

A&E Request for More Contingency

A note by Gavin Evans, A&E Chair

The Arts & Ents Board passed a contingency claim made by Cinema at the last meeting on Wednesday 9th June. As the entirety of the A&E contingency budget was used up at the beginning of the year by a claim made by Music Technology, this contingency claim is now being brought to CSB. Below are the details of the claim made by Cinema Chair, Charlotte Ivison:

"ICU Cinema has been officially dormant for the past academic year due to lack of staff. As of the 9th March, Cinema became active with a core committee formed of Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary. We also have around 20 people interested in running the cinema. As this is an entirely new committee with no past experience of Cinema, we are treating all work required to get Cinema up and running as unforeseen. Due to this and the fact that the Society is in debt by £6000 (our sound system was purchased using a loan just before a fall in attendance), we are looking to claim money from the A&E Contingency Budget for core expenses. Bought from original/similar suppliers, these are as follows:

- Mobile air conditioning unit X 1: £129.97

The air conditioning unit currently in the Cinema Booth is broken, and I am informed that it gets uncomfortably hot during showings without one. Therefore, we are claiming this on H&S grounds.

As an aside, three of our large metal film reels need replacing. Of the three reels, one is missing and two are broken. These reels are not needed for normal showings, but are needed for All-Nighters, which bring in the vast majority of our revenue. We are therefore looking to claim money to replace these potentially in October. This is because, due to inflation and our system being old, each reel (which previously cost around £200) now cost £482.67 each to replace. We are therefore looking into whether there are cheaper alternative suppliers of the reels, and whether it would be more economically sensible to replace all of the reels with cheaper modern alternatives."

I am therefore requesting that £129.97 from the CSB contingency budget be given to the A&E to fulfil the contingency claim for the mobile air conditioning unit.