

UCS Committee 2013-14

Meeting Five Minutes

Glover Room, Lerner Court, 17.45

25.05.2013

Present

- Harry Peto
- Kiri Koumi
- Ollie Russell
- Jenny Boddy
- Ben Fraser
- Anna Ritchie
- Cleodie Swire
- Robin Elliott
- Aimee Hesketh
- Clare Lewis
- Fingal Plumpton
- Rebecca Harris

Apologies

- N/A

In attendance

1. Catering Committee Feedback (Cleodie):

- a) Weekly Buttery themed nights will be publicised by the exec committee.
- b) The Buttery website will be taken down until a point in time when it can be kept up to date.
- c) The catering team liked the idea of holding termly themed nights with music and decorations. A theme for the early Michaelmas event will be decided before the end of Easter term.
- d) Lack of brunch on 11/5/13 - The Head of Catering was unaware that brunch was not provided on 11/5/13. He did, however, justify the action as there was a large event in hall at the time. If this happens again students will be informed in advance.
- e) Changes to brunch (made 25/05/13) were made in response to requests by Cleodie.
- f) It was made clear that if food runs out/ is cold/ is unacceptable the catering staff should be informed. This particularly applies to the salad bar.
- g) The sandwich bar is being replaced by a Upay deli system. This system will involve ordering and paying for your sandwich the day before on Upay. Pre-made sandwiches will also be available. This system is being introduced to reduce queues and make more staff available to cook food.
- h) A Buttery survey will be sent out once a term. It will be completed online. It was stressed that UCS members need to have the opportunity

- to put their views across to the catering department because all students pay the KFC.
- i) Fingal will be organising a vegetarian formal and green week.
2. Hepple Room (Harry)
 - **Proposition:** That members of the MCR be allowed to use the Hepple Room for printing purposes.
 - **Action:** All were in favour of the MCR being allowed limited use of the Hepple Room for the purposes of printing off materials.
 - **LCR Equipment (Harry)**
 - **Proposition:** People who break or damage LCR items and equipment should pay for them to be replaced.
 - **Discussion:**
 - a) The proposal was sparked by an incident in the previous week in which a piece of LCR equipment was damaged.
 - b) The arguments in favour of the proposal were that it would force people to take responsibility for their actions and would encourage people to take a sensible attitude in the LCR.
 - c) People might not admit that they have damaged property if there is a fine system.
 - d) The committee do not want to foster a blame culture.
 - e) Concerns were raised that people might not be able to afford to replace damaged items. In response to this point it was pointed out that the expensive items in the LCR are likely to be insured.
 - f) Arguably damage to property is a risk taken when a service is provided. The UCS' role within college is to provide services to the undergraduate body.
 - g) It was pointed out that not a lot of property is damaged in LCR.
 - **Action:** The treasurer will look at the insurance position regarding expensive items of equipment in the LCR. Any serious incidents will be reviewed on a case by case basis but there will be no policy of fining people for the property that they break.
 3. **Matters Arising**
 - 3.1. The MCR Michaelmas Bop will be held on the Saturday after freshers week. The committee were fine with allowing MCR to use the JCR that evening.

Meeting Concluded