

Fashion Society Closure Appeal

*A note by the Fashion Society Chair
Seconded by the RCC Chair*

Background

The RCC held its last GM of the year on 4th June 2009. The meeting was not quorate although this was not pointed out at the time, but according to the Constitution, Regulation 6. B. 29 (see appendix) this does not invalidate the decisions made.

At this meeting the Fashion Society which had been dormant since 15th May 2008 was voted closed on by a vote of 11 for, 9 against. The Fashion society wishes to appeal the decision of the RCC on the grounds that while it suffered from a poor committee both this year and last year, we have managed to recruit a promising committee for the next academic year and have taken steps to revive the club and have the finances to support this.

Our plans and a time frame can be found below:

1. Lessons – Mondays

- Tutoring in dress making (10 weeks lessons, 2 hours session, £20 max per hour. £400 in total)
- Personalising clothes
- Invite tutors for fashion journalism talks

2. Get-together (Open sessions) – Wednesdays afternoons

- Weekly meeting on dress/accessory making progress and ideas sharing (Including the use of all Fashion Society's equipment)

3. Advertise – Once a term

- Photoshoot in collaboration with Felix and Photo Soc (need to ask)
(Chairperson has contact for a studio, can be used for photoshoot confirmation)
- Secondhand clothes sale, people can sell their own creations here.

4. Shows

- Paris/Milan fashion show group visit (overseas trip) (**Mar 2010**)
- Visit of London fashion week (get group passes) (**February 2010**)
- Graduate fashion week (**May 2010**)
- RCA shows (finance healthy, sponsor tickets) (**June 2010**)

5. Books and Magazine

- Subscriptions to major fashion magazines, accessible at every weekly meeting.
- Library of dress making or fashion books.

6. Create own magazine

- End of year magazine
- End of year fashion show with KnitSock (Possibility to sell garments after the fashion show)

Organize and information sharing

Created a blackboard at Huddle.net / icfashion, will enable committee and members to communicate and share documents.

Matters for decision:

1. Appeal the decision of the RCC, and return Fashion Society to the status of dormancy as they are yet to get 20 members.

Appendix

Regulation Six

B.

Quorum

29. Half the meeting's voting members, *ex-officio* and vacant posts being ignored, constitute a quorum unless otherwise provided. Any meeting except general meetings must be quorate for decisions made and elections held to be legitimate, though those undertaken prior to quorum failing shall not be invalid by virtue of later inquoracy. A meeting shall be deemed quorate unless the contrary is demonstrated.
30. A meeting must specifically ascertain its quoracy upon starting, re-starting or challenge by any Full Member of the Union, and close if quorum fails. However, general meetings need not ascertain quoracy upon starting or re-starting.