

JCSU COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the JCSU Committee held on Thursday 28th January 2016 at 5PM in the Library Court Seminar Room.

MINUTES

Present: the President (Daisy Eyre), the Vice-President (Ellen Parker), the Treasurer (Anand Sharma), the Secretary (Jamie Sandall), the Services Officer (Christina Lane), the Communications Officer (George Thompson), the Access Officer (Amelia Oakley), the Green Officer (Tim Lennox), the Ents Officers (Niall Devlin & Harrison MacNeill), the Women's Officer (Abigail Smith), the Welfare Officers (Joe Hamilton & Rebecca Lewis), the Mental Health and Disabilities Officer (Eddie Conway), the International Officer (Man Hon Ding), the LGBT+ Officer (Andy Burnett) and the Racial Equalities Officer (Ore Ogunbiyi).

Non-committee: Richard Cartwright (RC)

Absent:

HMcn - Rehearsal

1. Committee reports of actions since last meeting

DE – Meeting with Tori McKee (TK). Meeting with Simon Hawkey (SH) about caff prices. First college council attended. AB meeting with Bursar about flying rainbow flag. First presidential bulletin sent. Preliminary plans for JCSU annual survey exploited. Went to CUSU meeting with EP about election procedure. Open meeting date set for the 12th.

EP – Emailed college about POMONA kitchens, their university have upped funding inline with international student guidelines. Will check back in a few weeks seems fine for now. Halfway hall sorted, band not confirmed yet. Ed Clarke might be doing bop if can get out contract at Fashion show. Tour of West Court (GT singled out for his lack of attendance: savage).

ASh – Have dealt with reimbursements, paid for committee stash

JS – wrote up last weeks minutes. Organised this weeks meeting an OGM. Date for OGM will need to be changed due to clash with RAG Blind Date. Details for society photos finalised.

CL – Meeting with with TK regarding certain complaints (KFC, West cour noise etc.). Potential 10% reduction, being investigated for Jesus Lane noise disturbance. Counter freezers being introduced next term. Met with SH and Manciple regarding caff, want more feedback from students. Suggestions section on JNet that goes straight to caff discussed. Further to last meeting discussed vegetarian options form last meeting. Issues raised: formal quality, portion control, and two meet one veg., taking you own containers to take away, mid-week roast returning, and not putting cheese in every vegetarian dish.

GT – Meetings with various committees (coms, website review) Viability of digital noticeboards viability discussed. Going to discuss implications of Social Media guidelines very with Helen Harris specifically. Did calendar, integrated into website. Bulletin's published and sent.

AO – Met with Tom Hogg about alternative prospectus. Funding coming from college but they thought that this meant they could control output. Forming committee of ambassadors to help write this, will be happening over the next term and a half. Looking into how to publicise bursaries available to students. Big meeting with all access officers to see how involvement can be enhanced, looking into further recruitment for next term.

TL – Focused on the double-sided printing consolation.

ND & HMcn – <et head porter who detailed security for bops comes out his budget. BOP was a resounding success. Duncan Dennis hoping to push games night in bar on Mondays. Met with Welfare to discuss wellness week launch.

ASm – Pink week preparations. Drafting emails on sexual harassment policy.

MHD – Met with exchange students. Setting up formal with different colleges.

AB – Set up LGBText+. Investigating name change, meeting in next few weeks. Bursar met with to discuss flying LGBT+ flag on February 1st but this will require College Council approval. On February 1st will be pinned on notice board. Hoping to fly last day of February.

OO – Met with reps from other college to investigate viability of BME events, such as one in Fresher's week.

2. Suggestion form report by CL

n/a

3. Matters arising

(a) Team First – DE/RC

DE – exploring the viability of integrating Team First into college. RC here to discuss how it would best work within Jesus

RC – working on Team First which aims to raise funds for university societies. Launched in Cambridge last May. Two ways this works: discount (in stores) and fundraising (business donates part of that transaction back to society/organisation)

DE – many colleges and teams are on-board around Cambridge. Considering starting a JCR 'team'. Rather than a general JCR team could do it by year to create a competitive motivation. Regardless, a great opportunity to raise funds, for Garden party perhaps as always runs a deficit?

RC – other colleges are involved their funding for JCR varies, lots of colleges opted to amalgamate in bigger groups. There is equally variation what they put the money to.

ND - What's the catch?

RC – does the JCR have to pay? No, all about raising money for student organisations. Why do businesses put money into these group? Brand loyalty and corporate social responsibility are why they are keen to support

DE – think we should go ahead. All funding would go towards a communal aim.

ASm – Garden party a good incentive

AO – Garden party always loses money, might not make it any better might only reduce deficit. Won't be a visible improvement

ND – expected income?

