MINUTES OF THE UCL UCU GENERAL MEETING
HELD ON 29th JANUARY 2026

This General Meeting was held online via Zoom.
The meeting was chaired by Holly Smith as Branch President.

1. **Chair's business**
   The Chair welcomed everybody to the meeting. With five motions and four amendments on the agenda, the Chair proposed to reduce speaking time from 5 minutes to 3 minutes for proposers, and from 3 minutes to 2 minutes for all other speakers. There were no objections to this proposal.

2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**
   No issues with the minutes of the previous meeting published on the Meetings webpage were raised [https://ucl-ucu.org.uk/meetings/].

3. **EASE Update**
   The Branch Secretary gave an update on the EASE dispute and announced that a campaign website would be launching later the same day. Members were encouraged to visit and sign up to get involved unease.ucl-ucu.org.uk.

4. **Motions**

   4.1 Motion 1: Research on the mental health impacts of trade union case work
   Motion 1 was moved by Danielle Lamb and seconded by Nalini Vittal. Motion 1 was CARRIED (32 for, 5 against, 8 abstain).

   4.2 Motion 2: Donation to the Camden Trades Council for local Trade Union history projects
   Motion 2 was moved by Ilektra Christidi and formally seconded by Nalini Vittal. A friendly amendment proposed by Nalini Vittal was accepted as a drafting amendment by the mover of the motion. Motion 2 was CARRIED (36 for, 5 against, 3 abstain).

   4.3 Motion 3: SAVE LONDON MET
   Motion 3 was moved by Danielle Hewitt and seconded by Sean Wallis. An amendment proposed by Nalini Vittal was accepted as a drafting amendment by the mover of the motion. Motion 3 was CARRIED (45 for, 1 against, 2 abstain). UCL UCU members were encouraged to reach out to London Met colleagues to start building support.

   4.4 Motion 4: No to Lock Out! Emergency Motion of Solidarity for Sheffield UCU
   Sean Wallis formally proposed the motion but waived speaking time to Robin Orfitelli from Sheffield UCU who thanked UCL UCU for their generosity and solidarity, and provided an update on the Sheffield dispute. Danielle Lamb formally seconded the motion. An amendment proposed by Nalini Vittal was accepted as a drafting amendment by the mover of the motion. The Treasurer confirmed that funds were available. Motion 4 was CARRIED (44 for, 1 against, 4 abstain).

4.5 Motion 5: Motion of solidarity with FE colleges

Motion 5 was moved by Sean Wallis and seconded by Nalini Vittal. An amendment proposed by Nalini Vittal was accepted as a drafting amendment by the mover of the motion. Motion 5 was CARRIED (38 for, 0 against, 5 abstain).

The chair thanked members for attending, and thanked the speakers for their discipline getting through 5 motions. Members were reminded to check out the new UNEASE campaign website: unease.ucl-ucu.org.uk

Meeting closed.