

Meeting - March

Summary of action items

1. Will G to draft financial deadlines and tier (i.e. 1st warning, 2nd warning)
2. Make mac micro event page on Facebook
3. Organise exec meeting before Easters - Completed
4. Future discussion on executive performance/action to be had at next meeting
5. T-shirt design and ordering to be completed by Sarah M & Nandini - in progress
6. Externals - finalise trials and cost of Easters - in progress

- 1st issue
 - WG - *issues relating to easters funds*
 - Pre-payment - required. Waiting list - moving to next person
 - NB - USUs reserve list is much shorter, we can't afford to suffer the quality of teams
 - WG - willing to be flexible or work out payment plans
 - Happy to look at other ways of making money
 - RT - payments for Australs and Worlds are needed much sooner than previously
 - JR - people always pay after a deadline
 - MD - we actually can't afford not to have a deadline of some sort as the society is too dry on funds
 - NB - Not necessarily a need for treasurer to address these issues at an exec meeting, you do just have the power to do it. Just remember sometimes people won't care enough about a margin and wont pay in future
 - AK - Whether we explore possibility of payment post tournament - guarantee
 - *Clyde Welsh joins meeting*
 - ACTION ITEM: Will to draft deadline guide
- T-shirts
 - NB - Esther is the T shirt person, Marketing is in charge of T-shirts. Main issue with T-shirts is how much we want to spend on them - dispute over cost and the design
 - MD - sarah has contacted designers
 - NB - can help with photoshop
 - MD - cost of t-shirts 50 shirts
 - RT - do we want extra t-shirts, number - saving per t-shirt isn't enough
 - JR - huge increase in cost to have to buy extra shirts
 - NB - we should aim for cheaper
 - JR - concerns about whether or not we have numbers
- Payments and subsidies
 - RT - novices and pros paying different subsidies?
 - CW - cannot tell you all how rich USU is
 - NB - no one will pay \$300 for a lesser Easters
 - WG - should be based on the nov/pro model
 - WG - need to make money off tournaments
 - JR - problematic to charge more

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- AK - consider sending fewer people
- WG - vote for subsidy
 - \$300 for any major tournament, \$200 for anyone who hasn't - doesn't include extras
 - All those in favour - 3
 - All those against - 2
- Trials
 - RT - no rooms booked cause the uni is the uni
 - NB - different body for sunday bookings
 - RT - Lachlan calling tomorrow
 - 11 Novices
 - 5 pros
 - Adjs - in the process of finding a selector
 - NB - need to get info out
 - RT - Everything on the website
 - RT - not sure if we are going to get any more people
- Mac Micro
 - NB - Big Training day - please come
 - JR - make an event page
 - RT - socials and CA
 - Socials -
 - ACTION ITEM - Make event page
 - Responsiveness of Portfolios
 - NB - so many stuff ups, so many problems, part of a reason we have not made commitments
 - NB - doesn't want to be that person, not my role, meant to be an advisor. Externals - not sure why that wasn't clear to get the poll done. Really important to keep track of whats going on. Marketing was transparent, payment wasn't
- Jarrod
 - RT - we need clarification of portfolios (who's doing what), equity officers
 - MD - we dont need to replace Jarrod - constitutionally fine
- *Clyde Coughs*
- *clyde leaves, dan leaves, anna leaves, nandini leaves*
- WG - costs of tournament at big 3's discretion
- Meeting 2-3 weeks between Comps and Treasurer r.e. Competition budgets
- Sarah M Joined
- Lachlan M Joined

(SM: Taking down minutes)

Finances

WG: Request reimbursement ASAP

LG: Screenshots

Funding

LG: Will be discussing with Lauren (funding MQ lady) our future in regards to increasing funding given the importance of the events we are running/our global ranking etc.

