# CSS Committee Meeting - Minutes

| Location: | LG23 |
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| Date: | **Wednesday 6th November** |
| Time: | **18:30 BST** |
| Attendees: | **Holly Packer (HP) (Chairing), Leonardo Bishop (LB) (Minuting), Lee Alabaster (LA), Rohit Jose (RJ), Marcus Gustafsson (MG), George Barrell (GB), Nial Dixon (ND), Joe Adams (JA), Sabrina Ahmad (SA), Matty Widdop (MW), Sumeet Brar (SB), Sai (S)** |

**1**     Apologies received from                                                                         HP
  - Adi Agarwal

**2**     Adoption of Previous Minutes                                                                LA
  - Unanimous adoption of previous minutes

**3**     Matters Arising                                                                                    All
  - **Emoji Competition**
    - HP reports they're a bit behind on this
    - SA asked what the Emoji Competition is
    - HP replied saying that it's an event we do every year, but we don't have enough slots for more emojis
    - **Action everyone: Go through emojis and figure out what to remove**

**4**     Past Events (*standing item*)                                                              All
  - **Lua Workshop 2**
    - HP reported the event was a bit quieter than expected
    - LA said it made him hate Lua more than he already did
    - HP mentioned we should ask Amrit for the slides for the workshop
    - **Action HP: Ask Amrit for the slides / recording**
  - **EGM**
    - HP welcomed new committee members and asked how it went
    - JA was worried about attendance. RJ also mentioned there was a mismatch between people registered and people actually attending.
    - MG remarked that we don't get much attendance at EGMs anyway.
    - HP believes this was mostly a scheduling issue because it was during consolidation week, and a conflict with the SSF.

- - Most new committee found out about the EGM through Discord.
    - LA mentioned we should stop using the TeX costume so much, because it should be a special thing used only a couple of times a year.
      - HP doesn't think it's much of a big deal.
      - LA believes it loses charm if we keep using it.
      - RJ is happy to continue using the costume.
      - SA believes it makes it more interesting, and MG thinks it helps with attendance since people are less likely to leave during the event.
    - GB asked if it's a requirement if we do the treasurer's report every EGM?
      - HP replied yes.
    - LA mentioned we need to remove old committee at some point.
    - RJ believes it's not a big deal if we wait until handover.
    - HP agrees.
    - LA thinks it's silly but concedes.
    - **Action new committee: Write a bio for the website.**
    - **Action LB: Submit the EGM minutes.**

**5**     Future Events (*standing item*)                                             All
- - **break;**
    - Every Friday 1-3pm
    - **Action LB: Buy the things.**
    - SA cannot attend the break, and neither can LA this week.
    - RJ thinks we only need a couple of committee members to run it anyway.
    - SA reports that a CS first year module conflicts with break.
    - RJ thinks we should sort it out on discord
    - HP suggested running it in the slot before AFNOM instead.
    - MG thinks we should talk to AFNOM.
    - HP asked ND if this would work with PGTs
      - ND replied that its fine for his course but not sure about others
    - HP thinks we should treat break like a drop-in event
  - **NQ64**
    - Thursday 7th November
    - HP mentioned we have a walking train from 6:15 pm and asks who can make it
      - JA, LB, HP, GB, ND and MG can make it.
      - MG cannot make the walking train.
    - RJ explained what happened at Ming Moon where we got split up
    - LB will write a reminder announcement tonight.
    - RJ reminded us we have ear buds and that we should bring them, and to mention the noise and earbuds in the announcement.
  - **Movie Night**

- ○ Wednesday 13th November
- ○ University House G12
- ○ MG reports the Guild has not approved our catering form, but that everything else is approved.
- ○ LB: "fuck the guild"
- ○ **Action LB: Buy popcorn**
- ○ SA asked about the salty to sweet ratio
- ○ MG replied, saying it's about a two thirds ratio
- ○ **Action MG: Source the film (legally).**
- ○ SA reports the building closes at eight and might shut off during the event
- ○ MG plans to ramble until 8pm so this doesn't happen.
- ○ HP asked how we usually have popcorn
  - ■ MG replied it's usually distributed in bags and that we need someone cooking the popcorn.
- ○ SA suggested using microwaves in the guild to save time.
- ○ MG remarked we usually split split and salty up because it's finicky due to the different cooking times.
- ○ RJ mentioned we should start setting up by 6:30pm
- ○ LB reports he needs a piss
- ○ **ACTION LB: Piss**
- ● **AlgoSoc Collab**
  - ○ Thursday 14th November 5-7
  - ○ **Action S: Do the RA for this**
    - ■ Action Complete
    - ■ HP stole the action
    - ■ S seems VERY angee >:/
  - ○ ND asked what the event is
    - ■ HP replied saying that the event is industry focused, for people on a year in industry to share their experiences about applying for roles.
  - ○ HP reported that we are late for publicity
    - ■ We did announce it in the EGM
- ● **Bouldering**
  - ○ Saturday 16th November
  - ○ HP reported it was announced in the EGM.
  - ○ SA asked what bouldering is
    - ■ HP replied it's "like climbing without harnesses", and that we usually do it at Depot
  - ○ **Action RJ: Make publicity for Bouldering**
    - ■ **Action complete**
  - ○ HP reports the event is *not* approved by the Guild, but it is part of the annual risk assessment
- ● **Video game social**
  - ○ **Action SB: Reach out to esports soc**

