

Grey College MCR Executive Meeting Agenda (24/11/15)

Present: President SF, Vice-President SG, Finance VC, Secretary HP, Social Sec KB, Web Editor MK, Welfare Officers AC and AF.

Action Points:

AC and AF to familiarise themselves with university welfare systems and attend Nightline training
SG to open nominations for second social sec

KB to organise Domino's pub quiz, Disney marathon and Christmas social

MK to set up email account for Welfare Officers and establish whether HS wants an account.

1. Apologies

Absentees: Craig Fisher.

2. Announcements

There were no announcements.

3. Action Point Review

Arrival of postgraduates

Raised with the JCR and college counsellor – to be delivered through the JCR rather than MCR. JCR should be extending frep numbers to support this. MK raised the question of whether we should have MCR 'freps' and/or an international rep? The problem is that there are not really enough postgrad continuers to fill this role. The possibility of JCR members providing this service was suggested.

Fourth-Years

Are all on the mailing list, and have been made aware of the door code and MCR facilities. Social was arranged with some success – some fourth years are beginning to use the MCR and we are keen to encourage this.

4. Reports of Officers

Finance Meeting

We will not be receiving any money for fourth year members of the MCR as they do not pay a levy for fourth year. The JCR charge 3 years straight up and by charging a separate fee we would risk reducing the incentive for fourth years to join the MCR.

£1300-1400 budget for MCR (£15/£16 per head).

Everyone has paid for formal and VC will pay £200 into bank.

Welfare Roles

Integration is moving forwards, although slowly. Welfare Officers will familiarise themselves with all welfare resources of university and if possible attend Nightline training. This will be in line with the JCR welfare policy so will support our aim of aligning MCR and JCR reps.

Meeting with whole welfare team was proposed but has been difficult to organise, so a smaller meeting will be arranged. Still facing some opposition from JCR. The system needs to be consistent as to training. Welfare team run campaigns – would need MCR members to be informed about these and shape them for MCR members. Campaigns would need to be run very differently for MCR, for example sexual health and alcohol awareness.

AP – AC and AF

5. Agenda Items

1) Opening Nominations for the Position of Joint Social Secretary

SG will open nominations for second social secretary; an OGM will be held. **AP – SG.**

2) Newcastle trip

To be organised for next term – need to provide notice for big groups. Payment is complicated because it will be a large amount, so if it is being paid for from a personal account we will need money in advance.

JCR integration will be useful in future as we can start collecting money via FACSO and Paypal. Could be arranged for Newcastle trip.

Newcastle trip will probably be a Saturday in January, potentially including a meal out and/or night out in Newcastle.

3) Christmas social

Previous years have run chilled night in MCR.

York Christmas markets at a weekend? Potentially between the two end of term formals.

Secret Santa using online sign up open to all MCR; could have at Christmas social. **AP - KB**

Mulled wine for Christmas social!

4) KB to organise Domino's pub quiz social for next Monday. **AP – KB.**

5) Welfare Officers

Discussed how MCR welfare officers can progress when facing issues with how the role is to be defined in relation to the JCR. While issues are being resolved in preparation for JCR to deliver full training, MCR welfare officers will familiarise themselves with resources and attend Nightline training so they are prepared for the role to begin. Will consider bystander training.

Summer will be a particularly important time for MCR Welfare Officers.

Best outcome might be for MCR Welfare Officers to fulfil same role as JCR officers. The main problem is that the training is delivered before MCR members arrive.

After Nightline training, MCR Welfare Officers would be in a position to offer active listening. Organising a welfare event after this training could be possible.

6) Email Accounts

Joint welfare officer email account to be set up. MK to ask HS whether he would like a 4th year rep account. **AP - MK**

6. Any other business

Financing social events

Discussed possibility of paying for film and doughnut night, but as this wasn't a formal event advertised to everyone this could impinge on constitutional guidelines. It was decided we will not finance the event that has already taken place, but would consider doing so in future if consulted before. Constitution is not completely clear on guidelines for spending but it is difficult to amend this without it becoming too rigid.

MCR's major expenditure is on food items for the kitchen. It was decided that KB will contact FACSO to arrange bulk buying.

Minutes

Minutes and Agendas to be sent out as PDF.

Disney Social

Sunday after IB Disney marathon social suggested and approved by all unanimously! **AP - KB**