

Medsin Full Committee Meeting Minutes – 24.09.08

Present – Mustafa, Davina, Alex, Shruti, Zahra, Joel, Vishaal

1. Joel

- a. **Introduction** – Joel was introduced to the rest of the committee and formally accepted as webmaster and committee member
- b. **Webmaster presentation** – Joel outlined his role which is to design and regularly update our website and the Medsin UCL page on the Medsin national website

2. Committee member run through

a. Mustafa & Davina

- i. **Medsin explained discussion** – Original date was Friday 10th October but this clashes with RAG social so we need a new date. Plan is to use Tuesday 14th October slot for Medsin Explained and ask Mike Rowson to talk on Tuesday 21st October instead. Friday 10th October is the back-up date. Davina to try for non-medic venue if possible

Format of Medsin Explained is to have 2 mins and 3 slides per campaign/project then have stalls

- ii. **Global Health Series discussion** – The first GHS will probably be on 21st October (Mike Rowson). The next one will be on November 18th (I think) and then every 2 weeks after that. November 4th is reading week so not GHS then.
- iii. **Campaign Series discussion** – Every other Tuesday. The first one will be on Tuesday 28th October which will be “Introduction to Campaigning” session led by Mustafa. The next session will be STOP AIDS. The campaign sessions must be followed by an action (e.g. signing a petition) to be effective

b. Shruti (treasurer)

- i. **Update on Medsin UCL finance situation** – There is £2300 in the account of which £800 is Marrow’s and the majority of the rest is for the conference.

Opportunity to apply for grants from Friends Trust and other places. The money needs to be used for a particular expenditure such as magazine printing. Shruti to pass on details soon

For future reference we must give 6 weeks notice to print off flyers when they cost £50 or more

c. Alex (creative director....)

Unfortunately Alex could not find any new links with UCL that Medsin UCL can get involved with and so Alex decided to step down as committee member. I am sure he will continue to help us in the future nevertheless

d. Vishaal (GHM chief editor)

- i. **Update on GHM artwork** – had one art meeting so far and another one this week. Have a core editor in charge of design so fingers crossed things are going to plan. We still have no name or logo!
- ii. **Update on GHM content** – all the articles have been submitted and are currently being proofread
- iii. **Update on GHM sub-committee progress** – some editors are very keen and others not so. Will “refurbish” the editors team after first issue released

e. Joel (webmaster)

- i. **Update on website progress** – website is looking very good. DM needs to assist Joel in updating events regularly on the website. If you need to know username details for Blog please contact Joel.
Mustafa to update resources page of website
- ii. **“Training day” discussion** – Joel needs to give basic website training to committee members

f. Zahra (publicity & social secretary)

- i. **Socials discussion** – Zahra to organise a social to take place after Medsin Explained. Committee to have regular socials after each meeting. Curry night was popular event last year. Must involve all members in our socials
- ii. **Publicity for GHS & CS discussion** – DM to give Zahra publicity CD. Zahra then needs to print posters and put them up

3. Campaign discussion

a. Pharmaware

- i. **Shruti to update on progress** – They have set-up SSC for this year and plan to run some debates.

b. UAEM

- i. DM to update on progress – meeting with SHRP this Thursday to discuss UAEM.

c. Stop AIDS

- i. **Davina to update on progress** – Faye and Thom in charge this year. They are very keen and have/will plan many events
- ii. **Speaker tour discussion** – to take place at UCL on October 17th. Need to organise room for this and start publicising

d. Health Systems

- i. Alex to update on progress – stagnated over summer as lead member went away. Not really part of Medsin UCL , more of an external project

e. Campaigns day

- i. **Mustafa to update** – to take place on November 15th at Institute of Child Health. All will be welcome

f. 'New Campaign' discussion

Zahra offered to take charge of Water4All campaign so only MNDC and Save Our NHS have no UCL co-ordinator. Also suggested that Freshers may be able to start new campaigns of their own

4. Projects

a. Sexpression

- i. **Shruti to update on progress** – very self-sufficient and no problems to note

b. FoMSF

- i. Joel to update on progress – will consider disaffiliating this year. They will discuss this at their meeting.

5. AOB

We bid you farewell Alex!

6. END

7. DINNER.