

Committee Training Conundrum

An idea, problem, and solution sharing workshop

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IT'S ALL ABOUT COLLABORATION!

SCHEDULE

Introduction

ARU Students' Union – where we were, and where we are now

1. What does committee training look like for your SU? **(10 minutes)**
2. What issues does committee training present? **(10 minutes)**
3. Creating solutions together **(15 minutes)**

Session close and summary

What ARU training used to look like

Post-COVID

- Online sessions ranging from 2 to 5 hours
- Registration forms completed upon attendance
- Very limited engagement, lecture style sessions

What ARU training used to look like

2021/22 and 2022/23

- Training presented via YouTube videos
 - Self-teachable, but content was not editable
- Knowledge tested via MSL survey
 - Limited ability to track who completed training
- Difficult to edit videos as entire training would need to be re-recorded

What our training looks like now – Oppia.org

Interactive and Inclusive learning

- For the 2023/24 year, we made the move to Oppia.org
- A free-to-use, volunteer led platform
 - Accessible and easy to edit “online modules”
 - Completable in your own time
 - Built-in screen reader
 - Ability to translate to different languages

However, there's always drawbacks!

- Extremely long setup/creation time
- No templates to work from
- Steep learning curve and limited support available

but... it's been amazing once fully set up!

SESSION 1

What does committee training look like for your SU?

- Is your training online or in-person?
- Can students learn at their own pace?
- Do you track attendance and/or understanding?
- Is your training accessible to all?

10
minutes

SESSION 2

What issues does your committee training present?

- Could it be attendance levels or completion rates?
- Do you update training regularly?
- Do you have committee members making avoidable mistakes?

e.g., hiring a £700 coach by themselves with no funds (we're still teary over this 😞)

10
minutes

SESSION 3

Creating solutions together!

15
minutes

SUMMARY AND QUESTIONS

Committee Training Working Group

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