

JCSU Executive Committee Meeting

January 18th 2022 in the Coleridge Room

<u>In attendance (18)</u>: the President (Jezz Brown, *in the chair*), the Vice-President (Bella Manfredi), the Treasurer (Tom Brookes), the Secretary (Bella Rawson), the Freshers' Officer (Krish Nanavati), the Communications Officer (Lewis Westwood Flood), the Women's and Non-Binary Officer (Izzy Despositos), the Environmental and Ethical Affairs Officer (Kefeshe Bernard), the International Students' Officer (Ines Shammah), the Services Officer (Florence Lazenby), the Mental Health and Disabilities Officer (Maddie Mitchell), the Ethnic and Religious Minorities Officer (Esther Anthony-Ajileye *until 19:26)*, the Access Officer (Julio Bernucci), the Ents Officers (Billy Hughes, Olly Doggett *from 19:13*), the LGBTQ+ Officer (Yuval Weiss), the Female Welfare Officer (Georgia King), the Male Welfare Officer (Jamie Newnham)

Apologies (1): the Freshers' Officer (Mia Barnes)

One Minute Summary

- Budget adjusted due to deficits in funding for President, Ents, and Vice-President, with the need for Halfway Hall funding a big concern
- A number of meetings with the bursar and domestic bursar discussing the rent rise next year (5%), the blue door (opening in the next 2-3 weeks), improved lighting around college, student bar proposal (initially denied, but continually pushing), and anti-spiking supplies (pushing college to pay for them)
- Communications will be coming soon from college about the Rustat court case being held in Chapel and security provisions.
- Registration of the JC Entrepreneurship Society and JC Shaping Fashion Society

Please note: the following minutes aim to capture the spirit of what was said, as opposed to verbatim documentation.

<u>Minutes</u>

Meeting opened at 19:07

1.0 - Budget Adjustments and Updates

"That the JCSU Executive Committee **APPROVES** the budget estimate amendments made by the Treasurer, as required by Article 5.4(4), as annexed."



- **Jezz:** In difficult position with finance this year, considering cuts, adjustments. There will be more throughout the year.
- Tom: issues are VP, President, Ents budgets. Cut societies budgets based on underspending, proportional to how much is remaining of their budget. Undecided on DJ Soc, unsure if it exists. If it doesn't more money around, if it does then only some will be cut. According to Treasurer from two years ago, JCSU hasn't spent all of its budget each year for the past ten years, so at the end of the year some adjustments could be reversed. Adjustments are in the annex of the agenda, VP got a lot to sort because of coaches from Jesus-Jesus Varsity. Can't get money back from attendees, budget needs to come from elsewhere.

Resolution adopted without opposition.

2.0 - Updates from Bursar and Domestic Bursar Meetings

- Jezz: Domestic bursar discussion, rent rising 5% next year inline with inflation. Met in middle of two figures 4.2 and 6%. Can't do anything about it, other colleges in same situation. Rent increase for new students next year will be larger to accommodate KFC changes, only thing could do is organise a Rent Strike, although this is not preferred. Also discussed why we had a lot of reserves, balancing JCR/MCR budgets to be more fair. JCR clubs/societies spendings more than proportional expected spending. Looking for way to reallocate, particularly boat club large proportion postgraduate, but mostly funded by JCSU. Will investigate further, but bursar says must spend full budget otherwise no reason to reallocate if money left over.
- **Jezz:** Number of general meetings, blue door being reopened in next 2-3 weeks, now will be hard wire door so can't be kept open for lengthy periods without an alarm. CCTV beng installed. Porters' lodge not one way system, Wicket Gate open 6am-12am, Porters actively looking to install CamCard operated system to open glass sliding door by students.
- **Jezz:** issue of alcohol presence in food, pushing it to be treated in regards to labelling as an allergy is. Halal and Kosher chicken being pushed for Kefeshe and Florence already working with the MCR, pushing college to redesign menu. Survey to identify what people want/need coming soon.



