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This year has been an outstanding year for course reps with more 'real' reps receiving proper training than ever before. This year also saw the fruition of the idea of Course Rep Council where all course reps are invited to attend and inform myself and the Ed & Rep Officer of any concerns that they have been experiencing on their course. Course Rep Council has improved in the communication between the departmental reps and the Course Rep Exec. Through Course Rep Council many unknown issues have been raised such as coursework receipts and noise during the exams in St Paul's Gym. I'm pleased to say that myself and Ed & Rep Officer have been able to rectify many issues and are currently pursuing the coursework receipts issue.

I am also pleased to say that this year the role of course rep chair role has been utilised to the full with myself now invited to attend Academic Council and taking an active role in the bi annual Course Rep meetings with the Pro Vice Chancellor Academic.

My improvements for next year would be as follows:

- Elect deputies for the faculty reps so that absences from meetings can be covered.
- Elect a post graduate representative
- Advertise the dates of all meetings on Union literature and give list of meeting dates for the year at the first meeting.
- Course Rep exec members to undertake train the trainer training.
- Faculty reps to attend Union Council

Overall I'm pleased to say it has been a very successful year and I thank Andy Machin (Ed & Rep Officer) and all the course reps for telling me all their problems!!