

JCR Meetings 7 Minutes

5/5/19

Apologies

Matt O Brien
Rachel Griffiths
Sarah Schenk
Crystal Moinz

Quorum not reached (54)

Previous minutes were DULY RATIFIED

Officer Reports

- **Clara Ohayon CO – JCR President**
 - Free coffee in the JCR starting on Monday
 - Petting zoo 14th May
 - Hardship fund is still open
 - College Stash is open
 - Beach trip 16th June
- **Thaddaeus Dominc TD – JCR Treasurerer**
 - Reimbursement forms available outside JCR Office
- **Michael Godsmark MG – SSO**
 - Photo day 12th may
- **Sarah Schenk SS – Senior Welfare (VIA Voice Message)**
 - Apologies for absence
 - Stress less starting
 - Change to sex health supplies: tampons with no applier
- **Joe Chanyacharungchit JC – JCR Chair**
 - Change motion (JCR Vice President) to a referendum
- **Dave Kurtner DK – Shop Chair**
 - Reached agreement to sell toasties soon
 - It will take 2 weeks to get all the equipment
 - Only selling bottled and can drinks
 - No paracetamol
- **Ryan Collins RC – Tech Chair**
 - Lots of events coming up
 - Games cabinets back
- **Rachel Jacobs RJ – Formals**
 - One more formal left – Going Down Formal

- **Joe McGarry JMG – Senior Frep**
 - Frep applications open from tomorrow

Motions

1. Motion to release funds to buy vintage Aidan’s scarves.

Questions, Comments or Amendments

None

Duly passed on a GENERAL AYE

2. Referendum to create the position of Vice President.

Questions, Comments or Amendments

Becky Mingard (BM) Why does the position have to be executive?

If it wasn’t an executive position then it wouldn’t have to go to a referendum, I’m not sure how to proceed. Longman? *Answered by JC*

We think it should be on executive as its more efficient. *Answered by Alex Longman (AL)*

- Amendment: Amend to exofficio. The job of the executive is the day to day running of the JCR – which is the Vice President job description. *Proposed by AL, Seconded by CO*

BM: theres no reason why they couldn’t attend executive meetings

AL: that’s what exofficio means

Duly passed on a GENERAL AYE

BM: Being on the executive is a position of power.

AL: Its still an important role, they would still sit on exec.

CO: I would support amendment to make the position ex officio – You could propose a motion to allow the subexec to sit in meetings, as it is a bit arbitrary who isn’t on exec.

JMG: I Don't think we should call it Vice President, would set precedent of leading to JCR president which we don't want, too big an advantage.

CO: If we changed the name we might have to change some of the job description as they are Vice President roles.

AL: President should be responsible, and the VP should just provide assistance, I would support a name change. *AL*

Max Kirk (MK): We should mindful of danger of a student subbing in for payed member of staff – this would be working for free. Name change could resolve this.

JC: I won't let name changes via amendment

CO: I agree with MK, that is really important. It is a support position I just don't think we should call it VP when it's an unpaid job.

Molly Briscoe (MB): We should change the words to only necessary training and not same training

CO: Yes, as that wouldn't be feasible anyway

- Amendment: To delete 4.3, to change 6 to MB's comments and to delete 5. *Proposed by CO, Seconded by MB*

Duly passed on a GENERAL AYE

MG: Can we change the name to Transition Officer?

CO: Can we hear other names?

RS: *Explains how at Greys a postgrad fills the role*

MB: The danger is that the President should be responsible for the transition rather than delegating to this new role – Transition Officer implies control rather than assistance.

CO: Legal Framework Officer

- Amendment: To change the name to Policy framework officer. *Proposed by CO, Seconded by Robert Smith (RS)*

MB: Can we have a separate discussion to change the name

JC: that would be hard to

Sofia Dotta (SD): I agree with JMG how VP name could create unwanted precedants

Yasmin Cheour (YC): the advantage of the name VP shouldn't matter, if they're good that will shine through regardless

CO: The position would only by VP in name, none of the roles pertain to being a VP as they shouldn't be doing unpaid work.

JMG: What do they do at Van Mildert

JC: That's irrelevant

Duly passed on a GENERAL AYE

3. Motion to create the position of Vice Treasurer.

Questions, Comments or Amendments

CO: I think it's redundant due to Policy Framework Officer (PFO), existence of committee sponsorship officers – it's better to be decentralized

Point 2.5.2 and 2.5.3 too vague.

Too bureaucratic

TD: on 2.4, PFO is not financially trained, so PFO and a 2nd VT need to be separate people. Crazy workload as well, VT to manage the madness

On 2.5.2 80% of the work is due to DSO transition

On decentralization issue, it would be better to be centralized because they would have more leverage – the name sounds better.

JC: I think we've heard both sides

**FOR 28
AGAINST 22**

JC: The results are too close, suspend to next meeting when we reach quorum

4. Motion to oppose staff cuts.

Questions, Comments or Amendments

None

Duly passed on a GENERAL AYE

5. Motion to implement pre-requisite interviews for positions on Shop Comm.

Questions, Comments or Amendments

DK: This would produce more competent staff

BM: Is this college's orders or is this additional?

