

# Agenda for the MCR Exec. Meeting

Thurs 15/12/2016

Held in the *Old Library, Grey College* between 19:00 – 20:00

Present at the meeting were:

President (MK), Vice President (SG), Secretary (RM), Welfare (HG), Soc Secs (MC, CB), Postgrad Tutor (ML), Website Editor (MM), Representatives Officer (PR)

## Action points:

**Please check for the items in bold in the minutes below to see action items for specific Exec members.**

### 1. Absences

- 1) MMA has 'other engagements' by which we believe he means he is watching the new Star Wars.

### 2. Announcements

- 1) MK: The new Star Wars is great.

### 3. Reports of Officers

- 1) Treasurer (written report, see end of this document). Matters arising:

- i. Ask MK if you want to buy something, at least a day before you buy it.
- ii. Do we need to get a VAT receipt? Yes? Clarify with MMA if required.

- 2) President

- i. Notes from dinner with VC for all MCR presidents: How much the university pays PhD student – no consistency amongst departments. People don't get paid for prep. Might get better in a few years. Physics has not raised their pay in several years. New sabbatical officers – a postgrad rep will appear.

(Discussion about universities master plan re: Stockton campus being shut down.

Temporarily put people in Ustinov. Ustinov students move to Neville's Cross.)

- ii. Postgrad seminars (symposia). Crowdfunding from alumni for lunch on a Saturday seminar (last Sat of next term).

- 3) Welfare

- i. Only 1 person (PG) went to see HG during welfare slot. Anyone can go to the JCR welfare sessions. Katie (JCR welfare) and HG are in contact so there is some liaising with JCR.

- 4) Social Sec: **We need a menu for inter-MCR formal. We have a band! Ask JCR tech to set up drum kit etc.**
- 5) Website Editor: Email accounts will be renewed shortly. Forms have been handed to CIS. MCR secretary takes on responsibility for these account from this time on. **MC still needs to send photo and blurb to MM. Password for email account should be sent to MC/CB if they still cannot access the account.** The passwords are [redacted], [redacted], [redacted], [redacted]...

#### 4. Minutes

- 1) To confirm: minutes of the meeting held on Wed, 09 Nov 2016.
- 2) Matters arising from the minutes.

#### 5. Agenda Items

- 1) Exec / MCR stash.
  - i. MK: Possibility of getting Exec stash! HG: 'Whoop' (exclamation of excitement).  
Subsidised stash? No. **Secretary: Enquire about MCR stash. Email Rachel (JCR secretary) / Email Phoenix photography.**
- 2) Mature students experience.
  - i. Specific event for getting mature students involved. We need to identify them. Work with JCR mature students rep. Have a formal event at the beginning of next term.
- 3) Fourth Year Representative.
  - i. Prospective Rep.: Alistair Letcher (AL). **Have an event on the first week of term to get 4<sup>th</sup> years & mature students into MCR then try to encourage one to become a rep.**
  - ii. Currently 4<sup>th</sup> year rep & mature students rep are the same role. Invite mature students rep to the MCR meetings.
  - iii. Constitutional change to make 4<sup>th</sup> year rep only represent the 4<sup>th</sup> years.
  - iv. PGCE students have their own tight-knit group.

#### 6. Any other business

- 1) Thanks to all the MCR Exec from the MCR secretary. Having been an MCR member for many years, I believe the Exec are doing a very good job.

Treasurer's statement:

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The finances are in a stable state.

The transfer of £3000 of our excess funds to the JCR has been completed, as was agreed. These funds cannot be spent by the JCR without the authorisation of the MCR President and Executive.

I want to remind everyone that if you are making a purchase for the MCR, you should get a VAT receipt, as detailed in the document that I sent you. If you have any questions, please contact me.

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Initials stand for:

HG: Helen Gienger, SG: Sarah Gray, MM: Martin Moxon, MC: Mike Cheung, MK: Matthew Kirk, PR: 'Pup'

(Pup Rusby), CB: Camilla Bole, RM: Renju Mathew, AN: Allison Norenberg, MMA: Maciej Matuszewski

Merry Christmas everyone! No easter eggs because it's Christmas.