JCSU COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the JCSU Committee held on Friday 20th February 2015 at 8:15pm in the Alcock Room.

Present: the President (Amatey Doku), the Treasurer (Christina Lane), the Secretary (Freddie Valletta), the Services Officer (Aiden Goulden), the Green Officer (Tansy Branscombe), the Ents Officers (Xanthe Fuller and Amelia Oakley), the Male Welfare Officer (Ben Simpson), the Female Welfare Officer (Daisy Eyre), the Mental Health and Disabilities Officer (Harrison Packer), the International Officer (Marina Mayer) and the LGBT+ Officer (Anthony Wheeler).

Absent: the Vice-President (Ruby Stewart-Liberty), the Communications Officer (Caroline Sharp), the Access Officer (Tom Hogg), the Women's Officer (Eleanor Kashouris) and the Racial Equalities Officer (Nadine Batchelor-Hunt).

1. Committee reports of actions since last meeting

AD – attended a CUSU meeting, made documents setting out constitutional changes.

CL – signing off cheques, sorting out issues on budget and cheque refunding with the boat club.

FV – organised the JCSU meeting, wrote minutes and agenda, organising the JCSU OGM for Thu 26th Feb, setting up film society for Jacob Osborne, emailed college society/club presidents and captains about a change to the college shield.

AG – ran 2nd year ballot, set up a Google document suggestion box.

TH (reported by FV) – met CUSU Access Officer and spoke about ways to improve the CUSU Shadowing Scheme.

AO & XF – organised fiesta event for Mon 23rd Feb, organised for 30 college undergrads to attend Clean Bandit sound test before their concert at the Corn Exchange.

BS & DE – organised fiesta event for Mon 23rd Feb, distributed Week 5 sweets, welfare cake/No Bystanders pledge event.

HP – planning a fortnightly focus email on eating disorders, promoting the Student Minds Conference.

MM – organised and attended formals at Murray Edwards and Jesus, planned formals at Kings and Downing for next week.

AW – successfully campaigning for No Bystanders, organised and attended an LGBT+ drinks with the MCR, spoken to caff about training their staff on addressing students.

2. Matters arising

(a) JCSU Constitutional changes

AD reported he had sent out an email to the committee asking to proof read allocated sections and requested that members that haven't replied to do so. He has emailed the updated constitution to the vice-president of the ECSU (Emmanuel JCR) so they can independently review it. AD plans to get all the changes done by Wed 25th Feb so that it can be but in the OGM on Thu 26th Feb.

(b) JCSU Annual survey

AD reported that RSL, DE, BS, AG and CS have emailed with updates to the JCSU Annual Survey and requests that other updates could be emailed to him as soon as possible. He said it would be rolled out by the end of term.

(c) JCSU OGM

FV reminded the committee that the OGM would take place at 7.30pm on Thu 27th Feb in the Coleridge Room and took the committee through the format of the meeting:

RSL to announce herself as chair (as AD is submitting a motion on the constitutional changes). Committee to give individual reports on what they've done this term. CL to give a financial report on what the JCSU Enterprise Account has been used on. Motions to be proposed and then RSL to invite points for and against the motion as well as neutral points, whilst making sure that an equal number of for and against points are made. If no

opposition or abstention, the motion is passed, otherwise a vote (done by raising hands) is done.

AD requested that the committee should familiarise themselves with the motions when they are published. FV to do Facebook event and provide refreshments. HP reported that he couldn't attend but that he would send RSL his termly report to read out.

(d) Film society

FV reported that Jacob Osborne (1st year) had requested to set up a film society within college. He requested a £50 budget for rest of the year which was approved by the committee. FV to email Jacob and Conference to confirm that it is now an official society so that he can now book the Coleridge Room without having to go through FV.

(e) Fairtrade Fortnight (23rd Feb to 8th Mar)

TB reported that we would be taking part in Fairtrade Fortnight with events. She put forward the idea of a welfare cake bake event where people make cakes etc. using Fairtrade ingredients which would be judged in order to win prizes. She reported that she had a resource pack which includes stickers and a 13 minute film which could be shown at an event (film society maybe). TB would also welcome any other event ideas.

(f) Green Impact scheme

TB reported that this is a scheme which aims to improve environmental considerations in the workplace. It is mainly staff based but could be expanded to students. There are certain criteria to get bronze/silver/gold awards and she requested help from committee members to carry out some of these criteria (putting up posters, sending emails etc.). She would also like to open it up to the undergrads at some point as well. AD reported that college were very much on board with this scheme and that we are quite a green college anyway and we may meet the criteria for the bronze award already. AG, FV, CS said they'd be happy to get on board and TB said she'd send an email in order to drum up more.

(g) No Bystanders update

AW reported on a very big week for No Bystanders. He posted a lot on the JCSU Twitter account, getting favourites and retweets from Stonewall and some of their employees as well as the official college Twitter account. Many college department members have taken the pledge (Conference doing it without a prompt from AW). Hosted the welfare cake pledge event where 30 or so people pledged. AW plans on putting pictures of pledges taken at the event on posters around college as well as a collage in the Marshall Room. He will email the undergrads in the coming weeks reminding them of the campaign so it is not a one week thing.

(h) Chlamydia self-testing availability

AW reported that Jacky Poskitt (college nurse) was concerned about lack of chlamydia testing in Cambridge as Clinic 1A had been shut down meaning that The Laurels is now the only GUM Clinic in Cambridge. AW reported that he would advertise that Boots Pharmacy can offer free self-testing kits to under 25s and that you can also order them online with a very quick response. BS reported that CUSU were going to start to provide free self-testing kits in the same way they provide sexual health supplies but before advertising this he was going to wait for it to be confirmed.

3. Any other business

(a) Cheque cashing in issues

CL reported that she had been faced with issues from a sports club that they hadn't been cashing in refund cheques from years ago. This caused issues with them trying to claim off the budget from previous financial years. AG suggested that a limit for handing in receipts and cashing in cheques could be at the end of the

financial year so that unnecessary problems could be avoided. AD advised CL to talk to Richard Dennis in order to get this approved.

(b) Pet a puppy update

DE reported that the provisional date for the pet a puppy day was Wed 29th April and that it would take place in Wesley Church opposite the chimney due to restrictions within college. The total cost would be £45 (£15 per hour). DE also reported that in order to get the guide dog puppies in, we would have to do some form of 'guide dog challenge' in order to raise money for their charity and suggested that the money from a few bar quizzes could be used. TB also suggested that we could do a guide dog naming competition with some sort of prize.

AD thanked the members of the Committee for a very helpful and successful meeting. The meeting closed at 9:05pm.