

# SUSU LGBT+ SOCIETY

## **Committee Minutes**

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	Friday 13th March	Meeting Time:	18:30
Meeting Location:	Online (Microsoft Teams	3)	

	Attendees
President: KG (they/them) Treasurer: KL (he/him) Secretary: EKC (they/them)	Ordinary member: SB (he/him) Ordinary Member: EM (he/him) Technical Officer: AL (he/him)
Publicity Officer: EA (He/Him)	Vice President: IA (they/them). Welfare officer: AB(they/them)
	Apologies
Welfare Officer: LLG (they/them)	
Wit	thout Apologies:
Events Officer: CP(she/her) Winchester Officer: YW (she/her) Engagement Officer: TG (she/her)	

We are getting new member and returning members at our events, throughout the year we have also kept the momentum with events.

# Finance (KL) Account balance:

Current: £1625.00

After Payment: £568.22p

#### Projecting and Speculations for the future:

In terms of ticket sales, student pride did not well, coinciding with a steady decrease in engagement for ticketed events bar Boat Ball. The lack of engagement with the ticketed events suggests that for future LGBT+ committees, such events would not be sustainable.

#### Student pride

The committee then discussed actions that could help alleviate financial strain from unsustainable events, such as attending student pride every two years or increase the prices in 2017 the ticket prices were £40 and decreased the subsidised amount. Discussion suggested that increasing the ticket prices with a smaller number of places is the way to proceed to ensure that attending Student Pride happens every year. SB commented that if we gauged interest and booked the student pride hostel before the Christmas holiday.

Events:

End of term: Boat Ball



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This year most of the people who have come to the society are newer members. Therefore this is the time to re-evaluate whether doing a 'boat' ball is a tradition, or whether there is an opportunity to try a different formal event. We could gauge interest regarding, an end of year precise, boat ball or sit-down mean.

- Action KG - Will post on FB group about the end of term event.

### **Current events:**

As the end of term has been brought forward the lunches and all upcoming events have been postponed. We aim to try and keep everyone updated with regards to events. We discussed having online meetings or playing games online to keep in touch.

### **AGM**

#### Roles:

#### **Publicity:**

We have an opportunity to change the roles within the constitution. The publicity officer role could be redefined in terms of social media and communication officer. So, the post-holder knows what to expect and understand what their role entails.

#### **Engagement:**

It was discussed whether the 'engagement' officer it fits the intended needs; it was intended to be an outreach to other society and minorities to ensure that members felt included.

#### Vice President:

The vice-president role could change scope towards ensuring diversity, outreach and engagement with other societies and SUSU. The previous discussion was perhaps adding BAME, Trans and Disability officers but would increase the number of committee members or adding those responsibly under ordinary members duties.

To enact changes to the constitution, an EGM would need to be held, due to the unknown situation online EGM would be required.

- Action (AL): Investigate options about holding an EGM online by March 20, 2020.

#### Date:

We can host an AGM online, we must have someone elected by the end of the meeting, but if we can open votes for a week, it would ensure enough time for voting. We discussed announcing the result date.

- Action (AL): Investigate options about holding an AGM online.

#### **Timeline**

Since we are already looking into online voting for the AGM, we can also investigate the wording of the annual general meeting and the period allowed for holding an AGM.

#### [REDACTED]

# Any other business:

### <u>Email</u>

We have the three emails set up for the switch over to @soton.ac.uk .

- Action (AL): To write up a layman's guide of how to access the email with screenshots etc.



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### **Funding Rounds:**

Ideas for the upcoming funding round were discussed. The society is running low on wristbands and flags need to be purchased. Multiple pride flags would be ideal for events. The committee need to ensure that we are signed up as members, so we have members for the funding round.

### Barclays:

KL commented they still needed to go through the correspondence with regards to Barclays and signatories