

# **JCSU Executive Committee Meeting**

March 9th 2023 The Bain room

<u>Present (15)</u>: the President (Nicole Ling Yan Lee), the Vice-President (Esther Anthony-Ajileye), the Treasurer (Krish Nanavati), the Secretary (John Jessop), the Female and Non-Binary Welfare officer (Orchid Amira Balgobin), the Male and Non-Binary Welfare officer (Tom Morgan), the Mental Health and Disabilities officer (Alice Yu), the Women's and Non-Binary officer (Helena Kondak), the Freshers officer (Lizzie Caird), the Freshers officer (Kieran Leete), the Ethnic and Religious Minorities officer (Haajrah Ashraf), the Access officer (Stephen Fajemilusi), the Communications and Computing officer (Dom Swift), the Ents officer (Yuval Weiss), the Ents officer (Lyra Christie)

<u>Apologies (5):</u> the International officer (Songhwi Yoon), the LGBTQ+ officer (Patryk Wisniewski), the Environmental and Ethical Affairs officer (Ezra Grosz), the Services officer (Jonathan Driver), the Undergraduate council representative (Issy Kaufman)

#### Minutes

Meeting opened at 19:05

## 1.0 - Approval of

The Committee APPROVED the draft minutes as the official record

### 2.0 - Actions updates

The Secretary

- Take a look in the JCSU IT store and organise to move everything [3.0] (The Comms officer, the Secretary)
- John Dom and I took a look around and spoke to IT about the options and we're going to try
  and donate some of it to the computing history museum and the rest will go to the recycler
  that IT uses

## 3.0 - Natural sciences subject society

The Secretary, The Access Officer

- **John** Essentially Stephen emailed me this week asking to set up a natural sciences subject society as one currently doesn't exist, the president will be Stephen, the Financial officer will be Nathan Njoku, and there will be a third committee member Edward Badege. They have requested a budget of £50 for the remainder of this year. This is all the information we need constitutionally to create the society but obviously we will need to discuss and vote with a quorum.
- **Nicole** What exactly do you want the money for?
- **Stephen** It's for socials mostly

- **Krish** One of the things we spoke about last committee and at the beginning of this committee was subject society funding, and how much we should give certain societies. It was my plan that we would discuss this matter in May when we have to start thinking about next year's budget. But for this comparatively small budget, I think it is fair to rule on this based on the logic of last year and then implement the new theory and ideas in May for the next budget.w
- **John** If no one else has any comments shall then lets vote on it

#### *The vote passed*

- **Krish** On the current budget there is a natural sciences society with £150 actually. I'm not sure who is in charge of this at the moment, but they've spent no money so I think it's reasonable to allocate that budget to your society Stephen

## 4.0 - Allergens at caff

The Freshers officer (Kieran)

- **Kieran** Last Friday at formal I had to leave half way due to an allergic reaction to food I was served. The issue was that I wasn't told I was served pine nuts in a pesto on my starter, this wasn't on the menu. Pesto was added to multiple dishes but not meant to be served to people with a nut allergy. Last week I was given a vegan starter even though the meat starter I'd ordered didn't contain anything I'm allergic to. Basically I would like to see more detailed menus detailing what is actually in the dishes and once again better lists of allergens.
- I also saw tonight that caff had whole cashew nuts in the main but this wasn't labelled on the screen and so wasn't copied onto the blackboard. I know of at least one person who had this main and is allergic to nuts too. The information for the screen is sent up directly from the kitchen so it is not being done is unacceptable. More needs to be done
- **Haajrah** You need to have a meeting with Alexis. He had assured me that it's the people in the kitchen who know what they're doing and any issues with under trained or inexperienced staff
- **Dom** With the pesto issue specifically they said they added it last minute without checking it
- **Kieran** Who should I contact about these issues and how should I do that?
- **Nicole** There's a service form on JNET which is sent to the chef
- I have meeting with domestic bursar next week too so I'll talk to him about this
- **Krish** This isn't the first time so we've raised this issue so we need to be on it [AP]

#### Esther arrives 19:17

- Orchid On a related point they never advertise what vegan food is on the menu. And last week I just didn't get served a starter because my allergens were too complicated. And then eventually when they brought out a starter it was a plate of food I couldn't eat, with loads of things I'm allergic to
- **Nicole** Previously this wasn't done as the head chef didn't do a substantially different vegan main it was simply an adaptation of the veggie meal
- **Esther** We could try and get them to put little flags in them like veggie and vegan and different allergens

- Kierran I spoke to one of the chefs and they said that a lot of the time with new staff they'll see a list of allergens they'll just come in and grab whatever alternative main they see rather than an appropriate meal, basically they disregard allergens and just grab food

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# 5.0 - Any Other Business [AOB]

- **Dom** Everyone come to Mario Kart on Sunday!
- **Lyra** Come to the casino James bond night on Friday!

Any business not raised before the meeting may be raised by an Officer under this agenda point for a lengthier discussion. Points raised during the meeting may also be deferred to this point by the Secretary or President.

Meeting closed at 19:42

# **Action List [AP]**

1. Talk to Alexis about allergens at caff and formal (The Services officer, the Freshers Rep) [4.0]