**Minutes 6/05/14**

**Present: CM, JS, HB, ET, CC, OB, GH, CP, PP, RFC, JN, LR, AK, CH, BJ  
Apologies: HJ  
AOB**

**LW minutes:  
-These were agreed**

**School visits:  
-Last week's school visits went well  
-There will be another week of school visits next week  
-CM asked for any new committee members who were interested to volunteer to be in charge of school visits next year**

**Committee Details:  
-CP is sorting this out and needs to know everyone's email addresses**

**Socials/Eurovision:  
-GH spoke to someone at Icons about Tuesday socials.  
-For now everything will stay the same but in September there will be a lot of cool stuff including free popcorn and pizza  
-It's too short notice to organise anything big for Eurovision this year so something will be put on Facebook to signpost people to the Icons event  
-Publicity people are going to put this on Facebook**

**Trans\* Rep:  
-Committee discussed whether committee should elect a trans\* welfare rep now   
-Normally this would be elected this year  
-The role will be publicised, and the by-election will be advertised as being at the start of the meeting in week 12.   
-If there's no interest within the next two weeks then this by-election will be held next year**

**Other reps:  
-Because the inclusions officer will be in charge of a whole group of reps after the summer, it was suggested that CC should sit in on agenda meetings to feed in ideas from the reps  
-CC would be happy to do this  
-HB said that in terms of the roles themselves, it should be left open depending on who turns up and wants to run**

**Committee Time:  
-There was discussion about organising for freshers next year  
-CM suggested that the committee have an extra meeting to arrange freshers events, and also to discuss goals for next year  
-CP will make a Facebook poll to work out when everyone will be free to have this meeting  
-It was also asked when the committee meeting would be next year  
-Next year the committee meeting might be moved to around 7pm so it's more convenient for people going to the Tuesday social afterwards  
-This will begin in September**

**Office hours:  
-Webchat hours were raised as an issue, and it was decided that these would be sorted out on Facebook. CC will post this.  
-CP said that office hours would be good to have at the start of next year, and GH agreed with this  
-GH said that organised socials in the lounge at the start of next year would be a good introduction for people to the lounge  
-There was a discussion about meet and greets before socials at the start of term  
-CM said that in order to do this, people just have to advertise that they'll be there and then turn up, which shouldn't be that difficult  
-Committee were generally of the idea that office hours are useful for the first few weeks but after that they don't need to be so strict  
-CC said that office hours by request could be a good idea**

**IDAHAT:  
-IDAHAT is the international day against homophobia and transphobia  
-Usually there's an event in the peace gardens/millennium galleries  
-As a committee we've always gone, but this year it's on a Saturday rather than a weekday  
-CM recommended that even if no one goes it should still be advertised   
-IDAHAT will be on Saturday 17th May**

**Big message:  
-This will be an event on Wednesday 14th May at 2pm  
-CM said that it's important to go and tell everyone about the issues that are important to us  
-It's a good opportunity to go along and tell uni staff about all the things we want (like GNTs)  
-This is an intersectional meeting and as many people as possible are encouraged to go**

**Gay volleyball:  
-There is someone who is in Spain at the moment who wants to organise something for gay men in sport  
-The person is happy to organise it themselves, but asked for the committee's support  
-Committee said they were happy to support and help them as necessary**

**PT Event:  
-This event is on 1st July  
-Committee are happy to advertise this**

**SMAGSMYP:  
-RFC and HB went along to this   
-The trans\* policy discussion didn't really happen  
-The next meeting will be at the end of July so committee will probably send apologies to this  
-RFC recommended that committee carry on sending someone along to the meetings because they're really useful**

**Hate crime scrutiny panel:  
-This is on Wednesday 21st May at 5.45 in the town hall  
-BJ is happy to attend this, and anyone else can go**