



GREY COLLEGE MIDDLE COMMON ROOM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Minutes – Exec Meeting
11th November 2010
7:00pm 7.35pm
Middle Common Room

1. Fulfilling Exec Roles

- a. Taz for Social Secretary
- b. Foz for 4th Year Representative
- c. Split secretary between us

Open email to advertise co-opting people onto the exec. for these 3 positions in case anyone has now thought they might wish to do the job

What democratic process can we put in place to choose whom out of a number should be given the job?

Agree to co-opt given that an election to formalise these appointments will be required anyway at the Epiphany OGM

Taz and Foz will be co-opted forthwith – **RA to email**

The role of secretary shall be divided between available exec. members until the elections at the Epiphany OGM

2. Social Calendar for this term & general forecasts for the rest of the year

- a. Upcoming formals
- b. MCR Christmas

Formal tables this term have been discussed and will be announced in the Presidents' Weekly

MCR Christmas – Thursday 9th December – depending on College almanac

Panto / Newcastle / Not just lash! North East events to be looked at – comedians, RSC, etc.

RA to meet with Taz to discuss a social calendar and report back to the rest of the exec.

For summer term – trip to Beamish

3. President's Report from Council

Council: The Master is thinking about resigning and the discussion considered that the Common Rooms should have representation at the appointment of the new Master

Jubilee project: JCR refurbishment by Jan 2012

Council: Governance changes under consideration at UEC. Status of council members to be changed

Rachel gave her report to Council. Prominence of the MCR is a good thing to improve and we have support

MCR membership 'issues' discussed – get people to pay rather than just turning up to social events

General Council discussions as usual

CC: "Ops is great fun!"

4. MCR Strategy for 2010/11

a. Proposals and future developments

Encourage people to attend events and use the MCR itself

- Emphasise the social side of the MCR
- Keep the JCR close with a view to collaboration – bops, Grey Day
- All College Guest Night – emphasise the role the MCR plays

Events

- Talks

Links

- MCR President may be invited to attend SCR Exec meetings

RA: "I like a good meeting."

b. Goals of each position

President – increase awareness of the MCR in College

Social Sec – implement the things previously discussed

c. Website developments

Sports results are out of date

Strip down to the bare essentials until we can start building it up again - DC

Update exec info

5. The MCR room

a. Notice board, art, door painting

Can we have photos of exec members in a notice board somewhere prominent? Also a smaller one in the MCR for advertisements, etc. **RA to look into this**

CC will gloss the MCR doors after the end of term and before Christmas. Offers of help welcome

2 pieces of art are missing due to the refurbishment. Where are they? Should we reinstate some art to liven the place up? Suggestion of photos from events

b. Provision of tea/coffee

Office Direct account to be resurrected – **DC to order milk / sugar / tea and coffee**

c. Recycling (including costs)

Buy some recycling bins to encourage use - £80 to £100 for segregated bins

Enthusiasm for recycling, but none for any action in that direction

Proper management required

d. Co-opting members to monitor the room

Someone to drop in every couple of days to check the MCR is in a respectable state and maybe push chairs back

Suggestions of a new position, or add it to the job of 4th year rep

Foz to be approached to do this as part of her 4th year rep role. If she is up for it, who would she suggest?

6. Finances against proposed / forecast expenditure

a. Event budgets

Depends on the event type. Tends to be in the order of £100 for the larger events. Once the almanac for term has been decided, we can consult on exact funding per event

b. Major planned expenditure and funding

TV licence

Notice boards

Nothing else forecast

7. Publications

a. Journals & Periodicals

b. Newspapers

Should we be buying other things? The journals aren't necessarily read. Kitchen and cleaning supplies already come out of the composition fee

Love Film subscriptions could be explored - **DC**

Reduce the number of journals and papers we get as we don't need them all every time they are published. Lose "The Economist"

8. Any other business

Membership: email the 4th years to stress the position on that we expect membership to be paid before events are attended, or the benefits are reaped. All agreed that the 4th years shall have the almanac emailed

Pete shall be doing the lock on the kitchen door asap. We then have the possibility to lock the place down should we need to in future.

Hold Keg Night and then re-open the MCR

The meeting closed at 20:50