



SUSU LGBT+ SOCIETY

Minutes

Meeting Date:	Day 00 th Month	Meeting Time:	00:00
Meeting Location:	Somewhere in The Universe		

Attendees	
KG (They/Them) President. EKC (They/Them) Secretary KL (He/Him) Treasurer AB (They/Them) Welfare Officer TG(She/Her) Engagement Officer EM (He/Him) Ordinary Member	SB (He/Him) Ordinary Member EM (He/Him) Ordinary Member. LLG (They/Them) Welfare Officer AL (He/Him) Technical Officer
Apologies	

We had 27 voting members.

Introduction:

This EGM was called on , in order to elect a Vice-President, Activities officer, publicity officer and Winchester School of Art. KG reminded everyone to ensure that they are registered to vote, and that anyone can stand for a position during an EGM - we will ensure that a description of the role will be read out. KG also reminded that the voting is not ranked and that you can vote to R.O.N (re-open nominations). For voting we are using: Vevox.App and people can vote on their phones or laptops.

Vice-President:

A VP supports the president through the management and organisation of the society - it is a flexible role and you get to be a voice for members on the committee.

Running: IA, OCW, GJ.

IA:

Speech:

IA wishes to continue working their current work towards NHS facilities this includes helping educate and produce resources for GP with more information regarding issues surrounding Mental Health, Physical Health especially surrounding Gender Non-Conforming people. In IA experience GP's do not know about GNC issues. IA experiences as a history student means that as VP they wish to understand LGBT+ history month, this involves working with other societies to ensure that LGBT+ History month this includes - producing profiles of LGBT+ heroes and celebrities as chosen by society members. IA especially wishes to work with other



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societies that are of minority groups, and also try and get more involvement with LGBT+ and sports.

Overall, their main aim as VP would be to make the society a safe space, as it helped them when they came to university.

Questions:

Q:SB: You commented that you wish to make our history month better?

A: IA; mini-profiles of people in the community, historic people, and people who they admire. People who wish to honour during the history month.

OCW

Speech

OCW commented that they are a fresher at Southampton, they have no big changes that they would bring to the society as they have been happy with everything that happened so far. Their main aim is to continue to emulate the environment and atmosphere that they have found helpful, within the society, since coming to university. Alongside, making the society and welcoming place as VP they would ensure that events and the society run smoothly, which is important to OCW as the society events has helped them get to know different people.

Questions:

None.

GJ

Speech:

GJ is a new post-graduate student at Southampton, however at their old university they were active in their LGBT+ society, and credits it with helping them understand who they were. GJ during their undergraduate degree had some experiences, within the LGBT+ society, helping organising events.

GJ commented that they had quite a few ideas for events, both drinking and non-alcoholic however would wish to speak to the committee before mentioning their ideas. Alongside this, their friend has a Kickstarter for an LGBT+ supplement for Dungeons and Dragons and they have been given a play test-copy that they would like to try, by running a one-shot.

Overall, they wished to make the society somewhere where people can come and be accepted.

Questions

Q:LLG: We are also this evening, electing an events officer. Why did you choose to run as VP?

A: GJ: They do not feel confident enough to go for events office, and they wishes to be there if people need resources or need extra help. And would rather be able to help where they can rather than being in a fixed role.

Voting:

IA - 11

GJ - 11



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OCW - 1

RON - 1

Due to the tie in voting, it came down to the chair's digression. KG decided that there would be another vote between; IA, GJ and R.O.N.

2nd Vote:

IA: 13

GJ: 11:

RON.

Vice President Elected: IA.



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Winchester School of Arts Officer:

The WSA officer coordinates the society's activities at the WSA of arts.

Running: YW.

YW:

Speech:

YW opened by commenting that being Chinese, it meant that back home the topic at the heart of the society is forbidden. When they moved to the U.K for university, they were met with a massive advertisement for London Pride - this moved them. They wished to run as 'love is love' and they want to help with the societies.

Questions

Q: LLG - What are your pronouns?

