

Job Description: RAUSU Secretary

Term: From 1st August 2018 – 31st July 2019. To include a handover

period during the summer term of 2018

Responsible to: RAUSU General Manager

Responsible for: RAUSU Elected Officers

This officer is a Director of the Board, a Trustee of the Charity and an elected student representative.

As a Trustee you will:

- Attend and contribute to Board of Trustees meetings and you may be called upon to attend RAU Governing Council meetings as required.
- Develop and deliver the RAUSU's strategic plan, policies and procedures.
- Ensure the RAUSU uses its money and resources sensibly and only in pursuit of its charitable aims.
- Ensure the RAUSU complies with its legal and regulatory requirements, as well as its constitution.
- Ensure the RAUSU keeps proper accounts and records.
- Protect the RAUSU's assets, taking care over their security and usage.

As an elected RAUSU Officer you will:

- Be an Ambassador for the Royal Agricultural University Student Union (RAUSU), safeguarding its good name and values.
- Work closely with the other Trustees, General Manager and the RAUSU elected officers to support the effective management of the RAUSU.
- Ensure effective teamwork and good working practice within the RAUSU.

As the RAUSU Secretary you will:

- Alongside the RAU Student Union Executive Officer, be responsible for organising and publicising all Trustee Board meetings.
- Alongside the RAU Student Union Executive Officer be responsible for organising and publicising all RAUSU committee meetings.

- Be responsible for drawing up and circulating agendas for all Trustee Board and RAUSU committee meetings in a timely manner.
- Be responsible for ensuring that accurate minutes are taken of every Trustee Board meeting
 and all RAUSU committee meetings and ensuring that copies are circulated to members as
 appropriate and that a copy is kept on file.
- Be responsible for ensuring there is an efficient filing system in the RAUSU office.
- Maintain files of all reports, key publications and minutes of all RAUSU meetings as well as any other applicable material.
- Provide student representation on RAU committees as required.

Eligibility Criteria to be a Company Director and Charity Trustee

Aged 18+ so as to be able to enter into contracts

Must NOT have been declared bankrupt, been party to bankruptcy proceedings or have entered into a composition or arrangement with their creditors which includes an individual voluntary arrangement and must not still be on the Insolvency Service Register

Must NOT have been banned from being a company director by a court / be subject to a disqualification order under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986

Must never have been convicted of an offence involving deception or dishonesty, unless the conviction is spent;

Must never have been previously removed from trusteeship of a charity by the Court or by the Charity Commission

Please also note that students who have been dealt with in accordance with the RAU Disciplinary Procedure are not eligible to stand for any elected position.