Action Item: Organise exec meeting within the next 2 weeks i.e. WG needs pass policy BEFORE Easters 2015, with full exec present

MUDS Domain Name

LM: Need to approve \$80 for MUDS domain

JR: Can be deemed a reasonable expense, able to pass this

Agenda Item: Ryde Youth Council (SVDM)

- Ryde Youth Council, current chairperson for Youth Week celebrations. Events e.g. Model UN, Gaming & Cosplay etc.
- Model UN Debate is the vent relevant to MUDS
- Budget of \$1000, to be held like a school's day in Chancellor's room
- Recommended 50 people cap
- There is flexibility in deciding how this day runs etc.
- Approximately \$1000

RT: Is this a debate about the UN/or model UN?

- SVDM: Model UN set-up

RT: Costs to run the day?

- SVDM: There are other events that need to be included in this

RT: Does this encroach on the UN society?

- LG: Encroaching on their specialisation in so far they do not have access to the event. However, there is no right

JR: Are all costs inclusive e.g. food?

LG: Food can be provided cheaply (it's meals for children)

This is good for the society because it A) Connects us with the community B) Brings in \$\$\$

(SVDM has arrived at the meeting)

SVDM: In order to make this happen MUDS must send a quote to SVDM's contact that will be invoiced.

Topics will be varied between fun & serious

LG: Hours?

SVDM: Flexible, likely school hours.

MD: 50 spots easily filled, when marketed correctly in high demand etc.

SVDM: Not Sydney-wide, limited to Ryde council

JR: Avoid event fatigue by not spamming mailing list

LG: Inappropriate medium if mailing list stretches beyond Ryde council area

We have no obligation to fill spots, just to run the day

MD: Already missed schools events this year i.e. this can be considered recovery not event fatigue

SVDM: Will provide publicity to MUDS, likely to be shown in paper

LG Confirming 40 to 50 participants

SVDM: Need to provide prizes e.g. gift cards, book rooms, catering

Mayor may be in attendance, free of Tuesdays (Tuesday 14th of April)

RT: Which portfolio will be responsible?

LG: To be determined, bigger issue is running the day in the Chancellor's room

(RT has left the meeting)

JR: Is the intention to have 3v3 debates?

LM: Don't want 3v3 A) Difficult to run B) Difficult to understand

JR: Possible outsource to people who do both UN & Debating society

LG: Could run without POIs?

SVDM & JR: This format is boring

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LG: Discussion of UN format e.g. director, 2 to 3 minute speaking times, speaking list via country representatives, can speak more than once i.e. it is a back and forward debate. More difficult to judge than a regular debate

JR: Need a winner, this won't be difficult to determine

SVDM: You can charge for your time. All that has been discussed so far has been cleared. There is flexibility now given the 1K budget

LG: Involving the UN society? Paid in publicity

MD: Don't want to run spheres of control wider than MUDS

LG: Agreed to not involve UN

SVDM: Issues that need to be proved ASAP include

- Information for put on flyers ASAP.
- Need room bookings ASAP.

What is the format?

Model UN

What is needed from MUDS?

Mentoring, catering, trophies/medals, prizes, room decorations (recommends flags), dress appropriately

Room?

Chancellor's Room (the most appropriate)

MD: Price theatre could also work

LG: Not appropriate if Mayor is in attendance, we want to impress Mayor/council

SVDM: Council members/Mayor likely to be present giving speeches etc.

JR: Publicity is meaningless

SVDM: Potentially attracting future MUDS members/Macquarie students

Miscellaneous Debating Issues

LG: If anyone needs debating related to re

JR: Allocate me to training

Vice Chancellor's Debates

SVDM: Used to be popular at MQ Uni, E7B would be filled with an audience

Could charge for tickets/make a social after or make it a free event

VC could be present on each team

LG: Recommends holding 1 per year

SM: Definitely a good idea, maybe not right now because of \$\$\$

LG: 2nd Semester after Easters, Australs etc.

Women's Debate

SM: Was meant to happen today, we were not present

LG: Definitely need to attend the Anti-Discrimination Day

Could do something along the lines of reverse racism or racial profiling

Likely to be 1 v 1 on racial profiling

Imperative we show up for this event

SVDM : Lions and tigers and bears oh my! (x3)

Action Item: Future discussion on exec operation to be had.

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