

MCR AGM 2017 Minutes

1. Standing order amendments

- a. Motion to update Standing Orders to better represent the status quo with regards to non-postgraduate membership
- b. Motion to update the Standing Orders to allow mature students to hold all Executive Committee positions
- c. Motion to update the Standing Orders to reflect current HLM usage and the new Phoenix Award

Questions:

- What is the Phoenix award?
- Why are mature students associate members rather than just members?
- Why would mature students be here all year round when fourth years are not? (Fourth years graduate whereas mature students *may* be here over the summer and will return in Autumn?)

2. Husts

a. President

Lily Hulatt outlined the reasons why she would be a good candidate for the position of MCR President, including commitment to the Grey community and experience of leadership positions.

Questions included relationship of MCR and JCR

b. Vice President

Rhiannon husted for the role of VP and spoke about commitment to Grey community and reliability

Questions included relationship of VP and President

c. Secretary

Rachel husted for the role of Secretary and highlighted friendliness of the MCR community and relevant experience

d. Social Secretaries

Hannah husted for the role of Social Secretary – spoke about ease of fitting into MCR community, knowledge of the North East and eagerness to try and create new experiences for everyone

Dan husted for the role of Social Secretary – spoke about proactiveness in organising social activities for the MCR already, and highlighted the importance of asking everyone in the MCR about ideas for social activities – providing something for everyone

e. Welfare Officers

Ellen husted for the role of welfare officer – highlighted importance of welfare role and experience working with mental health charities, as well as prior experience as mental health representative running drop in sessions. Suggested activities during stressful periods.

Jeff husted for the role of welfare officer – spoke about potential of MCR for supporting each other, and experience during undergrad degree (resident officer) involving training sessions

Questions included capability of emotional resilience

f. Fourth Year Representative

Beth husted for the role of fourth year representative and suggested she would be a good link with the fourth year community as she feels part of both social groups; also highlighted experience of other roles

Question about what we can do to include fourth years more – Beth spoke about specific information and events, rather than just open-ended invitations

g. Treasurer

Marcus husted for the role of Treasurer and spoke about commitment to the MCR and wanting to give something back to the community (because being an amazing PG Mentor apparently isn't enough); experience and pickiness with money!

The President announced that voting opens at 9pm online for all positions and constitutional amendments. The system is by single transferrable vote.

3. Provisional budget for the year

- a. President outlined budget arrangements – provisional budget is written by previous treasurer, but can be altered by Exec
- b. Statement from the previous treasurer (Maciej) was read out by the President. We have received less income this year due to some problems with registration and the spending has been adjusted accordingly

c. Provisional budget was passed by the members present
Results will be announced at 9.30pm on Tuesday evening.