

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

November 2015

### **Committee Members Present**

Zoë Edwards, Agnes Donnelly, Gautam Kambhampati, Andrew Finn, Chris Love, Elena Stronach, Robert Schüssler, Sam Gardiner and Oscar Gill.

### **Committee Members Apologies**

Steven Kingaby, Ellie Rose, Ben Williams.

### **Honorary Members**

Sid Sinha and Kieran Gilmour.

### **Agenda**

- Approval of minutes from the last committee meeting
- Shows
  - Neverwhere
  - Birdland
  - Big Fella
- Workshops
  - Writing Workshop/LSDF
  - Acting Workshop
- RCM stuff

## Approval of minutes from the last committee meeting

- Approved.
- “I’d quite like a jacket potato” - **Agnes Donnelly**

## Shows

### Neverwhere

- Neverwhere has come and gone - “Good vibes were had”. Approximately 60 audience members per night. It is quite likely that a small loss was made (roughly in the region of £100).
- Most recent debrief is available on Neverwhere production folder. Another debrief is set to occur on Friday the 19th.

### Birdland

- Birdland, DramSoc’s main spring term play, is currently lacking auditionees.
- Note that **Jack Steadman** is acting as a “creative” director to oversee the overall production, **Jack Williams** is the director, **Elena Stronach** is the producer, and **Nathan Patel** is the assistant director.
- **ACTION:** committee members to advertise Birdland auditions.
- **NOTED:** There have been errors in the advertisement of next term’s DramSoc plays on social media.
- **ACTION:** **Nathan Patel** to co-operate with **Andrew Finn** and **Sam Gardiner** with regard to the Birdland auditions videoed later this week.

### Big Fella

- In contrast to Birdland, due to the efforts of **Alhasan Al-Habib**, Big Fella as a production is not lacking auditionees. Instead it is in need of a production team.
- In particular a producer is needed. **Daniel Clay** has volunteered to be the producer in the event that no one was interested. Furthermore over the Christmas break, **Andrew Finn** and **Sam Gardiner** are to act as provisional producers.
- **ACTION:** find a producer for Big Fella.
- **ACTION:** for all future plays, place audition flyers on audience seats for upcoming DramSoc plays.

## Workshops

### Writing Workshop/LSDF

- “It’s going ...” - **Agnes Donnelly**.
- Meetings regarding LSDF are to take place this week, and at some point next term auditions will take place. **Agnes Donnelly** is likely to direct the play and it should be noted that a producer is required.
- The provisional name for the LSDF play is *Not in Employment Education Training - N.E.E.T*

### Acting Workshop

- **NOTED:** Very important workshop on Thursday the 19th, everyone please come!
- **Conall O’Neill** and **Sam Gardiner** to potentially run a vocal warmup next term.
- **ACTION:** **Conall O’Neill** to formalise vocal warmup and will email **Andrew Finn** the details.

### RCM stuff

- Chit-chat with a RCM representative took place earlier on today. Possibility of doing a show together in the Britten Theatre venue was raised.
- However the committee has decided not to have any involvement with Britten Theatre given that we do not want to stretch already strained resources on both the acting and technical sides of the Society.
- We will offer RCM auditions for the summer play, LSDF and Edinburgh Festival Fringe.
- **ACTION:** **Ben Williams** to set up a meeting with them next term.

### AOB

- **ACTION:** **Steven Kingaby** to do the safety training test.
- Everyone loves **Sam Woods** over **Sam Gardiner**.

## Summary of Actions

- Committee members to advertise Birdland auditions.
- **Nathan Patel** to co-operate with **Andrew Finn** and **Sam Gardiner** with regard to the Birdland auditions videoed later this week.
- Find a producer for Big Fella.
- For all future plays, place audition flyers on audience seats for upcoming DramSoc plays.
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## Adjournment:

At 19:30 PM **Zoë Edwards** made motion to adjourn the meeting and **Oscar Gill** seconded it.