JCSU Committee Meeting

Sunday, 3.03.2019

Attendees

Sorcha Keenan, President
Liv Wynne-Thomas, Vice-President
Callum Hay-Montier, Treasurer
Theo King, Secretary
Adam Goldney, Ents
Priya Bryant, Female Welfare
Jacob Dabb, Male Welfare
Emma Loffhagen, Women’s
Nabil Haque, BME
Zannah Lindley, Green
Astrid Godfrey, Mental Health and Disabilities
Annabel Paterson, Services
Sejal Karmarkar, Freshers
Ivan Ivanov, International
Low Chuen Leik, Communications

Absent

Jen Atherton, LGBT+
Jamie Brannigan, Access
Joe Jollans, Ents

Agenda

Last Meeting Follow-up
  1. International Women’s Day / Week of the Woman Preparation

New Business
Minutes

Emma: Need helpers for International Women’s Day, mainly Grace Fit. Need some people on the doors and mics for audience Q&A.

Sorcha: Standard is need 3 people, ticketing etc. Need to wear JCSU jumper when on shift. Liv on door scanning tickets. Priya and Annabel also down to help for now.

Emma: Front row will be reserved for the JCSU.

Sorcha: Need bodyguards for door - Theo, Jacob and Chuen can do. Also need photographer. She will be inside in case anything goes wrong.

Emma: She will arrive at Webb Library for photos and stuff.

Sorcha: Need to make sure only people with tickets get in. Will use Eventbrite organiser app for ticketing.

Emma: Need one other person to help out at documentary screening in Brewery Room, need help with IT.

Sorcha: Could ask Adam and Joe.

Emma: 7th March there is event right before in Coleridge Room, may need help clearing up at 7pm (Astrid and Priya can do). Lastly formal on Friday, need help decorating, Zannah, Liv, Priya can help out.

Sorcha: Homelessness open letter - only 8 out of 31 colleges attended summit last year. Next time they will email so we can go.

Zannah: She will also be publicising this. There is also raffle for Jimmy’s Cambridge we should get involved in.

Sorcha: Everyone ok to sign it? (Yes). CUSU elections this week, we cannot endorse candidates as a JCSU, only in specific roles. We should encourage people to vote. Potential conflict of interest as it is clear who we want to win.

Priya: We can endorse the action of voting alone.
Sorcha: Have voting booths in the Marshall Room this week, 6pm Wednesday? (Ivan and Callum can do, Jacob and Annabel can do Thursday at 6).

Adam: Can you be within 2 metres of people who vote?

Liv: Would be nice to have more outside seating areas in college, not just Waff where you have to pay.

Annabel: Has had other people ask about this. May have to check with college first (will email, work out budgeting etc.)

Sorcha: College Council 2 weeks ago and said reviewing constitution, put forward timeline for review. Has Google Doc form giving chance to looks through and identify changes, can be small or big details. Will have two weeks to complete. Will put on Slack. Online voting is one key area to look at. Will be written up, given to law fellow, then Council, then referendum to see if college wants changes. Dig in boxes - do we want to do them next year? Was a logistical nightmare in freshers week last year, do people appreciate it?

Callum: Look at what goes in there, combine with documents for freshers.

Sejal: Community fridge can work with it.

Nabil: Could make it more Jesus themed.

Sorcha: Her and Sejal met about freshers week. Quicker we think about it will make it less stressful.

Sejal: Going to make Google Doc for ideas/stuff we want to do again. Theo should put societies guide together, not all were at college societies fair. Speed meeting on first day was good idea but did not really work last year, do a variant on it this year.

Nabil: Combined subject parties work better? Especially for subjects like Architecture.

Priya: Need to combine smaller ones.

Sorcha: We could do video about JCSU for start of year, makes it easier to identify people. Needs to be done before end of Easter Term, Adam can film.

Chuen: There will soon be filming studio in West Court.

Adam: Come up with storyboard over Easter.

Sorcha: Introduce ourselves in person then show video.

Zannah: Do we get JCSU guide printed out? (It’s on the email).

Chuen: Will put our new photos up on website.

Liv: Medwards has board updating people on what is discussed in JCR meetings, we could do something similar.

Chuen: Same layout for photo page as last year?
Sejal: There was Freshers Workshop on discrimination although also had a talk on this, may be better to combine with sexual health. Maybe better to do workshop on mainly adjusting to Cambridge life.

Emma: We can't just have two white people delivering workshops on discrimination, need to be careful combining with consent ones.

Nabil: 1 hour is too long for consent workshop, people feel nervous speaking up.

Liv: Model it more on bystander training, worked really well.

Priya: Scheduling an issue, consent workshops should not be done after a morning of talks, give people information early in the week.

Sejal: We have to work around college limitations in terms of scheduling.

Sorcha: Need good-quality talks.

Priya: Wants to run workshop with Jacob about isolation, focused on people with little contact hours.

Zannah: Could do humanities and sciences in different groups.

Sorcha: Subject parties are useful for communicating this stuff.

Adam: Need to set dates for garden party, need to book a band in (maybe same one as Friday). Make it earlier than last year, could do the Thursday of May Week.

Sorcha: AOB?

Zannah: Make active bystander training compulsory for JCSU? It is so useful.

Sorcha: Have had email from good lad initiative asking if committees can do training. It is expensive but college should pay.

Nabil: Did good lad initiative through rugby, really good. It could be intertwined with consent workshops. Implicit bias training updates? Recent case of lack of respect shown to a student.

Sorcha: No response yet from Geoff, will bring up at meeting. Jamie has been to Equality Committee, sounds like it is starting to be put in place.

Chuen: Communications Committee - will set up another slack channel for anything you want alumni etc to know about and they will be notified.
Action Items

- EVERYONE - check timetable for helping out in Week of Women events, particularly Grace Fit UK which a lot of people are involved in - remember to wear JCSU red jumpers to the event and think of some Q&A questions to get the ball rolling.
- Ivan, Callum, Jacob and Annabel (+anyone else I've missed) - set up voting booths for CUSU elections at 6pm on Wednesday and Thursday.
- Sorcha - create Google Doc for submission of items for potential constitutional reform.
- Sejal - create Google Doc for new suggestions for Freshers' Week.
- Theo - create societies guide in time for Freshers' Week next year.
- Adam - start planning of JCSU film.
- Adam and Joe - confirm garden party date and look into booking band.
- Annabel - email college about possibility of seating outside separate to Waff.
- Chuen - set up new Slack channel for communication with alumni.

Next Meeting Agenda Items

1. Good lad initiatives