

Open Meeting

25th September 2016

Apologies: Josh, Wen, Chao, Aditi, Charlotte, Izzie.

1. Previous Minutes. Accepted.

Since this meeting a new Treasurer (Andreas) has been elected.

2. Officers Reports

President

- Only 2 months till elections for new committee, I'm proud of what we have achieved
- Preparing for Freshers Week, and as soon as that is over, we need to think about recruiting committee members for next year
- Mini-Ball, Garden Party and Bar have been a success over the summer
- Been talking to Dick Taplin and Susan Linton about the possibility of MCR lockers. The current suggestion is to replace current shelving with lockers and half shelving – will keep the MCR updated as this progresses.

Vice-President

- Sorted the Freshers guide, and schedule
- Supervised the miniball and garden party
- Oversaw Bar over the summer

Treasurer

- Healthy year financially
- Good events, that were well within budget
- The punt card has been well used, and we have enough budget so will renew for next year
- Considering reducing some of the bar prices for next year

International Officer

- International food buffet – going for finger buffet, with emphasis on quantity over quality (advice from Audrey Valreau), with some additions.
- Two good events this year
- New storage under Singer, after demand, worked smoothly
- Budget for a further international event this year – any suggestions – Pot Luck, but could be problematic catering wise?

Events Officer

- Events went well over the summer (formals, garden party)
- Formal swaps lined up for next term (Sidney, Selwyn, St. Johns....)
- Following advice from Audrey, will raise the issue of having a committee member at each swap

Bar, Sports & Amenities

- Butterfield went well – some busy, some quiet nights
- Tokens to those that worked it worked well as this offered some encouragement – would recommend this for the future.

Comms.

- New website up and running – any suggestions please let us know
- Will continue to send out menus + formal menus

- Consider seeing if catering could post menus on the colleges own site

3. Review of Summer Events

- Gardent party and miniball – thanks to the band and all those who helped and come.
- Mini-ball good,
- Garden party, lucky with the weather ☺

4. Freshers Week Preparation

- Schedule will be send out shortly
- Have emailed freshers, 4th years, post docs, affiliates and created facebook ground
- Will send an email around all college emails saying which events are open to all
- To everyone – please be keen and come and welcome new students – especially at lunch and dinner times, bring people from the MCR to the dining hall.
- Suggestions for an karaoke evening, and a 90s themed evening.
- Will collate a newsletter with adverts from different sports teams to send around to freshers!

5. MCR-SCR Liason

- Not well understood by the student body. New students will have a talk from the SCR liason officers
- Visit to the Sedgwick site arranged (20th October, pm)
- Any ideas for events please suggest (pool, cricket..?)

6. Dates for the Future

1st Dec: Christmas Dinner

21st Jan: Burns Night

11th July: Mini Ball

Garden Party, sometime late august

Must book dates for miniball and garden party 2018 ASAP, will use similar dates to 2017

AOB

Cindy Valreau raised the issue of compiling a report to present to the GPC or Governing Body concerning post graduate accommodation. The key issues:

- Lack of transparency between the college and students – misleading information
- Donors informed that Batcock is purely post grads (excluding 4th years)
- Need numbers and data

Nicky and Ed to work on and present to GPC.

Next meeting: Michealmas.