



GREY COLLEGE MIDDLE COMMON ROOM

Minutes – Annual General Meeting 16th October 2011 7:00pm Middle Common Room

Meeting opened at 19:05.

1. Apologies for Absence

Alex Merson, MCR Treasurer.

2. President's Report

Events included chocolate, keg nights, films nights, live sport (rugby) and good attendance at formals from both full and honorary members.

No significant business was raised at College Council or MCR Presidents' Committee

Little information about inter-MCR events was passed on.

3. Treasurer's Report

£1121.06 in the MCR account as of 19th July 2011.

Net Income	£2,021.45
Net Expenditure	£1,443.56
Net Gain	£577.89

4. Hustings

- a. President
 - i. Mattie Biddulph

"I've been thinking about running for the role for a while, and I think it is something that I would really enjoy doing. I've had quite a lot of experience that would help me, for example I was on the JCR exec in my second year as Arts Chair, as well as being secretary of the Grey College Boat Club and JCR Yearbook Editor in my third year. I have also been an active member of the applicants committee throughout my time at Durham and regularly gave tours of college and helped to run two open days.

"I am studying an MSc by Research in Geography, which involves very few contact hours and generally self-led research, which would give me plenty of time to make sure I was fulfilling the role to a high standard. I consider myself to be a very approachable person and would be more than happy to work with the rest of the exec, as a team, to make the MCR a closer community. I am very organised and am also very happy to attend any meetings or events that are required."

Key line: "Quite easily accessible".

Questions:



b. Treasurer

No nominations. Elections will be held at the next OGM.

c. Chair

No nominations. Elections will be held at the next OGM.

d. Secretary

i. Pamela Piper

"I would like to run for MCR secretary. One of the main reasons for this is so I would be able to have an opinion on issues raised in MCR meetings and stay informed on what is happening in the MCR. I also think I would be good at the role of MCR secretary. I enjoy being organised and always make sure to keep up with sending and replying to emails, which I think would be a useful trait to have as MCR secretary. I used to manage the Grey Shop which involved sending out lots of emails to organise the running of the shop. As I am already used to keeping on top of emails, I should be able to keep up to date with sending out minutes from MCR meetings and relaying other important information to the MCR. As well as being organised I am also a fast typer. This means I should be able to keep up to speed with minuting MCR meetings."

Key lines: "Gets bored easily".

Questions:



e. Social Secretary

i. Kate Simcox and Stuart Crow (Joint nomination)

"Kate was the social secretary for Grey College Basketball Club, organising social events and outings for both the men's and women's teams. At school she was part of the prom and hospitality committees and head charity events prefect which involved booking venues, entertainment acts and advertising them to the entire school community."

"Stu acted as an unofficial social secretary for Grey College Football Club last year, helping the club captain organise regular socials and the annual tour and, as a team captain, also organised team meals in order to aid team-building. He also was in charge of the organisation of the GCAFC Annual End-Of-Season Dinner, requiring extensive planning and budgeting. He was a part of the Cheese Society which re-introduced the 'Winter Wonderland of Cheese' last year, a very successful college charity event."

"We both consider ourselves very approachable people and would relish the chance to provide a variety of different events for the MCR; we already have several ideas for events that we could put on throughout the year."

Key line: "We have ample credentials".

Questions:

- How will you ensure everyone is included, invited and involved in events?
 - Email out ideas to get popular ideas to try and ensure people are likely to turn up and events suit peoples' needs.

f. Fourth Year Representative

No nominations. Elections will be held at the next OGM.

- g. Web Designer

No nominations. Elections will be held at the next OGM.

5. Any other business

- a. Please keep the MCR tidy – thanks to those who have tidied things up.
- b. The President agreed to award Honorary Life Membership to Christopher Crabtree and Alex Merson.

Meeting closed at 19:16 (11 minutes).

35 people attended – possible record.