

# JCSU COMMITTEE 2018

Minutes of a meeting of the JCSU Committee held at 15:00 on 17/01/18 in The Conference Room.

## MINUTES

**Present:** the President (Edward Parker-Humphreys), the Vice-President (Toby Twentyman), the Treasurer (Hena McGhee), the Secretary (Natasha Pearson), the Services Officer (Sofia Clini), the Communications Officer (Fadle Arouna), the Access Officer (David Adeboye), the Green Officer (Ali Golby), the Ents Officer (Callum Moran), the Women's Officer (Holly Scott), the Welfare Officers (Abby Watson and Joe Smallman), the International Officer (Rica Lee), the LGBT+ Officer (Holly Bracewell), the Freshers Officer (Jess Tucker) and the Ethnic and Religious Minorities Officer (Omar Helmy).

**Absent:** the Ents Officer (Nina Luckmann), the Mental Health and Disabilities Officer (Maisie Keany-Frost)

### Committee reports of actions since last meeting:

EPH: Party Permits (see below)

TT: Organising stash for JCSU committee. Stash survey distributed to college. Halfway hall – lobby college on the cost which was about £43 last year. EPH will speak to Richard Dennis about subsidising from JCSU reserves or getting college to offer bursaries. Aim for around £30. Organising band, photographer etc.

NP: Organising this meeting. Schedule for bar quizzes.

SC: meeting with Tori McKee about ballot.

FA: updating JCSU email list. Emailed IT managers to get emails correct. Thinking about improving Wi-Fi provisions. Handover twitter and insta. Computers don't have all necessary programmes – consulting with IT.

DA: organised adoptive parents. Met with Jenny and Josie to discuss access for applicants going forward and Paul Dominiak regarding access for people already at Jesus.

AG: conference at Greenwich house to meet other green officers. Talking to Paul Dominiak about divestment committee.

CM/NL: organising bop (pink week theme, themed drinks, optional donation). Marriage formal this term. Halfway hall bop. Priority entrance for Clare Ents on certain date. Burns night formal 25<sup>th</sup> Jan, marriage formal 7<sup>th</sup> Feb, LGBT techno foral 27<sup>th</sup> Jan, Womens day formal 8<sup>th</sup> march.

HS: meeting with Paul Dominiak – he will set up working group for fellows, tutorial advisers and welfare team to improve provision for survivors of sexual assault inc rape crisis training. Organising international women's day formal.

AW/JS: setting up anonymous messaging service, and meetings for training for welfare officers. Sorting out dates for welfare events this term. Updating welfare resources around college e.g. posters and JCSU website.

RL: organising Chinese New Year formal. Reaching out to international officers at other colleges.

HB: commissioned logo for LGBT community. History month – formal, movie night, quiz. Flying LGBT flag for 2 days??

JT: getting in touch with new offer-holders to congratulate and make herself available to answer questions. Get info out to international students esp as they have a lot more to do.

OH: welfare training. Organising an impartial bias talk. Organising a prevent talk for next term.

## **General Updates:**

### **1. Matters arising**

#### ***(a) Party Permits***

EPH: ban on weekday parties came in last term, regulations enforced where previously not. Working group set up to alter these. Discussion with senior tutor and dean – new guidelines. They want parties at weekends to finish at 12 with less noise after 11. Push this forward an hour at weekdays. Compromise reaches that 10:30 noise level, 11:30 finish on weekdays, half an hour later on weekends. Final proposal going to college council on 29<sup>th</sup> jan. If this passes, it will be reviewed at end of lent term

#### ***(b) JCR***

EPH: JCR doesn't get used enough. Any ideas for more use? Make TV easier to use as is very complicated.

AW: hosting movie and tv nights e.g. bake off nights last night.

CM: spoke to Duncan about doing some of this in brewery room. Duncan said that if its not a free to view thing then it can't go on in the brewery room. So things on BBC etc can happen in brewery room but if its pay to view it must happen in JCR.

FA: speak to other colleges to see how they use theirs?

OH: Trinity JCR have a PS3

AW: can we buy anything with JCSU budget?

