Cambridge Union Society Standing Committee Minutes
Dining Room, Cambridge Union Society, 8.15am, Monday 6th October

In the Chair
Tim Squirrell: PRESIDENT (TS)

Present
Nick Wright: VICE-PRESIDENT (NW)
Freddie Dyke: EXECUTIVE (FD)
Oliver Brecher: TREASURER (OB)
Christof Epaminondas: SPEAKERS (CE)
Eloise Oakley: ENTS (EO)
Thomas Simpson: DEBATING OFFICER
Matt Hazell: DEBATING
Amy Gregg: PRESIDENT ELECT (AG)
Roisin Hannon: TREASURER ELECT (RH)
James Hutt: SPEAKERS ELECT (JH)
Sachin Parathalingam: ENTS ELECT, RECRUITMENT (SP)

In Attendance
Bill Bailey: BURSAR (BB)
Chloe Coleman: SECRETARY (taking minutes) (CC)
Ted Loveday: RECRUITMENT (TL)
Amy George: WOMEN'S OFFICER (AG)
Rachel Tookey: WOMEN'S OFFICER (RT)
William Fitzalan Howard: HOEM (WFH)
Fred Vincent: HOEM (FV)
Patrick Kirkham: SGL SPEAKERS (PK)
Na'im Peyman: SGL SPEAKERS (NP)
Harry Elliott: HEAD OF AUDIO-VISUAL (HE)
Ash Nandi: CAMPUS PUBLICITY (AN)
Georgia Kandunias: CAMPUS PUBLICITY (GC)
Nicky Collins: PRESS (NC)
Katherine Reggler: PRESS (NC)
Max Twivy: ONLINE PUBLICITY (MT)
Helen Lam: ONLINE PUBLICITY (HL)
Rachel Tookey: WOMEN'S OFFICER (RT)
Ruby Holmes: ACCESS OFFICER (RH)
Shounok Chatterjee: DIVERSITY OFFICER (SC)
Jasmine Wall: DIVERSITY OFFICER (JW)
Chris Williamson: PHOTOGRAPHER (CW)

Discussions:

Week behind and week ahead:

Week behind: ICUSU squash well attended but important to have more officers present.
**Week ahead:** more officers requested to attend **graduate squash** on 6th (EO). **Freshers’ fair** (Tues 7th) – all volunteers to read recruitment guide to brush up on facts/cost of joining (£185 until end of open period, £195 after, those eligible for Cambridge bursary can pay £95 for annual membership and upgrade to life for fee, exact amount tbc) (TL).

**Women’s public speaking workshop** (Tues 7th) and **Debating launch** (Wednesday 8th) – officer presence requested (RH).

**Zawe Ashton** (Wed 8th) – big push required on social media, all officers to share event and invite friends (TS).

**THB that Oxbridge is a force for good** (Thurs 9th) – large turnout expected. Emergency debate motion TBC (AG/TS).

Alec Baldwin and Ed Byrne (Friday 10th) – interview questions requested (CE).

**Baltic Conference** and **Freshers’ Brunch** (Sat 11th) – officers to attend (EO).

**Peter Nolan** (Mon 13th) – to be advertised on social media (TS). Advised of clash with **Women in Science Forum** (RH) – agreed that Peter Nolan event will be held in the library (CE).

**Campus Publicity:** posters printed for Alec Baldwin event (TS). Changes to strategy outlined – to avoid surplus posters, there will be one poster advertising the weekly debate, another for major speaker events and a final ‘this week at the Union’ with all others (TS). GK congratulated for successful termcard distribution (NW).

**Online Publicity:** Freshers’ Week event currently main way of advertising events – this to be replaced with weekly ‘This Week at the Union’ events to avoid excessive sharing (TS).

**Executive Committee:** convenient time tbc (FD).

**Ents:** importance of officer attendance at fresher events reiterated, volunteers required for freshers’ ball ticket distribution next Wednesday (EO).

**Recruitment:** Volunteers needed to staff union and give tours – stash to be worn, recruitment guide to be read, enthusiasm to be high (TL).

**Bursar’s report:** any leaks in roof of chamber to be reported to BB or NW.

**Press:** Speaker announcements expected in all papers over next few days (KR).

**Reciprocal membership:** Oxford Union, etc, members must pay for Cambridge Union membership if they are eligible (TS).

**Webmaster:** official appointment required – will be included in next member email (FD). CC to put together online termcard.