

STAN COMMITTEE 2013-14

HANDOVER AND INDUCTION MEETING

30TH NOVEMBER & 1ST DECEMBER 2013



DAY 1

Upcoming Events:

1. March 1st & 2nd- Action for Change
2. AGM 12th, 13th April- Heriot Watt Uni Edinburgh
3. Student Media Summit- 20 & 21 August- joint Amnesty & NUS event
4. Student Human Rights Reporter Award
 - First prize; work experience at the Observer.
 - Spread word & publicize
5. Student Conference, 1st & 2nd November

Roles:

The outgoing committee outlined their roles and made recommendations for the new committee in terms of how they divide up the work.

DAY 2

Tom Hedley's International Council Meeting feedback (ICM)

Every 2 years: attended by representatives from all Amnesty sections & structures; Global Policy determined. Tom spoke particularly about:

- Restricted Giving
- Human Rights and Sports- Large number of Human rights abuses in countries hosting world cup/Olympics etc e.g. Russia winter Olympics 2014.
- Rights of Trade Unionists within Amnesty

Vacancies on Board of AIUK

- There are currently five vacant seats on the board. See: <https://www.amnesty.org.uk/board-elections>
- The Student Network can put forward a candidate to only ONE of those seats. Nevertheless, any person who is over 18 years of age and has been a paying member of Amnesty for more than six months can stand for election to the remaining four board seats in their personal capacity.
- If you would like to stand for election to the board as a representative of the Student Network please send a manifesto of no more than 300 words to Jac (jaclarner@gmail.com) by 5pm on 15 December 2013.
- There will then be an online election. All affiliated student groups will have ONE vote PER GROUP. The deadline for voting will be 5 January 2014.
- In the event that fewer than 12 student groups vote (10%), or that the result is tied, the STAN Committee will select a candidate from those standing in the election.
- Once a candidate has been chosen by the Student Network, that person will need to formally request a nomination form from AIUK by 8th January 2014, and return the completed form by 15th January. If other networks put forward candidates for the Network place on the Board, there will be an election.
- Ballot papers will be sent to members entitled to vote on or before Wednesday 12th February 2014 (with a voting deadline of Friday 18 April 2014).
- Please note: this will be a competitive election, and being chosen as the representative of the Student Network does not guarantee that you will be elected to the board.

Decided Roles

Chair – Jac

Secretary - Aisha

AMSC rep – Rachel

Communications – Corinna

Fundraising - Jac

Governance & policy – Tom & Aisha

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Graduate retention - Sav

Groups Development & Working with other activist constituencies – Rachel

Campaigns/activism advisory role – Tom

Global role: Linking up with other Amnesty Sections – Aisha (+ Rachel + Corinna)

Allocated Regions (includes promotion of school speaker training, encouraging regional collaboration for campaign actions etc, liaison with Regional Reps)

East Anglia – Corinna (& Jac)

East Midlands – Tom (& Sav)

London – Corinna (& Rachel)

North East – Sav (& Tom)

Northern Ireland – Aisha

North West – Sav (& Tom)

Scotland – Rachel

South East - Corinna (& Rachel)

South Midlands - Aisha

South - Jac

South West - Jac

Wales – Jac

West Midlands – Tom (& Sav)

Key dates:

- **January STAN meeting** – Sunday 19th January
- **Sat 1st – Sun 2nd March:** Action 4 Change (STAN to arrive on the Friday night – 28th Feb)
- **Sat 12th – Sunday 13th April:** AGM at Heriot Watt University in Edinburgh (STAN to arrive on Fri 11th for April STAN meeting)
- **July STAN meeting (1 day).** First half of July (date TBC)
- **Early July** – European Youth Meeting in Greece
- **August 20th and 21st** - Student Media Summit (with NUS)
- **September/October:** helping at Freshers Fairs
- **September STAN meeting** – date TBC
- **October STAN meeting** – date TBC
- **November 1st and 2nd** - Student Conference (STAN to arrive on the Friday morning – 31st October)
- **November 11th** – Amnesty Media Awards in London
- **November 29th 2014:** STAN handover meeting

Upcoming AIUK Campaigns in 2014:

Russia – in the run up to Winter Olympics in Sochi

Torture

Syria

Northern Ireland – Dealing with the Past

Women's Rights in Afghanistan

My Body My Rights

Further Action Points;

- Jac to develop Online Poll for Board member voting.
- Hannah to email AI Tunisia.
- Tom to draw up board nominations information criteria for general circulation.
- Aisha to draft letter to board concerning Peter Pack.
- Rachel to contact Hannah Perry
- Corinna to develop biography page for STAN committee, and student blog page.
- All to email regional reps

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- All to introduce themselves to regions they are representing and forward information on board nominations.
- Campaigns Calendar to be emailed to STAN members.
- All to decide on and prepare blog posts. Corinna to coordinate.