**St Hugh’s JCR Meeting Agenda**

Sunday 14th October 2018, 2nd Week MT18, JCR

1. Reports from members of the JCR Committee
2. Statement by the JCR Treasurer of the balance of the term’s motion budget and the balance of any other budget relevant to that meeting
3. Late motions for admission
4. Action motions for debate asking for funding
5. Action motions for debate not asking for funding
6. Statement motions for debate
7. Items for discussion
8. Any other business

## 1. Reports from members of the JCR Committee.

**President - Alex Yeandle**

* Governing Body
* Bursar
* Slides etc for Freshers JCR workshop
* New MCR Pres
* Sofas with Magdalena over vac
* Revolut cards plan
* Worked on budget with AB

**Vice President - Roxy Orloff**

* Acquired one, maybe two mattresses (thanks Adi)
* Trying to sort the washing machines
* Rats in Wolfson
* Trying to sort maple syrup in hall for waffles and reinstate the black pudding
* Rahele wants to meet me and the MCR food rep to discuss sending a survey out re food provisions in college

**Secretary - Alex Buchanan**

* Liaising with Jessy and Jack re their excellent work on the Alt Prospectus
* Tidied up and overseen publishing of last term’s minutes
* Constitutional changes document
* Sent email of constitutional changes to Jack - all published
* JCR Advert email sent

**Treasurer - Aditya Badaya**

* Finally got JCR Bank account names transferred to our names
* Budget creation
* Ongoing Mattress crisis

**Access Rep - Jessy McCabe**

* Finished producing the alternative prospectus with Alex B and Jack - was printed and used for the Open Day in September and the College Office will use them for school visits
* Organised access workshops for freshers week - now collating feedback.
* Met Lena (new Outreach Officer) - planning ambassador scheme and changing how students get involved in school visits. A training session is also being organised for later in term.

**Welfare Reps - Ella Heinz & Ryan Simpson**

* Fresher’s workshops
* Working on mental health awareness week
* Will send out email about all the welfare resources
* Welfare tea
* Lemsip pidge etc
* WEQ poster new

**Entz Rep - Silvia Mills & Joe Higton Durrant**

* Pub Quiz
* Bop - success apart from cleaning bill

**LGBTQ Rep - Ro Green**

* Workshops went well
* Social with painting was also good
* Sarah Jones has accommodation + parking booked
* Will run a pres for plush event with morph suit competition
* Sarah Jones event moved to Chapel

**International Students’ Rep - Afrah Shibu**

* Ran events in -1 week for early arriving int’l students - walking tour, sub-fusc purchase, G&D’s
* International pizza night sunday of 0th - great turnout!
* Pidged all internationals a welcome note/treat
* Went to facilitator training and helped run a few freshers workshops
* Sent email with an outline of all events for this term
* Started ordering food for candy gram

**Charities Rep - Naomi Hirst**

* Organised charity comedy night for 2nd Nov
* Carrying on organising RAG ball
* Got certificate from SANE

**E&E Rep - Anna Pathak**

* Sent email about can crusher and recycling
* Started food waste trial

**Sports & Socs Rep - Sheng Ho**

* Sorted out yoga for the term (hopefully, once she replies finally)
* Talked to peeps about gym memberships again but not likely to happen
* Can instead compile a list of gym memberships available
* Helped a couple more people the vac on starting/reviving societies

**Careers and Academic Affairs Officer - Quentin Dercon**

* Talk by Goldman Sachs will be on the 15th November (he's going to be talking about how a humanities degree can be applied in jobs like his)
* Also got contacted by a rep for a quite cool-looking grad scheme called Unlocked where you get a fully funded master's in leadership by working as a prison officer for 2 years - it's a charity focused on lowering reoffending. They want to do a pizza/drop in session in the JCR potentially in 3rd week sometime

**Director of Digital Operations - Jack Miller**

* Alt Prospectus
* Updated minutes and constitutional changes to reflect AccAff/Careers transition

**Freshers Rep - Matt Clark**

* Freshers week
* Matriculation

## 2. Statement by the JCR Treasurer of the balance of the term’s motion budget and the balance of any other budget relevant to this meeting.

£800

## 3. Late motions for admission

**All late motions admitted.**

## 4. Action motions for debate asking for funding.

**Motion A: Binding Machine for the JCR**

THE JCR NOTES:

1. Comb binding in a store can cost as much as £5 per document
2. A binding machine can be purchased for less than £50 and materials needed to bind one document cost less than 30p when bought in bulk

THE JCR BELIEVES:

1. Many students in our college use notes posted online by their lecturers and some of them prefer to print them rather than work on a computer
2. Some research even suggests that reading on paper makes learning easier
3. After printing, it is often inconvenient to staple or clip the notes together
4. It would therefore be useful for students if the JCR had its own binding machine.

