**Societies Executive Committee Meeting 9 Meeting**

**18/12/24**

1. Welcome and Apologies

Apologies from Rachael Baird

Chep Jackson (CJ)

Jo Fitzpatrick (JF)

Cameron Pattinson (CP)

Shania Maritz (SM)

Jamie Campbell (VP Community) - Chair

Sarah Holmes (Activities Coordinator) - Clerk

Oli Page did not give apologies and did not attend

Minutes from Socs exec 8

* Change to be made to modern languages ceilidh grant wording, make it clear the same project isn’t being awarded twice, the socs exec can agree an amended grant amount at a later date
* Otherwise approve

1. Matters Arising

Grant guidelines/FAQS

* SH Asked socs exec to come up with ideas for grant guidelines
* SM suggested doing an in person grant workshop
* CJ suggested putting a dummy one in
* SH to send a word doc to socs exec to fill in

Charity Year

* Deadline to be extended till next socs exec to give a chance to apply
* CJ to make an Instagram post reminding socs to apply, link to apply is on ‘Charity Year’ webpage

1. Budget Update: <https://www.strathunion.com/groups/societies-exec/>
2. New Affiliation Requests

* Sustainability Society (SUSOC)
* May cause confusion with the other SUS societies, suggests another acronym that is less similar to Symphony Orchestra (SUSO)
* Not widening access – amend constitution, they don’t need to fill in that section.
* Get in touch with JC about sustainability projects

Approved with changes

1. Reaffiliations (for information)

* N/A

1. Welcome Grant Requests (£45) – For Information. Total: £180

* Pokémon Society
* English Society
* Women in Banking and Finance

1. Grant Requests. Total: £5877.97

**Chinese Students and Scholars – 815 – Christmas Ceilidh #1815**

* £2000 (99% of £2036.78)
* Memberships: 43

Grant application already approved during previous meeting – socs exec 7, SH to look at fixing technical error here

**Jazz Orchestra, SUJO – 963 – Rehearsal music #1806**

* £465.17 (100%)
* Memberships: 81

Approved from Arts and Culture

**Electric & Mechanical Engineering, EME – 821 – Ceilidh #1827**

* £300 (100%)
* Memberships: 51

Rejected – event has already happened so would be retrospective, socs exec grants can only be for future events.

**THE GIST – 884 – Issue 17 print #1811**

* £163.80 (100%)
* Memberships: 14

Sustainability question – if available on website, is it a waste to also print out physical costs?

How do they plan on covering this through other years – will this be an annual request?

Website mostly mentions Glasgow University not Strathclyde, doesn’t mention how to join as a Strathclyde, doesn’t mention the president or treasurer of the Strathclyde branch. Has this website been updated since Covid? Has the website already been funded?

SM suggested a meeting with a socs exec member might help – feel free to get in touch.

Happy to part-fund for just printing not website as it is currently functioning so doesn’t seem to need funded, tell society to get in touch with SM about this - £125.01 from General Pot

**Marine Robotics – 944 – 3D printer #1825**

* Amount: £429 (100%)
* Memberships: 22

Approved on the basis that if another society is in need of a 3D printer – union and marine robotics should arrange a time for them to use it. - make it clear if society goes defunct – 3D printer to be returned to Union not to department, From General Pot

**Symphony Orchestra, SUSO – 914 – Tutor grant #1831**

* Amount: £2520 (57% of £4495)
* Memberships: 121

Exec wanted to make it clear that they were not suggesting you charge members more to cover the entire cost. They were suggesting a small increase of £5 or £10 to show that the society aren’t fully relying on the societies executive budget and are starting to adapt to the challenges that all music societies are facing. They are aware of these difficulties and are also trying to adjust to theses changes, please be mindful of this in your response.

Information in response is a little hard to understand – in future please provide the specific information and evidence needed so that it is an easier read, e.g. separate document for cost breakdown and response to questions raised in meetings.

Approved from Arts & Culture – keep these comments in mind

1. AOCB

Enjoy the winter break!