

JCR Committee Meeting Minutes
25th September 2022 - 10am on Zoom

Committee present:

- Harry Fishlock (HF) - President
- Ellie Connell (EC) - Vice President
- Juanita Virk (JV) - Secretary
- Caredig ap Tomos (CT) - Treasurer
- Jason Tang (JT) - IT
- Rory Gavin (RG) - Accommodation and catering
- Siya Goyal (SG) - Freshers rep
- Keith Lau (KL) - International
- Lara Ibrahim (LI) - Women's
- James Hardy (JH) - Green
- Stephen Cowley (SC) - Class Act
- Joseph Gueli (JG) - Events

Apologies for absence:

- Maria Solovyeva (MS) - Welfare
- Ewan Barrett (EB) - Welfare
- Kethie Kiew (KK) - Academic
- Nikhil Baid (NB) - BME

Overview

1. Apologies for absence
2. President's updates
 - a. McFarlane's dinner
 - b. Bops
 - c. Pepys space
 - d. Catering updates
 - e. Additional formal!
3. Main agenda
 - a. Gowns
 - b. Freshers week - general
 - c. Freshers week - welfare
 - d. Freshers week - anti-racism workshop
 - e. Freshers week - green event
 - f. Mocktail and cocktail competition
4. Any Other Business
 - a. Bar opening times
 - b. Bop ticket prices
 - c. Outreach programmes

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence

2. President's updates

a. McFarlane's dinner

- HF emailed a google form at the end of July asking students when it should be held
- Most popular: 2 days before graduation (evening of 28th June)
- HF has passed this message onto the senior tutor

b. Bops

- We can now buy our own drinks instead of buying them from college (much cheaper this way)
- Liaise with JG to put an order in for the bop at the start of term

c. Pepys space

- Used as study space in Easter term 2022 (success!)
- This term it can still be used as a social study space (no food and drink)

d. Catering updates

- New till system
- Bar: no need to go on the app, you can pay with a normal debit/ credit card
- Buttery: meals will be subdivided (main, sides etc)
- Prices will be well sign-posted so that students are aware
- Mark Slater (head chef) had an idea for a cafe - coffee machine, basic pastries (still in progress)

e. Additional formal!

- ADDITIONAL FORMAL ON TUESDAY YAY
- Will continue to ask for more formals (e.g. on Saturday)
- Currently: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Sunday

3. Main agenda

a. Gowns

- Churchill gowns has delivered the gowns and they have been kept safe by the porters
- Rerun of stash (e.g. quarter-zips), also new Rugby shirts - all have been delivered and will be sold during freshers week
- Misunderstanding about a possible contract with Ryder & Amies, messages are ambiguous (bit sus)

b. Freshers week - General

- Timetable to finalised by the end of today and to be printed tomorrow

- JCR committee to help out with tours next weekend when most freshers arrive. SG to set up sign up times
- SG: Get the fresher's committee to help run events e.g. movie night
- JCR committee to review final draft on the group chat
 - Stash sale at the same time as bop ticket sales
 - Gown and stash sale on Sunday 2nd in the bar
 - Send JCR committee fresher's timetable and list of college parents and kids - help out where they can

c. Freshers week - Welfare

- SG liaise with MS to finalise welfare events

d. Freshers week - Anti-racism workshop

- JV (Secretary 2022, BME officer 2021) explained what happened last year
 - Multiple meetings with master about making the workshop compulsory
 - Was led by JV and other students volunteers (e.g. ex-BME officers and JCR president)
- SG: College suggested changing the name to 'Equality, diversity and inclusion workshop'
 - Current BME officer (NB) disagrees with name change
 - Need to tackle the issue of racism directly
 - Not enough time to add more content (e.g. LGBTQ+ - perhaps next year)
- Final outcome for this year
 - Compulsory 1 hour workshop
 - For JCR and MCR freshers
 - Use same powerpoint as last year (was edited and reviewed by fellows - Ali Meghji, Franklin Aigbirhio)
 - Led by NB and volunteers

e. Freshers week - Green event

- JH: plants to be purchased soon
- Plant sale on Wednesday

f. Mocktail and cocktail competition

- 17 entries submitted
 - 2 mocktails confirmed
 - JCR committee will vote on group chat for top 3
- Mocktails and cocktails will be available at the bar at the start of term
 - Most popular one will be crowned MAGDALENE'S SIGNATURE MOCKTAIL/COCKTAIL

3. Any Other Business

a. Bar opening times

- Thursday, Friday, Saturday 7-11:30pm

- Have asked if these days could align with formal days (Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Sunday) - still need a response

b. Bop ticket prices

- Want to keep the price at £5
- Need to cut costs somewhere in order to keep in line with inflation
 - Need DJ and photographer are cheaper which should sort this issue
- Possibly introduce non-drinking ticket - to be discussed later

c. Outreach programmes

- Mock interview prep for prospective students?
 - College have not shown enthusiasm
- Oxbridge outreach alliance powerpoint from KK, read by HF
 - Main issues: unknown therefore publicise & safeguarding issue (which is why college is not supportive)
 - College are not keen on training students to do the application process
 - More research into this is needed
 - To be discussed in detail later