

JCR MEETING #3 (29/10/17)

1. Apologies

- Erin Barrett and Sai Kiran have apologised for not attending the meeting.

2. Officer Reports

- Jade Westhead (Socials Officer)
 - i. If you've all seen, Jade has posted a Save the Date event for Winter Ball.
 - 1. Submissions to Follow.
 - ii. Newcastle Night.
 - 1. Please look out for the event information.
- Izzy Francis (Formals Officer)
 - i. Pay for the Formal by 5pm on Monday 30th.
- Arabeth Lecuyer (Head of Welfare)
 - i. Thank you for attending and getting involved in Self-Love Welfare event.
- Clara Ohayon (Shop Chair)
 - i. Thank you for coming to Cheese and Wine
- Stefano Cattaneo (Tech Chair)
 - i. There are still one or two positions, so check the emails for those.
- Oliver Goschow (Sports and Societies Officer)
 - i. There are still one or two positions going up.
 - ii. We have had early successes sporting wise.
- Brodie Wood (JCR Treasurer)
 - i. There were no Small Projects applications this week. It is for £250. There is a Small Projects Officer going up.
- Clara Gallay (Union Officer)
 - i. We have a team for University Challenge.
 - 1. If you didn't make the team, there are wild card events coming up
 - ii. There is now a Women's Association, let the SU know if you're interested.

- iii. Dunelm House is going to be demolished.
- Riaz Rafique (Bar Steward)
 - i. Please bring your IDs to the bar.
 - ii. If you are a Social Sec of a society, please let us know when you are coming on socials.
 - iii. Riaz will send emails for Bar positions tomorrow.
- Ben George (JCR Secretary)
 - i. If you want to contribute to the Badger, please send me your content by Wednesday 1st November.

3. Motions

Motion to remove Informal Ball.

- Alexandra McGovern.
 - Where would the money from Informal Ball go?
 - Izzy Francis – Not spending the money going towards Informal Ball would not increase the money going towards Summer Ball.
- Johnny Holland.
 - What is Informal Ball?
 - Izzy – They are more ENTs than a normal Formal and a meal, but it is a lot more expensive.
 - Jade – It is not as well funded as Winter Ball.
- Reece Roberts.
 - What's Winter Ball?
 - Jade - It is a big social event, lots of ENTs, food during the night. It runs with a late licence.
 - Izzy – With fewer people attending Informal Ball, it is more expensive with fewer events than Winter Ball.
- Stefano Cattaneo.
 - What would replace it?
 - Izzy – Hopefully another Formal.
- The Motion was passed on a general aye.

Motion to create Team Welfare Committee in the Standing Orders

- Jeremy Kew.
 - Who would led Team Welfare?
 - Arabeth Lecuyer – It would still be Arabeth.
 - The Motion was passed on a general aye.

Motion to increase number of Ordinary Members on JournoComm

- The Motion was passed on a general aye.

Motion to change structure of Communities Committee

- Paul Cohen
 - Is SCA on board with this? This only works if SCA are on board.
 - Isabel Watkins – Yes, they are on board.
 - Luke Hollander agreed that this was the case.

4. Husts

Exec- JCR Chair. The husts are 3 minutes long.

- The candidates are Alex Longman and Surya Varatharajan.
- Questions.
 - Name the responsibilities of JCR Chair according to the Standing Orders.
 - Surya – First, to be the ex officio member of the JCR as stated in article 3.25; to be impartial in Meetings; to delegate the responsibilities of the President to JCR Officers if the President should resign; to ensure that the JCR is run smoothly.
 - Alex – To Chair JCR meetings like this; to be impartial in JCR meetings; to ensure the smooth running of the JCR against dispute. Chairing Steering Comm (not in the Standing Orders, but it should be).
 - How will you improve attendance and engagement at JCR Meetings?
 - Alex – Pushing the JCR Meetings on Facebook. Informing students of the positions going up. Spending more on pizza. Maybe some memes.
 - Surya – To promote the idea that if people attend, Surya will have to forfeit by doing a dare.
 - The JCR President resigns following a scandalous story in the Tab damaging his reputation, what do you do?
 - Surya – Surya would be shocked. Surya would take a diplomatic role. Surya would explain in an email to the JCR what has happened. Surya would read the Standing Orders and act as the JCR wants him to.
 - Alex – Alex would call an emergency Exec Meeting and split the demanding roles to the Exec Officers.

