## Minutes of MCR Committee Meeting 4th Jan 2014

Present: Amanda Kennedy, Josh McTigue, Will Bernard, Ryan Griffiths, Simon Wright,

Jerome Greenfield, Elena Loche

Apologies: Glenn Masson, Izzy Suleiman, Peter Levi, Kirsty Brain, Charles Northrop

#### 1. Refreshers Week -

Schedule and actions required:

### Sat 11th January: Wine and Cheese

Ramsden Room is booked until 7 pm for a buffet - Ryan to book Ramsden Room from 7pm onwards or as close to as possible. Glenn/Ryan - liaise to order cheese, biscuits, crockery, glasses from catering. It was decided that the same amount of money would be spent with catering, however this time biscuits were to be included. Last wine and cheese event there were not enough biscuits and too much cheese, this event we will have more people invited so hopefully reducing the cheese slightly and increasing the biscuits will lead to a more successful estimation. Glenn to buy wine.

#### Sun 12th: Brunch and treats

Ryan/Izzy to sort out as normal

# Mon 13th: Bar Crawl;

Ryan will plan a route around the centre of town; we will end up at Lola's at the Cam FM graduate party. Ryan will buy 20 tickets for Lola's (for £2 each) to be sold in advance at W&C, if these get snapped up then we can organise to buy more tickets for the other grads that would like some. If we have a group of 20 going to Lola's then we can get a free bottle of yodka.

### Tues 14th: Film Night showing Anchorman

Charles is in charge of audio/visual. Glenn to provide snacks and drinks.

## Wed 15th: Rest night before lectures begin

#### Thurs 16th: Formal

Appears to be booked in as normal, however Will needs to double-check this.

### Fri 17th: Cinema Trip to see Anchorman 2

Plan is to let everyone know the showing to go too and people can get their own tickets. If by Tuesday we establish that lots of people have already seen Anchorman 2 then we will consider changing to a different film.

## 2. Burns Night

Ryan to email Charlotte regarding having a bar in hall, either Catz bar or an outside bar. Will to check that menus, tablecloths, seating plan, haggis stabbing etc are all happening ok.

Glenn to buy whiskey for on the table (2-3 bottles)

Izzy to email the committee about the band and how any members it has, also what time

the band is booked from and to. We need to consider arrival time, set up time, as well as finish time. Hall is only booked until 11, if this need to be extended then Izzy to alter the booking.

The cost of a member ticket will be £12, a guest ticket is £14

Ryan/Izzy to get permission from the dean for black tie, no gowns, and for the ceilidh to go on to midnight (provided we get the hall)

Ryan to organize a club night for afterwards

# Speeches:

Confirmed - Toast to the lassies - Will The reply - Amanda

Amanda to check the following:

Selkirk Grace - Fi
Address to the Haggis - Stephen/Peter
To a moose - Stephen/Peter

### 3. Lent term Formal halls -

In place of one regular formal hall of lent term, the plan invite a fellow to give a short talk which will be followed by dinner in the SCR. Pre-drinks start at 6.45 pm in the Ramsden Room, the talk will begin at 7 pm sharp, and last for 15-20 mins followed by discussion. Everybody will then move to the SCR at 7.25 pm. The invited fellow's ticket will be paid for.

### Problems we could face and actions required -

The SCR can only hold 50 people, this may cause disquiet among those who are not able to get tickets.

People will sign up for dinner in the SCR because it is the SCR, not actually wanting to go to the talk. A solution needs to be found to guarantee that the people attending dinner will go to the talk first.

The talk could attract others who are interested in hearing the speaker, but did not get a dinner ticket. As the pre-drinks are being served these people will have access to alcohol for which they have not paid. It was concluded that the number of extra people would be insignificant, so this should not entail much financial cost.

Timings will be tight and must be strictly adhered to - Will to look into is delaying the start time of dinner. It was decided that beginning before 6.45 pm will be too early.

A suitable date must be found that does not overlap with incoming swaps, that the SCR is available, and a fellow is willing to present - Will to look at the swap dates and investigate the SCR availability. Once that has been established Amanda will invite a fellow.

#### Possible fellows to ask -

The Master, Dr Bainbridge, Dr Scales, Prof Clark, Dr Kitson, The Bursar, Prof van der Ven.

## 4. Coffee Machine

The engineer has been to have a look - Glenn to get a guote for the repair and pricings

for a new machine.

Glenn to buy instant in the meantime.

#### 5. AOB

TV license - Simon to clarify the details of the TV license at SGL.

# Bar open during the daytime:

It is open between 8am - 6pm everyday for cafe style use. Coffee machine from McGrath Centre is being installed; the MCR has been asked if there other additions that would make this space better - Amanda to email Caroline about the use of TVs, and whether the remote control will be accessible. We could not think of any other colleges that have a similar space.

**CUSU conference** - everybody received the email.