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# Minutes of the DCAC Committee Meeting

18<sup>th</sup> Feb 2008

Prepared for:

**DCAC Committee 2007-8**

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*22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2008*

**i. Present**

Amy Goymour (DCAC Senior Treasurer), Laura Hughes (DCAC Junior Treasurer), Johannes Arning (MCR Treasurer), Craig Armstrong (MCR Amenities Officer)

**Apologies:** Livvy Brinson (JCR/DCAC President), Madeleine Ross (MCR President)

**ii. Approval of minutes of the last meeting**

There were no corrections to the minutes.

**iii. MCR Pool Table**

CA requested that the DCAC purchase a new pool table for the MCR. The old one is wobbly, stained and is no longer horizontal. Suggested prices were in the region of £700. The committee agreed that the purchase should be granted and should be funded from the Depreciation fund. CA to research prices and make purchase. LH raised question as to whether a similar arrangement should be made for JCR. *LH has since been in contact with Bar President, Ben Pierce, who reported that JCR pool table is rented and that the cover is replaced as part of this rental agreement. He also noted that the JCR have taken better care of the table since there has been a charge for its use, and suggested that the MCR consider this.*

**iv. MCR Projector**

CA also requested a new projector and screen for the MCR to be used for events such as big matches and film nights. The committee felt that this would represent too large a portion of this year's Depreciation fund if combined with the pool table. After discussion it was agreed that the MCR could purchase a screen at the end of this term if the funding permitted, and potentially a projector in June/July if there was depreciation funding left over.

**v. Accountability of MCR**

After discussions at the previous meeting regarding the MCR grant and accountability for the spending of this grant, AG has made enquires with the bursary and reported that it is neither constitutionally necessary nor deemed necessary by senior college members. The accounts will therefore be reviewed twice termly by AG before a DCAC meeting.

**vi. Alcohol Purchase by MCR**

JA and CA reported that the MCR would like to be able to sell drinks on a small scale for certain events. This needs to be discussed with the bar committee directly as the contract made last term regarding events was with the JCR not DCAC (*later*

*confirmed with Ben Pierce by LH).* AG is to research and potentially raise at GB the issue of whether the MCR can spend DCAC money on alcohol. So far AG has been unable to find the root of the law which states that JCR societies cannot spend DCAC money on alcohol. The MCR currently uses a portion of its grant to buy alcohol in Freshers week, and although the committee does not have a problem with this, it feels that there must be equality between the JCR and MCR.

**vii. Room Rents**

After much discussion with the senior members of college it has recently been agreed that next year's rents will rise by 6.5%. The rents for the following year will be discussed further as a three year plan may be introduced.

**viii. Gym Equipment**

CA raised the issue of the gym equipment being out of date and in need of replacement. It was clarified that this does not fall under the remit of the DCAC and that Matt Dyson is currently investigating this issue.

**ix. Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be handover meeting. A proposed date for this is Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March.