Depending on where we are in the year, Alex would split responsibilities. Alex would work closely with college staff.

- In both JCR and Exec meetings you will expected to maintain law and order. How will you ensure order is kept?
 - Alex – Alex would make sure that there are not too many questions, especially no repeats. Possibly the idea of 5 questions and no more than that.
 - Surya – Sometimes things get heated, Surya would perform an ‘order’ to ensure that things do not get out of hand. Surya would stick to the JCR Standing Orders to ensure that what people are saying agrees with the Standing Orders
- Can you demonstrate an example of you shouting ‘order’ so that you can?
 - Alex – did so.
 - Surya – did so.
- Questions from the floor.
 - Jade Westhead - Why did you not run for the position before?
 - Surya – Surya had an album over summer and an internship so would not be able to Frep, which Surya sees as a big part of JCR Chair.
 - Alex – Alex was planning on running for it next term, after fulfilling his term as Vice-Chair of SteeringComm.
 - Felix – Talk about a time when you had an eye for detail.
 - Alex – Spotting Freshers bringing their own alcohol into the bar.
 - Surya – Working with Parliament, looking closely at documents.
 - Paul Cohen – Why do you think JCR Meetings are not well attended?
 - Surya – Students do not know what true potential the JCR has. If people were aware of what the JCR has actually done, maybe they would care more. With more social media presence, people would come.
 - Alex – People think that JCR Meetings are boring. Social Media can change things. It is a small number of people running for positions every time. Alex

would ensure that we are quorum, because it is difficult when they are not.

- The election goes live at midday on Monday 30th October.

5. Elections

Formals – First Year Rep

- Helps with all the Formal preparation, Champagne Reception. The main reason why they are a First Year is so that they can

Elisabeth Moore	Anthropology	
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- Elisabeth’s election was taken on a general aye.

Social – First Year Rep

- You are the point of contact between Freshers and the Committee. Why would you be good at this.
- Why would you be good on SocComm. Why SocComm and not another one.
- If you could choose any theme for summer ball, what would it be and why?
- Questions from the Floor
 - Izzy Francis
 - You have be awake for the whole of summer ball, running it. Are you able to cope with this?
 - Lik Ki Lim
 - Are you artistic?

Rachael Griffiths	English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Also friends with B Curve and C Curve. At Sixth Form, Rachael did a weekly drop in for Mental Health. Rachael is approachable. • SocComm was a thing at Rachael’s Sixth Form. Rachael helped to organise social events. They raised £1200 for charity. Rachael would bring new ideas – vintage film ideas etc. • Earlier than the 2000s. A lot of the students are actually older than just 2000s. • Rachael is a scouser; Rachael is used to it.
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wasn't allowed to take GCSE Art. But Rachael thinks there is a certain talent to being told you are not good enough.
Alice Williams	Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Friends with B Curve and C Curve. Alice also has contacts with the houses. Alice hangs out with most people. Alice is willing to give feedback. Doesn't have much school experience. Alice has a lot of parties. Alice hosts parties regularly. Alice has done an 'A' themed party, where you come as something beginning with A. Alice is currently hosting a party for Alice's sister and friend. 2000 theme would be good. Most of Freshers grew up in the 2000s. A throwback. Very used to staying up late, especially after a drink or two. Alice is not actually artistic, but has done facepaint.

- 56 votes for Rachael. 19 votes for Alice.
- Rachael Griffiths was duly elected Socials First Year Rep.

Welfare – First Year Rep

- Why do you think you'd be suitable for this role?
- If somebody came to you with a Welfare Issue, and you don't feel equipped, what would you do?
- Questions from the floor
 - George Dobson
 - Awareness Campaigns. How would you promote them, letting people know what is going on?
 - Felix Culas

- What one off event, would you do? What event has the Welfare Team overlooked?

