



RCSA Open Meeting Minutes

Sunday, 19th November
7pm
Umney Theatre



Agenda

1. Apologies for absence or lateness
Tiara Ataii (Treasurer) excused by Valentine Lauwereins (Chair)
2. Announcement of the presence and purpose of guests
N/A
3. Approval of the presence and speaking rights of guests
N/A
4. Approval of the order of the agenda
N/A
5. Reading by the secretary on request by any member, amendment if necessary and approval of the minutes of any previous Open Meeting not yet accepted by an Open Meeting.
N/A
6. Matters Arising from the minutes
7. Committee Reports and Resolutions
N/A
8. Questions to the Committee
9. Extraordinary Motions
N/A
10. Ordinary Motions
 - A) CUSU Affiliation
 - B) Renewable Policies
 - C) Forming an Ents Committee
 - D) The Budget 2017-18

Ordinary Motions

A) CUSU Affiliation

RCSA Notes:

1. According to the constitution, a list of organisation that the RCSA is affiliated with should be submitted yearly for approval.
2. The RCSA is currently affiliated to CUSU, for the cost of £2840 including NUS subscription fees. This money is allocated within the RCSA budget for solely this

use and as such payment of the subscription does not take funding away from anything else in the RCSA budget.

3. That CUSU's support in terms of welfare, access, representation at university level and running of campaigns would be unsustainable at a college level.

RCSA Believes:

1. That its affiliation to CUSU is of major benefit to the college.

RCSA Resolves:

1. To stay affiliated to CUSU

Proposed by : RCSA Executive

James Hedge expressed support of re-affiliation because of the benefits to the college.

AGAINST:

N/A

FOR:

N/A

Vote

For: 39

Against: 0

Abstentions: 0

This motion passes.

B) Renewable Policies

RCSA Notes:

1. That all policies on the Renewable Policy List (**see Appendix**) lapse after 3 years.
2. That a number of these policies are due to lapse during the forthcoming year.
3. The constitutional requirement for such policies to be proposed for renewal at the first Open Meeting following the election of a new RCSA committee.

RCSA Believes:

1. That there are a number of such policies which we would not want to lapse.
2. That these policies continue to support the general aims and objects of the RCSA as set out by the constitution.

RCSA Resolves:

1. To renew the policy contained in the list in the addendum.
2. To expressly revoke any policy passed before 1st January 12 and not contained within the renewable policy list.

Proposed: RCSA Executive

James Hedge: We agreed to renew all but one of the policies. The exception was the policy involving splitting up the open meeting budget. Details of the renewable policies can be seen on the agenda document.

Mark Driver: Do you have the lyrics to the song?

James Hedge: No.

Matt Kite: Can we get to the point and move on please.

AGAINST:

N/A

FOR:

N/A

Vote

For: 38

Against: 0

Abstentions: 1

This motion passes.

C) Forming an Ents committee

RCSA Notes:

1. The ents role is filled by two people and involves quite a few weekly aspects.
2. The ents officers' manifesto pledged to form an ents committee.

RCSA Believes:

1. An ents committee would allow certain responsibilities to be shared with other members who could focus more on individual roles, ensuring sufficient attention to each aspect.
2. A committee would let more people have a say in the running and content of bops.
3. It would also encourage more people to run for ents officers in future.

RCSA Resolves:

1. To form an ents committee of around 5 people (including officers), with people able to apply to the Ents Officers for a place.
2. Applications will be open to all and widely advertised.

Proposed by : Bradley Sawyer Seconder : James Timmins

Bradley Sawyer: We would like to form an Ents Committee made up of people who can each focus on the little things that go into organising Ents, such as equipment and non-alcoholic events. This was a point made in our manifesto when we ran for the position of Ents officers.

AGAINST:

N/A

FOR:

N/A

Vote

For: 38

Against: 1

Abstentions: 0

This motion passes.

D) The Budget 2017-18

RCSA Notes:

1. The budget for the next year needs to be discussed and voted on.

RCSA Believes:

1. That this is essential.

RCSA Resolves:

1. To discuss the budget and vote on it, according to the constitution.
2. To approve the RCSA budget for 2017-18 as detailed in the attachment.

Proposed by : RCSA Executive

Lizzie Palmer: If no one has any issues with anything on the budget, we can pass it as a bulk motion; if there are issues, they must each be passed individually.

Mark Driver: Everyone who asked for money got what they wanted, so there shouldn't be any issues unless someone who wanted money did not initially ask.

Lily-Rose Sharray: Is the access budget separate?

Rhys Goodall: Yes.

Question: Could we move around some of the money for basketball? There were some miscalculations of the cost of court hire. Could we therefore put the funds for equipment and kit into the court hire allocation?

The change was made.

Question: Could we also have a look at the rugby budget?

No issues identified.

Question: In the budget document, the requests I submitted for the men's football team have 'Football Women's' written next to them.

Rhys Goodall: Did you merge them?

Response: Yes, the amounts allocated for kit, referee equipment and laundry should be for the men's football team.

The budget allocations in question were changed to 'Football Men's'.

AGAINST:

N/A

FOR:

N/A

Vote

For: 39

Against: 0

Abstentions: 0

This motion passes.