

# MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS of the sixth ordinary meeting of the Clubs, Societies and Projects Board of the Imperial College Union in the 2013-14 Session

The meeting of the Clubs and Societies Board was held in the Union Dining Hall in the Union Building on the 25<sup>th</sup> of February 2014 at 6pm.

#### **Present:**

Deputy President (Clubs & Societies)	Yasmin	Edwards
Deputy President (Finance & Services)	Kieron	Creagh
Deputy President (Education)	Natalie	Kempston
Deputy President (Welfare)	Marissa	Lewis
Arts and Entertainment Board Chair	Alex	Savell
Athletic Clubs Committee Chair	Chew	Liew
C&GU Regalia Officer	Tim	Munday
CAG Chair	Sam	Page
GSU President	Andreas	Thomik
ICSM Clubs & Societies Officer	Patrick	McGowan
Media Group Treasurer	Maciej	Matuszewski
Overseas Students Committee Chair	Charmain	Li
Overseas Students Committee Chair RAG Chair	Charmain Callum	Li Kirk
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RAG Chair	Callum	Kirk
RAG Chair RCSU Treasurer	Callum Victoria	Kirk Walpole
RAG Chair RCSU Treasurer Recreational Clubs Committee Chair	Callum Victoria Thomas	Kirk Walpole Wheeler
RAG Chair RCSU Treasurer Recreational Clubs Committee Chair RSMU Secretary	Callum Victoria Thomas Jack	Kirk Walpole Wheeler Judd
RAG Chair  RCSU Treasurer  Recreational Clubs Committee Chair  RSMU Secretary  SCC Chair	Callum Victoria Thomas Jack	Kirk Walpole Wheeler Judd

Apologies: Membership Services Manager Phil Power.

**Observers:** Sue Hong OSC Secretary, Steve Tran ICSMSU President, John Golden ICSMSU Treasurer, Ben Fernando RAG Treasurer, Richard Cameron RCC Treasurer, Gheorghe-teodor Bercea GSU Treasurer.

## 1.0 Chairs Business:

- **1.1** It is noted that the RCC standing orders have been cleared with some changes to bring them in line with the current Union By-laws.
- **1.2** The Board move to a vote to accept the RCC standing orders as valid.

Resolved: The Board accept the RCC standing orders as valid.

## 2.0 Minutes of last meeting - 25/02/14

**2.1** The Minutes of the last meeting are accepted as valid.

#### 3.0 Matters arising:

**3.1** No matters arising.

### 4.0 Budgeting:

- **4.1** It is noted that all documents and spreadsheets have been sent round to the members of the board by the DPCS and DPFS.
- **4.2** It is noted that all issues regarding the budget appeals can be discussed at this point in the meeting, but proposals will not be taken until the original proposal submitted by the DPCS and DPFS has been voted on.

## **RCC Synchro:**

The RCC would like to seek clarification as to why an increase has been granted for ground hire, but not for instructors, and where the proposed £186.95 has come from.

It is noted that the recommendation was to award ground hire but not instructors in this instance, it is noted that the club can apply to the development fund for the additional amount.

It is noted that the club may suffer without the additional money for instructors.

#### **ACC Archery:**

It is argued that any decisions made solely on the amount of SGI the club has are not accurate, as Archery is very active during the summer term.

It is noted that the club has grown significantly and will be growing this year as numbers have increased.

It is noted that this is an ideal use for the development fund.

#### A & E Choir:

It is noted that the justification for awarding them less money is that their SGI is high, however, it is higher due to the music deposit scheme, and the club cannot use that money.

It is noted that the club can use some of the money, and whilst they do have high instructor costs, they do have over £10,000 in their SGI.

#### RAG:

It is requested that there RAG standing orders are changed to state that the Union will cover the cost of the RAG chair attending conference.

It is noted that CSPB does not have the power to make this kind of decision and that Union budgeting is never guaranteed and therefore this change cannot be made.

It is argued that the travel expenditure for conference should be funded at 100%, as RAG are working as a charitable organisation and not applying for anything else through budgeting (total amount = £70 for travel lines).

It is noted that RAG feel that they can't use SGI for this cost, as it is for members and not for RAG specifically.

#### Media:

It is argued that the media clubs are very different from other clubs and many produce award winning material available for free.

It is argued that every media club has been hit hard and will struggle to function without an increase.

#### **Photosoc:**

It is noted that the lines they put in under CSPB-B were originally under A and therefore they would like to move them back. It is noted that the club are currently due to receive under £2000, which is the lowest amount for 4 years.

It is noted that their SGI is quite high, but this is necessary in case equipment breaks. It is also noted that the club will be purchasing more equipment too.

#### Stoic:

The club would like an increase for the Varsity equipment they require to stream the event. It is noted that this could be funded by Sport Imperial, but they are unlikely to receive enough. The club would like a £100 contribution as they have a high audience turnout for the event and this is a service for students.

#### Radio:

It is noted that lines A546 A548 have always been awarded the full amount in the past, and this year they have only been given 50%.

