

Postgraduate Society Committee Meeting

Wednesday, 21st of October 2015, 17:00

Students' Association, Society Room A

Present: Aline Heyerick (Postgraduate President), Tania Struetzel (Postgraduate Convenor), Mattias Eken (Treasurer), Chris Carroll (Ball Convener), Tim Hewlett (Marketing Officer), Stephanie Pambakian (Secretary), Scott Schorr, Alison Holiday

Absent: Luke Shaw (Events Convenor), Kyle Blain (DoSDA)

1. Approval of Minutes: Last week's minutes were approved.

2. President's report: PG Soc will have a social for RAG Week, possibly on Thursday of week 2. The PG Soc Ceilidh will be organised for next semester, a band is available on Feb 13 but venue is TBD.

3. Convenor's report: The first SAB (Students' Association Board) meeting with the Postgraduate Trustee is coming up and the results of the Postgraduate Survey will be discussed. The Library will be launching a 'parking ticket' system to address the issue of seat-hogging.

4. Treasurer's report: Bus trip and Gala payments confirmed. Receipts for gala will be dealt with this week. Information for Enterprise invoice will be sent to Jillian.

5. Gala Feedback: Negative comments on the menu choices, including vegetarian main, and the presentation of the food. The size of the venue was a bit small, and not suited for a reception. For future years, a possible option would be to look into options outside St Andrews.

6. Bus trip: Possible accommodation of 20 or 50 more people on the upcoming bus trip (31st Oct) rejected. Aline and Stephanie will accompany the trip. The next bus trip will be on December 13, to the Edinburgh Christmas Market. For winter bus trips, Aline proposed Doune Castle and Stirling for February.

7. Social: A social will be organised in collaboration with LGBT+, either on November 3 or 12.

8. Bonfire night: Nov 5. Tim will provide the contact details of the person providing the wood to Chris, Mattias, and Luke. The cost will be split between the Postgraduate Society and the Equal Opportunities - Mature Students budget.

9. Grad ball: Two DJs have confirmed their availability for 80£ each. The Jazz band will cost 300£ and security a total of 450£. Photographers have to be confirmed. Hot Chocolate fountain and Candy Floss will be contacted next week. Lights and audio have to be planned and sorted out. Aline is taking care of promotional material. We are allowed 300 guests plus staff.

10. AOCB: None.

Next meeting scheduled for October 28, 17:00, Society Room A.