



## UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN STUDENTS' UNION SOCIETIES COUNCIL

University of Lincoln Students' Union Societies Committee, Thursday  
4<sup>th</sup> December 6-8 pm in Cargill Lecture Theatre

### Present:

Amnesty, Assassin, Big Band, Bio-Vetinary, Chemistry, Comedy, Comic Book, Conservation, Debating, Disney, Electronic Music, Enactus, Flat-pack, Food, Forensic, Forensic Psychology, Gaming, Get Savi, Graphic Design, Harry Potter, History, Illustration, Journalism, Juggling, Mental Health, Music and Jamming, Musical Theatre, Orchestra, Pharmacy, Physics, Public Relations, Red Cross, Sci- Fi, The Real Ale Society, Game of Thrones, Events Representative-Jammil Ahmed, VP Activities- Sammi Storey, Activities Manager- Tracy Hood, Societies Worker- Sophia Bishell.

### 1. Apologies:

- Societies Officer- Holly Band
- Architecture
- Creative Writing
- Conservative
- Criminology
- Engineering
- Singit
- Law

### 2. Minutes of previous meeting:

Approved: Ascension

Rejected:

Abstained:

### 3. Matters Arising:

None

### 4. Sports officer-Will Fry

All Societies and members are invited to the first ever Lincoln Cathedral Cup Match which shall take place on the 10th February 2016 at 7.45pm. The event shall take place at the Sincil Bank Stadium, Lincoln. 1500 tickets on Tickets are just £3. If a society would like to sell any tickets they would get the £3 right back into their society from tickets that they sell.

With pre match displays from the University of Lincoln and BG Cheerleaders and

Dance societies it is going to be a grand event. If you would like to get involved please get in touch with Will Fry or [activities@lincolnsu.com](mailto:activities@lincolnsu.com).

#### 5. VP Activities Update:

- The list of remaining Societies with Health and Safety evaluations to be updated was read out. Those members are to email [societies@lincolnsu.com](mailto:societies@lincolnsu.com) as soon as possible with their updated forms. All those members have received training so it is mandatory that these forms are submitted.
- There are new changes to development fund requests; from feedback the Board of Trustees have changed things. The process shall change to be a written application, which would have to meet a certain criteria, which shall be emailed shortly. The requested fund shall be capped. Then the Society would pitch this to a panel consisting of the Societies zone and Sports zone. The fund available will also be emerged so there will be a larger fund to access.

**Q-**Debating and Harry Potter raised the concern that this would be more for those with social enterprises. What happens to those who may not meet such criteria?

**A-**The criteria will consider a variety of areas, and the societies zone and the VP will be able to support your pitch. We want to make the fund more accessible and less intimidating, compared to standing to all the societies.

**Q-** Robbie from Forensic said can we put an extra role forward?

**A-** Of course, we can put this to be discussed in the next committee.

- This year the Students Union is running the Module Evaluations. Your responses will be completely anonymous. Your open responses will be really beneficial because they will help the University to improve your course for both yourself and for future years. In addition there are prizes. One of the prizes is 100 cash prizes of £100 each, to a £5000 cash prize. These can be found on the SU website. The evaluations will be open between 30<sup>th</sup> November- 13<sup>th</sup> December.

## 6. Emerging Societies:

- **Game of Thrones Society**

This society would like to encourage friendship with other society members. This society is a chance for members to socialise with people with similar interests by putting everyone into different “families” to compete against one another in order to win a prize at the end of the year. The societies shall host fancy dress themed events, debates, to quizzes. The cost shall be £7 membership for the year.

Approved: Ascension

Rejected:

Abstained:

## 7. Development fund requests:

- **Comedy, £136.00**

The fund would cover venue payment to the Platform for a series of stand-up comedy gigs (a total of 5) orchestrated by the comedy society. This includes us bringing Chortle, a National student comedy competition to Lincoln, in 2016.

Approved: Ascension

Rejected:

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- **Harry Potter, £150**

The society is requesting a total of £150 in order to cover expenses for the Yule Ball we are holding on the 17th December. The money from the development fund, as well as part of their own money that they have fundraised will help to cover the cost of decorations, the dessert table and complimentary drinks. We are expected to completely sell out tickets (capped at 100 people), however we are not making any money from tickets we are selling due to this going straight onto buffet food.

Approved: Ascension

Rejected:

Abstained:

## 8. Academic Societies Rep:

Bradley Taylor

“I am the Comic Book Society President. Although I am not in an Academic Society, I will ensure that the Academic Societies who pitch for the Development fund have someone who will support them. You will be unbiased and consider decisions carefully”

Approved: Ascension

Rejected:

Abstained:

## 9. Student Open Discussion Session:

- **Societies Showcase:**

Societies Officer Holly Band and VP Activities Sammi Storey would like the next Societies Showcase for 2016 to be similar to Varsity in terms of representation from a variety of our societies. Comedy Society asked if it could be free? VP Activities and Jammil Ahmed suggested that the event could generate funds for societies, whether by ticket referrals or by stalls instead. The overall feedback was that it should be on a Sunday night end of February early March. Harry Potter Society wondered how they could get involved. The idea was suggested they could run a stall, perhaps sell Butterbeer. Overall the feedback was positive; the committee were enthusiastic in getting on board with the event.

- **Electronic Music** – Martyn Hollinshead announced the launch of 'Native' their new monthly event happening 03/12/2015 10am to 3am. The event shall happen on the first Thursday of each month. They would like the support from any societies to pop down to their launch.
- **Harry Potter**- The society raised that sometimes it can become complex on tracking money going in and out of society accounts on Dashboard. Vp Activities has put this as an action to look into.

The date of next Societies Committee shall be Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2016  
6-8pm in the Cargill Lecture Theatre.