

Minutes of the Imperial College Union Clubs, Societies and Projects Board 3 November 2015 Room 1 & 2, 18:00

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# 1. Chairs Business

## 1.1 NAC & ADB Updates

a) It is noted that the committees are yet to meet. Arrangements to meet will be made by the end of the week.

#### 1.2. Upcoming Deadlines

a) It is noted that there are no upcoming deadlines

#### 1.3 Reminder of membership targets

a) It is noted that clubs need 20 members to qualify as a society.

## **1.4 Unfilled Committee Positions**

a) It is noted that the Management Groups are to push for committee positions to be filled

#### 1.5 Sports Review Update

a) It is noted that a Cross campus survey will be going out, dates for this will be released in the future.

# 1.6 Fair usage Policy

- a) It is noted that a policy involving the usage of Union rooms and spaces in in process.
- b) It is noted that this process will be completed around February
- c) It is noted that if any clubs use Union spaces and want to be involved in the process, to contact Deputy President (Clubs & Societies)

# 2. Minutes of Meeting - 16 June 2015

- a) It is noted that UNICEF got moved to RAG, but there was not enough dialogue so UNICEF stayed with CAG
- b) The board then moved to a vote to accept the minutes as accurate

# **RESOLVED:**

# 1) The vote passes and the minutes are accepted

# 3. Minutes of Meeting - 20 October 2015

- a) It is noted that the final resolution for the redistribution of funds from the Magazine Club was for it to be kept within the Media Exec Account (point 3 of the minutes)
- b) It is noted that the ACC Treasurer present at the last meeting was Josh Pyrah and not John McDonnell
- c) The board move to a vote to pass the minuets as accurate with the amendments

# Resolved:

# 2) The vote passes and the minutes are accepted with the amendments

# 4. Matters Arising

- a) It is noted that finance reports will be sent
- b) It is noted that actions from the minutes are in process

# 4.1 Printing

- a) It is noted that, following the printing discussion in the last meeting, some members of the board have had further discussions on the allocation of printing
- b) It is noted that the board have made a commitment to continue to fund black and white printing for core activity for the remainder of the academic year

# 4.2 Access to Union Building

- a) It is noted that a further discussion was had regarding access
- b) It is noted that there are key volunteers from DramSoc and Media groups who need access to the Student Union Building
- c) It is noted that the issue has been resolved for now
- d) It is noted that the board are happy for this to be taken away

# **5. CSP FINANCE REPORT**

a) The Deputy President (Finance & Services) presents the finance report to the board

- b) It is noted that ICSMSU Careers should have been shut down.
- c) The board are encouraged to inform their clubs of the use of the Designated Members Fund (DMF)
- d) It is noted that there are some discrepancies regarding money carried over with the current DMF Policy

# ACTION:

- 1. Deputy President (Finance & Services) is to close ICSM Careers and internally transfer the remaining money to ICSM Exec
- 2. Deputy President (Finance & Services) is to close Magazine Club
- 3. RCC Chair to produce a paper to make small changes to the DMF Policy

# 6. TOURS FUNDING SPLIT

- a) The Deputy President (Clubs & Societies) outlines the tour funding split
- b) It is proposed to split the tour funding for the Winter, Spring, and Summer Tours into 27.5%:27.5%:45% of the ICTrust allocation for the academic year 15/16
- c) The board then moved to a vote to accept this proposal

# **RESOLVED:**

1) The vote passes with one abstention

# 7. WINTER TOUR APPROVALS

- a) The board look through the Tours Applications sheet
- b) It is noted that the Deputy President (Clubs & Societies) has made recommendations for the applications
- c) It is noted that for any clubs that are rejected, there will be a one week appeal period in which the club has to provide more information (no more than half a sheet) and explain their reasons to the board
- d) It is noted that the applications highlighted in green have been recommended by the Deputy President (Clubs & Societies) as legitimate tour applications. These are:
  - ACC Basketball
  - ACC Cycling
  - RCC Canoe
  - RCC Caving
  - RCC Mountaineering
  - RCSU Physics
  - ICSMSU Water Polo
  - SCC Model United Nations
- e) The board move to a vote to pass the tour applications highlighted green

