UCS Committee 2013-2014

Godwin Room

09.11.2013

Present

* Harry Peto
* Jenny Boddy
* Ollie Russell
* Robin Elliott
* Cleodie Swire
* Fingal Plumpton
* Aimee Hesketh
* Clare Lewis
* Dylan Pritchard
* Rebecca Harris

Apologies

* Kiri Koumi

1. **'New CUSU condom scheme' (Dylan)**

* **Objective:**  Discuss the new CUSU condom scheme with the committee in order for movement to the scheme to be approved.
* **Discussion:**
  1. CUSU are stopping funding the C Card because of lack of use. Instead, they are bringing in their own scheme whereby the UCS will be give condoms and other sexual health items for free.
  2. Dylan would need to receive training in order to switch to the new scheme.
  3. A query was raised as to whether the condom machines in buttery toilets could be made to be free. Only two condoms at a time can be dispensed from the machine so it is unlikely that it would be emptied by people from other colleges using the machine at ents. Moreover, as the new scheme will be directly funded by CUSU allowing people from other colleges to get free condoms at Clare is not a problem/
  4. The committee supported the switch to the new regime.
* **Action:**
  1. Dylan will report back to CUSU that the committee have approved a switch to the new scheme.
  2. Harry will talk to the steward about making the condom machines in the buttery toilets free.

1. **Christmas Bop (Rebecca**

* **Objective:** Discuss the organisation of the Christmas Bop with the committee
* **Discussion:** 
  1. Ideas that were raised for the Christmas Bop included: having a Father Christmas, a Santa’s Groto, Carol singers from Clare voices and mulled wine.
  2. QCOEF contacts for Queen’s Jazz are needed.
  3. The event needs to get publicised at Queens’ ASAP
  4. QCOEF will run the bop on the night. The UCS committee will have the night off.
* Action:
  1. Anna will email her Queens’ QCOEF contact to try and find a contact for Queen’s Jazz.
  2. Cleodie will talk to the Queens’ Ents Officer about publicising the Bop in Queens’ College.

1. **Time of Open Meeting (Harry & Robin)**

* **Objective:** Sort out a time to hold the open meeting about balloting, the welfare officer reforms and ‘Blurred Lines’.
* **Action:** A facebook poll will be created to see what is the best time for the meeting to be held so that exec attendance is maximised..

1. **Senior Tutor’s email (Fingal)**

* **Objective:** Discuss UCS reaction to the email sent out to the undergraduate body by the Senior Tutor on Wednesday.
* **Discussion:**
  1. A lot of students found the email problematic and have raised their concerns with their DoS, tutors etc.
  2. Anna has emailed the senior tutor about the email and will meet with her to disucss the email on Monday.
* **Action:** 
  1. Anna will meet with the Senior Tutor on Monday and will feedback to the committee next week.

1. **Payment to Coach Company (Harry)**

* **Objective:** Discuss who will pay for the £75 cleaning Bill that was presented to Harry because someone was sick on the Oriel Exchange.
* **Discussion:**
  1. No one has owned up
  2. Harry will send out an email asking people to own up as otherwise the bill will be split amongst the people who attended the exchange.
  3. In the interim the UCS will have to pay the bill as it is due ASAP.
* **Action:** Harry to send out an email to the people that attended the exchange.

1. **Bops for next term (Rebecca)**

* **Objective**: Discuss Bop Plans for next term:
* **Discussion:**
  1. The UCS exec would like to pair a couple of bops with a themed formal. This will involve running the bops on a weekday night.
  2. First Bop for next term will be a fifties rock and roll bop.
  3. If the UCS does pair bops with a themed formal the dates for these formals will need to be sent to the catering department this term.
  4. Booking for themed formals would take place on upay.
  5. Second bop of Lent term will be a Black Tie formal followed by a James Bond bop.
  6. Third bop of Lent term will be Caribbean themed with a themed formal preceding it.

1. **Immigration Bill (Harry)**

* **Objective:**  Discuss whether the UCS wants to sign a CUSU letter to the Cambridge MP speaking out against the Immigration Bill currently in Parliament.
* **Discussion:**
  1. Harry forwarded the email he received from CUSU to the two international officers. They did not reply stating an opinion.
  2. The committee felt that they hadn’t had time to properly consider how to vote in this proposal. Moreover, the information that the committee had been asked to look over prior to the meeting was one sided.
  3. It was noted that before CUSU send the letter to Dr Huppert it needed to be proof read as sections of the letter did not make sense.
* **Action:** 
  1. The Committee will not sign the letter
  2. Harry will email CUSU telling them to check through the letter.

1. **Matters Arising**

* **Week 5:**  Dylan will meet with Jane Phelps to book out a room to hold a week 5 welfare event. He also plans to book out the Riley auditorium and put a feel good film on after the event. Dylan also plans to print out business cards with a motivational message and attach sweets to the business cards from the UCS. These will be put in pigeon holes.
* **Investment Fund:** Fingal wishes to discuss not investing in fossil fuels with the college investment fund. This will be raised in the Environmental Committee which he sits on.