These lines represent licensing costs and this situation is different as it covers any group that might want to have an event/broadcast under the license.

It is argued that this argument would be more defendable if their listener numbers were higher.

It is noted that RAG conducted a 24 hour broadcast with Radio that they couldn't have done without the license.

## Magazine:

It is argued that whilst the club has been awarded a respectable amount of money for conferences, they would like to request a £100 increase.

It is noted that the club do have poor membership at the moment, but they have taken steps to rectify this. It is argued that the membership numbers are not representative, and it is hard to tell who is actually involved. It is also argued that they have a large readership and do a lot for a small club.

## **ICSMSU Waterpolo:**

It is noted that ICSMSU Waterpolo are a growing club and have requested an increase, but have been told to apply to the development fund.

It is argued that ACC Swim and Waterpolo have received a much higher allocation, and as such ICSMSU feel it should be fair across the board.

It is noted that the whole point of having different clubs with the same purpose/activity (ACC and ICSM) is to allow for differences, therefore standardising the allocation is not practical.

#### **CAG Raincatcher:**

It is noted that that club have been in contact with Anthony Crowther at the Union.

It is noted that they cannot be granted additional funding. This is due to issues with the link Raincatcher has to the Raincatcher charity - as the Union is a charity they cannot fund a charity within a charity.

## **ACC Fencing:**

It is argued that the percentages are confusing currently and the club have asked for an increase to 50%, but have currently been allocated 42%

It is argued that there may have been a mistake with the ground hire total and an additional 60% should have been included.

It is noted that a correction has already been made to the line.

### **RCC Fellwanderers and RCC Floor ball:**

It is noted that there is an inconsistency with both of these clubs and the spreadsheet has not been updated correctly.

### **RCC Gliding:**

It is argued that the instructor costs for Gliding are very high (£15,000) and their costs from last year and the year before were £3000 and £1000. It is argued that the costs have therefore been reduced and the club don't need that much of an increase.

# **ACC Fencing:**

It is noted that there may be an issue with the figures in this allocation.

## **ACC Rugby:**

It is noted that the club appealed both the Instructor and transport allocations and are happy to accept the instructor lines.

The club would like to question why their transport line was ignored, and feel that the costs on paper do not reflect their need for an extra vehicle of some description.

It is noted that the club is financially stable and the spreadsheet shows funding allocated on the basis of one bus per game to bring them in line with everyone else.

It is noted that both appeals were considered to be relevant, and the funding represents some contribution to bot appeals.

The club feel that it is unfair to compare the costs of ICSM and ACC Rugby, as the clubs are very different, and ICSM have a very high SGI (£16,000) in comparison to ACC's (£600).

A proposal is made to accept the recommendations from the paper entitled 'Recommendations for the Outcomes of Annual Budgeting and Submitted Appeals' presented by the DPCS and DPFS.

Vote:

Accepted: 13 Rejected: 2 Abstentions: 1

The proposal passes.

It is noted that £30 currently remains still to be allocated.

A proposal is made to allocate RAG the remaining £30

Vote:

Accepted: 3 Rejected: 12 Abstentions: 1

The proposal falls.

A proposal is made to allocate the remaining £30 to the development fund:

Vote:

Accepted: 15 Rejected: 0 Abstentions: 1

It is noted that this is figure is dependent on the DPFS updating the spreadsheet.

## 5.0 Tour applications:

**5.1** It is noted that any queried tour applications can be considered at now, but all un-queried will be passed as a block as per the recommendations from the DPCS and DPFS.

#### **ACC Wushu:**

It is noted that the club did not provide enough information about their plans for tour, but have sent an e mail to the DPCS assuring that they have 'a packed confirmed timetable.'

#### **CGCU EWB:**

It is noted that the tour application is not for a long enough period and therefore doesn't qualify as a tour.

A proposal is made to accept all tour applications as per the DPCS and DPFS recommendations, with the exception of CGCU EWB.

Vote:

Accepted: 14 Rejected: 0 Abstentions: 1

The proposal is accepted.

**6.0 Late Tour Applications:** 

A proposal is made to consider the late tour applications that have been submitted.

Vote:

Accepted: 12 Rejected: 1 Abstentions: 2

The proposal is accepted.

6.1: Womens Rugby:

It is noted that there will be full days of activity and in addition to Beach 7's there will be other games and friendlies throughout the course of the tour. How many days activity?

**6.2 RCC Mountaineering:** 

There are no questions for this application.

6.3 ACC Gaelic Football:

It is noted that the tour comprises 5 days but only 2 matches, and would it be possible to increase the amount of matches?

It is noted that this would not be possible, as one game is very tiring, but training and workshops will occur during the time they are out there.

A proposal is made to accept the 3 late tour applications.

Vote:

Accepted: 14 Rejected: 0 Abstentions: 1

The proposal passes.

7.0 Any Other Business:

It is noted that the DPCS will be working on the management group restructure in the coming weeks.

Meeting end time: 19:20.