DK: This we can disagree with

CO: I want college to be inclusive as possible, it's better to train people rather than cherry pick those that are already trained – it would bar even more people from running. Too complex. As past Shop Chair: I don't think we'd ever had an incompetent worker so an interview would be a mere formality and that would be time consuming. We also can't assess commitment through an interview. It would be an organisational nightmare to arrange. We are a student organisation and shouldn't be too professional. Recent mishaps are just flukes and not a pattern

Ed Gallagher (EG): Can you explain how this will make people less likely to quit before their first shift

DK: To address CO, the shop is a business so should be held to professional standards. We should take it seriously

JC: don't have time to hear any more

FOR 14

AGAINST 29

Motion NOT PASSED

6. Motion to implement a strike system to ensure health and safety standards are maintained at the shop.

Questions, Comments or Amendments

- Amendment: Change wording to 'every day' from 'every other day'. *Proposed by DK. Seconded by CO*

Duly passed on a GENERAL AYE

7. Motion to change the application process for the roles of international and postgraduate freps.

Questions, Comments or Amendments

None

Duly passed on a GENERAL AYE

Hustings

1. MAD – Music Coordinator

Kat Pitallis (KP)

KP: I have 4 ideas. 1. Online booking system. 2. Work with Drama to set up Music and Theatre Society 3. Extended battle of the bands 4. Teaching offering services

TC: how to get more people? Offer food later, will post a lot on fb

TC: missing equipment scenario? Post on the music chat

2. MAD – Arts Coordinator

Saabir Petker (SP)

SP: very passionate about art, a level art but had to drop it for mental health. Rely on art to help that. Art very important, more consistent art activities in the JCR, work with welfare. Add to wall art.

BM: numbers? Gather people (Big Dan) be really enthusiastic

BM: how maintain passion? Calendar plan, organise before hand – do something every 3 weeks

3. Socials – Treasurer

Kasia Proctor (KP)

KP: JCR wetter. Want to improve and help make SocComm be bigger and better. Economics degree, maths and further maths a levels, understands all the prep. Agree with the incoming SocComm Chair on having winter ball out of college. More ticket pricing transparency

David Attwood (DA): what do you want to gain? Be more involved

DA: thoughts on JCR vs non-JCR ticket prices? Reasonable discrepancy, have to do an assessment of full years' worth of ticket purchasing

EG: How would you move winter ball out of college but keep same price? Cheaper 'ents' or cheaper wine etc

Joshua Short (JS): What are the travel requirements for an out of college event?

JC: Not relevant to manifesto

4. Formals – Treasurer

NEXT JCR MEETING

5. Shop – Treasurer

Nakita Wijeratne (NW)

NW: Give me practical skills, worked at restaurant and want to interact, focus on minting good environment, improve profits and efficiency, wouldn't increase toastie prices, would target costs, economics degree

Alice Williams (AW): *drunk customer scenario* Depends on approach, would serve if not too rude. If rude to staff, wouldn't

AW: *factors causing loss scenario* Expensive produce, not making enough sales

JC: tomorrow

6. Tech – IT Officer

Dave Kutner and Faiz Zaman (FZ)

DK: committed to improving JCR, work with exec to expand website – should be more representative. Expand website to have badger or and Bog Roll online. Coord with SSO to have event board online. Shops to advertise openings. Update the societies Facebook links. Standard procedure for all societies and their descriptions to be added to website. Assisted TechComm, can liaise effectively with college, collaborated with TechComm on website

FZ: experience with web development, joined TechComm in 1st year, done loads of events, set up 2 websites already, sixth form mentor/prefect. Update JCR website: add more rooms., more rooms, more sports. Work with SSO for a short message from each captain.

Connor Duffy (CD): How would you improve advertising of services during fresher's week

FZ: I would speak to freshers, use Facebook posts

DK: Posters, speak to freshers

CD: How do you plan to balance with your studies?

DK: step down as shop chair, free up time

FZ: living in college, sacrifice time from degree and sports – so dedicated

RC: *scenario where wifi goes out during freshers*

FZ: In my country we have board games

DK: shout at CIS,

MB: where is the Ultimate frisbee website

JC: Unfair question

Elections

1. 1st Year Catering Officer

Dhillon Dhodia DULY ELECTED

2. Shop Health and Safety Officer

SP: person should be really experienced

JC: not valid

Daniel Rand DULY ELECTED

AOB

- Motion: to release funds to buy fridges and toastie machines.
Proposed by DK. Seconded by CO

**DK: £250 for a toastie machine and we need to buy 2 fridges – need up to
£1000**

CO: The toastie machine has to be one fit for commercial use

Duly passed on a GENERAL AYE

JMG: if anyone has any questions on frep application, message me

Meeting adjourned 20:43