A: YW: She/Her.

Voting:

YW: 23

RON: 2.

WSA officer elected: YW.



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Events Officer:

Responsible for coordinating the organisation of events and developing idea to ensure a balance of activities that interest all society members.

Running: OCW, AF, JM and CP.

OCW:

Speech:

OCW as events officer would work their hardest to make sure that events run smoothly and the jobs that needed done would be done, they would ensure that the society runs a range events for to cater for everyone. They voiced their annoyance that people are spread-out across Southampton and would make sure that events were at specific locations to make it easier for people to meet.

Questions

None.

AF

Speech:

AF opened with their prior experiences, they were a founding member of the 'Rainbow Society' at their secondary school to help students to get to know themselves and they feel that this shows that they have prior experiences working collaboratively.

AF then commented that the origins of the 'gay' means 'happy' therefore they wish to make sure that they the society runs fun nights this would include running an event every week - e.g. film night, hobbit trip or a board game evening. Events are important for them as social events mean getting to know each other and since coming to university they have met nice people through the society.

Questions:

Q: LLG - We always run a lunch every week, what would be special about running an extra event?

A: AF - At the weekly lunches they run into some people but not everyone and due to timetable constraints not everyone can make it. Therefore, they wish to run events that are not defined by lecture timetable e.g. board games, to ensure that people do not have to rush and that there is time for people to enjoy events.

Q: KG - Last years we struggled with fatigue, we put on a variety of events and not every event caters for everyone, we do try and do a lot of different events. However, how would you combat idea and timetable fatigue?

A: AF- Running events with society member input such as take suggestions and make members vote, as everyone has different ideas, and this should help with event fatigue. Also, not everyone has to go the every event.



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JM

Speech

JM began by commenting that they are a computer science first year. They would be there always to accept messages, emails and be communicated and would happily pass them on. They have been to several of the society events and has enjoyed meeting a lot of people and through the society they wish to meet more people. JM suggested a 'Gender Non-Conforming Ball' to allow everyone to have a good time. JM also commented that they would be happy to listen to requests from people for events.

Questions:

None.

CP

Speech:

CP opened that during their first year they did not attend many events as they were scared to come along to events, their first event was Student Pride in second semester. Due to feeling scared initially she wishes to run more events for people who are scared to come to events, as they regret not coming to events sooner as they feel as if they missed out. CP followed up with wishing to find more LGBT+ friendly events in Southampton as they do not want anyone on a night out to feel uncomfortable or unsafe. They wish to make sure that there are a good mixture of events to make sure everyone feels included.

Questions:

Q: LLG - It sounds like you have a passion for reaching out to people and getting people involved, why did you choose to run for events and not publicity?

A: CP - Ran for events as they love organising event.

Voting:

AF:9

CP: 9

JM:7

OCW:2

R.O.N:0

As there was a tie once again, KG decided that we would vote again. Therefore, a second vote will occur for CP, AF and R.O.N.

CP: 15

AF: 11

RON: 0

Events Officer elected: CP.



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Publicity Officer:

Coordinated promotion of the society's activities and services to society members and the wider community. This includes publicity through social media and the website, working closely with the activities officer.

EA

Speech

EA is a first year Computer Science student. EA commented that publicity is one of the most important roles on the committee, they feel as if they current committee has done a good job at making everyone feel comfortable during the beginning of term. As publicity officer they wish to show that people care and as part of the role they would try and spread relevant information to people through; leaflets in GPs and through publicity around the university. EA commented that an online presence for the society is important so that society members know that events are occurring, and that adequate publicity is undertaken. They finished by commenting that they feel as if they can do role of publicity officer to a 'decent standard'.

Questions

None.

Voting:

EA: 24

RON: 0.

Publicity Officer elected: EA.

New Committee Elected:

Vice President: IA (they/them).

Winchester School of Arts Officer: YW (she/her).

Events Officer: CP (she/her)

Publicity Officer: EA (He/Him)

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