shown in italics and sometimes take place during other conference business. These deadlines will require submissions to either the DPC or the Chief Returning Officer, via online forms. Links can be found in the Guidebook app.



Tuesday 27 March

09:00	Registration opens		
	You are advised to arrive as early as you can		
10:00	Delegates' briefing & training	Candidates briefing	30 minutes
	Lomond Auditorium	Gala 2	
11:00	Delegates' briefing & training [REPEAT]	Candidates briefing [REPEAT]	30 minutes
	Lomond Auditorium	Gala 2	
11:30	Conference floor opens		
	Please sit in your allocated area		
12:00	Conference starts		
12:00	Announcements, staff protocol, code of conduct & safeguarding		15 minutes
	The Conference administration is carried out by members of NUS staff. Their conduct, and the conduct of delegates towards them, is covered by the Staff Protocol. In this session we will outline a protocol agreement between NUS and TUNE (the staff trade union) so that everyone is clear about procedure. We will also cover domestic arrangements, fire procedures and Safeguarding details.		
12:15	Session 1 Opening remarks		45 minutes
12:15	Civic Welcome to the City of Glasgow		5 minutes
	Bailie Christy Mearns Glasgow City Council		
12:20	Solidarity Address		15 minutes
	Maris Deaconu National Alliance of Student Organisations in Romania (ANOSR)		
12:35	National President's Opening Remarks		25 minutes
	Shakira Martin will formally open NUS Conference 2018		
13:00	Opening of Business		15 minutes
	Introduction to and adoption of the Order Paper Agenda		
	The Chair of the Democratic Procedures Committee explains this agenda (Order Paper), and Conference formally adopts it.		
	Opening Nominations		
	The CRO will announce opening and closing times for nominations to committee places. Please see Guidebook App for nomination forms and election rules.		
	Membership Motions Motions Document		
	National Executive Council motions to accept applications for membership from new affiliates		
	Minutes Minutes from last National Conference		
	Minutes of the last Annual Conference		

13:15	Session 2 Priority Zone	30 minutes
	Priority Campaign Report Reports Document (Priority Zone)	15 minutes
	5 minute presentation from the National President followed by 10 minutes where delegates may ask questions on how policy has been implemented	
13:30	Priority Zone Motion (100) Motions Document	15 minutes
	In this session we will discuss the Priority Zone motion.	
13:45	Session 3 Education Zone	45 minutes
13:45	Further Education Zone Report	15 minutes
	5 minute presentation from the Zone Convenor followed by 10 minutes where delegates may ask questions on how policy has been implemented.	
14:00	Higher Education Zone Report	15 minutes
	5 minute presentation from the Zone Convenor followed by 10 minutes where delegates may ask questions on how policy has been implemented.	
14:15	Education Zone Motions (200) Motions Document	15 minutes
	In this session we will discuss the Further & Higher Education Zone motions and any amendments.	
14:30	Access Break Conference floor closes	45 minutes
	There will be refreshments available to purchase at the SEC Centre. Please see the Guidebook app for more info. Conference floor will close completely, please take all belongings and remove any litter.	
15:00	Conference floor re-opens	
15:15	Deadline for submission of Informal Hustings questions (see Guidebook App for online submission details) Deadline for submission of accountability questions for Welfare Zone and Society and Citizenship Zone (see Guidebook App for online submission details) Deadline to contest policy adoptions to Democratic Procedures Committee Deadline to submit questions to all AGM Reports, or refer back all/sections of DPC, Trustee, NEC and CRO reports. Please see Guidebook App for information on how to submit these.	
15:15	Session 3 continues Education Zone	1 hour, 5 minutes
	Education Zone Motions (200) Motions Document	
	In this session we will discuss Further & Higher Education Zone motions and any amendments.	
16:20	Session 4 Union Development Zone	55 minutes
	Union Development Zone Report Reports Document (UD Zone)	15 minutes
	5 minute presentation from the Zone Convenor followed by 10 minutes where delegates may ask questions on how policy has been implemented.	
16:35	Union Development Zone Motions Motions Document	40 minutes
	In this session we will discuss motions, and any amendments to them, in the Union Development Zone.	

17:15	Access Break	1 hour, 30 minutes
	There will be refreshments available to purchase at the SEC Centre. Please see the Guidebook app for more info. Conference floor will close completely, please take all belongings and remove any litter.	
17:30	Optional Fringe Sessions	60 minutes
	Please see the Fringe Guide if you are interested in attending fringes.	
18:30	Conference Floor re-opens	
18:45	Session 4 continues Union Development Zone	1 hour, 15 minutes
	In this session we will discuss Union Development Zone motions and any amendments.	
20:00	Statements	5 minutes
	Conference will vote on whether to hear 1 minute statements submitted to DPC	
20:05	Conference floor closes	5 minutes
	Conference floor will close completely, please take all belongings.	

