



**Present:**

- Harry Clements (*President*)
- Nieve Fay (*Vice President*)
- Ben White (*Treasurer*)
- Abi Wander (*Social Secretary*)
- Nathan Langford (*Social Secretary*)
- Nicole Antoine (*Equality and Wellbeing Officer*)
- Sam Sayan (*Communications Officer*)
- Adèle Carr (*External Opportunities Officer*)

**In Attendance:**

- Naomi Fallon (*Secretary*)

**1 - Apologies:**

- Liam Carty-Howe (*Alumni Representative*)

**2 - Actions Update:**

- **ACTION Committee: Send Abi the TikTok video- Ongoing**
- **ACTION Sam: Put the charity logo on the website - Ongoing**
- **ACTION Harry: Ask the SU about the banner!! -Ongoing**
- ACTION Harry and Nicole: Meet to write the Equalities Action plan-Done
- **ACTION Harry: Collect all ITW books- Ongoing**

**3 - Lockdown Plans:**

- Harry: Nieve and I have been speaking about what we can do in the next four weeks so members feel involved with MTB over lockdown.

**3.1 Performances**

- **Disney Online Cabaret**, which was meant to be in person this week but now it will be pre-recorded completely online.
- **Merrily We scroll Along** is an online cabaret with 5 episodes all released on youtube and each episode will have 4 - 5 MT songs (solos/duets/trios multi-tracked).
- Harry: It won't be sign up, but people can apply by submitting their videos and we choose which ones for each episode.
- Ben: Will we be disclosing how we pick each piece?
- Nicole: We could prioritise the 20 or so people on the waiting list for Disney cabaret.
- Abi: Would it be a good idea to have a production team and have a different theme for each episode?
- Nieve: We didn't want people to upload bad quality videos with poor angles, so we wanted to pick the best videos.
- Ben: We can say this is how we want them formatted and filmed in a post.
- Adèle: People will send them in at different rates, as they will be busier at different times and we can just pick a variety of styles each week and the ones with good quality. We can then give feedback if they weren't picked for a certain episode and we can put it in another episode.
- Harry: The first episode would be released 22nd November, which gives 2 weeks to submit something for the first episode.

- The episodes will then be running until up to christmas, so will give members something to work on!
- Harry: We were originally hoping people could film in the Pegg, so maybe after lockdown that could be a possibility.
- **Newbies Multitrack**- great way to get lots of freshers involved.
- This can be worked on throughout lockdown and released in December.
- Harry: I also really want to do an alumni online cabaret and hopefully Liam should be happy to coordinate!
- The committee agreed this is enough performance opportunities during lockdown, as we don't want to overwhelm people with filming videos.

### 3.2 Workshops

- Harry: Two workshops over this month is a good number, with an acting through song workshop over zoom, as we have a lot of time now to put them on now!

### 3.3 Socials

- Harry: A lot of online socials count towards the Balloon Accreditation scheme- Non drinking and fundraising socials!
- Abi: We're keen to do a watch party on Netflix, but feedback has said to stay away from long quizzes.
- Nieve: One social a week over lockdown sounds good!

### 3.4 Wellbeing

- Harry: It would be nice if Nicole could collate wellbeing services to post to members so they can easily find services.
- Abi: A statement that encourages members to stick to the lockdown to show we support the lockdown.
- Harry: Also going to put out a newsletter to keep people posted on what we're doing during lockdown.

## 4 - Treasurer's Report:

- Ben: The main thing is we have 60 new members in October!
- The only expenses this month have been Merryll's workshop and the things bought for the social which Abi needs to be reimbursed for.
- Loco Klub refund has come back into the account!
- Krakow has been repaid!!
- Ben: We're in a good position money-wise getting back to pre-covid levels of money!
- The charity has not got back yet to Ben as they're probably very busy and Harry needs to pay in the charity money to the finance office someday when it opens again.

## 5 - Balloon Accreditation Scheme:

- It's going really well, 6 have been approved! On track to get 8/9 at christmas, which is over half!
- Feedback has been approved thanks to Nicole! They loved the action plan from the equalities and diversity form <3
- Things to do this term are non drinking socials x2, a fundraising event and the strategic plan.
- Still need to get the banner!

## 5 - Workshops Update:

- Adèle: We were planning on having an in person one, but it was pushed back for the disney cabaret and now things have obviously changed.

- Going to try to get two singing workshops in. A lady has messaged about a zoom acting through song workshop and another person has sent Harry some information!
- It also would be good to have one zoom dance workshop.
- Adèle: I would also like to see if people would be interested in a 30-45 min cardio/stretch session to keep people moving to MT tunes!
- The committee agreed that this is a really good idea!
- Nicole: It also would be really good for wellbeing!
- Adèle: I also really want to have the audition prep workshop in person before Showcase auditions, but will depend on whether Showcase auditions are this term.

#### **8 - Socials Update:**

- Abi: We made the decision to cancel the social at the Den and Terrace. A lot of planning went into the scavenger hunt, but it will be great for a future social.
- Den and Terrace are happy to have us for another social!
- Harry: It was a great call to call it off and a very sensible decision!
- Abi: Do people want to do a meet the committee social while there is not much on at the moment? Freshers can come along and ask questions so they can get to know other freshers as well!
- Ben: On zoom you can run it like freshers fair with breakout rooms.
- Abi: We can also do Among us if Ben could set that up!

#### **9 - Society Diversity:**

- Harry and Nicole went through answers to the survey to make the action plan, which we have been speaking about for a few months now.
- Nicole: I've been speaking to someone who's part of the disability network about theatre and having a discussion and I can talk to her about opportunities in the future. We want to make sure MTB is approachable to make our society more inclusive.
- Nicole: I had to take a stand on some of the disney cabaret song choices, as if we are branching out to the BME network, we need to present ourselves in a positive way, so that people want to audition and sign up for things!
- Harry: In the disney cabaret we took out songs where the race or culture of character was mentioned in the lyrics.
- Nicole will be involved in the song selection processes for cabarets in the future!

#### **10 - Website:**

- Sam: No developments this week, but over lockdown it will be done!

#### **11 - Showcase V:**

- Harry: This is getting side lined at the moment due to the lockdown, but Nieve is keen to have auditions before christmas, but it's too early to say and lockdown may be extended :(
- We will decide over lockdown when these auditions will be.
- Harry: There is still a lot of time in jan/feb to put on a show! The main thing next term is adhoc room bookings, as it will be hard to rehearse to normal showcase standard with no adhoc room bookings.
- We can make contingency plans for everything if things don't go to plan.
- Nieve: We do have more weeks than usual to rehearse!

- Abi: People want to know when auditions are so worth updating people about Showcase auditions on the newsletter or a facebook post.
- Obviously everything is constantly changing at the moment and Showcase is hard to think about as we go into lockdown, but we remain optimistic!

#### **12 - Into The Woods Update:**

- Harry is on a mission to collect all the scripts this month.
- Abi: What are the rules regarding people involved in the ITW Showcase piece?
- Harry: The MD's are creating a suitable band for the other 7 pieces and then from that band a 10 minute slot of ITW will be made based on the band.
- The cast in the ITW showcase piece can only be in one other piece and if they're the lead in the ITW piece, they won't be a lead in any other piece.
- Need to make sure the ITW cast are in the loop so they know they aren't being forgotten!

#### **13 - Musical of the Week:**

- Rocky Horror!!