

JCR Full Committee Meeting

22/1/2017

Apologies:

Niveditha Yalamarthy, Tom Benn, Andrew Carey

Unapologetic:

Peter Winch, Matt Hill

CUSU Council

Katie and Carl will be attending CUSU council.

Boycott of NSS student survey

- Teaching Excellence Framework: if the university meets certain metrics, then they're allowed to increase fees being charged in line with inflation
- CUSU has found out that the National Student Survey is being used as part of the metric
 - To be valid, 50% of students must complete the survey
 - Survey is also used for league tables
- CUSU wants to boycott the survey to prevent the university from raising fees
- CUSU wants to spend GBP100 of the free budget on the campaign
- **Actions to be taken:**
 - **Carl and Katie** are to support the boycott and use of the budget at CUSU council
 - They are also to suggest that CUSU mandate JCR presidents to be able to campaign and raise awareness about the reasoning behind the boycott

Unconscious Bias Training

- PREVENT is the government's anti-extremism program that requires colleges to be on the watch for potential extremist behaviour
- However, it could lead to stereotyping, which CUSU is very concerned about preventing
- Wants to ensure that staff undergo unconscious bias training to prevent any negative impacts
- **Actions to be taken:**
 - **Carl and Katie** are to support unconscious bias training at CUSU council

Budget

- We have all submitted our budgets, and the total budget comes to approximately GBP3100, which is well within the norm.

Website Updates

- **Actions to be taken:**
 - **ALL JCR MEMBERS** who have not already done so must send website updates to **Charlie or Carl** by **this Friday**

Photographs

- **Actions to be taken:**

- A doodle poll will be set up on the Facebook group. When this occurs, **all members** must respond to the poll.

JCR Stash

- Progressing slowly due to lack of a response from the company selected.
- JCR members want sashes for stewarding, due to hoodies and sweatshirts being too hot.
- **Actions to be taken:**
 - **Tara** will contact another company to see if she can get a quotation.
 - **Tara** will also order sashes.

Exec Updates

- Decided that exec updates will be done during the full committee meeting, rather than during the exec meeting
- **Ethical affairs (Ramnik):**
 - Working on raising awareness about choosing the Fitz charity
 - Beginning to plan the energy saving competition
- **Target and Access (Emily):**
 - Working on getting the “Ask a Student” scheme up and running
 - Working on the shadowing scheme
- **President (Carl):**
 - Has debuted a new email format
 - Has spoken with Amatey about CUSU council and upcoming weeks
 - Attended an investment committee meeting
 - JPMorgan are now the college investment advisors
 - In line with the 2008 20 million pound scheme, the college is trying to raise its endowment to 100 million pounds to bring expenditure in line with that of other colleges
 - With disposable income, JPMorgan are investing in various different things, including:
 - Cambridge property
 - High-risk, high-return private equity
 - We are still investing in fossil fuels, but JPMorgan are analysing our portfolio to see where we can divest without it having a detrimental effect on profits
- **Vice-President (Katie):**
 - Working on the Housing Ballot
- **Ents (Alisha):**
 - Refreshers week went pretty well
 - Went five pounds over-budget
 - Currently planning Fitz Up
 - Taken preferences into account for who wants to work which Fitz Up; other individuals have been randomly assigned
 - Approximately 2-3 people on cloakroom, 2-3 on alcoholic bar, 2-3 on non-alcoholic/snacks bar, while everyone else circulates
- **Welfare (Katie and Reuben)**
 - Working on assigning people for the Angel Scheme
 - Discussing a potential Fitz of Laughter evening
 - Currently budgeted for Michaelmas term

- Lent term is packed with ents, while Easter term is packed with welfare
- **Communications (Tara):**
 - Izzy is holding a meeting for The Goat Post tomorrow
 - Working on getting stash to the committee as soon as possible
 - Debuted new Billy Bulletin
- **Treasurer (Millie):**
 - Working on finalising the budget

Stewarding

- For the series of events that we are going to hold in the next few weeks, we will need six stewards
- **Actions to be taken**
 - We needed one more steward for the joint MCR and JCR Burns' Night Bop
 - **Izzy** has volunteered, but can only be there from eleven PM onwards. Therefore, **Carl** will steward before eleven.
 - Halfway Hall:
 - **Savannah** has volunteered to steward, alongside **Reuben** and **Tom**
 - We need **three more** stewards
 - **Carl** will discuss potentially reducing the number of stewards with college next week.