

JCR Meeting Minutes II (Sunday 04th November 2018)

Apologies

- Rebecca Mingard, Kimberley Carstens, Elizabeth Mohr

Officer Reports

- JCR President – Clara Ohayon
 - St. Aidan's Ripped Off Society will have an AGM in the bar after the JCR meeting. The aim is to help with the organizing of protests and the long-term goal is to build a basis of protest in Aidan's.
- Socials Chair – Rachael Griffith
 - Winter ball theme and ticket prices will be released this week.
 - £1 of the ticket prices will go to an eating disorder charity.
- Shop Chair - Billie
 - Shop opening at 8:30, last toastie orders will be taken at 11:30.
- Sports and Societies Officer – Oliver Goschow.
 - If you are a spectator at a Floodlit Cup match, please clean up after yourself, there have been complaints to Team Durham about spectator rowdiness, and if it keeps on going on, they will stop hosting Floodlit matches.
 - Team Durham is looking to host college level running events, contact me for more details.
- Senior Welfare Officer – Sarah Schenk
 - SHAG week was a big success.
 - We have an event next Sunday, Kit Kat & Chit Chat.
 - Challenging Masculinity campaign coming up.
- Union Officer – Ed Cook
 - Thank you for coming to the ripped off campaign.
 - Tomorrow there is a housing event.
 - Pantomime is happening. Check emails for more information.
- Treasurer – Ed Gallagher
 - Starting a three-year plan to have money again.
- Tech Chair – Ryan Collins
 - Several positions going up this meeting.
- Formals Officer – Rachel Jacob
 - Halloween Formal was great.
- Communities Officer – Crystal Moniz
 - This week we have the livers out meal. They will take a tour of college and get a free meal.
 - Next month we have the chat shit get brunch event.

- We have a Movember campaign going on right now. Talk to Tom Carr, Joshua Short or me if you want more information.
- JCR Chair - Alex Longman
 - Email me to apply for interview positions.
 - We are not at quorum, need to ratify minutes next meeting.

Motions

- Motion to Ratify St. Aidan's Physics Society:
 - Joshua Short: What will you do with the money?
 - Tyla Danskin: Not much use for it so far. Cannot see any areas requiring funding.
 - Taken on a general aye.
- Motion to Ratify St. Aidan's Ripped Off Society:
 - Joshua Short: What will you do with the money?
 - Molly Briscoe: It will be going towards organizing events and campaigns. We have some good ideas already to make it more than just protests and speeches, such as bands, etc. Will look into raising money on our own as well.
 - Taken on a general aye.
- Motion On Accommodation Fees:
 - Motion passed on a general aye.
- Motion to Restructure Communities Committee:
 - Motion passed on a general aye.
- Motion to Amend the Budget:
 - Motion passed on a general aye.

Hustings

- St. Aidan's Charity Fashion Show – Chair
 Questions from Alex Longman, the JCR Chair, on behalf of Angelica Andrews, the former Fashion Show Chair.
 - If you are elected chair, what do you see as your biggest priority moving forward to next year?
 - Why do you want to be a part of St Aidan's Charity Fashion Show?
 - Last year people bought stuff and did not pay for it, how would you deal with this?
 - How would you get the models? Will you use paper applications or interviews?
 - How would you deal with high pressure situations? For example, a late venue change?
 - What is your view on how inclusive the fashion show has been in past years?
 - How would you make it more inclusive?

<p>Niamh McErlean, 2nd Year History</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Biggest priority is securing a charity, as well as an exec and a venue. ○ Last year the fashion show was one of the highlights of my year, and I love fashion. ○ At Hild Bede they did the auction early in the night before people got too drunk, and had people sign their names and printed slips to get a confirmation of purchase. Everyone ended up paying for their stuff at that fashion show. ○ I would put up posters around college and rely on word of mouth, to promote everyone to go for it. I think I would still prefer an audition application, as models should be confident on stage. ○ I would hopefully have a really good team of support around me and always have a plan B. ○ This year we would rather be more inclusive. In terms of inclusivity last year did not tick all the boxes. ○ On all the posters I would refrain from putting your average supermodel. It's all about the promotion. We need to make sure the entire exec is on the same wavelength in terms of inclusivity.
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- Executive – JCR Secretary
 - Questions from Clara Ohayon, the JCR President.
 - As the head of a committee, you have the scope to shape it, is there any new project or thing you would like to change?
 - How will you make sure the badger is well promoted and people write articles for it?
 - What is your favourite magazine?
 - You said you have great experience in positions of leadership, can you give an example?

