

JCSU COMMITTEE 2017

Minutes of a meeting of the JCSU Committee held at 12:30 on 19th June 2017 in Study Centre Room 5.

MINUTES

Present: the President (Katherine Boucher), the Vice-President (Vicky Taylor), the Treasurer (Kirsty McKnight), the Secretary (Max Bowling), the Services Officer (Olivia Argent), the Communications Officer (Caspar Ramsay), the Access Officer (Matthew Kevin Sample), the Green Officer (Lili Bidwell), the Ents Officer (Ollie Brown), the Welfare Officers (Holly Hamilton and Cormac Devlin), the Women's Officer (Alex Rowe), the LGBT+ Officer (Holly Bracewell), the International Officer (Nikhil Dwivedi)

Absent: the Ents Officer (Mary Kiernan), the Mental Health and Disabilities Officer (Sophie O'Reilly) and the Ethnic and Religious Minorities Officer (Heval Turel)

Committee reports of actions since last meeting:

N/A

1. Suggestion form report by OA

N/A

2. Matters arising

(a) Elections for Green Officer and College Council Representative

KB: To be carried out later in the week, organising the hustings for Wednesday afternoon at 4.

(b) Freshers Week Preparations

Tasks to be completed:

MB to email conferencing to check if microphones are set up for talks in West Court Lecture Theatre.

HH and CD to work on Wellness card for next term.

OB and MK to check availability of Brewery Room for bops, West Court Lecture Theatre for film night, and arrange with Geoffrey Howe for historical tour of college.

AR to email Directors of Study to ensure meetings don't coincide with Consent Workshops.

VT: Alphabet bop was a success on the first night of the Freshers, would like a similar vibe next year.

KB: In terms of International Freshers, special events will be needed to be put on.

ND: Spoke with iCUSU people – most years tend to run a few events when the International Freshers arrive.

HH: Mental health talk run by students? The mindfulness talk on Freshers Monday would maybe be better later in the term.

KB: SO could have slot in the general JCSU talk or JCSU welfare talk. Need to make mental health more prominent this year.

LB: Fine to have more compulsory events, good to have some structure.

VT: Would be good to run Blues and Chill in Freshers Week, have spoken with George Raikes to see if this can be arranged.

MB: Concern that quite a lot of events in Freshers Week involve an abundance of alcohol, might want to think about restructuring these. Particular concerns relate to the Family Parties on the Sunday and the Subject Parties later in the week.

KB: Can't ban them from having alcohol.

LB: Some parents don't feed the students during the Family Parties.

CR: Email college parents to advise them further.

KB: Could run a proper event at the same time, perhaps led by the JCSU, as an alternative to the Family Party. Give the impression that people don't have to go to the Family Party.

CR: Ban College parents from buying alcohol for kids?

LB: Might be prudent to make it more of a family tea party, go to parents' house, etc.

OB: Parents could ask college children in advance if they drink or not.

ND: Went through the process of not drinking. People can feel uncomfortable. Having something held in College might be a nice alternative.

MB: Have JCSU representation at the garden party. Table there with soft drinks, snacks, JCSU presence, etc.

KB: Email guidance to parents, meet all the 2nd years, JCSU presence at the Family Party. Possibly organise an alternative activity as well.

HH: Suggest to parents to take their kids on other activities, e.g. punting.

OB: Likely to be held on Jesus Lane this year.

HB: In terms of freshers' perspective, nice if parents make an effort - jealous of HH's family going punting.

KM: Moving onto the Subject Parties, not sure how much we can do to change the format.

KB: Much more inter-year.

MB: As individuals, we need to be responsible and encourage others to be responsible as well. Some Subject Parties can get quite out of hand.

KB: Change both events from being compulsory.

(c) JCSU Garden Party

OB: On Thursday, DJ/Duncan will be running a bar. Happy for us to run a cash bar using alcohol. BBQ at normal caff time.

HH: Could run a welfare cake at the Garden Party. Get some lollies.

OB: Some external security brought in by College. Possibly concerned if we're playing music and people on the street want to check it out.

HH: Staging booked. Bouncy Castle booked.

OB: Miles has some speakers. Will need to check plugs. In terms of entertainment: Jesus Big Band, Jesus Singers, Miles, Slow Phil.

VT: Can get in touch with Jesus Choral Scholars.

MKS: Keen to run the bar.

MB: Happy to help out as well.

KB: Need to contact catering.

OB: Need to keep it tidy. Ask housekeeping for bin bags.

LB: Recycling bin.

MB: Checking that we can sell this alcohol for a profit.

KB: Need to buy ice.

MKS: Might be cups in JCSU room

OB to set up a Doodle poll to work out 30 minute shifts for security.

OB: Asks if people can come at half 3 to help set up.

(d) Jesus Varsity with Jesus College, Oxford

KB: Will be held on the Sunday of week 4 in Michaelmas, hosted by us. Prospect of return fixture in future. Jesus, Oxford, will arrive in the afternoon, play sports fixtures (women's hockey, men's rugby, men's and women's football, women's netball, mixed lacrosse, etc.). Possibly go to Cindies for dinner afterwards. Applied for a party permit. Wanted to ask what JCSU Committee's view on this is.

MB: Unsure about whether this should be run by the JCSU (in terms of administrative burden and possibility of unsavoury incidents tarnishing the JCSU name).

CR: Knows that St Catt's runs it through their Student Union, so there is a precedent.

KB: Open to everyone.

HH: Not done anything original as a JCSU thus far, would be nice to leave a legacy.

MKS: Would be nice to have something for everything, rather than restricting it to the sporty people.

KB: Would need JCR budget to do what we need to do.

MKS: Possible to run a bop?

KB: College would not be happy with that given attendance from non-Jesuans. Better to have it out of college.

KM: Nice idea generally.

MKS: How would we use JCSU money for this?

KB: For example, organising coaches next year. Would need JCSU money to cope with the scale of the money. Put to a vote whether JCSU should be associated with this.

Vote passed. (1 in opposition, 4 in abstention)

3. Any other business

(a) 'Queer'ies awards

HB: Received a complaint about these from a student regarding their appropriateness. In light of this, have changed the awards slightly.

MKS: Can argue semantics, but spirit of it is lovely.

CR: People entitled to their opinion about it.

KB: Support from JCSU Committee on this.

KB thanked the members of the Committee for a very helpful and successful meeting.

The meeting closed at 14:00.