

## Minutes

Date: Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Attendees: Gurkiran Singh Jolly (GSJ), Arjun Singh Lotay (ASL), Arjun Singh Banwait (ASB), Emman Kaur Bhangu, (EKB), Juvraj Singh Sawhney (JSS), Inderjeet Singh Bhaker (ISB), Teghvir Singh Gujral (TSG)

Minutes by: Arjun Singh Lotay (ASL)

Apologies: N/A

Absences: N/A

### 1. Recap of Fresher's Event

- Turnout was strong, around 21-25 people at one time
- Snacks cost around £28 (ASB to reimburse)
- Proof of concept that Sikh Soc events can bring in a crowd of people, despite IndiaSoc running a chill at the exact same time
- The game we ran, Mafia, can be seen as a bit slow. Perhaps useful in the future to have a repertoire of party games at our disposal to use
- Another issue was trying to overcome the shyness of certain freshers, maybe in the future committee or members in general to more to engage everyone as a whole
- Blue Boar Common a useful location to use, can be booked very easily and is not difficult to reach
- Will be useful compiling a directory of rooms available for the society to use (ASB says Trinity not ideal to make official bookings due to their bureaucratic process.)

### 2. Actions completed since last meeting

- Dr Clare has become registered as a fellow
- GSJ will approach Proctors to grant her Senior Treasurer status

### 3. Upcoming Events

- Sikh Society Meal – 25<sup>th</sup> October:
  - o EKB to make an event page, important to gauge numbers before booking
  - o The plan is to meet at Trinity and all walk to Thaikhun together
- Sikh Society Cricket Chill
  - o Current date (Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>) clashes with Bandi Chhor Divas, so focus will be redirected to going to the Gurdwara
  - o Happy to book taxis to take people to the Gurdwara programme (ASL to arrange)
- Move Night – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November, after Rehraas
  - o Can hire a projector from King's College, or takeover Trinity's TV Room
  - o ISB will take charge
- Oxbridge Access Conference:
  - o Aman Berdesha has sorted the majority of details, we just need to turn up
  - o Travel will be reimbursed (X5, Train?)

- DBS Checks: TSG, EKB, ASB and GSJ all have one. Protocol dictates that per group at least one person with a check is needed
- Same day as Nishaan's Paintball event, will also publicise that as well
- Will invite freshers and students from a range of degrees
- Careers are also involved, TSG will represent EY
- Will be updated with prep requirements
- Guru Nanak's 550 anniversary conference – 23<sup>rd</sup> November
  - Name suggestions still required
    - ASL to work on poster designs
  - Speakers are confirmed
    - Dr Jagbir Jutti-Johal (UoB)
    - Jaspreet Kaur (Kaur Health)
    - Bhai Sukhdeep Singh (Basics of Sikhi)
    - Bhai Kirit Singh (SOAS)
    - Dr Gurharpal Singh (SOAS)
    - ASB will work on reimbursing travel
  - Location
    - Trinity OCR too small
    - Winstanley Lecture Theatre already booked
    - St John's are currently booked (subject to change)
    - Dr Clare is looking for a room in Caius
    - EKB will look at Magdelene
    - Union Debate chamber perhaps too big (but may be free)
    - Filming permission required (press office to be contacted)
  - Possibility of a Livestream
  - Aggressive publicising required – especially with other Sikh organisations (inviting other uni Sikh socs and other groups)
  - Food and Drink required (location dependant)(Punjab Sponsorship dependant)
  - GSJ is in touch with Lydia
  - A small ticket price to cover costs (£3-5)
- Bowling
  - JSS to organise
  - ARU Sikh Soc non-existent but ARU students will still be invited

#### 4. Sponsorships

- EY couldn't meet their own deadlines so funding didn't come through
- EY has had their faith funding cut significantly.

#### 5. Stash

- Should be done before the conference
- Sponsors should be done before hoodies are printed
- We might have to print with current sponsors
- GSJ will organise committee T-shirts
- Hoodie Prices
  - Consensus required on how many people will order hoodies

- Google forms document to help sort out order (name, form, customising)
  - £35 per unit to make (at least 30)
  - How much subsidy?
    - Ideally £15 off
    - £25 + company customisation fee agreed upon
    - Can buy a plain batch to act as a surplus
  - To be sorted in the next two weeks (by 27<sup>th</sup>)
  - Design, sponsorship needs to be formalised before orders are placed
6. AOB
- Food reimbursements – ASB will process receipts once sent to him