CSS Committee Meeting - Minutes

Location:	**Discord**
Date:	**Friday 29th November**
Time:	**18:00 BST**
Attendees:	**Holly Packer (HP) (Chairing), Lee Alabaster (LA) (Minuting), Matty Widdop (MW), George Barrell (GB), Adi Agarwal (AA), Sabrina Ahmed (SA), Leonardo Bishop (kinda) (LB)**

1   Apologies received from   HP
- Sumeet Brar
- Sai
- Marcus Gustafsson
- Nial Dixon
- Leonardo Bishop
- Joseph Adams
- Rohit Jose

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

3   Matters Arising   All
- **Go karting**
  - **Action MG: Research prices for go karting**
    - Action Carried Forward
- **CSS x DocSoc**
  - **Action SA: Ask Evie if there could be something we could do**
    - Evie has compiled a list of episodes we could maybe watch
      - Based on how linked they are to cs and imdb scores
      - MW does NOT like dot and bubble
    - Bells of Saint John is probably the best apparently
      - About wifi and hacking and allat
    - Evie said they watch doctor who at DocSoc (big surprise)
    - MW really doesn't like dot and bubble
    - **Action SA: Reach out to DocSoc (max)**
- **Semester 2 Planning meeting**
  - HP has mentioned this on discord
  - We are having a meeting on tuesday at 5pm
  - Purpose to recap semester 1 and what we can improve on

- - Plan out events we always do
    - Brainstorm events we may wanna run
    - HP has made a feedback form for semester 1 as well
      - It will be added into the newsletter and maybe a discord announcement as well

4   Past Events (*standing item*)   All
- **Emoji Competition**
  - :not_an_emoji: supremacy
  - We got the best emoji possible with 61 votes
    - HP doesn't seem to agree for some reason
  - We can archive the channel now
  - Same as always, no issues
- **Discord Botathon**
  - HP asks how people thought it went
    - GB thinks it was pretty good
    - Workshop and competition were both good
    - HP said it was a bit more spenny than expected, mostly because of pizza
    - SA thinks it went well apart from their oopsy with the repository being private
    - SA thinks the judging wasn't very structured
      - Just a couple committee members looking around not knowing what they were looking for
      - HP says that there was some sort of structure
      - Method to the madness
  - Only thing to sort out now in finances
- **Break;**
  - Break; is done for the semester
  - Spent like £20 a week for this semester
  - LA says that we shouldn't put it at the same time as SANDAMs coffee time
  - HP is happy with how break went

5   Future Events (*standing item*)   All
- **Advent of Code**
  - It is ongoing
  - HP reports that we spoke about changing the prize a little bit this year
    - Changing from a mug to a pint glass
    - AA would prefer a mug to a glass
    - HP isn't too fond of a pint glass
  - MW says it would be nice to change it
    - Should be functional as well
  - AA says to make a poll for it
    - MW is making a poll now

- **Bad Film Collab**
  - They have responded on instagram
  - GB went there yesterday as well
  - They seem quite set on doing a mario kart competition
  - HP reports that it would most likely be in like January
    - Decide on a range of dates on Tuesday
  - HP says we would either need a Wii or a Switch
- **SloLAN**
  - Go over this on Tuesday aswell
  - HP doesn't expect VGS to do this since they are having issues still
  - Random action time
  - **Action LA: Text VGS on insta about sloLAN**
  - HP says we could also ask GDS, UGG, VR
  - AA mentions looking at last years channel and seeing who we had
- **Minecraft mod challenge**
  - Hp was speaking with Dani today about this
  - As long as it's not week 1, 10 or 11 then it's fine
  - Hp said that she thought it would be similar to the discord botathon but that wouldn't work for minecraft mod
    - Would be more like a week long event instead
  - HP reports that we could maybe have a channel for this in CSS as well
    - Discuss things and show off their mods
  - Since they are mods, we wouldn't be running the mods ourselves since someone could upload something malicious
  - HP says we could upload it to DevPost instead
- **TNMoC**
  - Saturday 1st March
  - MW reports we are now just waiting on Gemma to sort the tickets to go up on the 10th
  - We have been given 50 quid from the guild now 🙂(fuck google docs)
  - MW is not optimistic that EPS will get many people to sign up but not our problem
- **Hackathon**
  - Provisioned for the week before easter break
  - **Action HP: Reach out to Hackathons UK**
    - Action Carried Forward
  - GDS are also interested in a challenge
  - HP asks if it would be fine to be only UoB students for now
    - People seem to agree that it would be fine
  - MW wonders if the school is gonna be pissy if people that aren't UoB students turn up
    - Not sure since the doors are open to anyone 9-5 anyways

