



SUSU LGBT+ SOCIETY

Committee Minutes

Meeting Date:	Saturday 30 th January 2020	Meeting Time:	14:00
Meeting Location:	Zoom		

Attendees	
KG President AL Ordinary Member JN Publicity Officer MB Welfare Officer CPF Technical Officer IA Vice-President	RN Ordinary Member OCW Secretary AT Treasurer CF Welfare Officer CP Events Officer
Apologies	

Meeting Introduction:

KG asked each member of the committee how things are outside of committee work.

Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The last meeting's minutes were approved unanimously.

Kanban Board Review

Updating the Kanban board.

1. Chris from SUSU is on sick leave.
 - a. CPF will find out who to contact instead (CPF)
2. IA: We have the UoB letter, we need to publish it.
3. KG needs to forward website biographies and photos to CPF.
4. CPF: The religious holidays poll needs to be published. OCW wants to see it first.

Welfare Report

Discussion of welfare issues from the Discord server.

1. MB: They have contacted the SUSU LGBTQ+ officer about sending an email to lecturers about cisheteronormativity regarding the occupational therapy complaint and has also responded to the person who complained. KG: You should talk to VP Welfare.
 - a. MB will contact VP welfare (MB)



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2. CF: Has not chased up with the individual making the complaint about alumni. They will do so.
 - a. CF will chase up with them (CF)

Treasurer's Report

The balance is the same as it was previously.

1. AT – Our balance is £585.83.

LGBTQ+ History Month

Discussion, planning for LGBTQ+ history month in February, as well as collaboration with SUSU.

1. KG: Has had a meeting with SUSU las week. They spoke with Ash Hunt, VP Welfare and the activities co-ordinator. SUSU is planning on sending an email to all students about LGBT History month and KG has written a section for that email about what history month is and what the society does.
2. KG: They also want us to do an Instagram takeover in the first week of February. JN: Wants the content they had planned to help with doing that. KG: We could have one committee member responsible for posts each day, with each of us picking a topic that's close to our hearts. Idea of doing queer 101 educational style posts. JN will talk to SUSU about this on Monday.
3. SUSU has also booked a zoom drag act during the month. They would like us to publicize it. JN: How much money did this cost, how was it organised? KG: SUSU says it's a local drag artist they paid for.
4. JN: Can we cross post Instagram posts from the takeover to twitter. KG does not know.
5. CPF: We should have a press release. They can work with JN on this. This could be forwarded to the tab.
 - a. CPF will work on a press release with JN (CPF, JN)
6. CP: Has put an event calendar on teams. KG: We should start the It's a Sin watch party at 6pm rather than 8pm so it ends at a reasonable time. There should be a welfare officer on hand. MB will be there. MG: We could also have discussion afterwards on discord until midnight.
7. We should put out a poll for film nights.
 - a. CP will put out a poll for film nights (CP)



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8. IA: We can release the queer pirates lecture without a watch party.
9. KG: We don't have a discussion group like normally do. Pencil one in for the 24th.
10. Everyone needs to put their names on the spreadsheets for events they can make.
 - a. Everyone to put their names on the spreadsheet for events they can make. (Everyone)
11. IA and RN: Needs access to the quiz writing spreadsheet. CP will organise that for them.
 - a. CP to send quiz spreadsheet to IA and RN. (CP)
12. If evening general socialising events are better attended than lunches, we should consider increasing the amount of nights compared to lunches as lunches have not been attended well for the duration of lockdown.

NUS LGBT History Month

Discussion of which NUS LGBT History Month events to include on our schedule.

1. We can upload events that we want to be open to people outside of the society to NUS websites. We can also advertise NUS events to our members – for example, there's a screening of "Pride!" on the 26th.
2. CPF: We could open the discussion group up to other LGBT society members. KG: We often don't do that to keep things as a safe space. We could open the discussion group up to test the waters and advertise the pride screening.
3. JN: We could open the events without audience interaction such as the talks. KG: We would need permission from the people doing the talk.

Posts for History Month

Discussion of posts that will happen in history month.

1. JN has made some visuals for posts. What do we want to put on digital signboards? KG: We should put calendars on the signboards. JN: What posts do we want to make? IA: Has made some posts about queer representation in media for WFW style posts.

RAG Charity Event

Discussion of working with RAG on fundraising events.

1. CP: has been in contact with RAG. We are aiming to host the Gameathon in March. They still have the LGBT mixer event in their morale week and have suggested that we do an LGBT social media event instead. CP has talked about



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the gameathon not happening in their morale week. We should work with them on an alternate event.

- a. CP and KG to work together on gameathon (CP, KG)

Email Response

Discussion of the response to the email we sent Deborah Hummerstone.

1. CPF: We have received a reply from their line manager saying that they have asked them not to reply to avoid mixing personal and private lives. CPF suggests talking to Pulse through Andy Landell. We need to be very careful about libel. We should not talk to anyone outside of the committee about this without consulting the rest of the committee first. The committee unanimously voted to keep matters regarding this confidential and to a strict committee line. If it is talked about publicly, we should seek legal advice first.

Hillside House Name Change

Discussion of success of our campaign to change the name of Brunei House.

1. KG: We have been campaigning for a name change for two years. We should make a statement about this. CPF and KG will work on a draft statement and share it on the group chat.
 - a. CPF and KG to draft a statement about the name change (CPF, KG)

Monday SUSU Meeting

Discussion of the meeting with SUSU on Monday.

1. There will be a meeting with SUSU at 2pm on Monday. OCW, CP and JN will be coming. Need to talk about takeover details, digital signage, twitter, and the competition.
2. JN thinks we could use the SUSU money for a mural. KG says to keep it as an idea for the future as we would need to talk to facilities. Could be a good way to celebrate local LGBTQ+ history.

Any Other Business

Discussion of the discord bot, the SUSU rent referendum, & the Faceto the fabook page.

1. KG: We need to make sure we are replying to messages to the facebook page promptly. Notify CP for events related messages or welfare for welfare related messages.
2. KG: We could move committee meetings to discord. Everyone agrees.
3. JN: Wants to know who runs the soton uni alumni account. KG: Reach ou to Georgia Miller.



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4. CPF: The complaints system is the same for academic and professional staff, with formal complaints and mediation. Unsure why what we've done is not a formal complaint already. To complain as a group, you need to have one student be the spokesperson for the group and everyone else has to agree that they speak for them.
5. OCW: We need to post about the UoB letter. IA and JN will work on a graphic saying we support them. KG will make the tweet.