

Imperial College Union
Deputy President (Finance & Services) Report
A Note by Daniel Hill

Commercial Services

- I have been working closely with the trading and entertainments manager on providing a good level of service for our members. I am reviewing bar operations on a weekly basis. If you have any comments on our bars please email dpfs@imperial.ac.uk
- There have been numerous events held in the Union over the last 3 weeks where the level of vomiting has hit new levels...cough cough... RSM Freshers Dinner, CGCU Ball and ACC Bar Night. Could you please remind everyone if they feel the need to vomit, please do it in the loo, and not the sink! Oh and urinating indoors is not a great idea (unless you want to be clearing up your friends mess on a Wednesday night and face a fine).
- I will be organising a trading forum / focus group to receive student's feedback on the Union's commercial services. This will take place in late November.

Finance

- I have been reviewing the management accounts; these will be presented to the Executive Committee on Thursday for their scrutinization.
- I have met with the Union Finance Manager and the Membership Services Manager to discuss uncashed cheques and clubs & societies debt collection. We have formulated a plan to tackle these problems; I will be presenting more info on this to Exec.
- I have been attending the new weekly Union finance meetings. These are very useful for improving the communication within the department.

Clubs and Societies

- Busy... busy... busy... The beginning of October has been hectic with day to day admin and club enquiries, can I please remind club officers their first point of contact should be with there CSC or FU Chair or Treasurer. Alternatively try emailing clubs@imperial.ac.uk
- Online Sales: A new Online Sales policy is still currently in progress and this will formalise rules on using the ICU online shop. Can I remind everyone that items have to be a minimum of £5 to be approved.
- Tours: I am pleased to say that the IC Trust has agreed to keep the grants at the same level for 09/10 as last year – that is £9,000 for sports tours and £10,500 for Non-sports tours. This funding together with the union grant for all tours totals £28,500. At the last meeting of CSB, 12 tour applications were received and 11 of those were passed as tours. At the previous meeting of CSB a funding split of 30%, 20% and 50% for winter, spring and summer tours respectively was agreed upon.
- Debts: The Finance manager and I met to review club debts last week; it appears there are a number of clubs whose accounts still hold deficits. I will be working with these clubs over this term to provide a solution for them to repay their debts whilst still operating successfully as a club.
- Training: Scheduled Finance Training sessions have now finished however there are still many stragglers. We will be holding one last session on Friday 6th November from 5pm. Please go to the website and book your session.
- Events and sponsorship: I have received many budgets for upcoming events and many sponsorship contracts... Keep sending them in.

Summer Ball

- Progress on the Summer Ball has now started. I am working on an initial budget. I will be starting a working group during the week commencing 16th November. If anyone is interested please email dpfs@imperial.ac.uk

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Freshers Week

- Freshers' week was an enormous success both commercially and in way of attendees, the figures will be presented to Exec on Thursday. I am looking to receive your feedback, please email your comments to dpfs@imperial.ac.uk or come and see me in my office.

HST Training

- The Honorary Senior Treasurer training session is taking place on 3rd November. I have been working with past DPFS, Jon Matthews on reviewing the HST Role. Developments on this will be presented to the next meeting of CSB.

Graduation

- I graduated! Ash kindly gave Jenny, JJ and I the day off to sit down in the Royal Albert Hall and clap, and then clap some more, and then get drunk.

DLH – 30 October 2009