

BA Committee Meeting
22 June 2018
BA Rooms, 7.30pm

Present: Isabel Vallina-Garcia, Reece Oosterbeek, Lukas Gast, Thomas Graff, Annalise Higgins, Stephen Bayely, Pooneh Nazari, Marcel

Apologies: Hans Yu, Parwana Fayyaz, Steffi Neun, Jake Glidden, Lukas Gast, Christoph Kehle

1. *Appointment of Third Ents Officer*

IVG: We're going to elect our third ents officer. Manifesto circulated to committee. Will be filled by appointment. Vote will be anonymous. You have up to three minutes.

Marcel: Physics PhD Students. I have concrete ideas/plans. Happy to organise and help organise. Mix of activities in and out of Cambridge. Bring back some old ones. Food and drink and always popular. Ideas: Brewery Tour, Chocolate Tasting, Bowling. Aspire to finding out if one could organise a swap – Wren Library for King's Chapel Roof? Cycling tours, high rope courses. Also the Kew Gardens in London. More ambitious ideas: Harry Potter studios or even a theme park. My manifesto had details.

Questions: Annalise: What about people who don't want to consume food and drink?

A: There's alcohol-free beer. Bowling, board games. Hard to solve as a problem, suppose we could organise alternative events that don't involve food.

Marcel is voted the new ents officer.

No further questions.

2. *Fresher's Week Mocktail Contest*

Meeting with President and Secretary with Dean re: alcohol free initiatives.

We will only subsidise the mocktails for the pub quiz but the option will exist to buy your own alcohol.

3. *Cooking classes (Welfare & Catering) & Welfare over summer*

Things we have coming up: mindfulness workshops (June & July). Another one in early August and mid-September. Once a month mindfulness event. Please come.

Christoph and Stephen have been talking about getting rabble off the ground. Christoph will talk about it on Tuesday. Go to Parker's Piece and play games. Physical exercise social. Budget needs to be set.

Stephen: BA Cookery club proposal. Pilot over summer and then do 2x classes per term thereafter. Different international dishes and dietary requirements. About 12 people per class. Welfare thing because of nutrition, diet, balanced meals. Also sociable. 3-4 people per team.

ARH: As long as they don't replace free welfare events of some sort.

Stephen: Purpose is teaching & social. We were discussing the possibility that people who are already enthusiastic come along. Want to make it educational. Questions might include dietary requirements, level of skill. Maybe we would have to ballot. Need to work out the details.

Reece: Questions on sign-up sheet is key. Say we want people from all categories so everyone feels welcome.

ARRH: Is it fair to exclude people who don't eat something (e.g. allergies, meat)?

Pooneh: We shouldn't exclude people.

Isabel: Maybe we can change the focus? Maybe not a welfare event – maybe a cooking club.

Stephen: In that case I wouldn't participate as much.

4. Meeting minutes for website

The Committee is reluctant to make very detailed meeting minutes publicly available. The only option currently is our website, but this does not require authentication so everything is publicly available. If we can upload minutes to a forum where authentication is required, we can provide more detailed minutes to our members.

Computing officer to explore whether we could use Raven authentication for minutes.

What do we do while we wait for Raven log-in for full minutes? BA Committee meeting minutes remain available to members of the committee from Secretary on request (this has always been the case, website was meant to make it easier).

5. Garden Party

Isabel: Rota. Runs from 4-6. We have to set up and clear up.

Marcel: Will help.

Isabel: We'll be around from 1.45 onwards setting up. Meet at catering. Setting up, then running, then cleaning.

Committee discussed duties at the event.

Invitation system reform will be suggested to next year's committee. Fellows in particular should be invited by pdf, as many of the hard copy invitations were returned to us.

6. Budget

Treasurer offered committee budgetary update.

7. Life mural

It would be nice to try to integrate with summer events to get bas to participate. Would progress and change over the year.

Discuss how to integrate with summer events.

8. *Summer ents*

Talk in more detail during next meeting. Timetable and allocate budget. Spread activities across the time.

Can the next book club be 19th of July? Day before a BA dinner.

9. *AOB*

a) *Opportunities*

Thomas: Advertising award on website question from College?

Generally it goes in our newsletter. But it doesn't go out regularly. Will require further discussion.

b) *Publicity*

College Publicity want to engage more with our students and how to interact with us. Awaiting further information from College.

Generating content.

c) *Graduate Open Day*

Friday 2 November, will ask us as per usual to volunteer.

Reece: Last year I organised rota for that. Thomas should be aware.

Meeting closed at 20:50.