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MCR

MINUTES OF THE MCR EXEC MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 24TH 2010

1. Apologies

Alex Merson

2. End of Term Reports

The usual representation on behalf of the MCR to College, Pres Comm, Ops & SSSC. Social events have included Christmas, keg nights, and formals as well as the usual attendance at JCR PGN, All College Guest Night.

Membership numbers continue to grow.

Questions were invited – none were forthcoming

3. MCR Finances

The Chair gave an overview of the accounts for this year and the general feeling was that they were positive.

Questions were invited – the turnover was explained.

4. Constitutional Review

2 main changes for the constitution:

- Elections for President, Treasurer moved to Easter term with the Chair
 - o Continuity over the summer
 - o Bank mandate maintenance
- Code of Conduct and use of MCR
 - o Formalise previously unwritten rules
 - o Unfair use of the MCR is not tolerated

5. Hustings

President:

Rachel:

Improve standing of MCR in College

Work well with College staff

Social Sec GCBC

Previous experience of organising events

Improve the use of the MCR room & website information – encourage use

Implement notice boards and photo boards

Create MCR identity in College

Main aim: improve MCR prominence in College



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Christa:

New to College and had to find out things for herself – improve availability of information regarding the MCR by improving the website, implementing notice boards
Establish relationships between members

Darius:

Done a lot of stuff in the JCR (VP, Fireworks, Grey Day) so knows how things work and can get things done

3 main ideas:

- Photo board of members with photo, name and subject – useful info
- More academic events – seminar series, 4th year presentations
- Opening windows – no ventilation currently

Questions:

Working in a team:

Rachel: Works well in a team – GCBC exec. Enjoys hearing other peoples opinions & taking a step back to get things done

Christa: Society President previously. Team work is more crucial than other things like budget. Only weak teams, not weak members.

Darius: Works well in a team. Tries to stick to his own agenda as well as compromising – encouraging people to see your point of view too. Previous experience – JCR exec. Currently working in a lab team.

How do you think the MCR is sidelined?:

Darius: after thought of event planning and getting postgraduate members

Stash:

Rachel: stash opportunities are not forthcoming in the MCR. Good opportunity for members – physical sense of belonging. Easy because of JCR ordering.

Treasurer

Merson:

Treasurer is a vital role for providing a good environment for the MCR members

Organised, meticulous and thorough – most important aspects of the role

Other experience in Ultimate Frisbee

Approachable and open to negotiation

Basic online access for view of finances – good idea of state for President and the rest of the exec.

Provides extra availability for Treasurer to manage the accounts

No questions

6. A.O.B.

Formals: Dates mentioned for formals in the coming year. Priority to postgraduates, although spaces go to 4th years if available

Elections: What happens with unfilled spaces? President invites people to remain in roles / fill roles.



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Voting: Happens through the website and incorporates STV in the manner of the JCR. Members have 5 days to vote (9am Monday 25th to 9am Saturday 30th October)

MCR: Chair commented it is nice to see the space used, and kept tidy.

The meeting ended at 20:12

9 people attended