

Council

Date of Meeting:	23 April 2015
Title of Paper:	Report Back from the Students Committee
Appendices:	None
Presented by:	Brendan Garry, Chair
Is a decision required? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

1. The Students Committee met on 9 January 2015.

Induction for New Members

2. We welcomed nine new members to the Committee so the morning session was spent briefing them on the work of the Committee and how it works as part of the RCN governance and representative structure.
3. Brendan Garry was confirmed as the Chair of the Committee. The timeline for the election of the Vice Chair of the Committee was agreed.
4. We focussed on four current priorities - the RCN's education agenda; our relationship with the National Union of Students going forward; changes to student funding allowances and the role of the RCN Student Information Officer and the new process for appointing and inducting them to be introduced at the end of January 2015.

Planning for Congress 2015

5. We spent the afternoon briefing new members on how Congress works and discussing ideas for the 2015 students programme.
6. We have agreed to give detailed consideration to running the programme on the Monday and Tuesday afternoons and the Wednesday morning. A small working party is looking at the content of the programme.
7. We also discussed how to get a better spread of students from across the UK attending Congress.

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8. The Committee also discussed possible Congress agenda items.

The Committee next meets on 19 February 2015