**MINUTES OF THE STUDENT LIAISON MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 4TH JUNE 2014 IN ROOM G1 14**

**Present:** Kieran Watkins (Stage 3)

 Lesley Phippen (Staff)

1. Apologies : Stine Wannebo

 Mathilde Guenegan

 Clarissa Place

1. Confirmation of Minutes - the Minutes of the meeting held on the 26th March 2014 were confirmed as a true record.
2. Matters Arising:

 a. NCTJ Fees (following on from earlier meetings) LP confirmed that the Centre is still pursuing this issue.

 b. Board of Studies atmosphere – LP confirmed that students concerns were taken to the Staff Team Meeting held at the end of the Spring term where it was generally agreed that one hour for the Board of Studies is possibly not enough time to consider all the issues that can arise. This will be taken into account in the Autumn term when arranging dates/times etc.

 c. LP confirmed that programmes in the MA newsroom and the Small Newsroom are entirely compatible.

1. Student Comments:
2. KW explained that many of the graduating students were surprised at the cost of the Congregation - hiring gowns/costs of tickets/cost of buffet for extra guests etc. LP agreed to email Congregations with these concerns but also suggested that individual students should contact Congregations as well.
3. Concern was also expressed at the proposed closure of the ‘Essentials’ shop on the Medway campus. LP agreed to email Nick Grief - the Sub-Dean.
4. Date of next meeting – TBA in the Autumn term.