

CSS Committee Meeting - Minutes

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Location:	LG23
Date:	Friday 22nd November
Time:	18:00 BST
Attendees:	Holly Packer (HP) (Chairing), Lee Alabaster (LA) (Minuting), Leonardo Bishop (LB), Rohit Jose (RJ), Sai (S), Nial Dixon (ND), George Barrell (GB), Matty Widdop (MW), Marcus Gustafsson (MG)

- 1 Apologies received from HP
 - Joseph Adams
 - Sabrina Ahmed
 - Adi Agarwal

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

- 3 Matters Arising All
 - **EGM**
 - **Action cmt-elect: Write a bio for the website**
 - HP reports most people have done this
 - Most people have done training as well
 - MG is stomping around on his keyboard
 - HP reports that we are waiting on the guild to approve the minutes
 - LB will chase up Gemma
 - MW asks it's worth asking Gemma if she has actually received them from Ophelia
 - HP reports that she has suggested a handover meeting for elect
 - Wednesday at 4pm in Sloman hopefully
 - **Spoons/stirrers at break;**
 - **Action RJ: Buy stirring sticks**
 - **Action Complete**
 - RJ will bring them in this weekend/monday
 - **Minecraft mod challenge**
 - HP forgot to make the channel for this
 - HP will try to do it tomorrow
 - **War with Bad Film soc**
 - We need strategy

- RJ asks how much money we have
- MG suggests one upping them with even shittier shitposting
- RJ asks who the funniest person here is
- MG: “we shitpost, you shitpost, we are the same”
- MG suggests asking them for a collab
 - GB suggests a battle
 - **Action MG, GB: Reach out to bad film soc**
- LB asks if we can afford an ICBM
 - RJ reports its only 140 billion dollars
 - Light work
 - LA reports that we cant PE it though

4 Past Events (*standing item*)

All

- **Movie Night**
 - It happened
 - MG reports it was going brilliantly until some security looking people came in
 - MG has aura
 - The guild didn’t send the security the OOH booking form to the building manager
 - HP reports that we have emailed Gemma about this already
 - HP brings up that we could email the building manager directly next time if needed
 - MG reports that most of the lights in the guild are a bit shit
 - GB reports that the film was interesting
- **AlgoSoc Collab**
 - LA and LB went but didn’t really listen
 - HP reports that drinks was a good idea due to the length of the talk
 - Other than that it went good
 - HP suggests archiving the channel soon
- **Bouldering**
 - Most people who went found it quite good
 - HP reports that we forgot about the entry fee in publicity
 - HP reports that the trains went to shit after the event
 - They had to get the bus back
 - HP reports that a few unfamiliar faces turned up as well which was good
- **Python Workshop**
 - Friday 22nd November 1-3pm
 - HP thinks it went well
 - ‘It was alright’
 - LA says that it should’ve been a good language instead of python
 - LB says that Matt is a good speaker

5 Future Events (*standing item*)

All

- **break;**
 - Every Wednesday 1-3pm
 - We ran out of hot chocolate :(
 - £130 spent so far this semester alone, might be worth being slightly more conservative with this
 - HP asks what the costs were last year
 - MW isn't sure
 - LA tracked it in the event tracker
 - LA will have a look at it later
 - HP suggests having a budget for break; each semester
 - HP reports that the next break; will be during the christmas light turn on
 - MG and RJ got spangled last year because of the mulled wine
 - GB reports that a couple of people were confused that it was on a wednesday
 - HP reports that we did publicise it in the weekly digest and put a message out on the day
 - LB suggests there's not too much point since there's only 2 left
- **Emoji Competition**
 - This will happen
 - HP reports that we wanted to get this started on Sunday
 - Now tomorrow
 - HP asks if the emojis have been deleted
 - MW says they have
 - HP asks how many slots we have now
 - One.
 - MW says there are a few more we can bin off
 - MW reports that we have a lot of animated slots we can also use
- **Pub Crawl** 🍺
 - Saturday 30th November
 - HP reports that shirts have been ordered
 - Stickers have also been ordered
 - HP says we haven't published the free tickets as much
 - LB says it'll be in the weekly roundup next week
 - **Action LB: Look at stewards**
 - LB has made a list somewhere
 - We have 9 so far
 - If we sell 70 tickets then we need 12
 - Only sold like 35 so far
 - HP reports that the Botanist wanted us to pay a £500 deposit
 - No
 - SB is negotiating it down to £100
 - LB suggests going to snobs instead if not

