CUS Full Committee Meeting Minutes
The Fairfax-Rhodes Room, Cambridge Union Society
Held at 17:00, Monday 2nd October 2017
Being a record of the second meeting of the Cambridge Union Society Full Committee Michaelmas 2017

In the Chair
Page Nyame-Satterthwaite President (PNS)

Present
Tom McArthur Vice President (TMA)
Andrea Borbely Executive Officer (AB)
Charles Connor Speakers Officer (CC)
Miles Kekwick Treasurer (MK)
Jali Packer Social Events Officer (JP)
Jonah Surkes President-elect (JS)
Rhianna Voice Executive Officer-elect (RV)
Jonas Dein Speakers Officer-elect (JD)
Penelope Jones Treasurer-elect (PJ)
Owen Jack Social Events Officer-elect (OJ)
Imran Mateo Debating Officer (IM)
Tudor Musat Debating Officer (TM)

In Attendance
Bill Bailey Bursar (BB)
Bart Fajer Bar Manager (BF)
Samuel Longton Secretary (taking the minutes) (SL)
Adam Grant HoEM (AG)
Will Smart HoEM (WS)
Gabriel Barton-Singer DHoEM (GBS)
Amy Stuart DHoEM (AS)
Dina Gitlin-Leigh SGL(D) (DGL)
Sally Scrivener SGL(D) (SS)
Nancy Thorpe DSGL(D) (NT)
Daniel Gruenwald DSGL(D) (DG)
Hattie Allison SGL(S) (HA)
George Booth-Clibborn SGL(S) (GBC)
Royan Khayri DSGL(S); Anglia Ruskin Officer (RK)
Dylan Coll-Reed AVO (DCR)
Muhammed Khan AVO (MKh)
Noella Chye DME (NC)
Gideon Benedyk HoPr (GB)
Jade Charles HoPr (JC)
David Wei DHoPr (DW)
Rebecca Sharkey DHoPr (RS)
Nellie Popplewell DHoPu (NP)
Hani El-Bay MO (HEB)
Angus Groom MO (AG)
Maria Epishinka WOMEN’S OFFICER (ME)
Tatiana Kurschner WOMEN’S OFFICER-DESIGNATE (TK)
Johari Adjei ACCESS OFFICER (JA)
Emma Toms ACCESS OFFICER (ET)
Ian Wu HEAD OF DEBATE TRAINING (IW)
Meeting called to order at 17:01 pm

1) Welcome from the President

PNS welcomed the new members of the Committee.

PNS: Thank you all for being here, it is unusual to require all of FC to attend these meetings but it is important for you all to be here as we begin the term. First we should all introduce ourselves.

All members of the Committee stated their name, college, and position on the Committee.

PNS: As you can see we have a large team and I am sure we will all get to know each other over the next term. Please do come to me with any questions that you may have and I hope that you are all excited for the term ahead. Please do remember to sign your NDAs and complete your fire training.

2) Welcome from the Vice President

TMA: I along with the Debating Officer’s hold our position for a year. Therefore I am more focused on the long term strategy and development of the Union. Please do let me know if you have any questions.

3) Welcome from the Bursar

BB: I deal with site development and liaise with both the Standing Committee, Staff, and Trustees. The Staff and I are all here to help you in the work that you do. This is my 28th Committee so I do have a lot of experience. Let me know if there are any problems or questions.

4) Welcome from the Executive Officer

AB: I run all the debates this term and I am also responsible for liaising with all of you on Full Committee. Please do get in touch with me if there are any problems. A polite reminder to please fill out debate dinner preferences.

5) Welcome from the Speakers Officer

CC: Similarly please do fill out the speakers dinner preference form. I am responsible for the speakers this term and I am very grateful to everyone who wrote invitations over the summer. If anyone needs any information on speakers please do contact me.

6) Welcome from the Treasurer

MK: I am the student responsible for managing the finances with our accountant. We have a new expenses form this year. I would ask that you submit claims within 14 days and would remind you that unreasonable expenses will not be reimbursed – if in doubt check with PNS, TMA or I. Please also try to use your Members Discounts and you also will be on the guestlist to all Big Fish Ents this term.
7) Welcome from the Social Events Officer
   a) Freshers’ Ball and Work Shifts
      JP: Everyone will be working a 2 hour shift. Please do let me know if you can’t make the Ball. A rota will be circulated soon and if you can help set up on the day it would be appreciated.

8) Publicity
   PNS: The level of publicity that we require from you right now is unusual and it will be reduced as we get into the term proper. The Publicity team will continue to be in touch and it really is appreciated if you make their lives easier.

9) Union+
   ME: I hope that you have all seen The Tab article. We have over 80 events this term that are open to all Cambridge students. Please, please publicise so we can make this a success, it would be really nice to see you all at the Launch Party too. Please do also give me feedback as to how you think the Union+ events are going.

10) Press
    JC: We have been working very hard to improve the image of the Union and we’d like to thank all of you for continuing to work hard in that respect.
    PNS: As a reminder there is no need for any of you to ever give comment on the Union’s behalf, please pass all Press requests onto the Press team or TMA or I.

11) Union Staff
    PNS: You have already heard from BB, different teams will be meeting and working with different staff members over the coming term but remember that they are here to help you, let them know if you need anything.

12) Week looking ahead
    PNS: Usually this is the real substance of the meeting. Normal meetings run from 8:15-8:50 at the latest to enable you to attend lectures. Each team will update the Committee on how the week ahead is coming along.
    a) Jamie Laing
       PNS: He has unfortunately had to cancel but is hoping to reschedule and be with us very soon.
    b) Government Debate
       AB: Lots of volunteers to help steward and also make the building really lively would be great. We will need some GLAs too, I’m looking forward to it.
    c) Reality TV Debate
       AB: Same points as the Government Debate really, as much help as possible is really appreciated.
d) Boris Becker
   CC: Boris Becker will be coming on Sunday at some time, his team have been unable to
   pin down the exact time that he will be coming yet. I will get back to you on that but
   please keep up publicity etc.

13) Membership
   AG: Thanks everyone, our membership drive is going well so far. We are on course to get
   greater numbers to make up for the lower price we are charging. This is really good. We will
   be at the Fresher’s Fair and it would be really great to see lots of you there and also lots of
   you interacting with the new members.
   PNS: And just a reminder that termcard distribution will be on Friday.

14) AOB
   a) IV Crash/Runners
      IM: For this event to be a success we really need lots of you to come and help us on the
day. We also really need people to take Crash, its very low commitment so please try to
offer your floor space.
   b) Schools
      TM: We will soon be beginning regional rounds for Cambridge Schools, a reminder that
      if you want to run for Office you will need debating points and this is an excellent way to
      earn them.
   c) Stewarding
      WS: Please can as many people as possible sign up for stewarding, we need lots of help.
   d) Troublemakers
      BB: During the Open Period we will have hired security on the premises as this period
      tends to have a higher period of anti-social behaviour. Please keep an eye out and
      support them as Officers of the Union.
   e) Minutes
      SL: I will be circulating the minutes soon after this meeting, please do read them if you
      don’t want me to misquote you as they end up on the website.
      PNS: They are also an excellent way of catching up on a meeting that you may have
      missed. Thank you everyone for coming.

Meeting adjourned at 5:51pm