

City and Guilds College Union

Motion of No-Confidence in the CGCU President*Proposed By Christian Carter and John James**Seconded by those listed in Appendix 1***City and Guilds College Union Notes**

1. The President was paid £2,100 for his work over the summer (a period of two months).
2. The President vacated his honorarium for the period of seven days for an arts society tour over the summer. Ashley Brown filled in for him during this time.
3. A considerable amount of sponsorship was gained by the President during the summer.
4. The President helped organise the Freshers' Ball and two Bar nights in the Autumn term.
5. The President is rarely seen in the office nor has been since October.
6. The President's attendance at CGCU Exec. meetings is sporadic and apologies for said meetings is nonexistent. Indeed he has missed two consecutive Exec. meetings without apologies.
7. Attendance at CSB rarely occurs (although not required), even when the President confirmed he would be attending the budgeting CSB he failed to attend.
8. Attendance as a member of CAC has not occurred, even when the President confirmed he would be attending, he failed to turn up.
9. It is very difficult to contact the President either by phone or email. The president does not respond to the majority of emails sent to him on Guilds related matters. This includes the foe@imperial.ac.uk email account.
10. The President attends many social functions courtesy of Imperial College, the City of London and the Livery Companies who founded City and Guilds College. These are attended in the name of the President of CGCU.
11. Early January the President became ill and had to go to hospital. On his return he said he needed to catch up on his studies and requested that the Hon Sec and VPA fill in for him over the next two weeks. In that time the President was readmitted to hospital for a short time due to an unrelated thumb slicing incident which prevented him from submitting his report on the autumn activities of Guilds to ICU council again.
12. A third chance for the President to report to ICU occurs on the 17 March 2008.
13. During the Presidents absence due to illness Guildsmen continued to fill in for him as they had done since October with no one really noticing his lack of extra non-contribution.
14. During the Presidents absence due to illness Ashley Brown was designated to access the foe@imperial.ac.uk email account. When this was done it was found emails had gone unread for over a month.
15. The constitution states:

“7.3 All Full Members of the Union may participate and vote all aspects of business at General Meeting. The quorum shall be 50 Full Members.

7.5The President shall convene General Meetings once in each of the Autumn, Spring and Summer terms, and additionally as necessary.”

16. A general meeting of fifty or more full members has not been called by the President in either the Autumn or the Spring term.
17. The constitution states:

“34.2 The Management Committee shall meet once every two weeks in term time and additionally as needed.

34.3 The members of the Management Committee shall be:

34.3.1 President,

34.3.2 The Vice-Presidents,

34.3.3 Honorary Secretary,

34.3.4 Academic Affairs Officer (Education Representative),

34.3.5 Two Ordinary Members elected from the members of the Executive Committee.

34.4 The Management Committee shall be convened and chaired by the President or his nominee.”

18. The management committee has met once in the autumn term and once in the spring term. The President was absent for the meeting in the spring term. Only one ordinary member was elected from Exec. and he has subsequently resigned.

19. With regards to a no confidence motion the constitution states:

“52.8 The motion shall be carried by a two-thirds majority in a secret ballot.”

City and Guilds College Union Believes

1. Ed Judge, Milli Begum, Michael Chan and Ashley Brown should be congratulated for their hard work above and beyond their duties over the course of the last academic year.
2. The President has not fulfilled his duties.

City and Guilds College Union Resolves

This Union has no confidence in the current President Tristan Sherliker

Appendix 1

List of Seconders for the No Confidence Motion in the CGCU President

BEGUM	Salma	CGCU VP(Activities)	MechEng	00466803
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JUDGE	Edward	CGCU Honorary Secretary	ChemEng	00449134
MEARING-SMITH	Mark	CGCU Spanner Bearer	MechEng	00472804
HOSKINS	Thomas	CivSoc Chair	CivEng	00406256
MIDDLETON	Alex	RSM Honorary Secretary	ESE	00430950
O'NEIL	John	ICU Engineering UG Councillor	Materials	00453049
NEDIC	Jovan	Felix Editor <i>Elect</i>	Aero	00410052
BARROTT	Julia	Departmental Representative	ESE	00453489
NG	Brandon	Departmental Representative	ChemEng	00426962
POST	Thom	ICU RAG Vice-Chair	Materials	00454264
SUTTON	Paul	CGCU Member	ChemEng	00443349
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