# **RESOLVED:**

# 1) The vote passes with one abstention.

f) The board then move to look at the applications which need further discussion. These are:

# 7.1 RCC Fellwanderers

a) The board asks whether RCC Fellwanderers have been to this location before

- b) It is noted that the Lake District is a very wide area
- c) It is noted that the application is not specific in which part of the Lake District the tour will take place
- d) It is suggested to accept the tour on the basis that RCC Fellwanderers have not been to this location before
- e) The board then moved to a vote to accept this suggestion

# **Resolved:**

# 2) The vote passes with one abstention

# 7.2 RCC Underwater

- a) It is noted that this tour application involves a very small amount of members
- b) It is noted that the board feel that this application has not been worked on enough
- c) It is noted that the board would like more information for the tour
- d) The vote then move to a board to accept or reject the application

# **Resolved:**

# 3) The application was rejected with 5 abstentions

# 7.3 ICSMSU Exec

- a) There was a discussion on the eligibility of Management Group Execs going on tour
- b) It is noted that this discussion will be brought to the next meeting

# 7.4 Tour Dates

a) It is noted that the tour dates do not make sense

# ACTION:

1. Review of tour dates to be brought to the next meeting

# 7.5 Recommendations for applications to be rejected

- a) The board review the applications which have been recommended to be rejected
- b) It is noted that these rejected applications will go through an appeals process
- c) The board move to a vote to accept the rejected recommendations
- d) The board then move to discuss the queried applications

# **RESOLVED:**

# 4) The vote passes with two abstentions

# 7.6 RCC Gliding

- a) It is noted that the tour is very expensive
- b) It is noted that it is cheaper to drive the glide up to the location rather than hire on site
- c) It is noted that a discussion of on basis of money without a budget is unfair
- d) The board move to a vote to accept the tour application

# **RESOLVED:**

# 5) The vote passes with two abstentions

# 7.7 SCC Erasmus

- a) It is noted that SCC groups doing social activity goes against social purposes in policy, which is a contradiction to the nature of SCC clubs
- b) It is noted that this tour involves cultural activity
- c) It is noted that due to the location of the tour, this could be classed as a trip
- d) It is noted that the board feels that this application does not contain enough information
- e) It is note that the board would like more information regarding the spread of departments
- f) The board then move to a vote to reject the application with the right to appeal

# **RESOLVED:**

# 6) The vote passes with two abstentions

### 7.8 ICSMSU Badminton

- a) It is noted that this is the same event as last year
- b) It is noted that they do not budget for it because around faculty of medicine academic dates
- c) It is noted that the club do not know if they can go until faculty release the dates.
- d) The board agree that this does not fall as something the club can budget for
- e) The board then move to a vote to accept the application

### Resolved:

# 7) The tour was accepted with one abstention

# 7.9 RCC Funkology

- a) It is noted that Dance Company are going to the same event
- b) The board do not think this is a sufficient reason to not accept the tour application
- c) The board move to a vote to accept the tour application

#### **RESOLVED:**

# 8) The tour was accepted with one abstention

#### 7.10 A&E String Ensemble

- a) It is noted that the application for this tour was late
- b) The board move to a vote to accept the late application

# **RESOLVED:**

# 9) The vote was passed with one abstention

- c) It is noted that this tour is only for one night
- d) It is noted that this is a similar application to last year
- e) It is noted that last year's board voted to make it a tour
- f) It is noted that travelling on one night would increase costs
- g) The board move to a vote to accept the tour

# **RESOLVED:**

#### 10) The tour was rejected with 8 abstentions

# ACTION:

2. Deputy President (Clubs and Societies) to ask club for full budget per member with and without stop over

## 9. MANAGEMENT GROUP TRAINING SESSIONS

a) It is noted that Deputy President (Clubs and Societies) is still working on the Management Group Training Sessions.

# **10. MANAGEMENT GROUP RESTRUCTURE**

- a) It is noted that a paper was made last year and was ready to be approved
- b) It is noted that the board need to formalise the dates
- c) It is suggested that the board forms a working group to discuss the restructure
- d) The board are asked to contact the Deputy President (Clubs and Societies) if they wold like to be involved in the working group.

