



## **JCSU Executive Committee Meeting**

*September 28th 2023 The JCR*

Present (15): 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 Women's and Non-Binary officer (Helena Kondak), the International officer (Songhwi Yoon), the Freshers officer (Lizzie Caird), the Freshers officer (Kieran Leete), the LGBTQ+ officer (Adam Fishlock), the Ethnic and Religious Minorities officer (Haajrah Ashraf), the Services officer (Jonathan Driver), the Communications and Computing officer (Dom Swift), the Ents officer (Yuval Weiss)

### Apologies (5):

the Mental Health and Disabilities officer (Alice Yu), the Access officer (Stephen Fajemilusi), the Environmental and Ethical Affairs officer (Ezra Grosz), the Ents officer (Lyra Christie), the Undergraduate council representative (Jezz Brown)

## **Minutes**

*Meeting opened at 16:37*

### **1.0 - Approval of**

The Committee **APPROVED** the draft minutes as the official record

### **2.0 - Actions updates**

The Secretary

### **3.0 - New Societies**

The Secretary

- **Steak Soc**
- **MML Soc**
- **Harry Soc**
- **BBQ Soc**
- **Rounders club**
- The Committee voted **IN FAVOUR** of affiliating with all 5 societies

### **4.0 - Feedback from meeting with paul**

The Welfare officers

- **Tom** Orchid and I chatted to Paul about his welfare review, we talked about fitness to study and the intermission procedure, they're changing the wording to 'support to study' and 'capability to study' which is intermission, this should make it more appealing to talk to, they have some people already on support to study, and it's being received well.

- **Tom** They're going to make the mental health nurse full time during term, and part time out of term, which is a big increase, however this probably won't come in until Lent as Paul is working on that paper at the moment
- **Tom** Welfare tutors are being renamed tutors, throughout the year they're going to encourage informal contact with tutors to try and build a relationship with them. One of his recommendations was about information sharing, the new system makes things better and it compiles reports from individuals rather than them all being stored separately
- **Orchid** Porters and tutors are going to have to give more clarity on when they log reports, so students know what's happening, which should help to build trust. There is also new guidance on how much detail is required for the different stages as the porters sometimes give too much detail and the tutors should give more detail on a subject.
- **Tom** Mental health nurse and college nurse are separate systems, and therefore not part of this issue with the reporting system, as they come under medical confidentiality, so no one in college has access to those reports or records.
- **Tom** They have a pot of money for wellbeing activities, yoga and mindfulness and sleep better courses are planned, and they've found a fund they can use to hire a head of wellbeing, to organise this sort of thing in future.
- **Tom** Any welfare officers are welcome to come to a college talk about an overview of the college welfare overview

## 5.0 -Sports storage facilities

The Comms officer

- **Dom** Prabav and Reese want me to go to the sports storage and collect thoughts about the new storage facilities they've made
- **Yuval** When is the gym reopening
- **Esther** I'm not sure anyone knows really we've heard lots of different things from different people

## 6.0 - Freshers!

The Freshers officers

- **Lizzie** Subject parties, now gatherings, we had a hiccup. Freshers timetable was sent to college ages ago, Paul and Claire approved all and we put it in the timetable. Claire said that there were too many permits, and the porters were feeling overwhelmed. She said we had to change it. Nicole, Esther, Dom all had a chat with Kierran and I, and we agreed it had to be on the same day so it's all the same. We thought we could rebrand them as more chill and then it'd be fine. But she wasn't happy, we eventually worked out what she'd be happy with. She said to talk to Simon, Esther Keiran and I spoke to Simon and he said that they should go ahead, but he wasn't comfortable with 2 porters dealing with all those parties with new freshers around. New plan is: moved to be earlier in the day 17:30-19:30, if the number is over twice the number of people in the staircase/house, a permit is needed, and they have to be no alcohol, we sent this to Claire and she said she was happy because Simon was. We are drafting an email which is pretty hardline to cover our back. It is frustrating that's it was all changed at the last minute but this is the plan now and we have to stick to it. It does actually

help make the gatherings more inclusive as no one will feel any pressure to drink etc. We really need to look out for the freshers.

- **Nicole** Obvs we're all party people, but if you don't drink the subject gatherings can be really alienating because everyone drinks so much.
- **Kieran** Yeah this is a really good way to split up pres for the big mash superbop(for those going) and the subject gatherings, so that everyone can enjoy the subject gathering, and still go out if they want to, and it also gives them time to eat dinner which is very important
- **Nicole** For Saturday everyone needs to be up and at east house at 8:45am
- **Kieran** We need to wear JCSU jumpers as much as possible so we can be seen and look approachable, be friendly and smiley. You've all got timings for when and where you need to be, so please be there on time and ready to help out
- **Kieran** We've got 100 tickets for mash on Monday, they have given us 75 free tickets for mash this Sunday, and shot vouchers
- **Yuval** I'll take them for ents
- **Kieran** The freshers already have a club night that night, so we don't want to overload them

## 7.0 - Art Club funding

The President

- **Esther** Art club asked for more money, I only disagreed with them thinking they'll have to fund the art room maintenance
- **Krish** I think the arguments are fair and we should increase their budget at the next budget session
- **John** They want a £300 increase
- **Nicole** We'll reply to them when they submit their budget request

## 8.0 - Any Other Business [AOB]

*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.*

- **Helena** As women and nb officer, we spoke to freshers officers about having a little consent and welfare support thing for freshers so they can have a quick help guide for freshers week, there's college and uni wide stuff on the flyer it just needs Paul's approval
- **Orchid** Krish we have a request for sexual health supplies, and the uni service isn't being very responsive and we're worried it might not come in time for freshers week can we buy sexual health supplies and charge it to the JCSU
- **Krish** How much were you thinking
- **Orchid** I'm not sure, I'll have a look online and see how it comes out
- **Krish** Subject societies, engineering, med/vet soc, law and now MML, there has been big debate in the past about how much each society should get.
- **Yuval** Could we put a maximum on it as some amount per person studying the subject currently

- **Krish** I think that sounds like a good idea, as long as they can justify using up to that much
- There was debate about different subjects having more welfare requirements and so needing more money but I'm not sure that's what the JCSU budget is for really, most people will get a similar amount to how much they got last year
- Officers also need to fill in the form for how much they want to have
- **Krish** I will send everyone an email with the form
  
- **Dom** On Saturday, we got access to the college Instagram account, so we need to put things up for Freshers week
  
- **Lizzie** Freshers wristbands we were thinking of not putting them in pidgeons, if anyone wants to do a collect the ticket session
- **Krish** We did that sort of thing after the talks that everyone had to go to
  
- **Lizzie** What's happening with welfare drop-ins
- **Tom** We'll go back to how it was last term for Freshers week and then update once people have their timetables
  
- **Nicole** On student spaces I spoke to Jo and she wants more decorations
- **Yuval** I'm going to order a neon rooster for the brewery room if anyone wants to go in and size up how big the sign could be
- **Kieran** Danny wants us to send in an email, listing student opinion, so we can be seen to be supporting the change in the brewery room so he can take the feedback up the chain to get some changes made.
  
- **Nicole** For the JCR Haaj said she will buy some rugs soon to decorate

*Meeting closed at 17:47*

## **Action List [AP]**

- 1.