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EMERGENCY ISSUE

NO "TOP UPS" FOR OUR STUDENTS!



The LSESU Executive met yesterday to discuss its reply to the Schools report and the articles in the national press about "top up" fees. The meeting was well attended by the new executive and two of the sabbaticals elect, Teshar Fitzpatrick and Leandro Moura. Notably absent were Fazile Zahir, the current General Secretary and Jonny Bradburn. Also present were many concerned students including Antonia Mochan, who had spoken on Greater London Radio the previous night, speaking against "top up" fees.

After a long discussion it was decided, after a recommendation from the Chair of Constitution and Steering Committee, to call an Emergency General Meeting for Friday at 5.30pm to pass LSESU policy on this issue. Therefore when the proposal is presented to the Academic Board on the 23 June, they know what the strength of feeling of the students is.

It was decided that a petition would be started forthwith and the basis of a Union Resolves part of the motion to be discussed on Friday is overleaf. The petition will be available to be signed in Houghton Street from today.

UNION RESOLVES:

1. To disrupt the normal workings of the school.
2. To disrupt the normal workings of the Centenary appeal.
3. Organise an anti-recruitment campaign.
4. To make the students on the 1895 committee resign.
5. To call for the immediate resignation of the Director.
6. To publicise the campaign against "top up" fees.
7. To draft plans for a rent-strike.
8. To draft plans for an occupation.
9. To compile a list of alternative courses to those offered at the LSE.
10. To boycott the catering and photo-copying facilities.
11. To write to M.P's of Halls of Residences and other M.P.s who may be willing to support us.
12. To work with all other members of staff in the LSE.
13. To meet with the school to discuss the future in terms of funding.
14. To contact and work with NUS, and other colleges facing similar problems.
15. To disrupt the LSE's summer profit making activities.
16. To put 'No Top Up Fees' on LSESU headed paper.

N.B. This was compiled on the night of the 8th June. The Union resolves on the motion paper may appear in a different order and worded slightly differently

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