MCR 2018-19

Easter Term Meeting

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  - College Lunches
  - Update on Bar refurbishment
  - Dining Hall survey
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    - Bi-weekly events such as movie nights or BME speakers.
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    - She is keen to see more events for undergraduates in Freshers week
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- Unfilled MCR positions (Daniel)
- Welfare (Paulina)
  - Health and Nutrition in Hall
  - Safe distribution of female sanitary products and a diversification of available contraceptives.
  - Concerns wrt construction staff at Swirles Court
  - Installation of a kettle etc outside the library during exam term
  - Welfare events for exam term
  - Potential free STI testing through ‘Dhiverse’
- Garden Party and Freshers Week (Daniel and Emma)
- First Bop of Michelmas (Emma)
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  - MCR meetings going forward => none until exams finished, break over summer and then weekly mini-meetings to prep for Freshers and monthly over the academic year
  - College Lunches => fortnightly lunches with College Officers/MCR Wednesday 1pm, to enable informal discussions about College activity, policy
  - Update on Bar refurbishment => definitely going ahead over Summer, will go to Council end of May for financial approval
  - Dining Hall survey => decrease in dining hall use over past few years has prompted the survey. They intend to take one of the whole student body to improve services.
    - Intention to undertake prior to end of Easter term
    - Welfare Officer - raised query of nutrition in dining hall food
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    - A subject-mentor programme where 1st year students are assigned mentors to consult on academic matters
  - Yuri - raised query of who will run the college families or whether they should be merged with that existing program
  - Previous families selected based on ethnicity + subject areas => discussion whether basing it on ethnicity is valuable
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• Maxim to meet with contacts from Trinity about their scheme

- Unfilled MCR positions - Green, Academic and LGBT Officers (Daniel) => open nominations before May Week, in the event of no nominations we can recruit as MCR

- Also seeking persons to sit on Housing committee and the Research Committee - will appoint post exams

- Welfare (Paulina)
  • Health and Nutrition in Hall
  • Safe distribution of female sanitary products and a diversification of available contraceptives. => can be acquired from CUSU at cost price. Requests have been made for latex free condoms - consider buying these in larger bulk
  • Distribution method? From behind the bar and potentially Porters Lodge
  • Concerns wrt construction staff at Swirles Court => email being sent to all residents to enable them to make contact with College about complaints
  • Installation of a kettle etc outside the library during exam term => Welfare to set up on Bar for access during study period
  • Welfare events for exam term => pizza night and Paulina to investigate dog visit and massage event
  • Potential free STI testing through ‘Dhiverse’

- Garden Party and Freshers Week (Daniel and Emma)
  • GP to be held Wednesday 30th June => theme: ‘Jungle’
  • Daniel => general expectation is for MCR assistance with events across the year
  • Freshers Month => will be planned around injunction dates

- First Bop of Michelmas (Emma)

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  • Accommodation Update (Patrick)
    • General Update on Accommodation => spoken with Staff wrt facilities and upgrading rooms over summer will undertake active checks
• Picnic benches will be provided in back gardens of off-site houses
• Bank holidays causing disruption to cleaning =>
• Problem of the off-site bins being emptied too infrequently to be raised by Accommodation Officer with College Staff
• Gardening in offsite houses will be done on monthly basis
  - Accommodation Allocation Policy => 12 month leases are not likely to be feasible for this coming year and likely to be possible in future for off-site only.
  - Summer Storage => space for 188 boxes which is larger than past years max 7 items for all students. College will buy reusable boxes available to students for a deposit. Jonathan Aveling will send an email in the next week to gauge demand. Porters will manage the system.
  - Insider's Guide to Accommodation => request for pictures of accommodation to contribute to this. To be collated over the summer
• Stash update (Andrea) => need to order 50 items min, aiming to ensure stash arrives by 15th June
  - MCR stash => matching blue t-shirts with Committee titles on reverse
  - Pin badges
• Harry => requests descriptions for the website MCR page and to get the email system up and running.
• Punts => Buffyfish has been refurbished - should this be managed by Porters going forward. Harry to contact Development Office to gage if they are interested in making use of this
- Actions:
  • Harry to set up G-Drive for shared docs
  • Harry and Hattie to undertake Dining Hall survey
  • Yuri to lead on new College Families working with Jeehee
  • Welfare to set up on Bar for access during study period
  • Welfare to contact Dhiverse to clarify whether or not their under 25 rule is strict and speak to College Nurse to scope out options for other forms of STI testing through College