# **11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

### **11.1 RAG BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION**

- a) It Is noted that the RAG British Heart Foundation club is inactive
- b) It is proposed to close the club and donate the remaining funds to the British Heart Foundation
- c) The board move to a vote to accept the proposal

# **RESOLVED**:

1) The vote passes with two abstentions

# 11.2 ICMSU Heathrow

- a) It is proposed that the Union take a stance on the Heathrow expansion due to the expansion affecting the Heston training grounds.
- b) It is proposed to discuss this at the Clubs, Societies and Projects Board and then take a paper to council
- c) It is noted that the ACC Chair and ICSMSU Clubs and Societies are to make paper, bring to the Clubs, Societies and Projects Board and then discuss this at council.

# 11.3 Media

- a) The Media Chair proposes a paper to be brought to Union Council to discuss the Trustee Board Chair
- b) It is noted that if anyone would like to comment, to email the Media Chair

#### 8. Budgeting Policy - Key Issues

#### 8.1 Split of CSPB

- a) It is noted that some decisions within budgeting do not affect the full board
- b) It is noted that clubs may have specific issues relating to them so it is not understood that the only exception will be with sporting clubs.
- c) It is noted that the old system of Management Group allocations did not work in the past
- d) It is noted that final decisions would go to the board, this proposed process would help with the length of the meetings and quality of discussion

- e) It is questioned what would happen if there is a disagreement between two boards, who would have the final decision?
- f) It is noted that this decision would delay the process
- g) It is noted that splitting sport and non-sport is something that is already done through the allocation of money money for ground hire etc.
- h) It is noted that this seems to be an argument of timing
- i) It is questioned how the monetary split would work
- j) It is suggested that the board would wait until the budgets came in in January
- k) It is suggested that clubs might appeal the split
- I) It is noted that the appeals would go to the entire board, where only half of the board know the issue (if there is a split)
- m) It is noted that the Sports Strategy is looking into how clubs are funded
- n) It is noted that going forward, this could mean that funding could be taken away
- o) It is suggested that larger clubs in both groups might drastically impact the funding for the rest of the clubs
- p) It is noted that there has not been much consultation with clubs regarding this
- q) The board move to accept the proposal

# **RESOLVED:**

# 1) The vote does not pass with 5 against and 3 abstentions and gets brought forward to the next meeting

# **RESOLVED:**

2) The board will discuss this with their Management Group clubs and vote to consider this decision at the next meeting

# 8.2 Priorities for funding schema

- a) It is noted that some of the priorities are vague
- b) It is noted that this is to provide a framework for the discussion
- c) It is noted that a similar process was used last year but was not given a set order
- d) It is suggested that too much ranking could affect the budget application quality
- e) The board move to a vote to accept the proposed priorities as a guideline

# **RESOLVED:**

3) The vote passes with the proposed amendment to change '*want*' to '*priority*' (or another word) and passes with three abstentions

# 8.3 Approach to high cost activity

- a) It is noted that there is an argument over engaged members. For example, Squash has loads a lot of members but only 25 engaged
- b) It is noted that if we base grant allocation on membership target, it is not benefitting engaged members for specific examples
- c) It is suggested to add a line to the budgeting applications which specifies how many members it would benefit
- d) It is noted that this would create a system that punishes clubs who are honest
- e) The board move to vote to make a decision on this in the budgeting policy

# 4) The vote passes with four abstentions

# 8.4 High SGI and DMF

a) It is noted that this will not be taken into account unless it is justified

# 8.5 The approach to College funding & sponsorship

a) It is noted that this decision will be taken offline

# 8.8 Inflation

- a) It is proposed to accept the rate of inflation proposed by Deputy President (Clubs and Societies) and Deputy President (Finance and Services)
- b) The board move to a vote to accept the proposal

# **Resolved:**

# 5) The vote passes

# 8.11 Funding for Specific Members

- a) It is proposed to defer this discussion until the next meeting
- b) It is noted that the rest of the points will be considered offline

# Meeting ends at 20:00