

JCSU COMMITTEE 2017

Minutes of a meeting of the JCSU Committee held at 14:00 on 29th September 2017 in Prioress Room.

MINUTES

Present: the President (Katherine Boucher), the Vice-President (Vicky Taylor), the Secretary (Max Bowling), the Services Officer (Olivia Argent), the Communications Officer (Caspar Ramsay), the Access Officer (Matthew Kevin Sample), the Green Officer (Surina Fordington), the Welfare Officers (Holly Hamilton and Cormac Devlin), the Mental Health and Disabilities Officer (Sophie O'Reilly), the LGBT+ Officer (Holly Bracewell), the Ethnic and Religious Minorities Officer (Heval Turel), the International Officer (Nikhil Dwivedi), and the Ents Officers (Mary Kiernan and Ollie Brown)

Absent: the Treasurer (Kirsty McKnight) and the Women's Officer (Alex Rowe)

Committee reports of actions since last meeting:

Summer break.

1. Suggestion form report by OA

N/A

2. Matters arising

(a) Freshers Week administration

General discussion of Freshers Week timetable and rota of JCSU personnel. Agreement to keep bar crawl close to College, visiting Jesus Bar, the Maypole and the Brewhouse. People will be taken back to College if they do not want to go out.

MKS: Update on gown donations. Looking to develop scheme where departing third years can donate their gowns back to the JCSU, which can then be offered to certain students at a lower price.

(b) New societies

MB: Have received requests to set up a Dancesport Society (Danielle Forster), Dramatic Society (Grainne Dromgoole) and Zumba Society (Lara Tritton).

Unanimously passed by the JCSU Committee. These are now JCSU-affiliated societies.

(c) Boat club use of gym

KB: Received a request from the Boat Club to have exclusive use of the College gym on two mornings a week. We've already agreed to allowing them to use the squash courts at certain times of the week.

MB: Useful to clarify that Boat Club contributed a large amount when new gym equipment was bought about ten years ago, with some sort of agreement as part of this that they would be able to use the gym when they wanted.

KB: Seems unfair to stop people going to the gym if they want to.

MKS: Probably shouldn't have the right to kick people out.

OB: Boat Club could always do circuits outside without having to force other people out of the gym.

OA: Might it be better for them to have an hour or two in the early afternoon. Better they use it then rather than at peak time in the morning and evening.

MKS: A lot of people would be uncomfortable being forced out in the afternoon.

Agreed that OB will have a chat with Alex Gutai (Boat Club President).

(d) Jesus Varsity

KB: Got permission to do this from the Dean. Made a poster for it and beginning online publicity. Booked Cindies for the evening (£100 deposit). Thinking of having a system where you pay your money when you put your name down for the event. Would be on Sunday 29th Oct. Dinner open to everyone after sports teams have fulfilled their allocation. DJ happy with the bar situation.

(e) Team photos in bar

HH: Will follow up with the domestic bursar.

(g) Alcohol motion guidance

MB: KM has requested we consider the guidance we want to issue to societies when they draw up their budget requests for the next annual budget. This should be in line with the amended motion that was passed at the latest OGM, which states that alcohol can only be funded by JCSU funds when it is not deemed the central purpose of the event in question.

MKS: Might be good to have a separate budget for alcohol, rather than including it in refreshments. Could create a headache for ourselves in a few weeks.

KB: Hard to budget for refreshments because depends on numbers that turn up. By doing that with everything, we could end up being too restrictive.

CD: Specify perhaps that societies are not allowed to buy alcohol for Socials.

CR: Would need to have Todd on board. Want to define more precisely what is meant, e.g. university backgammon society that books out Cindies early on Wednesday evening, but essentially uses it as an opportunity to pre-drink.

SO: We could maybe make a list of exceptions rather than having a blanket rule.

SF: Sensible to have a limit of units per person.

ND: The clearer you make the policy, it either becomes too strict or too flimsy. We need an effective balance.

MKS: Wouldn't be a terrible thing to clarify discretion.

MK: Make a list of exceptions. Define socials as clearly as we can. We can act retrospectively in any case where a granted amount of alcohol has been misused.

KB: Sort of already have that. Before you buy alcohol, it can be run by Kirsty.

MK: Make terms clear enough (e.g. JHAF, Grid). If it comes to light that a budget is being misused, then can act on that.

SO: How can you define whether a society has used it falsely?

KB: Kirsty gets asked a lot of questions. Not sure if it would be a massive change.

ND: Impossible for us to make a concrete rule. Make something that future JCSUs might like to keep. People can use their discretion.

SO: How does that work if it's your friend in charge of a society?

KB: That's why we have Richard Dennis to check.

SO: Certain amount of accountability for the Committee.

KB: Will have a meeting with Richard Dennis in next few weeks.

3. Any other business

N/A

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

The meeting closed at 15:40.