- What would you do if someone submitted an article that was bad?

<p>Matt O'Brien, PG International Relations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ I don't have much to change, but want to make the badger more diverse by including poetry, gossip, etc. I want to make sure people have the opportunity to contribute through journalism courses. I'll see how it goes and change it from there. ○ Social media is a massive tool. The JCR Secretary is not a Facebook page, so I might consider such a page. More email promotions as well. I'm also in all the freshers groups and can promote it that way as well. ○ Vogue. ○ I had a few graduates or interns which needed leadership while working a project, and I was unable to contact the manager. Had to get everyone to follow the same line. ○ Bad is relative, it really depends.
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- Executive – Senior Postgraduate Representative

Questions from Clara Ohayon, the JCR President.

- In an executive position, you can be creative with the position, is there anything specific you would like to introduce in your role?
- What are the specific needs of postgraduates as compared to undergraduates?
- How would you work with the SCR representatives and exec members?

<p>Arabeth Lecuyer, PG Psychology and Education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One of the biggest things I'd like to change is to open up the Chinese New Year formal to undergrads as well. ○ The biggest contrast is that postgraduates are more independent and harder to reach. Most were not here for their undergrad, so we need to get them more involved. ○ Claire would be a good point of contact for formals or Newcastle nights to advertise events. And of
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	course Harry Cross as SCR President. Communication is key.
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Voting for all husted positions opens Monday.

Elections

- Socials – Sponsorship Rep:
 - Gwenno Thomas was elected on a general aye.
- Tech – College Marketing & Photography:
 - Keke Xu was elected on a general aye.
- Union – Publicity Officer

Questions from Ed Cook, the Union Officer:

- Why do you want this role?
- What kind of experience do you have in managing media?
- What would you say is a fun way to get people protesting without a demonstration?
- On a weekday when is the perfect time to post? When on a weekend?
- Did you have MySpace?
- How will you do something meaningful to put pressure on the university?

Michael Godsmark, 2 nd Year Politics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One of the most important things the JCR brings is student involvement in student politics. If people see that only 20 people are interested in something, they will be less interested in going for it. ○ I also have a phone. I have a decent experience of running a blog, which 20,000 readers. I have Instagram despite not posting there, and I have snapchat. ○ I like the idea of an Aidan’s Ripped Off Society. It’s about getting the community involved. If the city is getting overcrowded, it affects everyone. ○ 14:00 on a weekend is the perfect time. ○ Yes ○ The only way to truly change the university is rent strikes. These can only take place if there is genuine student support. We need a genuine movement. If 10 people take part, it will not have an effect, but if half of Aidan’s participate, then that will help
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<p>Kasia Procter, 1st Year Economics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ After the ripped off campaign, I felt very connected to the union. It's important to keep that going. The Aidan's turnout was amazing, though not that many 1st years came. ○ I spend a lot of my time on Facebook and Instagram. Also, I have a phone. ○ At school, I was a member of Amnesty International, we would give tea and biscuits to people and encourage them to sign letters to be sent off to the Canadian government. If it worked there, then we should bombard the university with letters, as that could be an effective source of protest. ○ 19:00 on a weekday is the perfect time. ○ No ○ I am a first year and I pay more college fees, so I would be able to connect more to people.
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Michael was duly elected.

- Welfare – First Year Rep:
 - Liu Qiao was elected on a general aye.

AOB

Liu Qiao: Please check your emails for information on the pantomime.

Joshua Short: The Pub Quiz next week is for Movember and the Challenging Masculinity campaign.