



Grey College MCR
Executive Committee Meeting
02/05/2014
Minutes

In attendance: Charlotte, Christy, Craig, Alice, Noah and James

1. Presidents Business:

- OGM and elections – Presidential elections could be moved to before the summer based on pressure from the Press Com. This would require constitutional change, and would mean that no Masters students could become President. We will need to rewrite the constitution for the JCR Merger, and can add this in during that period before putting it before the OGM.
- OGM will be in the middle of the three weeks of nothing, date will be decided
- Handover documents – will help with continuity. Everyone should write everything you would have liked to know about your role but didn't. This will give the next person a sense of what they can do.
- (Re)define exec roles – we are working on getting welfare positions, one male and one female. The President proposes making slight changes to the social secretary role. We should change it to have one admin social sec (formal bookings, admin stuff) and a voluntary committee to organize social events.
- Handbook – We need to update the MCR Handbook. This will be done in June, Noah/Alice/Charlotte will meet up to discuss this.
- Merger update – a meeting about welfare is being arranged with the JCR welfare reps. A welfare system for the MCR is being set up, so that there is welfare provision by the MCR. A proposal will be drawn up for the end of the month.

2. Social Sec Business

- Events planned – Craig will send out a May events. Alice is planning out a picnic in the Botanical Gardens for next week. Craig will draw up a May plan for events. Noah proposed a trip to Whitby for the summer.
- Inter-MCR formal – Craig will speak to the powers that be about the dates for the MCR finalists and inter-MCR formal (back 2 back).
- Event for 3rd years – we should put on an event for third years so they can see what the MCR is like.

3. Vice President's Business:

- Role of the Vice President – the Vice President's role is kind of useless. We should change it so that the VP takes on some of the President's roles. Christy proposes having the VP do formals.

4. Website Editor's Business:

- Web content discussion – more web contact needed (see action plan).
- All of the non-personal accounts are out. This will change on the mailing lists. Members will now have a unique MCR email account to use.

5. Research Business:

- Research seminar - possibly 2 this term - one in last week of exams, and one just after term ends? Possibility of a practice your presentations evening in August
- Alice and James should sit down and talk about having a dissertation talk.

6. President Concludes:

- Date of next meeting (approx) – set for the 25th

Action Plan:

1. Start thinking about your handover letters (all)
2. Noah, Alice and Charlotte will meet in June to discuss reforming the MCR handbook
3. Charlotte will send out email request for website quotes
4. James will send out email to last years alumni for website quotes
5. Noah will expand on his international student section – phones, trains, food, visa stuff, arriving in Durham etc. Noah will write Durham Section (1-page) on basic information on Durham – history, night-life, layout, what's around?
6. Craig will write the - What is the MCR section???
7. James will write the research section
8. Christie will set up an alumni section of the website
9. Craig will send out a May events list (in conjunctions with Alice).
10. Craig will speak to the powers that be about the dates for the MCR finalists and inter-MCR formal (back 2 back).
11. Alice and James should sit down and talk about having a Dissertation talk.
12. Noah will send out meeting reminder a week before the 25th
13. Craig will send MCR booking form to Christy
14. Craig can draw up an amendment to the constitution to address exec departures
15. Everyone will send their size to Christy for rugby shirts

Points for Next Meeting:

1. Set date for OGM
2. Go over constitutional changes
3. Finalize plans for inter-MCR formal