

MedSoc Committee

Friday 23rd January 2015 – 13:00

Room 1.08, Medical School Building

Agenda

Present

Alex Langrish - AL
Harry Cross - HC
Rosie James - RJ
Philippa Wright - PW
Steph Mulhern - SM
Sally Tulip - ST
Sarah O'Brien - SOB
Maddy Gabony - MG
James Barber - JB
Jaz Singh - JDS
Jess Durand - JD
James Barber - JB
Jenny Scott - JS
Kiran Eyre - KE

Apologies

Anna Baginski - AB
Alex Parr - AP
Hannah Cheston - HC
Will Whyte - WW
Tasmin Maxwell - TM
Al Yardy - AY
Koop Patel - KP
Sarah Thornley - STh
Dilan Joshi - DJ

In attendance

Absent

Nikhil Pandit - NP
James Cartwright-Gill - JCG
Ihsan Fazal - IF

1. Committee Business

No committee business to discuss

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 14th January 2015 were approved.

JB & JS held a meeting with society presidents this week and have created a draft for society guidelines.

SOB has spoken with Kukri and has arranged for the online shop to reopen on 2nd February for 8 weeks delivery around 10th April. These will be sent to the medical school building following approval from Liz Kaye. Ordered alongside the general kit are face layers and water bottles.

SOB & NP will hold a meeting with sports captains for the process of auditing - during which sessions will be monitored and so cards must be held by every participant. Should any problems occur then the Sports Federation can either allow practices to carry on, cancel individual sessions or completely ban teams from organising their facilities. Despite overall good adherence and relations with Sports Federation, several games of rugby have taken place on one of the astroturfed pitches that should only be for non-contact sports. There is a future game booked for this pitch that SOB & NP will ensure will not happen again.

3. Matters arising

Finance

S Tulip

1. External auditing

ST & MG have met with the external auditor used by USSU and have provisionally arranged to carry out the auditing in September alongside the new treasurers to ensure continuity amongst the accounts of MedSoc. The accountant has offered a reduced £1000 fee for this due to the association with USSU but some it was felt by the committee that this was still a rather substantial amount. JDS suggested trying to offer our accounts for the next 10 years at a reduced rate of £500 if possible - **ST & MG to talk with auditor to discuss fees in more depth.**

2. PaedSoc Ball funding

PaedSoc have requested a substantial sum of money from MedSoc, having had previous funding of around £4000. The committee agrees with PaedSoc that the annual event is a great asset to the BSMS community though feel that the funds they are asking for are too great. The committee hopes to be provided with a presentation detailing exact costs. JDS puts forward idea that provide PaedSoc with a loan for the ball alongside a smaller financial gift - **JDS to speak with DJ**

SurgSoc

J Singh

JDS has had some issues with the conduct of the SurgSoc president, as have several other members. Several exchanges have taken place that do not conform with the expected etiquette between societies and their parent society - MedSoc. The society have also asked to have access to a calendar to organise events despite there being a calendar available at bsmsmedsoc.co.uk - this being clearly iterated by JS & JB during their society meeting - and the fact that this calendar is moderated by JCG & JD - **JDS to consider options and JB & JS to remind societies of the agreements they have signed up to in order to access MedSoc funding and resources**

Refreshers

H Cross

HC & PW apologised for their absence last week as they wished to discuss Refreshers. The committee commended them for the overall success of the week despite some difficulties surrounding the organisation of Friday's event.

4. Any other business

SOB raises the issues surrounding kit for the rowing society since this cannot have any logos or use of words that affiliate it to BSMS as a whole, or implying that they are a sports club as opposed to society - **JB to send an email to remind them of their status as a society and not a sports society. He will also ask that they not seek sponsorship from any of MedSoc's current sponsors since there are a society within MedSoc and should not be diverting sponsorship away from MedSoc itself.**

SOB to remind them that they are unable to use branding or logos that insinuates an affiliation with BSMS and MedSoc as a rowing club. SOB also to potentially create a contract of understanding between MedSoc and the society around issues with logo/kit, health and safety and sponsorship - possibility of countersignature from Shoreham Rowing Club around adherence to health and safety guidelines.

JB & JS have reminded societies that they need stamps on posters before they are able to be put up around the medical school building. The society handbook is near completion

and is awaiting communication with Fran from USSU Activities around certain procedures -
JB to send drafted handbook to KE

JD has been looking into a non-drinking event held by MedSoc. The committee suggest using Room 76 at Falmer Bar for some kind of cake party, perhaps on a Sunday. Alternatively a photo-trail event could be held in Brighton, culminating with a meeting in a cafe - JD to investigate further.

5. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held during the week of Monday 26th November

JDS

Jaz Singh
President

