

# DCSA Minutes

9<sup>th</sup> May 2006

## Present

Katie Tanner (KT)	President
Melanie Keene (MK)	Treasurer
Rosienne Farrugia (RF)	Secretary
Robin Usher (RU)	LBGT
Nicki Pickering (NP)	Ents
Scott Shackelford (SS)	International
Will Flynn (WF)	Council Rep
Joab Rosenberg (JR)	Comms
SuIl In (SI)	Council Rep
Patrick Boner (PB)	Sports
Sarah Hamylton (SH)	Greens)

## Apologies

Caren Weinberg (CW)	Womens
Nico Petty (NPY)	Welfare

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## *DCSA Election*

Elections will be held Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> of June. Handover to the new officers will be in mid-June thus leaving some time for training.

All officers whose term ends in June should write a short personal description of what the job entails and include a contact email address. All submissions must be sent to KT by Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May for inclusion into the next day's whatsapp.

Volunteers will be needed for at least 1 hour sessions to man the voting desk. People running in the elections cannot sit at the desk.

KT mentioned that ideally the president should be someone who has already been on the DCSA before. This is not a constitutional requirement but it would help.

MK noted that we need to advertise the elections well and also circulate the constitutional rules for the putting up of posters etc.

## *Update on DCSA Office*

The office has been cleared out and the junk thrown away. Furniture not needed anymore has been marked for removal. The plan is to change the carpet, paint the room and get new curtains as well as new furniture. Any officer needed shelf space should let RF know as soon as possible. An email to decide when the office will be painted will be sent out at a later date.

The old monitors in the office are to be thrown away. KT will ask SH to see if we can get rid of them ourselves by taking them directly to the recycling place rather than wait for them to be picked up.

CC reported that the Cambridge company which collects old electrical equipment did not turn up twice when she was trying to get rid of the old Ents equipment. The CoW then arranged for the old equipment to be stored in Barton Road until collection. KT will ask the CoW and Espen Koht, the computer officer, what is the best way to get rid of the old computers quickly.

#### *Ents: Garden Party – 24<sup>th</sup> June 2006*

NPY and Ruth McKnight are organising a meeting with the Bursar. The proposal is:

A party from 5pm to 9pm

Tickets to be sold at £5 in advance and £7 at the door

300 people maximum

Bring your own picnic

This will be a very simple party as caterers and music would need to go through the city council.

Ents will include Punting and garden games followed by a Bop in the dining hall from 9pm to 1am.

The proposal was sent immediately after Easter however there has been no response from the Bursar yet even though a reminder email was sent the 1<sup>st</sup> of May.

CC and NPY would like to sell all the tickets by the 31<sup>st</sup> of May. If the tickets are not sold out the party will be cancelled. Tickets cannot be sold until an answer is received from the Bursar.

KT suggested CC and NPY go and talk to the Bursar in person.

#### *DCSA Annual Dinner and Photo*

The dinner should preferably be held on a weekend – possibly the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> of June.

All the current DCSA members and Chris Tighe (greens officer during the summer) will be invited.

College vs Restaurant. We usually go to a College. This year CC and NP are looking into the possibility of going to a restaurant which for a Saturday would need early booking.

Budget for the meal is £700 in total.

DCSA photo: CC will ask Jamie to take the photo.

#### *Gym*

The boat club would like a fan to be installed in the gym. PB will look into this

Servicing of ergs - CC would like PB to send her the contact details for the service company.

#### *DCSA Calendar*

A 15 month calendar from August 2006 to December 2007, A4 size. Calendar will be ready by the end of this term to sell this year as well as next year. The cost will be £4-£5 each. Half the cost will come out of the Comms officer budget and students will only be charged £2 per copy. So far only 4 people have uploaded photos.

### *River Rat*

So far JR only has 4 pieces, 2 from students and 2 from DCSA members. More are needed. JR asked all the DCSA officers to submit a 500 word piece each.

### *Tennis*

PB reports that we have received an offer from Hugh's Hall to join their subscription for 20 weeks of tennis at Kelsey Kerridge. The cost is at £30 a week to be shared between the 2 colleges at a total cost of £300 to Darwin. Equipment cost would be an extra £30.

So far PB has heard from 15 interested Darwin students.

WF noted that access to the courts is from 6pm to 8pm Wednesdays only and there are 3 courts available.

KT suggested PB checks if the courts can be booked and if yes, how.

SH pointed out we still have access to Newnham College courts.

MK asked if we can take a subscription out for a month and gauge response.

The committee voted in favour of taking out a subscription. However, we should clarify the times the courts can be used and if there is any coaching, tournaments etc.

### *Punts*

It was noted that punt club membership was raised to £20 but the DCSA never voted on this. As CS is not present, the issue of the membership fees will be discussed over email and a vote can be taken at the next meeting.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 8pm in the Old Library**