CM: organised pay per view pass for Anthony Joshua fight last year with previous Ents officers.

DA: Christ's films is popular.

EPH: could DA and FA help make TV more user-friendly?

FA: Yes, will work with SC

EPH: there is lots of random stuff in there that is unnecessary. We need to clear it up a bit.

AW: we are renewing welfare board, but other board with out of date pics should be updated too. The current board is just one group of friends – let's not repeat that.

OH: one college's JCR has a big blackboard for doodling etc.

CM: pool table needs to be re-laid

EPH: pool captain has the budget – need to get him to take action

TT: organise events in JCR in freshers' week. I didn't know where it was for weeks.

CM: make welfare cake huge.

AW: experiment with different times for welfare cake, offer greater variety of food.

#### ***(c) NSS Boycott***

EPH: NSS is sent out to all finalists. Used by gov to rank unis on teaching quality in order to justify fee rises. Using student satisfaction as excuse to charge more. CUSU organised effective boycott last year – makes data invalid. CUSU have endorsed this again this year. We as JCSU should push this too. Any objections to this?

No objections made. Boycott will be communicated in first president bulletin.

#### ***(d) Rent***

EPH: met bursar last week to discuss proposed rent increase for this year. In past have used measure called IPRJ. This measure doesn't get used by gov anymore, so proposing use of CPI. This entails a much greater increase than previous years. This is roughly equivalent to inflation rate this year. Any ideas on what would be a suitable compromise?

FA: rent should not be greater than wage increase

HS: 1.5 to 2% is reasonable

AW: can't keep it in line with inflation if maintenance grants aren't increasing.

EPH: will be very difficult to oppose, but could use as bargaining tool.

HS: say they should bring KFC down in return? They have been increasing this at a faster rate than the rate of inflation.

#### ***(e) New Rugby Scrum Machine***

HM: when college were building west court they threw out old scrum machine. KM had been in discussions with rugby to get one ordered. Hard to find one reasonably priced. Progress – EPH, HM and TT have found one for 1.5k ish. Not in rugby budget, scale of transaction. So has to be approved before JCSU before buying it. Includes cost, VAT, delivery, protective sheet. Minus how much college have said they will def pay. So we need to approve 1.8k

HS: why aren't college paying if they threw it away

TT: everyone who was here when we had old machine has gone. Simon Hawkey says it wasn't in usable condition when college threw it away. Ed Slater (rugby committee) says it was. College say rugby team hadn't cared for it adequately, but have offered £600 as they should have consulted before throwin away.

EPH: Total that college will pay is yet to be decided, EPH will continue to push for more money from Simon. So what we are voting on is a maximum JCSU will pay.

NP: Where is money coming out of?

HM: reserves, we have plenty. This can only be spent on big capital purchases, so great for scrum machine.

FA: how much was previous machine worth?

HM: don't know as donation from alumnus.

TT: college will give new machine a specific storage space to keep it in good condition. Prob by cricket pavilion.

Vote taken – all in favour.

EPH will update with final amount JCSU will pay following meeting with Simon

#### ***(f) Environmental Changes in the Roost Café and Bar***

AG: meeting with catering manager to discuss this soon. Lids are only part of disposable-ware distributed in west court that is compostable.

## **2. Any other business**

### ***(a) Elections for college council rep***

EPH: Current non-JCSU one is HS, so no longer eligible. TT and NP to organise this asap.

### ***(b) Prevent training***

EPH: college have asked us to do this online. May be able to get out of it. EPH will update soon.

### ***(c) Future meetings***

EPH: will aim for every 2 weeks. Does this time work?

FA/DA: difficult for people who have labs

EPH: NP to set up doodle poll to work this out.

### ***(d) Exchange students***

EPH: Rica – please organise an event for the Americans

FA: considering organising an American themed party to welcome them.

SC: family formal for Americans and adoptive parents?

CM: it's not good the way they are accommodated. It also means they are in the 2<sup>nd</sup> court staircase used for hardship cases, meaning people have been unable to move into these.

FA: are they on JCSU freshers group?

RL: will email with lots of info.

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

The meeting closed at 16:15