- **Jezz:** Also been discussing college lighting President has seen the bill so something has been done. Bulbs been improved, new lighting in places (North Court). JCSU actively pushing for lighting around Victoria Gate to be improved.
- **Jezz:** Student Bar proposal initially blocked by college on university policy to not work at a Student Affairs Committee (SAC). Spoke with Geoff Parks and Stuart Websdale (bursar) who cited policy, but have done research and many colleges have a student run bar so going to push on it.
- **Jezz:** Putting an anti-spiking paper to SAC. College not providing supplies at the moment, Cambridge SU providing instead. Paper will ask college to do this instead.
- **Jamie:** With regards to the blue door, this needs to be communicated because I didn't know this.
- **Jezz:** Still waiting on Simon Durrant (Head Porter), don't want to spread misinformation. More information from anyone else?

3.0 - Brief Reports from Officers on Current Projects

- **Julio:** spoke to Schools' Liaison Officer about access stats. Concern about being able to identify individual students, safeguarding concern due to college size as could guess who each student is. Not sure it should be an issue, must be a way around it.
- **Jezz:** issue is need to break down numbers for it to mean anything. Want things broken down generally, but will continue to investigate. There's a broader University push too.
- Lewis: meeting with college communications officers about Rustat. Lots of communication from the college soon. College will be open to public and government security will be present as Chapel being turned into a court. If living on street (Jesus Lane or Malcolm Street) will be asked to exit out back of house due to expectations of media doorstopping (NB: this means media speaking to students as they leave their homes for statements/comments). Won't be allowed inside college to doorstep staircases (breaking law), anything should be reported to the Porters. Will be in place from the 2nd to 4th February, with limited student space for hearing, screening in Bawden Room. Trial's opening most interesting to students. Comms officers also asked that if comfortable, JCSU should bring up open letters, problems, college perceptions etc to help. And JNet and website being redone in 4 and a half weeks, with filming and social media policies being redone next term.



- **Jezz:** Spoke with James Crockford, ran through procedure. JCSU students more likely to be approached. Speak to members of the committee or comms team, but don't provide a statement with expectation things will be fine.
- **Lewis:** if you want to make a statement, make it clear and in writing. State that it's personal, not the JCSU's position.
- Jezz: journalists may promise confidentiality, but not stick to it. Look after yourself.

4.0 - Halfway Hall

- **Bella M:** Halfway Hall a nightmare. College don't want to subsidise tickets as under £20, so policy not to. JCSU can subsidise if want, but not got the budget, so prioritising drinks subsidisation over tickets. Subsidisations is for bursary tickets some may feel twenty pound is affordable, others may not. Don't want it to reflect badly on JCSU so going to push.
- **Jamie:** what's the policy above twenty pounds?
- Tom: basically college won't subsidise it
- **Jamie:** so it might not be a policy, it's what Geoff is saying?
- **Bella M:** well it might be a policy, so we want to come at it with backing of JCSU.
- **Lewis:** ask for minuting reference for where the policy is. If reserved, ask for it to be unreserved.
- **Bella M:** also need to contact Jesus College Music Society for music, pay with wine, menu circulated on JCSU chat. A formal, but no subsidisation so expensive. Only 120 tickets, 40 people missing. Alexis has said he's aware of budget issues so will try to do something.
- **Jamie:** how does the alcohol policy relate?
- **Tom:** Presidential exemption
- **Lewis:** going through an OGM?
- **Jezz:** issue came from John Hughes Art Festival. Asked if we can edit via constitution, made an exemption. Going to formalise with retrospective amendment, will need a cap. Formals normally 100, but no fellows so can have 120. Not sure why we can't open another hall. Formals now only bookable a week in advance.

5.0 - Green Officer - Number of officers

- **Kefeshe:** previous officers feel it's a broad role, so want more than one. Not sure how logistics will be split, will have to go to an OGM, wanted thoughts.



- **Jezz:** OGM needed, college won't accept it without a mandate. Open to the idea, but if unsure how it'll work, needs more thought. Put it on next week's agenda.
- **Bella R:** have you thought about having a Green committee/society to delegate to?
- **Kefeshe:** looking to set up one with MCR, but issue is long term commitment from people.
- **Lewis:** used to have 3 elected committees but got rid of in 2017, expanding roles and having more on the committee an issue.
- **Jezz:** park until next week.

6.0 - ICSU Office Use

- **Jezz:** office open, access on Camcard. Want it as a welfare space, officers rotate through.

