JCSU Executive Committee Meeting
October 21st 2021 in the JCR

Present (11): the President (Jacob Powell, in the Chair), the Vice-President (Estelle Cho Lin Wing, until 19:15), the Treasurer (Matthew Chan), the Secretary (Lewis Westwood Flood), the Male Welfare Officer (Angus Harron), the Environmental & Ethical Affairs Officer (Ellie Doran, until 19:35), the Freshers’ Officers (Bella Manfredi & Maddie Mitchell, from 19:22), the Services Officer (Will Zeng), the Mental Health & Disabilities Officer (Katherine Harris), and the Ethnic & Religious Minorities Officer (Imran Mulla).

Apologies (2): the Women’s and Non-Binary Officer (Mojola Akinyemi), and the Communications Officer (Victoria Adjei).

Absent (6): the Ents Officers (Cian Fielden & Ben Millard), the LGBT+ Officer (Jack Ward), the Female Welfare Officer (Eva Timlin), the Access Officer (Robyn Briggs), and the International Students’ Officer (Tara Khanna).

One Minute Summary
This is not a substitute for the minutes and is not an official record.

- The Committee approved the registration of the JC Meridol Waterpolo Society.
- Draft budget to be discussed at the OGM approved - details circulated with the agenda.
- Proposals for a student bar and the new KFC solution discussed and to be discussed more widely at OGM.
- Bank account shift following Green officer coordination discussed.

Minutes
Meeting opened at 19:10.

1.0 - Approval of the Draft Minutes from the 28th September 2021

The Committee APPROVED the draft minutes as the official record.

2.0 - Meeting Dates for Easter Term

“That the JCSU Executive Committee NOTES the meeting dates for the remainder of Michaelmas Term 2021 in the Annex, in general every Thursday at 8pm, and recognises this as the requisite notice under Article 4.8(1) of the Constitution.”

NOTES without opposition.
3.0 - Society Registrations

“That the JCSU Executive Committee RESOLVES to associate with the Jesus College Merindol Waterpolo Society as a Club or Society in accordance with Article 3 of the Constitution.”

RESOLVED without opposition.

Details for the society are listed in the second Annex.

4.0 - Proposed Draft Budget [see here]

- Matthew: Obviously I put this together rapidly, our requests totalled £66,000 on a budget of ~£48,000, and so I rapidly made cuts. We are going to be making adjustments and having conversations later obviously, including at the OGM.
- Ellie: So people like the Rhadegunds have alumni, do we need to provide them funding? Can’t their alumni cover it?
- Jacob, Matthew, Lewis: JCBC needs to outline sources of income to us, and also MCR contributions. College need to look at increasing budget in kind with that.

AGREED to propose budget to OGM without opposition.

Meeting failed quorum at 19:17 because Estelle left.

5.0 - Future of the KFC

- Jacob: Obviously a rent increase is a major headline, but you have to subtract the lack of KFC (which is ~£600 a year), and it moves a lot of the cost onto post-grads. This makes it both fairer and reduces individual costs on undergrads, and works for College. Postgrads will end up paying more rent overall, undergrads less overall. KFC non-payers are a very small portion of our community, and that means that those who would be exempt won’t have that option anymore. It will reduce overall costs for everyone but some people may feel they are losing out. Worth noting that rents just get pooled together to fund services in college, it’s not about providing a complete breakdown of what is provided. These changes will only affect new-starters, and then existing students will see a 25% reduction in the KFC. Also allows transparency over what costs will actually be (like you don’t need to add £600 to your bill a year, all of a sudden).

Meeting met quorum at 19:22 because Maddie joined.

- Matthew: A lot of hidden charges which from access would be nice to reduce.
- Jacob: Charlotte and I negotiated these figures, so the MCR and JCR are agreed in principal.
- Timetable is OGM on Friday, then Student Affairs week on Monday. Aim to get it into place 2022-23.
6.0 - Boycott Banks’ Destruction

- Ellie: Basically a massive, 21 page report from all the JCR/MCR Green Officers seeking to move all bank accounts to not “red listed” banks like Lloyds (who JCSU is with right now). Metro Bank and Coop bank the more realistic options, compared to Triodos for example. They want us to sign an open letter and move all our bank accounts.
- Matthew: JCSU Enterprise account did use to be at Co-op, but that’s been moved to HSBC for paperwork reasons. Moving to that could include issues and fees. Something to discuss, and pass onto the next JCSU.
- Lewis, Jacob: Constitutional wording to look at. Meeting with Senior Tutor and Senior Treasurer to discuss on Monday.

Meeting failed quorum at 19:35 because Ellie left.

7.0 - Student Run Bar Proposal

- Jacob: Basically just a paper to OGM and then Student Affairs asking to setup and run the Brewery Room once a week at first. Alexi seems keen. Closer to wholesale prices than other options.
- Lewis: Want to make sure we actually pay a living wage, and talk to Clare Cellars and King’s maybe and see how their finances work. Discussions with College over wages, etc.

8.0 - Alcohol Policy

- Matthew: Policy has never been anti-alcohol at all, just that alcohol just can’t be the only thing used for a social (ie JCSU won’t fund drinking nights). But events were allowed on a case by case basis to buy, and it’s a pretty nuanced policy at the moment which leaves us a lot of room to allow events to run.
- Jacob: Issue is that it might lead to claiming lots of money for alcohol.
- Lewis: Solution could be a fixed maximum percentage of a society’s budget on alcohol, which ensures other spending has to be discussed. Issue for an OGM.
- Jacob: To raise at another meeting.

9.0 - 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.

9.1 - Portion Sizes at Caff

- Will: Any complaints?
- Everyone: YES - to be raised with Alexi.
9.2 - UPay
- Matthew: Just to note I am trying to figure out why we have it.

Non-quorate meeting closed at 19:56.

Annex 1 - Meeting Dates for Michaelmas Term 2021

All meetings begin at 7pm unless otherwise specified
Week 3: Thursday 21st October
Week 4: Thursday 28th October
Week 5: Friday 5th November
Week 6: Thursday 11th November
Week 7: Thursday 18th November
Week 8: Thursday 25th November

Annex 2 - Society Registrations

Society Name: Jesus College Merindol Waterpolo Society
President: Issy Clarke
Treasurer: Issy Clarke
Description: “It’s basically waterpolo for those who don’t take waterpolo seriously.”