

Minutes of the Committee Meeting of the ICU Science Fiction, Fantasy and Gothic Horror Society



Thursday 19th November 2009,
ICSF Library
Union Building.

Absent: Chris Hutchison (Picocon Sofa)
Present: Alex Savell (Chairentity)
John Davenport (Treasurer)
Rebecca Clark (Secretary)
Joseph Britton (Librarian)
Rosie Goldsmith (Chair of Vice)
Benedict Harcourt (Web editor)
Simon Moxon (Picocon Beanbag)
Akbaralli Kapasi (Wyrmtongue editor)
Alexander Cameron (Publicity officer)

Meeting opened at 6:00pm.

Noted: mocking of Alex Cameron occurred.

Minutes of the meeting on the 15th October approved unanimously.

Fanzine

1. Copies are out for proofreading
 - i. The error in *Shell Games* has been noticed already.
2. Next issue to be the Picocon issue
 - i. What is the Picocon theme?
 - ii. Should it be in colour?
 - i. This will double the cost but allow us to really show off the artwork.
3. Discuss this next meeting

At this point, Joseph and Akbaralli left.

Chairentity (Alex Savell)

On behalf of Joseph: Rule Zero is not violated

Treasurer (John Davenport)

1. We are frozen!
 - i. We ought not to be.
 - ii. SCC Treasurer is looking into this, in the mean time cheques will be cashed, don't worry. The new system has "teething troubles".
 - iii. We are frozen on the "lack" of Publicity 2 (Alex Stubbley) and an affiliations form, and have badgered the Union about this previously.
2. We are eleven members short of our target: we should be fine.
 - i. Chase notable members who haven't joined, such as Wouter.
3. Grant spending is slowing. Spend more money!!

Picocon

Picocon sofa is absent and not answering his phone. He may be slapped. The following report was given by the Beanbag.

1. A third author exists, and is female (medium-core sci-fi).
 - i. We **need** a theme.
 - ii. Time travel?

Action (*Simon*): Send out the author's name; stop sucking.

Action (*Benedict*): Fluffy to look into time-travelling to Picocon after the event.

Librarian's Report

Joseph here returned.

1. The library was recently flooded.
 - i. Thank you, Photosoc.
2. Please, no drinks unless you are **careful** with them.
3. Tidy up, you bums.
4. We still have too much stuff.
 - i. Chairs are being weeded out sneakily; the Freshers' Fair shelves are being removed also.

General Happenings

1. Bookcrawl **failed**.
 - i. Hence lack of spending.
 - ii. The Librarian also fails.
 - iii. Insufficient publicity etc.
 - iv. Do another later?
 - i. Next term if at all.
 - ii. Consider noon-till-late instead of eleven-till-four.
2. If you are actioned to do something, **do it**.
 - i. If it becomes clear that you can't, minion someone else or notify the chair.
3. Cinema Trips
 - i. Before the end of this term, the possibilities are as follows:
 - i. 2012 (Fluffy: it's awful. Alex Cameron: it's good.)
 - ii. 4th Kind (Alex Cameron: it's shit)
 - iii. 9
 1. Assuming it's any good.
 - iv. Cirque du Freak (Just **NO!**)
 - v. The Imaginarium of Dr Parnassus (Maybe.)
 - vi. The Last Airbender (Yes, but later?)
 - vii. Avatar
 - ii. Vote was taken, conclusion is that trips to be run to 2012 and Avatar.

Action (*Rosie*): Organise this.

Hay-on-Wye

1. Thanks to: Drivers, navigators, food-providers, Benedict (for base camp)
2. Last year's car-and-minibus system worked, but a second driver for the car would be appreciated.
 - i. Ought the Chair to be on the minibus? Unnecessary.
 - ii. Navigators are necessary.
 - i. Purchase of a physical OS map authorised.
3. We will have the space to bring tents with us.
4. We need a planning meeting!
5. Booking is about the same price as last year; badgering for booking confirmation etc. will occur.
 - i. Since we will have it booked anyway, why not stay overnight in the bunkhouse on Friday?
 - ii. In that case, should/could we ferry latecomers from the nearest train station?
 - iii. Discuss this at the planning meeting.
6. Should we have a second car party?
7. If we leave on Friday, less pressure to turn up early.
8. If there be rain, base camp is to move to a pub.
9. Sleeping arrangements: discuss this at the planning meeting.

10. Dates might be moveable to Easter for next year, but a week either side of the current date is impossible.

Barnight(s)

1. The next, on Thursday, is an ordinary barnight.
2. 2 weeks after that is the Pub Quiz. Please write questions?

Action (*Rosie*): push books on UCL.

3. Should we have a keg?
 - i. If so, beer or cider?
 - ii. About £70.
 - iii. Should not be for the next barnight.
 - iv. Join it with the quiz?
 - i. If so, ask UCL to contribute.

Action (*Rosie*): ask them to.

- ii. If they do, all are in favour of having this.
- iii. If not, 3 maybes and 3 yeses.
- v. Cider or beer?
 - i. Not Strongbow or Blackthorn (4 in favour, 2 abstaining)
 - ii. 2 for cider, 2 for beer.
 - iii. More research is needed.

Action (*Rosie*): put out a general poll of “cider or beer?”

Action (*Fluffy*): talk to Christine about keg prices.

John requests veto on any ale bought.

Any Other Business

1. The e-mail forward is finally happening (ish)
 - i. Slow hand-clap.
2. Benedict and Rosie, discuss Wyrd Sisters collaboration.
 - i. Will we (or DramSoc!) subsidise tickets?
 - i. We will, but **only** for members.
 - ii. (Vote taken, unanimous ‘yea’.)
 - ii. Video/DVD switchover progress: little if any.
 - i. Suggestion that Star Trek (Voyager and Enterprise) be bought to easily replace many videos.
 - ii. Replace Season 7 of Buffy!
 - iii. Copying of DVDs: this needs organising.

Action (*Benedict*): poke David McBride about this.

All hail Bob!

(Slut monkeys.)

Action (*Simon*): Send out the author’s name; stop sucking.

Action (*Benedict*): Fluffy to look into time-travelling to Picocon after the event.

Action (*Rosie*): Organise this [Cinema trip].

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Action (*Fluffy*): talk to Christine about keg prices.

Action (*Benedict*): poke David McBride about DVD copyage.

Meeting adjourned at 19:10.