RC - £30 per person in the future (next few years) is projected, but not being realised. Expected in next 12 months is £10 per person. Importantly, not everyone will join. Varies a lot by student expenditure patterns. Don't want to commit to a high value projections because of this

ND – questions the competitive spirit between years. Could split money for own years events?

DE – could get a student rep for each year?

RC – sounds great. Best results when people get behind one cause. Key part is how message is distributed through college. After first usage it is Team First's onerous if no return usage, JCR priority is to maximise number of first usages. Doing publicity in college tomorrow to spread the message, funded by Team First. Showing people the experience is the best way to increase usage

DE – Team First launch brunch?

RC – Girton decided to go for one JCR team. Sports teams still important for spreading message and increasing usage. Could I meet with sports Captain's as a means to spread message?

DE – Different years? Or whole?

Ash – how much more of an incentive is created by year separation? Better option for whole JCR.

AB – can you be part of multiple?

RC – only one at the moment but money is distributed by JCR. Would favour one team within college rather than year. Boat club quite autonomous, could split

DE – if ask for own then that's fine

CL – putting money into enterprise account could be best form of allocation

DE – moving forward, sub-team for deciding finer points (made up of DE, GT, ASH, OO and ND). Another meeting about that soon

(b) JCSU annual survey - DE

DE – usually get 160+ responses important for setting our agenda for the year. CL and I are going to be very careful wording about caff prices. Deadline for deciding what questions you want to ask for next meeting.

CL – college take very seriously so can be a valuable tool

DE – will run by caff price questions once they have been drafted

ASm – feedback on use of woman's hour could be useful

(c) CUSU referendum - EC

EC – referendum running over next week needs 2,991 votes for it to pass. Please publicise to get people to vote. With regards to the constitution was hoping to get JCSU to endorse but CUSU's structure means a general meeting would be required but OGM wouldn't have happened in time. In future, could there be an emergency meeting provision for referendums at CUSU or equivalent issues?

DE – would need provisions such as a 6-day warning and certain number of people in attendance. Could incorporate such an initiative but this change would have to be passed at OGMs. May be some constitutional issues in the future with regards to the self-defining vote

JH – needs to be functionally efficient as OGMs quite slow

DE – will need to submit a motion for OGM

(d) Welfare budget structure- ASH

ASH – ASm doesn't have a budget, comes out of welfare. Arbitrary allocations for different roles.

JH - meeting set to discuss this Tuesday PM

DE – consecrate money for individual officers

ASH – for now need provision to give more

CL – can apply for more money in Easter. Change to be ratified at OGM

DE – feedback requested at next meeting. It is formulated like this because there is a Welfare sub-committee, allows for more flexibility. Understand that they might want autonomy

(e) Formals in West Court dinning area – EP

CL – Manciple said might not be ready until very end of this term

EP – likely to have end of this term/start of next would be normal prices (50/60 person capacity). Demand likely to be there, 3 on consecutive days. A West-Court launch?

ND – potential location for themed formals?

GT – murder mystery

Committee: WOOOAAHHHHHH

ASm – best idea ever

(f) Double sided printing consultation – TL

TL – within 24hours 195 responses. 90% in support, 5% single, 5% didn't care. Went to IT manager, needs a formal request from us CL to send. Any objections?

Committee: none

TL – liaised with Jesus MedSoc re blood donation. But can't come in to college but Cambridge marrow might be prepared to

JH – there would be lots of support

DE – equally, interesting to explore how we can help with refugee crisis. Pembroke running seminar series intending to educate students and staff to raise awareness. Can look beyond ethical and green in the things we can achieve.

AO – can host idea and see if people are interested

JS – might relate closely to final matter

(g) Request for Jesus Amnesty International society formation

JS – Request from Ellie Williams (EW) to form a Jesus society branch of Amnesty International. Needs committee approval to validate

Committee: confirms

JS – EW requests as small budget (£40)

DE – apply at OGM

JS – will laise with EW to see if the new society would be interested in helping to coordinate a refugee seminar

4. Any other business

EP – need to be trained for half way hall bops. Can change freshers for BOPs.

ND – takes 5 mins on Tuesday morning.

EP – can pay them £5 or get someone who isn't drinking

ASm – don't want to detract from FUN

(b) First Aid - ND

ND – if you're trained in first aid your initial pay grade goes up. Could offer college training. Could get one person per staircase to do this as a minimum.

TL – was contemplating a format of Saturday First Aid training and then Sunday bone marrow registry

(c) Surveying opinion regarding change of flag – AB

ASm – could call it the 'flag poll'?

Committee: chortles

AB - Need to run poll for flag and name change to take to college

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

The meeting closed at 6:20PM.