7.0 Student Stewarding for FNJ

- **Jezz:** student stewarding discussed with Simon, Ents officers and bar manager. Want safe, big events. Jesus Cocktail (£3) at FNJ, downstairs bar open.

8.0 Welfare Workshops

- **Georgia:** budget very small, £50 allocation is basically impossible. Offer from alumna, workshop slightly irrelevant for undergrads. Want general opinion on workshops or petting zoo, not puppy therapy. May contact local animal shelter.
- **Bella R:** difficulty with animal welfare laws. Try contacting Vet School/vet society, they may have contacts.
- **Bella M:** James Crockford organises welfare weeks, college have issue with petting zoos and said no.

9.0 Societies Registration

Society details as annexed.

- **9.1** "That the JCSU Executive Committee **RESOLVES** to associate with the Jesus College Entrepreneurship Society as a Club or Society in accordance with Article 3 of the Constitution."
- **9.2** "That the JCSU Executive Committee **RESOLVES** to associate with the Jesus College Shaping Fashion Society as a Club or Society in accordance with Article 3 of the Constitution."
- **Lewis:** concerns about funding, cutting lots from existing societies, could reflect badly to then give to new societies.



- **Tom:** JCR fund exists to fund new societies throughout the year.
- **Lewis:** account for other societies and consider how much they need the money. Don't want to promise if we are cutting budgets. Still passable without the funding.
- **Maddie:** is central JCSU funding for snacks for societies, or JCSU providing the snacks possible? Would eliminate lots of wasted budget.
- **Bella R:** so we agree with associating with both the societies, but with not providing funding for now?
 - **9.1** Resolution adopted with amendments as specified.
 - 9.2 Resolution adopted with amendments as specified.

10.0 Stash Updates

- **Bella M:** push to next meeting as not urgent.

11.0 Meeting Dates for Lent 2022

"That the JCSU Executive Committees **NOTES** the meeting dates for the remainder of Lent Term 2022 in the annex in general on Tuesdays at 7pm, and recognises this as the requisite notice under Article 4.8(1) of the Constitution."

The Committee agreed to **NOTE** without comment or opposition.

12.0 Any Other Business [AOB]

- **Maddie:** let's get accessibility trained. Simple 10 question form.
- **Bella**: let me know if you want to be on working party to help change the constitution.
- Olly: can anyone steward this Friday? Need help.

Meeting closed at 20:06.



Annex 1 - Society Registration - Jesus College Entrepreneurship Society

Society Name: Jesus College Entrepreneurship Society

President: Kornel Grunwald **Treasurer:** Kaitlin Fritz

Description: Society to help Jesuans acquire entrepreneurial skills to aid in building new start up

organisations, that will also be beneficial in a wide variety of corporate and NGO settings.

Annex 2 - Society Registration - Jesus College Shaping Fashion Society

Society Name: Jesus College Shaping Fashion Society

President: Will Davison **Treasurer:** Orla Woodward

Description: A society to provide a forum to discuss and plan ways to make clothing and fashion in

Cambridge more sustainable and ethical.

Annex 3 - Meeting Dates for Lent Term 2021

All meetings begin at 7pm

Week 2: Tuesday 25th January

Week 3: Tuesday 1st February

Week 4: Tuesday 8th February

Week 5: Tuesday 15th February

Week 6: Tuesday 22nd February

Week 7: Tuesday 1st March

Week 8: Tuesday 8th March

Week 9: Tuesday 15th March

Annex 4 - Budget adjustments

Society	Adjustment	Justification
Football (M)	-£200	Underspending and money needed elsewhere
Football (F)	-£150	Underspending and money needed elsewhere
Table Tennis	-£125	Underspending and money needed elsewhere
Tennis	-£250	Underspending and money needed elsewhere
Wine and Cheese	-£120	Underspending and money needed elsewhere
Sports Colours	-£60	Underspending and money needed elsewhere
JCMPS	-£100	Underspending and money needed elsewhere
DJ Soc	*Undecided* but large deduction	Underspending and money needed elsewhere
MedSoc	-£315	Underspending and money needed elsewhere
Ents	£500	Entire Budget Spent by Previous Officers
President	£200	Negative Budget
Vice President	£620 + Entire DJ Soc Deduction	Budget currently roughly -£700