Who are the Societies Council?

The Societies Council democratically represent societies. They are Society members. You, in other words.

Their core remit is the approving of new societies, as well as providing a forum for the discussion of ideas regarding societies’ activities and support.

But more importantly, they are the voice of societies and society members within the democratic structures of EUSA.

Teams

Within the Council as a whole, there are working groups. The detail below is intended to show the effort put in by these teams, but also provide information if you are interested in getting involved in the Societies Council.

The Societies Council meet fortnightly for 1hr. In addition to the teams detailed below, Council members are expected to assist with Soc Cards and other matters.

Proposed Societies Team

3-4 members

This is the first port of call for anyone looking to set up a new society. Becoming a society affiliated with EUSA is about creating a working relationship. This team is essential in establishing that relationship, through advice and guidance on everything from constitutions, society structure and more.

**Key Duties**

- Examining all applications as they come in
- Managing the applications workflow
- Advising amendments or additions to applications where necessary
- Presenting applications to Societies Council

**Time Commitment**

- ~2hrs per week average
- but there is a high volume of applications early in Semester 1 and late in Semester 2
Finance Team

4-5 members

EUSA has funding available to societies. The Finance Team assesses grant applications from societies to decide where this funding goes. This can be very rewarding; having a say in the direct support of great ideas.

**Key Duties**
- Examining all applications as they come in
- Managing the applications workflow
- Requesting further information from applications where necessary
- Presenting their decisions to Societies Council

**Time Commitment**
- ~1hr fortnightly for reading and discussing applications
- Slightly more for 1 person who will maintain email correspondence with applicants

Events Team

3-4 members

This team gets to organise the Society Awards! This is a creative endeavour, providing really solid events experience, but by the same token a lot of work closer to the event.

**Key Duties**
- Long term – Venue and format discussions, liaising with EUSA staff in various departments about décor and other areas
- Medium-Short term – Booking entertainment, ordering trophies, and so on
- On the night – Making sure the event runs smoothly, potential stage-managing

**Time Commitment**
As with any event planning, low commitment at the start, rising to high commitment nearer the event:
- ~1hr fortnightly around October time
- 1-2hrs per day in the final week before the event (March)