

Committee Meeting

Agenda

Chair: Emily Song (President)

Minutes: Alex Patel (Vice-President)

Absent: Tiffany Chow (Treasurer), Kiran Jolly (Computing and Publicity), Benedict Springbett (Junior Steward) - All with apology

Emily Song: President

After consideration of the effects of the proposals on the make-up of CUSU (concerning the merging of CUSU and the GU) , TCSU will vote in favour of the proposals at the next CUSU Council meeting .

In the ongoing search for a Welfare room that is both convenient and accessible, latest suggestions include the Wolfson party room and the waiting room next to the surgery in New Court. The problem with the current room in Angel Court is that accessibility has been highlighted as an issue for a couple of individual students. TCSU has been in discussions with tutorial the about the meeting rooms on ground floor of new court, but the space comes under the remit of the accommodation office so that will have to be taken up with them. It is suggested that the Welfare Officers enquire with John Summers about use of the Chaplain's room and so this is something that will be followed up.

Amidst fears that removing a main smoking area in college, or moving it to much further away (proposed move of the bar smoking area to Brewhouse Lawn), a 5pm compromise is suggested. This would mean that students would have to find a different smoking area to the bar after 5pm to attempt to prevent any further issues of late-night noise or damage.

The TCSU Committee are instructed to keep their ears open concerning any unknown complications following the college's withdrawal from the USS pensions scheme. A number of committee members raise the point of some students feeling

the committee can do more to fight the cause of affected students, and so TCSU will discuss further how it proposes to go about this.

The Welfare Team will organise a Great British Bake- Off event to coincide with the final on the 29th October. The President will liaise with the Female Welfare Officer over this.

One point of feedback from the JCR forum on the 24th October was the introduction 'Ask a grad' events. Events such as these are held at other colleges to provide guidance to students who are considering taking a Masters qualification. The general thought from committee is that these would be highly beneficial.

Alex Patel: Vice President

The Vice President reiterates the requirement for the committee to produce updated accountability documents, the show the progress on objectives set out throughout the course of the year.

Madeleine Southey: Mental Health and Disabled Students

The Mental Health and Disabled Students Welfare Officer delivers the CUSU Accessibility Statement to committee, who in turn vote in approval of it.

Jennifer Ocran: Female Welfare

The committee has received a number of complaints about WiFi problems in college, highlighting a necessity to report this to college as a matter of urgency.

The Female Welfare Officer is organising Instagram takeovers with individual committee members, similar to the highly successful one in Lent term from the BME Officer.

The welfare team will be running an STI Testing event on Monday 11th November, similar to the one from last year, which was very well received.

Events for the welfare term card should be submitted in full detail to the Female Welfare Officer at the earliest possible time.