

# MedSoc Committee

Tuesday 29th September 2014 – 17:00

Room 1.08 – BSMS Teaching Building

## Agenda

### Present

*Kiran Eyre - KE*  
*Alex Langrish - AL*  
*Emily Whiles*  
*Annabelle Clarke*  
*Nikhil Pandit - NP*  
*Sarah O'Brien - SOB*  
*Ihsan Fazal - IF*  
*Jenny Scott - JS*  
*James Barber - JB*  
*James Cartwright-Gill - JCG*  
*Maddy Gabony - MG*  
*Sally Tulip - ST*  
*Jess Durrand - JD*  
*Rosie James - RJ*

### Apologies

*Anna Baginski*  
*Koop Patel*  
*Jaz Singh - JDS*  
*Will Whyte*  
*Alex Parr*  
*Hannah Cheston*  
*Sarah Thornley*  
*Will Whyte*  
*Al Yardy*  
*Tasmin Maxwell*

### In attendance

### Absent

## 1. Committee Business

The committee agreed to set that deadline for applying for the role of Graduate/Mature Representative will be midnight Sunday 5th October 2014. Any candidate wishing to stand in the election will need to write a short manifesto and email to AL before this deadline. **AL will email MedSoc members to advertise the role and inform of the deadline. AL will then pass on manifestos to IF to post on websites.**

## 2. Minutes of the previous meeting

**The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 23rd September 2014 were approved**

- SOB and NP have now spoken to the rowing society and they will report to the committee next term to decide upon any association/funding with MedSport
- JB has emailed societies with regards to their own committee elections. SOB raised point that we need evidence that roles have been opened up to all - JS suggests rule that societies need to post on Facebook advertising committee positions before they close elections to self-selection. **JB & JS are to amend society form with the current 9 rules. They will report back in several weeks so that committee can discuss any proposed changes. KE to ask JDS/Dilan Joshi about society agreements and whether the committee needs a vote from members to implement any such changes to the society agreement.**

### 3. Matters arising

#### Socials

JD

The committee congratulates JD & JCG upon a successful first social that manage to raise £220+ for MedSoc. JD & JCG thought that selling wristbands only at the bar was successful although it raised a few problems with regards to the organisation of the night. The main problem was that there simply wasn't enough people to sell the wristbands, go to the club early, stand on the door and help to move people on. The committee however are happy to help out with future events, some even if they are not planning to head to the club venue afterwards - **in the future JD & JCG will post on Facebook prior to events to get enough committee members to help out.**

JD & JCG have advised the committee not to tell people to put their names on guestlists for club venues. It's inevitable that people will do this but committee members should not encourage this behaviour since it diverts funds away from MedSoc that can be reinvested into societies and events. JD & JCG were very happy with the attendance, particularly with the number of freshers at the bar. Selling only at the bar worked, however the committee need to make sure friends buy their wristbands from the bar and don't turn up late and hope to buy wristbands from them. Committee also agrees that there is a need to be explicit that wristbands will only be available at the bar.

Thursday's social (2nd October) will be held at Wah Kiki with wristbands to be priced at £3. Wah Kiki will be exclusive to medics and doors will later open up into Shoosh, where the medics have been promised the platinum lounge; the theme is to be 'Plain and Simple'. As of yet there is no bar to meet prior and sell wristbands, potentially Oxygen - **JD & JCG to continue with planning.**

Medic Mayhem is to be held on Friday 7th November. JD & JCG are currently unsure for the venue. Potential for Bedrock (formerly Wahoo), which has a 660 capacity so would need to ensure could close venue and keep open purely for medics. Alternatives are Shoosh and Pryzym - **JD & JCG to continue with planning and report to the committee.**

Winter Ball is to be held on Friday 28th November. The photobooth has been confirmed and is now awaiting deposits. The Haunt, which had previously been promised to JD & JCG, has now been booked for another event - an alternative venue of Coalition has been offered by promoters but JD & JCG are unsure since the club would not be exclusive to medics. Some of the committee suggested Dirty Blonde as an alternative venue. There are currently three companies offering catering services and JCG & JD are awaiting for finalisation of menus but there is one company currently ahead of the field - **JD & JCG to continue with planning and report to the committee.**

#### Society Bank Accounts

MG

RJ has spoken with Francesca from activities at USSU and has gathered the impression that she'd rather we held all of our accounts with USSU. There are benefits with loans being easily approved and transferred, however we would be unable to withdraw our own floats and would have general difficulty in accessing physical cash. MG and ST note that anything going through an USSU account would be subject to VAT and also would be much slower to invoice.

The Anatomy Society have asked MG and ST as to whether they should get an USSU account or a community account. Following a brief discussion about the USSU bank accounts as it stands, the committee and MG & ST agree that we should advise them to get a community account - **MT & ST to advise societies to take out community accounts if they are unsure about which to choose, at least until we can gain a clarification on access to USSU bank accounts for floats and small amounts of cash.**

RJ is currently planning to change the RAG account to an USSU bank account as she believes it will be much easier in long run and will help to protect societies in the future from being overdrawn.

JB, JS, MG & ST are to arrange a meeting with Francesa in order to go over access issues with USSU accounts and gain a clarification about any obligations we have, as well as the pros and cons of using USSU.

**4. Any other business**

**5. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting is due to be held on Friday 10th October 2014 at the Audrey Emerton Building.



Jaz Singh  
President

