



Royal College of Science Union

Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Executive Committee

Held at 17:00 on 1st Oct 2018 at the RCSU Office (Sherfield 214D)

PRESENT:

- Michael McGill - RCSU President (MM)
- Sulaimaan Mughal - RCSU Honorary Junior Treasurer (SM)
- Kaifeng Wei - RCSU Honorary Secretary, Clerk (KW)
- Rohan Kamath - RCSU Vice-President (Activities) (RK)
- Shervin Sabeghi - RCSU Vice-President (Welfare and Wellbeing) (SS)
- Michaela Flegrova - - RCSU Vice-President (Education) (MF)
- Yizhou Yu - RCSU Vice-President (Operation) (YY)

APOLOGIES:

ABSENT:

OBSERVERS:

Meeting opened at 17:04.

A. General I

- Kush said he would call the people working at the Loop Bar and has not gotten back to us. MM will chase up on that today.
- Trampolining event has been arranged.
- KW said keys to the office haven't arrived, MM suggests chasing up on that.
- The RCSU e-mail accounts have not been created. It is suggested that another e-mail to Claudia should be sent.
- Slack has been quiet, for example, regarding boards meeting organization
- Meeting-wise, the first meeting should be about proper arrangement of meetings

B. Budget

- MM: A request for another 5k has been granted from department of faculty.
- More budget should be spent on each of the departments even on the food and drinks of social events, this idea was supported with the suggestion of having a

pool of money for all the departments, with the need for making claims and training, We could try the idea by granting 500 first. This will be discussed later on.

C. Rep training

- Rep training, such as induction talk, might be beneficial for organizing intra-departmental activities.
- Training should include supplementary food and drinks with social elements.
- SS and KW will start organizing the event, scheduled to be on 22nd Oct.

D. Publicity(in relation to freshers' events)

- Better (e-mail) communication should be set up between Sheng and other members, but it is up to Sheng to decide the content for publicity.
- KW is to speak to izu to let Sheng schedule facebook posts about re-election and other events. For example, a post today needs to be posted about pub crawl, and a post about trampolining needs to be published potentially tomorrow.
- For pub crawl: for consistency of route, a pub at South Kensington should be included. Be At One could be swapped for other Spoons. It should be looked into: pubs and bars with deals and their publicity. Sheng should be part of each department's facebook group. Ideally RCSU hoodies should have arrived and be worn for the event.
- Autumn ball needs to be settled to start publicity.

RK left for birthday celebration at 17:38

E. Education(MF)

- Good progress has been gained on better NS departments reaction. No update on curriculum updates, it will be chased up.
- Reps should be informed about Meet your reps next Friday. Souvenirs will be purchased for the event, and costs should be reported to MM. RCSU publicity could be achieved by sponsoring the events.

F. Welfare(SS)

- Welfare week: one individual event for each day is to be planned with better publicity, possibly with high-profile speakers.
- **Aside: Izu joins the meeting; Film screening Sixteen Legs should be co-ordinated with Sheng.

G. Operation(YY)

- Science Challenge: Lloyd Winston(SC ambassador) is to assist in coming up with the theme and judges.

- A person in charge of SC is needed and we need publicity for that including an introduction of what the role entails and of the RCSU structure.
- Timeline of producing broadsheet needs to be settled ASAP taken into account the printing time.
- YY proposed RCSU hackathon: Science teaching protocols are to be developed for children in Africa to reduce the cost of education. 30k is applied for this event from the Harlington Fund, but funding for joint-sports event with Cambridge needs to be taken into account. A detailed proposal for Hackathon is needed and it will then be discussed in detail.

G. Collaboration with RCSA

- Officer academy accounts are suggested.
- Alumni events such as talk could be organized with the help from RCSU.
- Application for RCS Trust has started in the hope of using the fund to improve facilities.

Meeting closed at 18:40.