Deputy President (Clubs & Societies) Report

A report by Lily Topham

Budgeting

We are finally entering the last part of budgeting. The two appeals from GSA and ICSM were heard at an emergency meeting of Exec on 18th March. Following the Emergency Exec, the GSA budget allocation was increased by £300 to make a total allocation of £1500 and the ICSM budget allocation was increased by £37.89 to make a total allocation of £68,007.38.

All CSC/FUs should now have made their final allocations and informed their clubs. Clubs can appeal to their respective CSC/FU, and should they be unhappy with the outcome of any appeal, can then appeal to CSB on 26th May.

Conferences

I have been in talks with the Conference Office to try to clarify the position on licensing for events in College, to simplify the booking process and the booking guidelines and rules for Clubs and Societies. We have made a number of changes to the Conferences Clubs and Societies booking procedures and form which should make things clearer, but this is still a work in progress.

Sports Facilities Booking

Bookings are open for block booking requests for all Sport Imperial facilities, including Harlington and Teddington as well as the (new) Union gym and JCR for next academic year.

Exhibition Road Open Day

I am working with College to organise Imperial's participation in this event, held on Sunday 21st June. I am hoping that we will have more clubs and societies involved in this day, and this is currently looking promising with larger numbers of arts societies interested in taking part.

College Open Day

I have been in talks with College about increasing club and society involvement in the Open Day on 25th June. We are currently looking for exciting things to happen on Upper Dalby Court from 12-2pm and possibly also in the morning. Any bright ideas welcome.

Building Works and Space

I was pleased to go on a little tour around the unfinished mezzanine floor and 2nd floor on 3rd April. These works are coming along apace and it looks genuinely very nice. The new SAC will be ready to move into within the next month.

I have been working out how to cope with the next phase of the redevelopment to minimise inconvenience to clubs and their stores. However, this will not be easy as the 3rd floor and basement will be the next areas to be worked on, which currently house a large proportion of the Club and Society stores.

Meetings

CSB was held on 23rd March. I also attended the ULU Inter-Collegiate Sports Committee on 26th March.

Training

Phil Power, the DPFS and myself have been owkring on our programme for Club Officer training for the summer term. We are aiming to incorporate a lot of the feedback that we have received, including incorporating more Workbench training in the Principle Officer section and moving more of the training facilities online. We are currently investigating both the College's Oracle system and our own in-house system. We held a Clubs and Societies Training Open Session on 21st April for any members of College to give us feedback on club officer training, and we had some useful discussions with Sport Imperial which should speed up transfer of monies between Sport Imperial and clubs.

Elections and AGMs

I have been dealing with a small number of complaints regarding the running of club elections and AGMs.

New Clubs

At the last NCC on Mon 23rd Mar there were no new clubs created.

The next NCC will be held in early May. Currently we have an application for Comedy, Boxing, and Cocktail Societies as well as several others which are not finalised.