

GREY COLLEGE MIDDLE COMMON ROOM

Inaugural General Meeting – Saturday 16th October 7.30pm, Pennington Room.

Minutes

Present:- Michael Cannon, David Clark, Iain Devlin, Peter Swift, Kathryn Smith, Susanna Taylor, Stuart Jones, Ed Gay, Lucy Freeman, Christine Locock.

Apologies:- Edd Brunner, Matt Collinson, Amanda North.

2. Introduction

D Clark: The MCR is being set up for 4th year undergraduates and postgraduates to keep them in college and to try to stem the flow of postgraduates to Gradsoc. We will be using the Phoenix Room which will come with 2 computers (one networked), furniture, lockers, periodicals and drinks facilities.

3. Constitution

There were some corrections made to the draft constitution.

K Smith: Some undergraduates are being mailed out twice. Agreed to have a general list and a postgrad only list.

Using email voting isn't secret, could this be improved? Agreed to look into this system, email recommended to improve the return rate.

Question over whether 4th years may vote at meetings. Agreed that they may vote but may only stand for ex-officio positions.

4. Open discussion

L Freeman/C Locock: Languages students would appreciate the MCR subscribing to Le Monde and El Mundo perhaps once a week. To be looked into when the papers are ordered.

It is unclear as to whether the lockers come with locks or if members will have to provide padlocks.

The TV will receive terrestrial only, agreed to get a CD player/radio also.

It was agreed to look into buying new curtains but that perhaps plastering the room would be a more long term issue.

There are plans to extend college and the MCR would move to its more permanent home next to the bar taking up Tony and Martin's current offices.

5. AOB

No other business.

6. Elections

President

M Cannon proposes P Swift is appointed Chair for the duration of the Presidential hustings. Agreed on a general aye.

D Clark: Has been doing this over the summer and feels we have a good team to work with for the year.

What's your favourite cheese?

D Clark: Wensleydale.

Are you a biscuit or a cracker man?

D Clark: Cracker.

Treasurer

P Swift: Feels we all work together well and wants to do this because we're a college and not a hall of residence. Has been treasurer in the past for other organisations.

Secretary

M Cannon: Was slightly dubious when was approached originally but soon saw that there was a need and has been encouraged further by talking to people since October.

Social Secretary

I Devlin: Has run a quiz already and would look to run more. He is "vaguely enthusiastic". Would also look to run a Christmas dinner of some kind and there is an MCR table at the formal on the 27th of October.

What's your favourite cheese?

If with a banana/date/cheese sandwich then Red Leicester otherwise cheddar. He is open minded as to the strength.

Would you consider a trip to Berwick-upon-Tweed?

When it's warmer.

Ex-Officio

Fourth Year Rep

Edd Brunner: Standing in his absence.

Web Designer

M Cannon nominates P Swift to chair for the duration of the hustings. Agreed on a general aye.

D Clark: Made a website already is open to suggestions to improve it.

Close.