THE JCR RESOLVES:

1. To dedicate £100 to the purchase of a comb binding machine and supplies for it, and make it available for students to use in the library.

Proposer: Diana Trokowska

Seconder: Verna Shum

***Short Factual Points***

Alex Yeandle: How much does one cost?

Diana: £50 plus materials

Charlotte Whittington: Would students be charged to use this?

Diana: Depends on outcome of motion

Roxy Orloff: Would you need more money for more materials once the ones you’ve bought run out?

Diana: If someone wanted to use own materials, they are very welcome – a further motion is likely.

Aditya Badaya: Can ask Librarians to provide one instead?

Diana: Have spoken to Nora, and if they supervise in any way, they would have to carry out the procedure. This would add labour to the jobs of the librarians, and the librarians aren’t keen.

***Points for Debate***

Luke: I have never bound anything in my life – don’t think it’s a useful spending of money, and it’s pretty niche.

Diana: Lots of people are interested.

Verna: It’s also practically easier to bind, so the machine provides that opportunity should you need it.

Alex Yeandle: Practical and labour burdens are transferred to the JCR if the librarians refuse to maintain it.

Diana: Could store in the Library, away from potential sabotage caused by bops etc, but not leave the burden of maintenance and the procedure on the librarians.

Marcel: Can you put it in the RTB computer room?

Diana: Surely the JCR can assume responsibility of it?

AB: Issues with putting things in the library, but severing the librarians’ responsibility and ownership – like video games, it’s not black and white, and there are several issues that carry on from this. It’s not as simple or as easy as just leaving it in the library, and the JCR doesn’t want to have to look after it!

Roxy: Fire escape blocking, if it was placed in the library

Diana: It’s tiny, so could just be placed on a table.

6 in favour

22 against

13 abstentions

**FAILS**

***LATE ACTION MOTIONS FOR DEBATE ASKING FOR FUNDING***

**Motion B: Class Act**

THE JCR NOTES:

* 1. Class Act is a Student Union liberation campaign that promotes the welfare of first generations, low income, working class, state comprehensive educated, care leaver and estranged students within the university
  2. These groups are underrepresented, and those who do win places experience more problems within university
  3. University of Oxford targets 2017-20 focus on increasing the number for students “from schools and colleges that historically have had limited progression to Oxford”, “from disadvantaged socioeconomic backgrounds” and “from neighbourhoods with low participation in higher education”.
  4. Also commits to “supporting them at Oxford”.
  5. Students at Oxford 1.4 times more likely to achieve firsts if they weren’t flagged at application; students who are not flagged also less likely to suspend or drop out.
  6. Students are flagged if they apply from schools with low Oxbridge admission rates, postcodes that are socioeconomically deprived or currently live or have lived in care
  7. Students from disadvantaged backgrounds are also more likely to suspend.
  8. Class Act works to address the disparity through projects that focus on how the university could do a better job of supporting these students and also through providing a place for students to meet others like them
  9. The budget of Class Act has been cut from over £1000 overall (with extra bids included) last year t0 £500 (with likely no extra bids) this year
  10. This is only the second year since the launch of Class Act

THE JCR BELIEVES:

* 1. It is important to support liberation and inclusion efforts taking place within the university
  2. It is expensive to run a campaign, especially when it comes to socials and speaker events
  3. Suggested solutions to the problem with funding from the SU (including charging membership) would not be appropriate for this campaign

THE JCR RESOLVES:

* 1. To pledge funding to the campaign, up the maximum amount of £200.

Proposer: Emma Jackson

Seconder: Alex Yeandle

***Short Factual Points***

Marcel Schopen: Why has the budget been cut?

Emma: Originally received funding from the SU, but this was stopped and there hasn’t been any official reason given.

Marcel: What does it do?

Emma: Provides a platform for those from more deprived economic and social backgrounds to meet others in a similar position. Promotes the foundation year; in part an access effort, and also mitigates the gap between First Gen and higher income groups. Also DSA: can help you if you go to underperforming school, liaising with disability centres, and considering whether there is any way to help with meeting fees for students from lower income backgrounds.

Aditya: Friendly amendment: can we limit to £200?

Accepted

***Points for Debate***

Tristan Wang: Is Class Act a charity?

Emma: No, it’s a Student Union campaign.

