

Minutes of Open Meeting held on May 2003-05-13

Total of 13 present (not a quorum required for passing purchases)

- Started at 8:10pm
- No minutes were read since last open meeting had no attendees, hence no meeting
- No objection were given to the minutes
- Dave: Sent out an email of the OUSU store (questionnaire)
 - Location of the new OUSU Shop is opposite Westgate Centre
 - Suggestions given for stock: Dan Gallagher suggested Porn and musical Instruments
- From last committee meeting, Oli and Tiago are taking charge of new speakers' purchase
- Matriculation Photos
 - No answer from Gillman and Sills (Dave will look into it)
- Renault House
 - No particular objection was shown to it's future status (undergrads living there, etc.)
- The creation of a graduate staircase idea was left to next year's MCR president
- IT Officer (Dave)
 - Created an MCR email list for info from college, i.e. grants and scholarship ads, etc.
 - Proposition made of having 2 email lists for MCR for reducing number of emails
 1. for business
 2. for personal emails amongst MCR community (Optional)
 - Oli: If there is an extra list, how does that reduce the no. of emails?
 - Dave: Everyone will be signed up for business email list and the personal email list will optional
 - No major objection to 2 email lists. Suggestion to allow for unsigning from optional list but signing everyone up for both initially
- MCR committee website is updated
 - New dinner rules, new event pictures, new MCR committee pictures
- Library committee (Florian)
 - Exciting - spent 21,000pds on books - 2000pds of fines issued for failure to return books - discussion on laptop sockets, ventilation fans (does not make sense since only 3 sockets which are restricted) 2 Rooms in library used for teaching will be sued for accessing internet through computers. Cost too much money to add more sockets – problems with bags and robbery, debate on lockers, suggestion of plastic St. Catz logo bags for transportation of books into the library – library committee meetings held every month on 2nd Monday – It was asked that an invigilator was sent to represent for the MCR in the committee (since they in tune with all activities in library) , NO INTEREST was shown – Dave Wahl suggested that invigilators also check bags for stolen books since they don't much anyway.
- President's report
 - No big OUSU Rep, No reaction, No interest – No big Party this term due to security reasons, Dean said no more than 200 allowed into the party, Dean also stated that the society president hosting the party must be member of St. Catz MCR – wine cellars have been moved – bottom coverts will be locked, possibly some of the top ones also

- Social Secretary

May morning was a success – Dinner party had a good turnout – Things have gone okay – People are pretty busy

Dave: Reminder that 6th week Christ Church Party – rationale behind the president of a society hosting a party having to be a member of the MCR is that the college normally charges 300pds to book a room

It will be tried to move the Garden Party to the succeeding Saturday due to the fact that some Law students will have exams during the present date for the Garden party

- Treasurer

Working on doing the math in order to know how much money is available – Will try to use the money available to subsidize the booze and stuff for the members

- Secretary

Not much, taking care of secretary stuff such as the emails and agenda for meeting – will resume guest dinner responsibilities when living in college next term – all is cool

- Vice President

Not much to say – Dealing with guest dinners, making things easier (email registrations, extended deadlines, etc.) – requests for suggestions on different dinners – decent turnouts at dinners considering the term – reminder that minimum no. of people for a guest dinner to take place is 15 – As health rep. let him know on health issues

- Motions

More benches (discussing with bursars) – *Trimming of garden trees* (no objections) – *Newspapers*, keep the Guardian, Independent and Tribune, Tom: Important to keep a wide political spread, No objection to ridding off of Telegraph, Request for purchasing the Economist – *Fish*, Nivi: Majority in 2 committees expressed that the fish not be harmed, Pepe expressed having some fish snacks – *Sky*, Sky is about 200pds/month subsidized at about 70% (speculations), replacement with freeview (give less service) you pay 100pds once and it's free thereafter, solutions: get rid off some channels and invest money into other things (Tiago), Florian, Dave, Tom: we need to know how much it costs and how much is it subsidized

-Closure of meeting 8:55pm