

PG Society Committee Meeting

Date: 31.10.14

Time: 13.00

Location: Main Bar (Union)

Present: Tania Strützel (PG Convenor), David van Brussel (PG Society President), Scott Schorr (Ball Convenor), Alison Holiday (Secretary), Syme van der Lelij (Treasurer), Andreea Oniga (Event Convenor), Fay Morrice (DoSDA), Brianna Vandrey, Ondrej Hajda (DoREP)

1. Approval of last week's minutes

No objections to the minutes

2. Co-Option of Publicity/marketing officer

Porsiana Beatrice was the only candidate to run for this position. Porsiana is a first year PhD student in Philosophy. She has trained in the Philosophy of Art and Architecture at Yale, been taught technical design at her high school and during the summer started using adobe photoshop whilst helping a radio publicity officer create promotional posters. There were no objections to her appointment.

3. President report

David stated that an extra £500 have been assigned to spend on the ball as ticket sales look promising. The society constitution passed at the SSC. David met the newly appointed rector Catherine Stihler.

4. Convenor report

Tania stated that postgraduate rep training was completed this week. Review meetings for masters programmes have started. This Sunday 2nd November is the annual St Leonard's Memorial Service which the committee should encourage people to attend.

5. Treasurer report

Syme has nothing further to report

6. Guy Fawkes Bonfire

1,300 people have said they are attending on Facebook. The society has ordered wood though it may be possible to source more from the builders currently working on the union building. Anyone from the committee willing to help set up the event will meet at 6.30 at the harbour on 5th November.

7. Graduation Ball

Scott stated that Strikeforce has confirmed their services and Janetta's is close to as well. Music for the Ceilidh and DJ set has been confirmed. Scott needs to complete a

form for the hiring of sound equipment and arrange transportation to the Union. Scott and Horizonz are going to the Old Course to confirm arrangements for charity cocktails and cloakroom and confirm the price of welcome drinks. Tania wants to ensure there are also non-alcoholic options in the welcome drinks. Scott is to order wristbands. Scott has received quotes from Tilted Frame, Lightbox and Owl Eyes with regards to the photo booth. The committee agreed that Tilted Frame offered the best deal. Scott is to confirm that they have enough room at the venue. Horizonz has suggested a raffle. This could be outsourced to another committee such as class gift or LBGT.

David is to check which charity the Charities Campaign wanted to support with the cloakroom money so that we do not have too many charity collections at one event. Scott was looking for ideas for table decorations. Brianna suggested something using playing cards.

There are only 70 tickets left on sale.

8. Semester 2 events

Andreea has made a table of events for semester 2 based on the budget, which has been made available to the committee on Facebook. The following events have been discussed: potluck dinner, pub quiz, RAG week event, Re-freshers fayre, Whiskey tasting, Ceilidh, movie nights, On the rocks performance, a bus trip, may dip bonfire, graduation ball and a BBQ.

It was suggested that we ask Bright Club about running a pub quiz.

9. Any other competent business

none

Date of next meeting: 7th November