- - - HP says we could have a meeting with the school to ask them these things at some point
      - Maybe also Gemma as well
      - MW says she won't have time before christmas
- **CSS Ball 2025** 📅 **Venues**
  - tldr:
    - Try to do before easter but will be a time crunch - 2nd April
    - Need to start on everything like now
    - Deadline for venue would be 6th jan when the guild reopens
  - HP says that if people could look at venues in person over christmas then that'll be really cool and awesome
  - MW says that we need to start reaching out to places for prices asap
    - Need to find capacity as well
  - **Action AA: Reach out to Quaid E Azam looking at prices + if we can have a look**
  - MW says that the same concern with botanical garden will be cost
    - Talked to them in 2022
    - Based on 2022 prices it might not be too bad but depends if prices have gone up
  - **Action HP: Reach out to Botanical Gardens**
    - MW has already done it
  - HP reports that Book Rotunda is quite small capacity wise and a bit spenny
  - Macdonald has good capacity - 250 with an area for dancing supposedly
  - Holte Suite is a bit far away
  - Diamond Suite has capacity
    - Indian Cuisine which not everyone may like
  - Eastside Rooms - £40 per person
    - Enough capacity
  - Crown Plaza
    - 300 capacity
  - MW says that we should get enquiries out as soon as physically possible
    - He is doing a couple now
  - HP asks about a dj
    - We could maybe ask SB's dad
    - Also depends on what the venue has to see if its possible
- **CSS does Taskmaster**
  - Provisionally planned for sem 2
  - Potentially have teams of 5
  - **Potential tasks:**

- - - Building stuff
      - Inventing something and pitching it
      - Task with the ducks
      - Acting
      - Drawing
      - Some form of quiz
      - Not redacting them bc its not happening anymore
    - Room booking?
    - HP says that this needs a lot of planning energy and isn't sure if we have that
      - People agree that it would be a bit too much
    - We are most likely binning it off but final decision tuesday
  - **Sports Day**
    - Week 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
    - I intend to email S&F over the break to discuss this and other sporting events - SB 👍
    - Can't do it before easter bc of ball + hackathon
    - People might not turn up after easter/before exams
    - Not sure when we could do it
    - Also don't know where it would be

6   Sponsor/Industry Update (*standing item*)   MG
  - **Trade Desk**
    - No update
  - **Capgemini** 👀
    - No update
  - **Next year sponsors**
    - Redacted
  - HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARCUS

7   Finance Report *(standing item)*   MW
- M? yep
- **Most recent statement balance: £4,621.31**
- **Actual Working Balance: £2,354.99**
- **Pending incomings**
    - Memberships
    - TNMoC EPS grant
- **Pending outgoings**
    - Break;
    - Christmas Meal
    - Campus League
    - Botathon Pizza / prizes
- **Thigh Highs**
    - **Action RJ: Yet another new email**
        - Action Carried Forward
- **TeX plushies**
    - Fearne knows how many need to be made
- **CSS Hoodies**
    - Waiting on Gemma
    - MW is unhopeful that they will be ou before Christmas
    - HP says we can make the sale period longer if not

8   EDI Report *(standing item)*   SA
- N/A

9   Committee Suggestions *(standing item)*   LA
- **Amrit bot**
    - No.
    - HP says we are not banning Lua from the server for some odd reason
- **TeX everest command**
    - Dani might be working on this
    - If she makes a pr then there won't be any objections to it

10   AoB *(standing item)*   All
- Newsletter
    - HP is working on it
    - Should be read by tomorrow

Actual start time	18:06 GMT
Actual end time	19:18 GMT
Duration	1 hour 12 minutes