

# Committee Meeting

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## Minutes

Chair: Emily Song (President)

Minutes: Alex Patel (Vice-President)

Absent: Wanipa Ndhlovu (BME), Benedict Springbett (Junior Steward), Jennifer Ocran (Female Welfare), Puria Radmard (Environmental and Domestic) - All with apology

### **Emily Song: President**

- Liaison Feedback

#### **Smoking areas + long vacation incidents**

The Bishop's Hostel and college Bar smoking areas are currently the only two in college. TCSU has become aware that people in these areas have been mistreating the spaces by disposing of cigarettes in flower beds and stubbing them out against walls. College has received a number of complaints about the noise level and loud use of choice language.

TCSU will consider what the best action to take on this and discuss further, being aware that if the behaviour persists the bar smoking area may be removed or that college will attempt a move to a smoker free site

#### **Unexpected guests in rooms**

The issue of guests staying in students rooms for numerous days is a further issue to which college has become aware. They will follow the same procedure as with the smoking areas if the issue persists as such.

#### **Dress code for for feasts**

TCSU will update the photos and descriptions in the Freshers' to accommodate for a range of dress choices and prevent the descriptions being too gendered or prescriptive.

#### **Brexit**

Notes to students will be sent out as an update of developments over the next few days

#### **Climate change committee**

The group has been formed and has met twice already. They are urging students to get involved and an email will be sent out by the chair of the working group in the coming days.

#### **Freshers Facebook group**

Current student will be told by the Computing and Publicity officer to move across to the new Freshers' Facebook group, as this becomes the new Trinity college students page.

### **Maps**

The student information is currently lacking a coherent map of college, so committee members are encouraged to be on the look out for a suitable map. Tutorial is also interested in this, and is making its own inroads into providing a suitable map

### **Pastoral concern from the Dean**

It has come to the attention of TCSU, after a meeting between the Dean and the President and Vice-President, that a student in college is struggling with feeling isolated in college, amid fears that there may be more than one case of this. TCSU will make a conscious effort to be on the lookout for this, and to attempt to intervene, with discretion, where necessary.

The rest of the meeting sees then committee discuss general points of business

The committee accountability documents are due from the last term, and the forms should be submitted with goals for this term laid out.

The Vice President will send an email out making students aware of the proposed plans to merge CUSU and the GU, encouraging students to make use of the online feedback form.

The TCSU committee is looking for a project to take on for the remainder of the year. The President and Vice President have identified the gym development and the installation of hobs as projects about which students feel passionate, and both will discuss further with the Junior Bursar.

### **Madeleine Southey: Mental Health and Disabled Students**

CUSU Access Statement - Agenda point submitted but deferred to next meeting for discussion.

It is proposed that college holds an informal information event on intermitting, access to double time, allowance and the other exam related things to which students have access. TCSU to follow up with tutorial to ascertain the best way to circulate the information.