- ■ SB reports they forgot
- ■ Action carried forwards
- ■ He is doing it rn
- **Python Workshop**
  - ○ Friday 22nd November
  - ○ HP reports Matt can only do this workshop in the afternoon. She also suggests if we decide to move break then we can do it at that time.
  - ○ HP thinks we should ask Matt to record it.
    - ■ SA agrees
  - ○ ND asked if it was an introductory session
      HP replied yes
  - ○ **Action LA: Look for locations**
  - ○ **Action MW: Create Activity** 👍
    - ■ Action Complete
    - ■ Action any% speedrun
- **Pub Crawl** 🍺
  - ○ Saturday 30th November
  - ○ **Action LB: Look at stewards**
  - ○ HP reported we still need to do the ticket request form
  - ○ SB reports the current planned route is: Mulligan's, Heidi's, Brasshouse, The Botanist, Solomon Cutler
  - ○ GB asked if we're doing T-shirts
    - ■ HP replied we are, for £8
  - ○ HP mentioned we need to contact BluDog.
  - ○ SB suggested we ask Mulligans if we can have guests buy golf on the door, as opposed to pre-booking.
  - ○ GB asked if we should account for that time by having a longer stop there
  - ○ RJ suggested giving a ten minute warning before leaving
  - ○ **Action SB: Call Mulligan's**
  - ○ HP reminds us we need a design for the T-shirts.
  - ○ **Action LB: Create the design for the T-shirts**
  - ○ **Action RJ: Amend RA**
- **Christmas Meal**
  - ○ Thursday 5th December
  - ○ HP mentioned there are no updates to report, we are still waiting on the Guild.
  - ○ **Action MW: Chase Guild**
    - ■ Action Complete
  - ○ **Action RJ: Write the Discord publicity**
- **Discord Botathon**
  - ○ 7th/8th December
  - ○ Teams of 4
  - ○ **Action RJ: Look at potential prizes for this**

- - - RJ reported they looked at arduinos and RPis, both expensive except RPi Zero Ws. He reports four would cost £52.
      - **Action Complete**
    - **Action MG: Buy Raspberry Pi Zeros**
    - HP proposed a structure for the event in Discord.
    - SA asked if we have a judging criteria for the bots
      - HP mentioned that we don't
    - **Action SA: Come up with judging criteria**
  - **TNMoC**
    - HP reported the trip to TNMoC is already approved.
    - **Action HP: Check dates for tickets**
  - **Hackathon**
    - Provisioned for the week before easter break
    - **Action HP: Contact Hackathons UK if you have time**
      - Action Carried Forward
    - **Action LB: Ask the school if we can actually have accommodation**
      - Still no reply
  - **CSS Ball 2025**
    - **Action RJ: Look at locations for the ball**
      - RJ reported they checked some locations and sent a breakdown on Discord
      - Action complete
    - RJ thinks we should switch up the venue
    - HP suggests we try and contact venues early
    - RJ believes we should sort out the venue by the end of this year to give us enough time if we were to run the ball at the same time
  - **CSS does Taskmaster**
    - Provisionally planned for sem 2
    - Potentially have teams of 5
    - **Potential tasks:**
      - Redacted
    - Nothing new to report
  - **Sports Day**
    - Week 10/11 next semester
    - Include a combination of classic sports day events, e.g. egg & spoon race, sack race, etc.
    - SB reports they have spoken to multiple societies
      - Chem Eng
      - PPS
      - EcoRacing

**6**     Sponsor/Industry Update (*standing item*)                              MG
  - **Trade Desk**
    - No update

- - ○ Our contact still hasn't responded
  - **Next year sponsors**
    - ○ Redacted

**7**     Finance Report *(standing item)*                         MW
- **Most recent statement balance: £3,162.25**
- **Actual Working Balance: £3,520.18**
- **Pending incomings**
  - ○ Memberships
  - ○ TradeDesk????
- **Pending outgoings**
  - ○ Break stuff
  - ○ Celebrations
  - ○ Pizza
- **Thigh Highs**
  - ○ **Action RJ: Reach out to thebrandedsockshop**
    - ■ RJ reports they've reached out but they have not responded
    - ■ Action complete
  - ○ **Action RJ: Make a design**
    - ■ RJ has come up with a design
- **TeX plushies**
  - ○ No update
- **Pride Stickers**
  - ○ MW reports they are now in the cupboard
- **CSS Hoodies**
  - ○ **Action SP: Look at potential suppliers**
    - ■ HP forgor- 💀

**8**     EDI Report *(standing item)*                                       TB
- MG asked if there are any events which are upcoming which we need to put out announcements for
- **Action SA: Prepare an announce for Trans Awareness Week and/or Transgender Day of Remembrance**

**9**     Committee Suggestions *(standing item)*                     LA
- N/A

**10**     Any Other Business *(standing item)*                           All
- **Open Day**
  - ○ Pics for Helen
  - ○ LB has already sent Helen images.
  - ○ SA volunteered to show up for a few hours.
  - ○ HP will also show up if she can be bothered.
- **Change meeting dates**
  - ○ RJ explained LettuceMeet to SA
  - ○ HP mentions they'll put a LettuceMeet link into Discord

**Actual start time**    18:36 GMT
**Actual end time**    20:18 GMT
**Duration**    1 hour and 42 minutes