

JCR Closed Meeting Minutes  
19<sup>th</sup> February 2023 – 17:00 in the JCR

**Committee present: 18**

- Rory Gavin (RG) – President
- Nikhil Baid (NB) – Vice-President
- Stephen Cowley (SC) – Treasurer
- Oli Hepworth (OIH) – Secretary
- Mathew Blowers (MaB) – IT
- Rikki Hirai (RH) – Accommodation & Catering
- Thomas Morris (TM) – LGBT+
- Pico Ichikawa (PI) – Women's
- Mia Cascarina (MC) – Class Act
- Minnie Peacock (MP) – Access & Academic
- Sushant Patil (SP) – International Students'
- Áine McCann (AM) – Welfare
- Ceri Clarke (CC) – Green & Charities
- Lewis Drummond (LD) – Green & Charities
- Melanie Benedict (MeB) – Freshers'

**Apologies for absence: 1**

- Shreya Ganesh Kumar (SGK) – Disabled Students'

**Overview**

1. Apologies for absence
2. Updates from the Committee
3. Updates from the President
4. Updates from the Treasurer
5. Any other business

**Agenda**

1. Apologies for absence
2. Updates from the Committee
  - a. VP
    - Refurbishment
    - Admin
  - b. Green & Charities
    - Bee bomb & breakfast went well
    - Charity pub quiz for Turkey
      - RG: meeting with Mark tomorrow, will try and get a prize

- Meeting with bursar about investments
- Plant sale pushed back
- Take me out – colleges not been responding
  - RG: will contact other presidents
  - RG: involve the MCR maybe?
    - Probably not

c. LGBT+

- Rainbow formal

d. Access

- Bursary students should have a way of not having to pay increased prices for Bop
- Student library committee
- RG: anything could be better about library?
  - CC: will get separate recycling bins for library

e. Women's

- IWD formal: MCR have agreed to raise prices, but college has not yet
  - Talked to jazz band for bar afterwards: £8 per person
- 1988 committee emails
- Sports Day Swaps: comments from Magdalen Oxford individuals inappropriate
  - RG: will get in touch with Fran (sports officer)
  - Should be a proper establishment of boundaries

f. Welfare

- Knit-a-thon for Turkey
  - 2 hour slots, in the library social rooms
  - Get sponsored for it, money to charity
- Talked to Ents officers to add money to bop tickets
- Week 5 packs stuff arrived, should be out in next couple of days
- Puppy therapy booked for 5<sup>th</sup> March
  - Will cost £150, being paid for by Katrina
- Kind notes in JCR next week
- MCR utilise our events – MCR welfare officer willing to chip in
- Vote for increasing price for bop tickets by £2:
  - Virtually everyone in favour, vote carried

g. Catering & Accommodation

- Halfway Hall
- Room ballot coming up

h. IT

- Accommodation spreadsheet
- Email lists being sorted out
- Will put JCR profiles on website

i. Fresher's

- Commitment list being put together for Fresher's Reps
  - Will make Fresher's Week as safe as possible
- Coming up with ideas for the week

j. International

- Pub quiz with MCR international officer

k. Secretary

- Newsletter
- Noticeboard will go up by the end of the week

l. Class Act

- First social went well, will order more food for next one
- Tours around college

3. Updates from the President

a. Date of Bop

- 3<sup>rd</sup> of March seems a bit too early, could be pushed back to Friday 17<sup>th</sup>
  - St. Patrick's Day, could be the theme?

b. Catering

- Mark Slater very happy with 6 nations involvement, welcomes more to come
- Fried bread at brunch
- Ramsay, formal prices look set to stay the same
- Formals potentially to be rearranged for next term: more at start and end of term, less in the middle
  - CC: check to make sure these actually happen after exams
  - MC: maybe not allow guests/reduce number of guests for last formals of term
    - RG: will raise this with Mark

c. St. Patrick's Day formal

- Already booked out, but maybe not everyone knows it's St Patrick's Day
- Won't be able to increase price for decorations etc. in advance, will have to be retrospective

d. Accommodation

- Ballot likely to run smoothly
- Website working fairly well but potentially too informal
- AM: try and push them to take photos of all rooms in the summer
- Maybe introduce some sort of maintenance form at the end of the year, submit some of the more substantial problems for each building
- Will mention women's-only time in gym at next meeting

e. New JCR

- Going well, submitted requests for painting and wiring
  - Maintenance think they can get everything done by the start of next term
  - AM: will parcel room have to shut at some point?
    - RG: yes, porters are thinking about solutions already
  - AM: are we refurbishing bar?
    - RG: no, but people keen to do this anyway. Will potentially be done over the summer

f. Stash

- Try and get it set up for next bop sale

g. Magdalene Matters

- Need to get the google drive set up

h. Rent

- Can't go into exact details
- Should be feasible to get increase down to a lower rate as with other colleges
- Will keep committee updated
- LD: worth mentioning before ballot?
  - RG: can give a borderline
    - [REDACTED]

4. Updates from the Treasurer

a. Bank Account

- Finally getting underway after cooperation with previous committee treasurer
- Access will be granted in about two weeks – reimbursements will follow

5. Any other business

a. Yearbook

- TM: can we maybe get this set up for next year?
  - Could have things like contact details etc

b. Photo Wall

- Could maybe get a gardies-style photo wall set up

c. Oxford Incident

- AM: anyone with worries can come to her
- RH: potentially send an email to the Oxford JCR
  - Anyone happy to share complaints can do so in here
  - RG: happy to send this email as an entity
- Could do some sort of coffee morning, or a Sports Day feedback form to give people opportunity to speak