

MCR Committee, St. Catharine's College

## Meeting held on Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015

## **MINUTES**

## Present

Ravi Raninga (Co-President), Michael Rivera (Co-President), Rachel Lai (Secretary), Helene Mobbs (Education Officer), Erin Oerton (Social Secretary), Marcus Fantham (Food and Drink Officer), David Battersby (Formal Hall Officer), Charlotte Northrop (Welfare Officer)

## Absence with apologies

David Wade (Treasurer), James Elderfield (Computing Officer), Izzy Everall (Social Secretary)

The meeting was called to order and chaired by Ravi Raninga. Rachel Lai recorded the minutes.

27	<ul> <li><u>Minutes of previous meeting</u></li> <li>MR highlighted that the open meeting should be during the next meeting (in September), and not the present meeting</li> <li>DW and JE confirmed that minutes of previous meeting were accurate</li> <li>ACTION: All committee should let RR/MR know of any issues for the College Consultative Committee meeting, or if they would also like to attend the CCC meeting</li> </ul>	ALL
28	<ul> <li>Midsummer dinner photos</li> <li>There's an issue with the photograph that was taken during Midsummer Dinner – the dimension of the photo taken was not the usual dimension used by Jet Photography. If they use the usual 'cream board', the picture will cut away approximately 30 people</li> <li>Corpus owns all the shops on the street, and Jet Photography looks closed at the moment – similar to the bicycle store, Jet might have changed location. MR to check</li> <li>ACTION: MR to speak to Jet Photography to try and fit everyone in. It might have to be a custom frame.</li> </ul>	MR

	Affiliate membership application	
29	<ul> <li>Every year, individuals who wish to become affiliate members are required to resubmit an application. For this year, an application was received from Heide Funke</li> <li>To apply, members e-mail Rosie and graduate tutors for application</li> </ul>	
	Welcome Pack	
30	<ul> <li>CN raised the possibility of having Welfare Tea on October 11 – the Committee has agreed that brunch on October 11 will also include a Welfare Tea</li> <li>CN also suggested the inclusion of several additional e-mail contacts on the Welfare page</li> <li>EO mentioned that several Formal Hall dates in the Welcome Pack will be listed as TBC – as we await the Dean's approval, and Boat Club's confirmation of their special event date</li> <li>Any other changes should be e-mailed today (in order to e-mail the Pack out to incoming graduates by Tuesday, August 25)</li> <li>ACTION: RL/MR to edit Welfare blurb and other necessary changes in the Pack</li> </ul>	CN RL MR RR
31	<ul> <li>Formals</li> <li>DB raised issue of formal dates later on in the year. CN explained that dates cannot be confirmed until the College approves the dates at a later point</li> <li>EO mentioned that Saturday formals are usually followed by a bop – MCR does not have sufficient money. Is it possible to have a 'lower-cost' bop?</li> <li>Burns Night formal to be kept on 23<sup>rd</sup> January</li> <li>Committee suggested having an Easter bop instead of St. Patrick's bop.</li> </ul>	EO IE DB
32	<ul> <li>Parent-Child allocation</li> <li>RR/MR have received list of incoming children from Rosie</li> <li>Allocation has been done and MR/RR to contact parents during the week of September 7</li> <li>Medics and vet students entering into clinical year need to be allocated parents who are medics/vets too (not strictly necessary, however)</li> <li>ACTION: RR/MR to allocate parents to incoming medics/vets, and contact parents via e-mail during the week of September 7</li> </ul>	RR MR
32	Film for MCR film night	EO

	<ul> <li>Suggestions for DVD to show during MCR film night include – The Big Lebowski or The Shawshank Redemption</li> </ul>	
	ACTION: EO to buy relevant DVDs	
33	<ul> <li><u>Matriculation tours</u></li> <li>So far, MR, RR, and HM have volunteered to help out for the tours.</li> <li>Lizzie is currently away but will be back to conduct briefing sessions.</li> <li>ACTION: EO to continue arranging Matriculation tour briefing</li> <li>ACTION: ALL else who want to volunteer should contact EO</li> </ul>	ALL EO
34	<ul> <li><u>MCR website</u></li> <li>RL has updated events on the MCR Google Calendar, but events are not appearing on website. CN has agreed to look into it</li> <li>Suggestions for a 'Wiki-like' page to be included on the new MCR website</li> </ul>	CN RL
	ACTION: CN to check calendar settings on website ACTION: JE, CN and RL to work on new website over the Michaelmas Term LGBTea	
35	<ul> <li>CN asked about hosting monthly LGBTea's with Peterhouse</li> <li>CN supposed a rough estimate of £10 per session would be sufficient</li> <li>MR said that MCR should be able to provide that amount, and will confirm with DW</li> <li>ACTION: DW to confirm if we can provide CN with approximately £10/month for</li> </ul>	CN DW
36	LGBTea sessions <u>MCR lockers</u> • There are approximately 50 new lockers that are not in use by MCR members • Maintenance has locks for each locker • MCR committee to come up with an application system to allocate lockers ACTION: MR/RR to propose application system	MR RR
37	Live music	

	RR
• RR brought up the possibility of having 'The Session', a New Orleans jazz	
quintet, perform at Catz events. A possible event to perform at would be the Thanksgiving formal. RR to check with James Partridge	
• CN proposed having 'hippie love ballads', more live music, and less DJs at	
events	
• EO / IE have booked the CU Ceilidh Band, and there is a possible return from the bagpiper that performed last year (Amanda's brother)	
ACTION: RR to look into inviting 'The Session' to our special events	

There being no further items to discuss at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

Next (open) meeting to be held on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2015, 6:00-7:00pm in the Rushmore Room.