

Committee Meeting Minutes

6th June 2019

Agenda

- Academic events
 - Talks
 - Workshops
- HackSoc stall at open day
- Future of Roses subcommittee
- Follow up:
 - Server contingency plans update
 - YUSU grant update
 - Team drive update
 - Morgan Stanley update
- EGM organisation (goodbye djab)
- AOB

Attendees

- (JA) Jacob Allen - Chair
- (AB) Adam Birtles - Secretary
- (AH) Ash Holland - Treasurer
- (AC) Aaron Christiansen - Press & Publicity Officer
- (CW) Charlotte Wringe - Academic Events Officer
- (EB) Ezekiel Bethel - Ordinary Member
- (RB) Rafael Bacalso - Ordinary Member

Apologies

- (EH) Ethan Hollwill - Social Secretary
- (LM) Luke Moll - Infrastructure Officer

Minutes

1. Academic events
 - a. Charlotte made a document:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CJTQPdUPf2LvzUMIZx99SakcxhFhJMkGfLTRq-zd0NQ/edit?usp=sharing>
 - b. Talks
 - i. When? Each Thursday seems to be the best day
 - ii. Who?

1. Morgan Stanley
2. Current students (paying members)
3. Alumni
4. Faculty & postgrads
5. Have a form for people
- iii. Where?
 1. Pod seems to be the best option.
 2. Alternatively seminar rooms.
- iv. Target audience? Our members - so people with at least some CS knowledge
- v. Publicising
 1. Work with P&P officer
 2. Ask CS to advertise events
- c. Workshops
 - i. When?
 1. Wednesday afternoons
 2. Instead of Hack Together (lol).
 3. Weeks 3 through 8
 - ii. Who? Others would need to run them because CW not available
 - iii. What?
 1. Python was good
 2. Maybe alternate with something more complex? **Not** RPi OS.
 3. How to Linux/Git/LaTeX.
 - iv. Prepare stuff over summer
 - v. Oh no! Modules are changing. We'll need to look to figure out how to target new freshers.
- d. Killing Hack Together because it never really happened
- e. "Big trip"
 - i. Spring term because more time
 - ii. Possibly on a Wednesday afternoon
- f. YUSU Give It A Go
 - i. Do we want to run one? Possibly.
 - ii. Python seems to be the best option again
 - iii. Gets some publicity for it since it's not targeted at CS people
2. HackSoc stall at open day
 - a. AB and EH are running a stall at uni open days (for personal profit)
 - b. On 28th & 30th June
 - c. Need to figure out what we'll be presenting and tell CS
 - i. Standard banners and flyers and shit
 - ii. RPi OS demo
 - iii. Could do pens? But it's a bit soon
 - iv. This isn't freshers' fair so specifics not needed on flyers - ask CS if they can put stuff in brochure pack thingy-ma-jigs
 - d. AB and EH will still need to shill for the uni because that's what they're being paid to do.
3. Future of Roses subcommittee

- a. It existed but nothing happened (thanks CyberSoc and Lancaster)
 - b. CW no longer cares about it
 - c. Can't actually do a "BBQ" because Health & Safety
 - d. No one knows what's going on (correction: AC does)
 - e. We probably do want to plan something for Roses again
 - f. There was a recent(?) meeting
 - i. Was agreed that CS and cybersecurity societies should split up and plan their own events
 - ii. We should have a talk with Lancaster CompSoc before next meeting
 - iii. Next meeting is planned for 18th June
4. Follow up:
- a. Server contingency plans update
 - i. LM not here and not available
 - ii. He was working on it
 - iii. Bytemark hasn't imploded yet apparently
 - iv. k
 - b. YUSU grant update
 - i. Results are next week
 - ii. We will find out how little YUSU cares about us
 - c. Team drive update
 - i. Hello, it exists but very little has still happened with it
 - ii. JA and AB are the only people with access it right now
 - iii. This document is the only thing on it currently
 - iv. This will be rectified soon™
 - d. Morgan Stanley (MS) update
 - i. There was a conference call attended by CW, LM, and AC
 - ii. MS weren't interested in merch & infrastructure (they weren't mentioned)
 - iii. MS were mainly interested in events...
 - 1. MS want us to collab with other socs
 - 2. MS would do talks on machine learning (again), "engineering at scale", and algorithmic trading
 - 3. Committee seem to like the idea of "engineering at scale"
 - 4. MS would be willing to pay for other talks too (e.g. MS pay for a non-MS talk for each talk MS do)
 - 5. MS would like us to get data on attendance and membership
 - a. We have the former
 - b. The latter is ✨ *problematic* ✨ both legally (thanks GDPR) and ethically.
 - iv. ...and emails
 - 1. We have offered MS ad space for their other events in our emails ("a word from our capitalist benefactors")
 - 2. MS would be interested in doing smaller ads more frequently at shorter notice
 - 3. We need to make sure everything from them is clearly an ad (again both a legally and ethically)

5. EGM organisation
 - a. djab ded. RIP.
 - b. We need to get a new ~~committee member~~ ordinary member soon
 - c. We'll hold an EGM on Friday 14th June at 18:00
 - d. Need to let members know at least a week before (i.e. tomorrow)
 - e. We might need to tell YUSU (update: we do)
 - f. Moot Court would be cool but Pod is easier so we'll do it there
 - g. JA to be Returning Officer because AB possibly not available
 - h. Membership is currently 75 so quorum is 19 unless we get more members somehow
6. AOB
 - a. No.

Actions

- CW to direct planning academic events next year
- AB and EH to sort out open day materials
- AC and whoever cares to do talking with Lancaster CompSoc
- AB to get on with sorting out the Team Drive
- People dealing with Morgan Stanley to just continue doin' what they doin'
- AB to organise EGM. AC to let people know about it.