

Danby Committee Meeting Easter Term 2016: Minutes

Present: Yanbo Yin (Chair), Matthew Brockwell (Treasurer), Katie Tidd, Greg Tate (Social Secretaries), Henry Wang (IT Officer)

6:30pm - 7:30pm, Butterfield Cafe

Money

M: Latest transaction 28th April, Barclay's account, 200, college around \$2000, overall \$2200, some from donations(?); Garden party recommended \$600, food \$450, last year \$1500, used college catering; this year's set to be on 2nd June 2:30-5:30pm

Y: Sponsorships?

M: Not allowed permanent sponsors, but can have host some sponsor dinners?

Y: Let's see what's on the constitution about sponsorship

K: JCR's constitution covers this, contact Tom Reimer if needed

Garden Party

K: We want to have a sign-up link, and a fb event; charge non-members £10?

G: Last year sold 10 tickets to non-members, but should have been 12, so the record's not correct

Y: So most is members

K: Yeah cause it's free

Y: What about entertainment

K: Looking at inflatables, they are fun; Getting quotes for castles, and then we can go from there; got quote for ice-cream van though

Y: That's good. Go for it.

K: Sign-up link. Should we have members signing up for non-members or have non-members allowed to sign up as well?

Y: We should be more inclusive. It's May week after all so people will go to anything

K: Alright, will make the change. Charge them on their college bill.

Y: People from other colleges. What do we think?

M: Nah. We are a college society. I don't think we should open up, we have the numbers, and other colleges have similar societies anyway.

Y: Fine. Have we had music?

M: Don't think so. May need money. Just have sound system maybe.

Speakers

Y: Any suggestions? I've looked at Downing ones (John P). There are some bye-fellows or current fellows. Maybe non-college ones. Looked at industry ones as well. Would like to have one at least. Engineers might be difficult to get because we are a science society. We would have to spend some money on John P because he lives in London.

M: One night in Downing is £95. Guest expenses for the whole of last year came to around £90.

Y: Frequency of talks. 3-4 a term?

M: Fresher recruitment is very important, so early/mid Michaelmas is necessary.

Y: Low number of talks reduces broadness so some subjects not covered

M: Patent law is kinda interesting because it covers quite a bit

Y: Also it deals with industry

H: Non-Downing attendees?

M: Sure. But don't think many people would be interested. And also logistics for working out who is who

H: Other people have expressed interest to come to Danby talks.

Y: Michael W is also someone who's big in biology so could look into that.

Socials

Y: Swap at the beginning of Michaelmas? It's exciting and really important for recruiting freshers. And also fresher's social.

M, K: Revs and the Vaults. Fixed amount of money and drinks for everyone.

M: 2013-14 Fresher's social reimbursed £48, don't have exact record.

Y: How about Christmas' dinner?

M: Sure. Why not

Y: Less money spent on it though cause low priority

K: Also can charge people a bit more. Need to contact others btw

Y: Earlier better

IT/Comms

Y: It needs some attention

M: Not many people have been on it

H: Content is really really important. More text posts on speaks, more photos from socials, and just people will become interested.

Y: Yeah definitely update it. And also the layout, not very impressive

H: We can work on that.

Y: Term cards. Digital or physical?

M: Digital is cheaper, and easier to manage.

Y: Printing them out is not exactly practical. But they need to be a thing; Talks.cam, get rid of the advertisements there?

M: It's kind of old. There's not much point.

Y: Sure thing. Bulletin?

K: Fortnightly is a good frequency.

Stash

Y: How about stash? Btw what are we gonna do with the design/logo?

K: Last term they asked around.

Y: That was just a survey unfortunately.

K: I assume they didn't get enough people. If we go ahead, best to get it during week 5 Michaelmas, so that fresher recruitment is complete.

Y: Good good.

Careers

Y: Once a year get careers service/ summer placement to do a presentation.

K: Summer placement you want to start looking around Oct/Nov

M: A bit busy then though. How about Lent?

Y: We can decide later. How about lab visits? Not sure what the labs' opinions are, but not sure if they are interested.

M: People can find it unnecessary though cause they've been to labs already.

Maybe industry is better

K: Material science can be looked into.

Misc.

Y: We have a danby group but not danby page.

K: There is one but last updated last year.

Y: Don't think predecessors used it but will contact Tom Perkins for access.

H: Contacting comms officer from other colleges to advertise talks?

Y: Conflict of interest. May not work. Just use members as mean of advertisement.

Y: Just noticed garden party is on the same day with Tribal. But we are at different times so garden party serves as pre-drink?