39 In favour

5 abstentions

**PASSES**

**Motion C: Second Pool Table**

THE JCR NOTES:

1. Pool is a game that has been at the heart of almost every JCR in Oxford, in particular St. Hugh’s
2. Pool is becoming very popular in our JCR especially with new Freshers arriving
3. The revival of the pool society means that there is a growing interest in pool at Hugh’s
4. The recent entry of teams into the college cuppers means many more people practice pool for matches
5. Most new pool tables cost about £800-£1000

THE JCR BELIEVES:

1. One table is not sufficient to keep up with the demand of pool in college
2. People are queueing for the table for much longer than before (delaying their work schedule)
3. The cuppers teams deserve adequate facilities to practice for their matches

THE JCR RESOLVES:

1. The St. Hugh’s Pool Society be given the maximum amount of £200 of the motions’ budget to facilitate the purchase of a second pool table along with the societies own remaining funds, the amalgamated funding next term and any other means they can find.

Proposer: Rían Mac Shìm (Ryan Simpson)  
Second: William Vine

***Short Factual Points***

Ola Cywinska: Is there not a second table downstairs?

Ryan: Yeah there is, but it’s no good – also need need 20ps, which no-one ever carries!

Joe: The bar rents it from a company.

Aditya Badaya: How will the funding procedure work?

Ryan: Can purchase using Pool Society’s money, and then get reimbursed. (Agreed with Adi)

Tristan Wang: Who will own it?

Ryan: St Hugh’s Pool Society, or whoever owns the other one.

25 in favour

7 against

13 abstentions

**PASSES**

1. Action motions for debate not asking for funding.

**Motion D: JCR Election handovers**

THE JCR NOTES:

1. One of the hallmarks of a strong and healthy democratic polity is a well regulated, peaceful transition of power after an election.
2. At present, whilst the JCR constitution and appendices outline the processes by which JCR Committee elections must take place and the time frames of these, the precise date at which a new committee takes over is not codified. It is currently conducted on an ad hoc basis.
3. At present, it is tradition that elections are held in Michaelmas term, and the formal handover occurs on Sunday of 9th week of this Michaelmas term.

THE JCR BELIEVES:

1. The current date at which committees handover is practical and should be maintained.
2. This date should be formally codified into the JCR constitution.

THE JCR RESOLVES:

1. To add the following to the JCR Elections Appendix:
2. After full JCR committee elections, which take place in the 5th and 6th week of Michaelmas Term, the newly elected JCR Committee Members will take the office of Committee Member-elect for the remainder of Michaelmas term. For example, the elected JCR President will formally be titled ‘JCR President-elect’.
3. At midnight of Sunday of 9th week of Michaelmas term, the JCR Committee-elect will formally take office as the JCR Committee.
4. And to add the following to the JCR Appendix A, outlining committee positions:
5. After a JCR committee election, which take place in the 5th and 6th week of Michaelmas Term, the newly elected JCR Committee Members will take the office of Committee Member-elect for the remainder of Michaelmas term. For example, the newly elected JCR President will formally be titled ‘JCR President-elect’.
6. In the event of a committee by-election, the newly elected representative will immediately take office.
7. If a Committee Member resigns and the office of Committee Member-elect is filled, then the Committee Member-elect will become automatically take the office of committee member.
8. The event outlined in (c) could only take place in a Michaelmas Term. In such an event, the new Committee Member would maintain their position for the entirety of their term as normal, with the addition of a handful of extra weeks.

Proposer: Alex Yeandle

Seconder: Alex Buchanan

**WITHDRAWN**

**LATE ACTION MOTIONS FOR DEBATE NOT ASKING FOR FUNDING**

**Motion E: Maple Syrup Motion**

THE JCR NOTES:

1. That the waffle is a staple of the famous and much-anticipated Hugh's brunch.
2. That maple syrup is a typical popular waffle topping.
3. That until Trinity term 2018, maple flavoured sauce was served alongside chocolate flavoured sauce and toffee fudge flavoured sauce as an option for waffle topping in hall.
4. That despite this motion having passed once in Trinity term 2018, there is still no maple syrup at brunch in hall.

THE JCR BELIEVES:

1. That the reintroduction of maple syrup would further increase the popularity of weekend brunch.
2. That the JCR would benefit from the increased happiness that would be provided by the reintroduction of maple syrup as a waffle topping at brunch.

THE JCR RESOLVES:

1. To request the catering department to recommence offering maple syrup (or maple flavoured sauce, as funds and suppliers may allow) as a waffle topping at brunch.
2. To ensure that this issue is resolved forthwith.

Proposed by: Alice Worsley  
Seconded by: Laura Bishop

**WITHDRAWN**

6. Statement motions for debate.

## 7. Items for discussion.

## 8. Any other business.