



Termly General Meeting
Wednesdayth 7 November 2007
7pm - Lecture theatre A, Nuffield Theatre

ATTENDANCE

Committee Members Present:

TS (President)
DR (Treasurer)
NH (Secretary's assistant)
AM (Technical Officer)
DM (Men's Welfare Officer)

Apologies:

KW (Vice President)
GM (Women's Welfare Officer)

A further 16 'ordinary' members of the SUSULGB were also present

The Meeting commenced @ 7.08 pm

TS introduced the meeting by reminding everyone that we now have forums available at: <http://lgb.susu.org/forum>. He also mentioned the regular film nights, an upcoming event to recognise World Aids Day on 2nd December hosted by drag queens at the London Hotel. The next welfare event will feature the Lesbian and Gay Liaison Officers (LAGLOs) from the city police force and will include a cops and robbers fancy dress theme. This year's Christmas event will be hosted in Isobar and also include the termly quiz. A small fee will be charged to cover costs for the evening. The last social of the academic year is proposed to be a Masquerade ball. More details will follow as they emerge.

The following SULGB committee positions were up for election:

Men's Social Officer	(CZ standing)
Women's Social Officer	(SR standing)
Diversity Officer	(DW standing)
Campaigns Officer	(MW standing)
Publicity Officer	- no candidates

CZ gave a brief talk suggesting that he would like to ensure that the social events are diverse including, for example, a bowling evening rather than just pub crawls. He also revealed that he is reading Criminology and [redacted].

SR spoke to those present. She is also reading Criminology and is keen to arrange events where the society members travel to other cities such as London, Brighton and Bournemouth. Not only for alcoholic socials but may include for example London gay theatre trips. She is also keen that we team up with the LGB crowd in Winchester and Southampton Solent and explore Southampton's scene in greater depth.

MW is reading Physiology and would like to promote international and national gay rights. He cited the example of America not allowing HIV positive travellers into the country at all. A campaign to change this is currently supported by the Terrance Higgins Trust.

DW is in his 3rd year reading History. He is 21 years old and describes himself as approachable and very willing to get to know old and new society members. He gave us the Oxford English Dictionary definition of diversity and pulled out the word "variety". He indicated that the diversity role is a 2-way one and would require input from society members, he needs to hear about problems people are having and is keen to work with other committee members and support diverse events.

TS explained that the voting system (which was conducted by anonymous ballot) allowed members to vote either for the candidate to hold the position or for the position to remain open. Votes were cast and each of the candidates was unanimously voted into the positions for which they were standing.

Congratulations to CZ, SR, MW and DW on joining the committee of the 2nd largest society in the Students Union!

DM then promoted some up-coming welfare events that had been selected from feedback from the previous welfare talk. The events include self-defence, a gay man's guide to better sex and a talk by the Lesbian and Gay Liaison Officers from the police.

The meeting closed at 7:35 pm.