**Sustainability Board**

**18th November 2024, 5:30-6:30pm, [Online]**

**Attendance**

Present:

* Alfred Stanely Robin Ellis – Barts Sustainability Officer - (AE)
* Josefina Infante – Mile End Sustainability Officer - (JI)
* Zoe Sturgess – Sustainability Coordinator – (ZS)

Apologies:

* Tahmid Khan – SU President - (TK)

In attendance:

* Muhammad Nahid Hussain - (MH)
* Cheryl Chibudom Ezedigboh - (CE)
* Hang Leng Doung - (HD)
* Kejsi Vuibert - (KV)
* Ruby Dawn Skinner - (RS)

**Agenda item 1 – Welcome**

AE - went round and did introductions

**Agenda item 2 – Officer updates**

JI – Updates on litter pick and canal cleans

BHM event – book raffle and black climate activists

AE – Housing form, in collab with “Home Folk”, QM students and Sheffield Uni architecture students. Hoping to build on this for future events.

AE- Charity initiative – Barts NHS trust – human sustainability and

Medical education of students in Gaza – supplement teaching modules for all students at different points in their training. Including at Barts – at the early stages. Proposed at the BLSA board meeting – happy to put BLSA name behind this. Collaborating with Wolfson Institute to find graduates to put names behind it and investigate setting up student scholarships.

JI Mile End future projects – Collab with art society – Climate Action Week – collage workshop where it would be centred around sustainability topics – with showcase

Collab with another liberation campaign – eco-bricks – with shrine for LGBTQ+ history month – permanent installation

Aiming to increase canal cleans happening – dates to be confirmed, next one is on Thursday

27th November – deadline for the Hog Friendly

Disability History month – accessibility and sustainability, how they tie together – through articles and social media spotlights

Law students for climate accountability – research opportunity – how much law firms impact the planet – reach out to JI if want to be involved

**Agenda item 3 – Make a change form: “**More recycling on campus and awareness around recycling and littering”

RS – since been colder been less litter – has noticed in the warm months there was a lot more litter around – could be linked to Fresher’s week.

Indoors is good – lots of bins and recycling bins – knows that bins need a lot more money

JI – noted that litter picking has been bough

HL – a lot of litter on the pathways – could use social media gain traction

CE – bins cost money – evaluating the location of bins a good idea

RS – did a survey in secondary school noting where litter was

CE – could do this survey at the start of the day and end of the day – walking around and taking notes

JI – would this be a regular thing – could organise a meeting to discuss and scout

Cheryl – statistically – want to do it on at least two different days – tie with the canal cleans

ZS – Noted more than two days of data would be needed – a trend to be established -suggested running an event during climate action week – would require being proactive – need to go away and plan as an officer event – potential to have a meeting outside of the board to develop this

CE – had an app in A-level geography for mapping an area – could we use something similar?

JI – would the app have the map of the buildings?

CE – spatial mapping mainly

JI – to send out link for the WhatsApp chat to continue this conversation

**Agenda item 4 - Canal Cleans**

JI – ran through potential times

AE – said that it’s easier for medical students on Wednesday – do Wednesdays moving forwards?

**Agenda item 5 – Climate Action Week**

ZS – ran through potential events

RS – keen to volunteer at events

CE – wants to write an article – what's not spoken about at as much – would be nice to have a mending workshop! - knitting society and embroidery? - could write a follow-up article

ZS – Need an outline of an article – Cheryl to send over by the beginning of December to discuss further

AE – going to be running an event around climate change refugees – guest speakers from Dr’s of the world – is there scope to partner with individuals with Geography? Any ideas about how the event could be further extended?

JI – suggested model UN society who might be interested

CE – Model UN – got a cop29 themed event this week

JI – Windo – helps students

**Agenda item 6 – Next Meeting**

CE – hybrid meeting –KV and RS agreed

AE – happy to have the next meeting at ME

CE – as most people online today are ME, might be good to draw awareness to the meeting at have it at Barts

AE – Will promote among Barts students to look at having the fourth on in Whitechapel

ZS – Date and time TBC at least 2 weeks in advance – next meeting to be hybrid

**Agenda items – AOB**

 N/A