

St Hugh's JCR Committee Meeting Minutes

Sunday 23rd April, 1st Week TT17, JCR Committee Room

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1. Rep's Updates:

President:

- Sent notices email;
- Send email on Bryan and Nora's behalf about the library closing;
- Met with Rafael & Sol;
- Met with Vicki;
- Met with the Conferences Team to discuss complaints about a conference held over the vacation;
- Attended Governing Body;
- 1st Wolfson COWPATS meeting happened;
- Have been sent the college's rent proposal;
- Will be working with James on the rent negotiation.

Vice President:

- Spoken to Carl re Fish Fridays - no longer being run due to a lack of sales. Carl is interested in the meat free Monday idea but is only keen on doing so as of next MT - have agreed to work with him on that if this is the case.
- Room ballot ready to go, waiting for Magdalena to send me the final ballot list so I can email it out to everyone and start with proceedings. Will need a few people on the day of the room ballot but will arrange that later.

Secretary:

- Apologies for my absence, I will catch up with the minutes on my return.
- I also intend to look at how we can improve the system for applying for JCR travel grants.

Treasurer:

- Consolidated and categorized the term's spending and filed accounts;
- In contact with Karen Peake about using amalgamated funding assigned for obsolete societies to buy new croquet mallets and pool cues;
- Created this term's budget.

AccAff:

- Encouraged people to sign up for Target Schools training;
- Coordinated tours over the vacation and for next week, had a large response for once! Probably because I told them how great the Howard school is, so will perhaps try to encourage people to tell me any fun anecdotes they get from a tour to use if we see the

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same school in the future.

- Posted on the JCR about writing to local MPs about the HE bill;
- Thea got shortlisted for an OUSU teaching award, anyone is welcome to go and see if she wins - either way it might be nice to give her something or a card as a good luck/thank you? Just a thought...

Welfare:

- Set up Boost with George Anderson, a Facebook group designed to focus on wellbeing and welfare within the college that is being funded by college, and in communication with some members of the WEQ committee over how they can contribute. Seems to have had a very enthusiastic turn out so far, and very excited about where it will go, especially as both JCR and MCR are in it and seem to be interacting. We will be speaking to him about how he might improve his approach.
- 1st Welfare Tea of the term done.
- Did post on JCR following the incident concerning transphobia, which will be discussed in this meeting. Are planning to re-send out all the welfare information and resources with some added once Cam's exams are over.
- Set up the Adopt a Finalist Scheme on popular demand, and have had good feedback. Some problems i.e. people signing up two days ago despite it closing 2 weeks ago, but all resolved and hopefully every finalist who wanted to be adopted has been. Will be doing reminder posts probably in about 3rd week for adopters to look after their adoptees.
- Going to keep an eye out especially on part-finalists and finalists this term to make sure everyone is being particularly sensitive in a time of higher stress, and make it clear that there are enough people for them to talk to whether in college or in the university itself.

International:

- Got in touch with Thea about having Freshers Helpers stay in College in -1st week to welcome international freshers arriving early, she is supportive of the idea;
- Put together term card for international events this term and sent it out to the JCR.

LGBTQ:

- Spoke to MCR reps about a second LGBTQ party, it's been approved for Saturday of 2nd week 7pm-11pm in the JCR and the bar, I'll be buying drinks closer to the time.
- Sent a welfare email and made a post on the LGBTQ page in support after the JCR post in the vacation.
- One finalist asked me if it was okay to publicise haute mess on the LGBTQ page, I've commented support/resources underneath because there are currently some surveys going around the Oxford trans community for people to voice their concerns about it. If anyone needs it I can send a link.
- Another finalist said he was worried about his post because he wasn't LGBTQ. I am basically encouraging all posts but where there might be problems I comment under. In future I'll update the description of the page to say it's okay for everyone to post events etc., and add some guidance in the handover pack.

Entz:

- Created the termly plan;

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- Met with Rafael, Rahele, Andrew and Ervist to discuss plan;
- Have a list of things to do for the Lawns Party.

Charities:

- Organised Charity Formal for 3rd Week.