- Backup will be discussed this week
- **Christmas Meal**
 - Thursday 5th December
 - Tickets go off sale monday
 - 64 meal tickets sold
 - 4 Non-food
 - Need to find out if they'll accept a PO, if not ask Gemma to prep for credit card urgently
 - HP reports that they seem hesitant about a PO
 - MW spoke to Gemma today about this
 - The guilds credit cards are almost at limit
 - Might be a shitshow
 - HP says we will get the preorder out asap
 - More publicity has gone out today as a final push
- **Discord Botathon**
 - 7th/8th December
 - Teams of 4
 - Prizes will be Raspberry Pi Zeros
 - HP reports that publicity is due out tomorrow
 - LB would rather doing publicity after christmas meal tickets go off sale
 - HP is quite adamant about having a full 2 week notice
 - **Action SA: Come up with judging criteria**
 - Action Carried Forward
 - HP has talked to Todd about using a PGTA in the lab for this
 - Todd said it was fine
 - HP has reached out to Dan
 - Dan said sure
 - HP says the catering form has been approved although it isn't on the dashboard for some reason
 - HP talked to Matt today and he said that he might have issues coming to the 7th
 - LB asks about having a speaker just in case Matt can't make it
 - Ideally we have a backup before publicising
 - Leaf + Dan has volunteered as a backup
- **Video game social**
 - RIP Sumeet
 - No update
 - HP says the bad film social would be funny to be a video game social
 - Clutch or vonc
 - RJ think a president 1v1 would be good
 - HP would need to lock tf in
 - HP suggests making a channel for this but thats about it for now
- **TNMoC**

- Saturday 1st March
- All expenses sorted and paid
- *POSSIBLY* £500 from EPS if we limit 20 tickets to non-cs
- Awaiting response on more detail about this - RESPONSE RECIEVED: Meeting with idrees, times suggested in emails
- MW reports that they've basically sent the money already but we should try to do what they want just in case they take it back
- **Hackathon**
 - Provisioned for the week before easter break
 - **Action LB: Ask the school if we can actually have accommodation**
 - Still waiting on this
 - Tom is having a meeting with the security people about not requiring a staff member anymore
 - **Action LB: Look at what we could do for the structure of the hackathon**
 - Action Complete
 - HP has talked to Ashprit about a challenge with algosoc
 - LB has also talked to AFNOM
 - We are waiting on accommodation as well as looking for sponsors
- **CSS Ball 2025**
 - No update for now
 - HP says we could start looking at this more now that it's a bit quieter
 - RJ has got a list of venues with pros and cons of each
 - HP asks if we should ask to staff about catering/food etc
 - RJ liked the look of Botanical Gardens
 - HP suggests people go and have a look at it
 - RJ thinks we should email them and ask if we can go have a look
 - RJ will send a message in the channel for people who want to come look
- **CSS does Taskmaster**
 - Provisionally planned for sem 2
 - Potentially have teams of 5
 - **Potential tasks:**
 - Redacted
 - No update
 - HP suggests starting to think about when in semester 2 we would like to host it
 - HP is thinking about some time in late Feb
- **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
- No update
- SB isn't here
- HP suggests starting to think about where this would be

6 Sponsor/Industry Update (*standing item*) MG

- **Trade Desk**
 - MG has proposed an email to them about events next quarter
 - Asked them for ideas of what they would do
 - HP asks about telling them about hackathon
 - HP also asks about the termly mailshot
 - MG will add these to his email before sending it off
- **Next year sponsors**
 - **Redacted**

7 Finance Report (*standing item*) MW

- We have m
- **Most recent statement balance: £4,056.70**
- **Actual Working Balance: £2,266.44**
- **Pending incomings**
 - Memberships
 - Christmas meal
 - Bar crawl
- **Pending outgoings**
 - Break;
 - Bar Crawl shirts
 - TNMoC payments
 - Christmas Meal payment
 - Bar Crawl Stickers
- **Thigh Highs**
 - RJ isn't sure if they responded to his last email
 - Looks like they didn't
 - RJ is happy to chase them up soon
 - **Action RJ: Send them a stern email**
- **TeX plushies**
 - HP reports that there has been no update from Fearne in a while
- **CSS Hoodies**
 - Should start looking to prep this now: yes
 - Do we want a new design? ??
 - Both zipped and unzipped?
 - RJ thinks that we would have enough demand that it would be worth it
 - Someone suggested quarter zips

- It's the finance bro hoodie
 - If it's easy enough to do these as well then not much reason not to
 - HP suggested maybe having text on the hoodie like AFNOM
 - RJ thinks we maybe shouldn't
 - LB reports that it works for AFNOM since they are much smaller
 - MW says that we would need to sell them on the guild then order however many we need afterwards
 - Was planning to sell them in January but can be changed

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| 8 | EDI Report (<i>standing item</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Action SA: Prepare an announce for Trans Awareness Week and/or Transgender Day of Remembrance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Action Complete | TB |
| 9 | Committee Suggestions (<i>standing item</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● N/A | LA |
| 10 | AoB (<i>standing item</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tutoring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Could maybe be something we do in the future | All |

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