Wednesday 28 March

09:00	Conference floor opens	
	Please arrive promptly in order that conference starts on time	
09:30	Liberation Adoptions	30 minutes
	Each of the campaigns will be asked to summarise their policy and work carried out for 5 minutes and where relevant, will propose their policy passed at last conference for formal adoption into the NUS UK policy document	
10:00	Deadline for submission of Candidate Expenses to Elections Committee at info point or via governanceteam@nus.org.uk Deadline for nominations to stand for Democratic Procedures Committee to the Chief Returning Officer – see Guidebook app for information on how to stand	
10:00	Session 5 Welfare Zone	45 minutes
10:00	Welfare Zone Report Reports Document	15 minutes
	5 minute presentation from the Zone Convenor followed by 10 minutes where delegates may ask questions on how policy has been implemented.	
10:15	Welfare Zone Motions Motions Document	30 minutes
	In this session we will discuss motions, and any amendments to them, in the Welfare Zone.	
10:45	ELECTION: National President Manifesto Document	30 minutes
	Election for the position of NUS National President. (Candidates will be informed of the length of time for speech by the CRO)	
11:15	Access Break: Conference floor closes	30 minutes
	There will be refreshments available to purchase at the SEC Centre. Please see the Guidebook app for more info.	
11:30	Conference floor reopens	
11:45	Session 5 continues Welfare Zone Motions	60 minutes
	In this session we will discuss motions, and any amendments to them, in the Welfare Zone.	
12:45	ELECTION: Three Vice Presidents Manifesto Document	45 minutes
	Election for the positions of Vice-President Higher Education, Vice-President Further Education and Vice-President Union Development. (Candidates will be informed of the length of time for speech by the CRO)	
13:30	Access Break	60 minutes
	There will be refreshments available to purchase at the SEC Centre. Please see the Guidebook app for more info. Conference floor will close completely, please take all belongings and remove any litter.	
14:15	Conference floor re-opens	
14:30	Session 6 Society and Citizenship Zone	60 minutes
14:30	Society and Citizenship Zone Report Reports Document	15 minutes

	5 minute presentation from the Zone Convenor followed by 10 minutes where delegates may ask questions on how policy has been implemented.	
14:45	Society and Citizenship Zone Motions Motions Document	45 minutes
	In this session we will discuss motions, and any amendments to them, in the Society and Citizenship Zone.	
15:30	ELECTION: Two Vice Presidents Manifesto Document	30 minutes
	Election of Vice-President Welfare and Vice-President Society & Citizenship. (Candidates will be informed of the length of time for speech by the CRO)	
16:00	Access Break	30 minutes
	There will be refreshments available to purchase at the SEC Centre. Please see the Guidebook app for more info. Conference floor will close completely, please take all belongings and remove any litter.	
16:15	Conference floor re-opens	
16:30	Keynote Speaker	30 minutes
	Dr Faiza Shaheen Director of CLASS and NUS UK Poverty Commissioner	
17:00	Session 6 continues Society and Citizenship Zone	45 minutes
	In this session we will discuss motions, and any amendments to them, in the Society and Citizenship Zone.	
17:45	Access Break	1 hour, 30 minutes
	There will be refreshments available to purchase at the SEC Centre. Please see the Guidebook app for more info. Conference floor will close completely, please take all belongings and remove any litter.	
18:00	Optional Fringe Sessions	60 minutes
	Please see the Fringe Guide if you are interested in attending fringes.	
19:00	Conference floor re-opens	
19:00	Deadline to challenge nominations to Democratic Procedures Committee to governanceteam@nus.org.uk	
19:15	Session 7 Annual General Meeting Reports Document	40 minutes
19:15	Chief Returning Officer Report	10 minutes
	Delegates will receive a presentation on the CRO's report. Questions will be put and a vote will take place to accept each report.	
19:25	Democratic Procedures Committee (DPC) Report	10 minutes
	Delegates will receive a presentation from the Democratic Procedures Committee (DPC). Questions will be put and a vote will take place to accept each report.	
19:35	National Executive Council, NUS UK Trustee and Nominations Committee Reports	20 minutes
	The National President as chair of the NEC, NUS UK Trustee Board and Nominations Committee will present each report. Questions will be put and a vote will take place to accept each report.	
19:55	Statements	5 minutes

	Conference will vote on whether to hear 1 minute statements submitted to DPC	
20:00	Conference floor closes	

Thursday 29 March

08:30	Conference floor opens	
	Please arrive promptly in order that conference starts on time	
09:00	Nations Adoptions Policy Adoptions Document	15 mins
	Each of the Nations will be asked to summarise their policy and work carried out for 5 minutes and will then propose their policy passed at last conference for formal adoption into NUS UK Policy where appropriate.	
09:15	ELECTION: Block of 15 Manifestos Document	60 minutes
	Election for the National Executive Council: Block of 15 members. (Candidates will be informed of the length of time for speech by the CRO)	
10:15	Access Break	30 minutes
	There will be refreshments available to purchase at the SEC Centre. Please see the Guidebook app for more info.	
10:30	Conference floor re-opens	
10:45	Annual General Meeting Continued Accounts and Estimates	30 minutes
	The Accounts and Estimates for the year will be proposed. A vote to accept the accounts and estimates will take place.	
11:15	Annual General Meeting Motions Motions Document	30 minutes
	In this session we will discuss rules changes and AGM motions, and amendments to them	
11:45	ELECTION: Student Directors, Democratic Procedures Committee	45 minutes
	Election of members of Democratic Procedures Committee (4 places) Election of Student Directors [Trustees] (3 places) (Candidates will be informed of the length of time for speech by the CRO)	
12:30	Any other business	10 minutes
12:45	Closing Remarks	15 minutes
	The National President will bring National Conference 2018 to a close.	
13:00	Close of Conference 2018	