E&E:

- Nothing to report.

Sports & Socs:

- Having had my attention drawn to it by a JCR member I sent an email to Vicki Stott picking up on an inappropriate sentence in the BodyPump advert;
- Renewed Ferry Gym memberships;
- Printed off all the punting sign up stuff and pinned 1st week's up;
- Did some sport.

DoDO:

- Used the remaining Hilary DoDO budget to buy 2 more PS4 controllers – will add them this week
- Rented out the JCR mattress for a total of 8 nights over the vacation
- Plan for the coming weeks:
 - Replace the JCR TV with the non-broken one from the bar
 - Get the JCR a Netflix subscription
 - Clean up the society pages on the JCR website (i.e. check the ones listed are still active)

Careers (Welcome, Yemi!):

- Introduced myself to the Development Office during the vacation and established a working relationship with them
 - They are very keen on getting more JCR engagement and are happy to help JCR members with career-related stuff
 - Met Sam who deals with the alumni database management and Mary who is the alumni relations manager
- Spoke extensively about the Pathways doc
 - Timescale of 5-10 years of Hugh's Alumni
 - Some have already signed up to be mentors and can be contacted by JCR members
- In the doc these mentors are most likely to have a blurb
 - Aim to have the doc ready by end of term – so JCR can ponder over it during the summer
- To do:
 - Ask Committee for thoughts on format, electronic, brochure, handbook, etc.
 - Ask Committee for thoughts on alumni drinks
 - Create FB poll on timing for alumni/company visits
- Organised a meet the Careers service workshop!
 - They're due to come on the 26th April from 10-11am – this Wednesday

- Will send an email, do a JCR post, and print a poster for this.

Freshers:

Vacation work:

- 1. Collected all parent letters, they have been sent to Thea Crapper for proof reading and edits. These have been collected earlier than in previous years (usually August).
- 2. Collated all the Freshers' guide articles, edited and designed the guide – this has been sent to Thea Crapper who also has to read over this. I should be able to send to the publisher in the next three or four weeks.
- 3. Asked Jamie Cox for a quote on the t-shirts, still not received on date of writing report (21/4). He should have it for me by the time of the week, meaning we can send the t-shirts for publishing too.
- 4. Spoke to Thea about a meeting in first week, where we will go over conference rooms to book for compulsory workshops, but previous rep has advised me on these.
- 5. Organised a meeting with sub-fusc providers for 24/04.
- 6. Sent out an email for Freshers' Week helpers, which will be decided on a first-come first-serve basis. I have had over 50 emails, but the first 30 to email will be selected and emailed next week.

Trinity:

- Since I have completed most work for Trinity already, I will mostly be sending the guide to print and for publishing. I will ensure forms for packs are ready, and I will also book the matriculation photo early this term. If there is a Freshers' Rep on the MCR I will speak to them too. I will be continuously emailing societies and sports teams if they would like activities/ flyers for Freshers' Week packs too.

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1. Fresher's Fair for JCR Committee

Ana: Other colleges have one. It would be very informal, and a good way for people to get to know us and what we do. Should we have two separate events? Just the one formal one, or an informal fair as well?

Committee's general opinion: To have just the one event in Freshers' Week, but make it more fun and informal.

2. Fresher's Timetable

Covered by Theo's report.

3. Photography Group

Ana: Spoke to James and Nathan about setting a photography group up to take photos of all our events, bops, etc. There are lots of people interested in photography.

Hannah: We could make a hall of fame for best bop costumes.

Committee is keen to get this set up.

4. Yoga Classes

Ana: Was emailed by an instructor who wants to run classes at St Hugh's. If we do it, the JCR would pay for the class, and it would be free for attendees.

Tatjana: We could trial it for a couple of weeks to see what turnout there is.

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Ana: I will email her.

5. New JCR Calendar

Ana: Shall we do this again?

Committee: Yes.

Tatjana: It should be put online too.

6. Freedom of Speech within the JCR

Ana: Let's get a couple more FB page admins so that we can respond quicker.

General discussion continues around a serious drama that unfolded on the JCR FB page.

5. Any Other Business