

DCSA Minutes

21st March 2006

<u><i>Present</i></u>	Katie Tanner (KT)	President
	Melanie Keene (MK)	Treasurer
	Caren Weinberg (CW)	Womens
	Robin Usher (RU)	LBGT
	Nicki Pickering (NP)	Ents
	Scott Shackelford (SS)	International
	Caroline Scott (CS)	Punts
	Will Flynn (WF)	Council Rep
	Claudia Crovace (CC)	Ents
	Nico Petty (NPY)	Welfare
<u><i>Apologies</i></u>	Rosienne Farrugia (RF)	Secretary
	Patrick Boner (PB)	Sports
	Joab Rosenberg (JR)	Comms

USB sticks

MK: Have been purchased at £20 each and one given to each officer.

Darwin Day

To be held possibly in May. MK to email matrix.

DCSA office

RF reported that looked into it with CW and made a plan on how to make better use of the space. CW reported that they are looking into furniture and sorting out the junk. Budget will possibly be £2000-£3000.

Monthly bulletin

WF will put together the next one.

LBGT events

RU reported that the previous event had a good turn out and proposed having another event where this time people pay for their own drinks.

RU also reported that there is a rumour being spread around college that someone urinated in a drink. KT suggested seeing the Dean or one of the Associate Deans about this.

Meals Committee

Report from whatsapp feedback. Suggestions and comments included:

- Buffest style means – choose your own food
- Sandwich station
- Against KFC as it is easier for non-Darwin students to eat in college
- Buy drinks
- More variety
- Too expensive

SS will forward this to the Bursar and highlight the student's concerns.

CW reports that at Clare Hall students have a free dinner on Thursday and suggested that this might be held once a month in Darwin. DCSA could subsidise it if college has problems with it.

NPY suggested the use of vouchers, something like a minimum eat. CS notes that if vouchers are introduced then we would need a wider selection of food.

DCSA Dinner

This is held end of May early June. KT suggested that CC and NPY organise it for 17 people in either a college or a restaurant.

May Ball tickets

CS reminded the committee that as this year Darwin will have no May Ball, last year's committee want money towards 2 tickets ~ £140 each (£70 per ticket). 10-12 people from last year's committee are still in Cambridge. CS cannot think of any argument against this arrangement.

KT suggested St Eddie's event on Friday 23rd June. Tickets are at £55 each.

RU suggested the rest of the money is used to help support the summer bop.

KT asked about the picnic table that the previous committee had proposed to donate to college. CS is no longer thinking of purchasing that.

KT asked CS to put together a list and costs

CW clarified that the money would go towards buying tickets not given out as cash.

Whatsup/ DarwIN+OUT

KT is really strict on what goes into Whatsup. Some people are annoyed that their university messages are not posted.

NPY queried if DarwIN+OUT is the right venue for these since people are not automatically signed up to DarwIN+OUT.

CW suggested separating Darwin posts from non-Darwin posts.

It has been decided to go back to the old system. The Ents Officer (CC) will administer DarwIN+OUT. NP will make necessary arrangements with Espen Koht the computer officer.

Formal Hall Exchange – Pricing

NPY is to try and work out how much accounts are charging us. DCSA is supposed to make a little money from Exchange formals. Guests have so far been charged £11.90 whilst we are being charged £14 per guest. It was queried how many would sign up if the cost went up. KT will raise this with kitchens.

NP should also talk to Ray, the accountant, and the Bursar.

CS suggested the possibility of bringing your own wine and pay a corkage charge.