

Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the
Dramatic Society of the Imperial College Union
in the 2015/2016 session

13th October 2015

Present:

Zoë Edwards, Gautam Kambhampati, Steven Kingaby, Kieran Gilmour, Rob Schüssler, Ben Williams and Oscar Gill.

Apologies:

Agnes Donnelly, Andrew Finn, Ellie Rose, John Oliver and Sam Gardiner.

Honorary Guests:

Chris Love and Elena Stronach.

Agenda:

- Shows
 - Five Lesbians eating a Quiche
 - Freshers' Competition
 - Neverwhere
 - Pillowman
 - Copenhagen
- Workshops
 - Acting
 - Technical (including National Theatre tour, date tbd)
- Minutes (approval of, discuss constitution)

- AEB meetings this term
- EGM
- Meeting with RCM and RCA
- Technical - Freshers' week debrief

Five Lesbians eating a quiche:

- Cast of show are not leafleting!
- **ACTION:** Everyone needs to leaflet for *Five Lesbians Eating a Quiche*.
- Dress rehearsal went well.
- MTSoc show is also going well.
- **Rob Schüssler** is alive and well.

Neverwhere:

- Auditions are ongoing
- **Helen Root** hoping to cast soon.

The Pillowman:

- Readthrough and production meeting on Wednesday the 14th of October.
- Currently the rights to *The Pillowman* is restricted.

play proposals are later

Copenhagen:

- **Peter Bridgman** hoping to produce the show.

Acting Workshops:

- **Andrew Finn** not present at meeting.
- Acting workshops start on the 29th of October.

Technical Workshops:

- Plans have been made for these workshops.
- We need to advertise these workshops more. **ACTION: Chris Love** to send out an email.

Discussion of minutes continued in camera.

- **NOTED: Oscar Gill** left meeting to handle his Mechanical Engineering children.
- **NOTED: Gautam Kambhampati** broke the draw.
- **NOTED: Elena Stronach** abandoned her department children.

AEB meetings:

- AEB meetings this term are taking place on Thursday 15th October, Monday 16th November and Tuesday 15th December.
- **Zoë Edwards, Chris Love, Gautam Kambhampati** to go to AEB meeting.

EGM:

- Considered making changes to the constitution.
- **ACTION: Chris Love and Gautam Kambhampati** to discuss constitution.
- EGM event will soon be announced to members of DramSoc.
- EGM will take place on the 3rd of November.
- Will have elections for technical, light, sound directors.
- There's also going to be a comedy bar night on the same day. £400 has been put behind the bar. **Gautam Kambhampati** - "Stephen King ... the blonde man"

Meeting with RCM and RCA:

- **Ben Williams** to negotiate with these bodies for future collaboration. Met in person with RCM representative and emailed RCA.
- Proposed lunch, stall, bar event where we socialise with people from RCM and RCA.

- To collaborate with LeoSoc and PhotoSoc to organise photos for our shows.
- In the past DramSoc have arranged for reviews to be written for Felix of its shows.
- **NOTED:** Felix comes out on a Friday, which is a bit late for the review of a show in the week of its performance. We would like the review to take place the week before the show.

Technical Freshers' Debrief:

- **Kieran Gilmour** arranged our lights for us.
- Good reviews in general
- Everything went well.
- Lots of freshers have kept in contact. Keen to join DramSoc.

Discussion of minutes continued in camera.

- **NOTED: Oscar Gill** rejoins meeting

AOB:

- DramSoc Tech will have technical input in MTSoc spring show.
- Senior Technical society members will be assigned to work on Brunei show and any further interactions.

Management of great hall:

- Handling of great hall finances needs rethinking.
- We should move to a deposit system for DramSoc clients. Note that last year Imperial's Got Talent show was cancelled in the last minute.
- Alternatively we should have a guarantee of payment on paper.
- **Noted:** we have large expenses during the Great Hall Season (e.g. pyrotechnics).

Summary of Actions:

- **Chris Love** to send out an email about Technical workshops
- **Chris Love** and **Gautam Kambhampati** to discuss constitution.

Adjournment:

At 7.40 PM, **Zoë Edwards** made motion to adjourn the meeting and **Steven Kingaby** seconded it.