Seventh BA Committee Meeting Minutes - 4 March 2018

Members Present:
Mark
Olivia
Reece
James (taking minutes)
Rory
Annalise
Isabel
Amar
Trillium
Raj

Meeting opened at 17:03.

== Freshers' Week 2018 ==

Mark: Main reason for meeting is Freshers' Week. We need to submit the schedule of events by the end of the week. Main change to move Fellows' Event to before the International Food Night and hold both in the marquee. We would also like to hold a dance party after the wine & cheese night.

Olivia: Would be nice to have a social event that's not a Pub Night.

Reece: Last year the first Pub Night was not particularly well-attended.

Mark: Logistics and budgeting meeting is in April. College do not want any increases above the rate of inflation. For the dance party do we aim for music played over the PA system or do we aim for something more like a ceilidh?

General consensus is to just play music.

Olivia: For International Food Night, having takeaways is a bit odd and hard to organise properly. Would be better to just have one place cater, such as Aromi.

General consensus is that this is a good idea.

== Easter Term ==

First thing new committee has to organise is Garden Party.

There are a few budget categories that need spending in Term: sports equipment (£400), LGBTQ+ (£250), Women's (£250).

Currently not clear what to spend the LGBTQ+ and Women's money on.

Mental Health Workshops should happen next term but still need to be organised. Will probably be spread over a couple of weeks.

Oxford trip: St John's Oxford are being slow to reply. If we don't have a response soon we will fall back on going to Christ Church. Would be good to schedule our swap to Oxford when we don't have a Formal, over the summer.

Would like to run a tasting of some sort, probably an alcoholic one. Gin was very good a couple of years ago but also very expensive. There is a fortified wine tasting option for £25. Raj suggested a water tasting. There is also a £35 fudge making option.

Mark will ask for permission to decorate the Hall for the next BA Feast.

Musical tickets are cheaper for weeknights: do we want to move to a weeknight? Aladdin would be £39 if we can get 40 tickets. Ideally we want to run the musical event at cost as we've already spent a large amount of the cultural budget. Olivia reckons we could probably sell 40 tickets.

Other options include a museum trip with a guided tour or something similar.

It might be good to edit the committee rota so that longer events such as BA Brunch count for more than shorter events like Grad Bar Night.

Consider new tables for the BA Rooms.

Meeting closed at 18:18.