<p>Valeria Garau (red)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valeria Likes helping people as well. In Valeria's friend group, Valeria is the person people come to. At school Valeria was part of a self-help group. Valeria recognises that with people having only met each recently, it is nice to have confidentiality. No one should be ashamed to want to talk mental health. • There may be someone more equipped on the welfare team. Valeria would possibly refer them to the university counselling service, if this would help. • Social Media is a great place to start. Sometimes the notifications come too late. Making posters in advance and making events on Facebook in advance so that people can plan to get involved in advance. • Really wants to do something about not drinking too much alcohol. People get tired of drinking alcohol. Making friends without trying to get drunk. Movies, snacks and tea. Crafting activities.
<p>Molly Briscoe (green)</p>	<p>Philosophy.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Molly spends a lot of time worrying about people.

		<p>Molly took a year out and helped run a discussion group for 6 months.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The great thing about someone approaching you, means that they are comfortable talking to you. Not having the correct tools is not the biggest issue, but Molly would refer people to other members of the Welfare team if that is okay. Being there and being a support system is more important than being able to fix people.• Immediately making people aware of the importance of these issues, as soon as they get to college. A welfare day during Freshers' week. Anything from depression to FOMO. A fortnightly event run by Welfare – films and drinking tea. Events which are not based around drinking.• A transference week. People who have to deal with people who have mental health issues. people coping with other people's mental health issues. Helping people to help others. Your own mental health can be neglected.
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<p>Kirsty MacLeod (white)</p>	<p>Geography.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worried about Durham because a white, public school. Kirsty wants everyone to be cared for at the Rainbow College. • Recognising that it is more appropriate someone else. Making them feel very comfortable. • Finding ways of spreading word of campaigns to people who do not necessarily care. Posters explaining what the issue is. Spreading these around the JCR and also on social media. • A creativity week. People are able to express their emotions through creativity. Such as through poetry. There are things that people do not normally say, except through creative ways. There are issues, such as racism which are not spoken about enough. We need to recognise that we are not all living the same lives. We have different experience of life.
<p>Max Kirk (grey)</p>	<p>NatSci.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Max has helped to organise a group for pastoral care. Max has a genuine care for people. Max wants to be engaged with people in college. Max is approachable.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You should not pretend that you do know how to deal with it. Make sure they are okay with you taking it to someone else. Max would ask them whether they would feel comfortable taking it to another member of the Committee. • Social Media is great, but people are flooded with notifications. Emails separate to the Weekly Wipe would be good. A good way to reach people who do not use social media. There is only some much advertising you can do. Having the same event twice is a good idea – so that people who cannot make it, its fine. • A suggestion box for an event that people want would be helpful.
<p>Laura Hunt (blue)</p>	<p>French and Spanish.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laura has experience with Mental Health issues. Laura wants to give back and help. • Laura would get support. Laura would not pretend to know anything. Laura would look for support, but help them with utmost respect. • Social Media is a great way of doing it. A group chat, where someone is on there would be great.

		<p>Specific workshops for depression and anxiety would be great.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specific mental health events. Depression is different from anxiety. Focus groups, people suffering from the same issues come together and discuss this. Everyone is an individual and so smaller focus groups are a great idea.
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- 26 for Molly. 27 for Max. 14 for Kirsty. 5 for Laura. 9 for Valeria.
- Max Kirk was duly elected the Welfare - First Year Rep.

Social – Sponsorship Rep

- The same as being an ordinary member. You get all the same discounts. You work with external companies about getting sponsorship.

Gwenno Thomas	Law	
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- Gwenno was voted on a general aye.

Union – Publicity Officer

Edward Cook	Social Sciences.	
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6. AOB

- David Kutner.
 - i. Where is the calendar for votes and husts?
 1. Luke – It is in the Standing Orders and on the board next to the JCR President/Treasurer.

7. Exec Q&A

- The Exec will be hanging around for a bit at the end of the meeting to answer questions.