

JCR Meeting – April 28th 2019

Present

Ellie Brain (President), Andrew Salkeld, Emily Insanally, Iona Mac, Justin Yu, Leon Reason, Connor Dwyer, Becky Reilly, Alex Burns, Poppy Blackshaw, Henry Sainsbury, Marc Foxhall, Irene Jessel, Finn Manders, Harriet Bradnock, Alexandra Nikolin, Du vessa Bandeen, Rob Watts, Caolan McConnaughie, Dmitry Bashtanov, George Richmond, Cerian Craske, Priya Kaler, Ben Tudor, Ben Bristow, Zayn Richards

Apologies

Emily Baker-Thurston

1. Round The Room

Ellie – Freshers Week plant sale, women’s photo for 40yrs, consent workshops and anti-racism workshops, got £500 and will get goats for Billy Day. JCR/MCR rounders event. Meeting with Rensa Gaunt and Senior Tutor about disabled access. Prepared for health and safety committee referring to Trinity Hall students coming into external houses and College staff doing same. Prepared for investment meeting, will have another meeting with Alexandra about this.

Iona – Planning Ramadan and Black History Month events

Becky – Knitting event in Week 2

Alex – Gender Expression Funds application

Henry – Preparation for Freshers Week, Eurovision screening, couple of pub quizzes to come, may have a Fitz Sessions (tbc)

Marc – Started looking at resources to go into schools and give talks

Harriet – Thinking about environmental workshops. More info to go out about recycling. Fruit trees for the garden.

Poppy – Encourages to vote in Scholar’s Ballot referendum

Finn – 150 profiles needs to go through Communications Committee. Delegates profiles done and will go out this term. Accessibility/Disability forum end of this term.

Irene – Meeting with Chris, we can’t have Guinness in the bar but he will give list of beers we can have and put to poll. We can have a Fitz Cocktail (potential suggestions and names will go out)

President – we need a chat about Halal, Kosher food

Alexandra - Divestment workshop with Bursar (critical due to students having little say, JP Morgan dominate discussion). Event was meant to be a discussion to feed into Investment Committee; things have gone too fast, we need a delay. Try to get washing up bowls in kitchens. Recycling bags for C-Sunday to take on to Jesus Green.

Dmitry – Jukebox is happening, will be up on Monday. Last chance to get anything on this upload is tonight. Bar staff can decide how it’s used (eg if you can add your phone on it)

George – Survey results for Senior Tutor consultation

Cerian – Self defence classes. Menstrual products. Freshers event.

Ben T - Fitz Sessions later in term. Will be films too.

Caolan – 5 a side tournament. Organising rounders for Billy Day

Leon – Goat Post done. 2 copies coming tomorrow, then will get further copies if good.

Justin - Hill Pizza Night on Friday

2. Treasurer Time

Andrew – underspent last term, so let know if officers need money. More money for FemSoc.

3. DSC Accessibility Pledge

Rensa (guest) – part of Disabled Students Campaign, made a pledge for student bodies to sign up to whereby groups make clear access information and to consider accessibility needs. Also being brought to CUSU Council so that this applies to campaigns and not just JCRs.

Vote – To support the DSC Accessibility Pledge:

For – 25

Abstain – 1

Against – 0

The motion carries; the JCR supports the DSC Accessibility Pledge

4. Sun Cream

Emily Baker-Thurston wants the JCR to provide sun cream in Easter term.

Andrew – if there's an extended heatwave we could spend some contingency on it as welfare.

Henry – there's a strong case in terms of welfare

Duversa – there isn't that much spare money in welfare. More useful ways of spending the money.

President – notes this agenda point was due not to be brought up since EBT cannot attend.

Rensa (guest) – could be argued that on Billy Day it might be useful since people will be outside if it's a hot weather event.

Poppy – JCR should just advise for people to wear sun cream.

Alexandra – asks how would this logistically work?

Rensa (guest) – POI: as a First Aider, St John Ambulance don't have sun cream

President – we will delay decision until Emily Baker-Thurston returns

5. Exam Term Welfare

President – would like to know what we're providing.

Duversa – Daniel Ellis returns tomorrow. Zumba coming into effect, Yoga, Massages, Self Defence, Films, Drink and Draw, LGBTea, Week 5 Cookies organised.

George – Will be Welfare Tea/Biscuit events, can be outside if a nice day. Tuesdays on 2pm.

Iona – Hill College BME event

Duversa – people putting in welfare requests during holidays when welfare execs are not here. Asks should we leave products unsupervised over holidays?

President – highlights that MCR can assist over holidays and we can leave products in the welfare pidge.

6. Fresher's Week

Henry – Events that happened last year are still there. Need more detail for workshops.

President – Asks to send to her or Henry any suggestions for Freshers Week, or raise it now

Alexandra – For environment workshop, idea is to get everyone on same page for recycling and composting in Cambridge, and inform about the garden (behind Wilson)

Duversa – For welfare, could do laundry sessions where we show people how to do it and also how to use the machines, iron etc, laundry conduct rules too. Session on where best to get food, how to cook etc.

Henry – Highlights this is normally put in Freshers Handbook

Duversa – Argues still can be better to be shown, helps people settle in

VP – Checklist for what parents must do, such as showing where shops are etc

Andrew – Gown sale, prices yet to be decided

Rensa (guest) – there are some CUSU DSC resources for exam term and freshers week. Need clarity on info about illness, disability issues etc.

Duversa – Daniel is making pamphlet on this

George – Cycling proficiency didn't happen last year, so should happen again.

Henry – We'll find out who should do it

Iona – Can't say about workshop until June. Alongside women pictures, can we do a BME one for 150Yrs? The JCR agrees we should.

Finn – Last year there was meant to be an access chat in freshers week – would like to do this in freshers week

Justin – Asks if International Freshers Week incl. in presentation for Freshers Week in GPC? The answer is probably not so, prepare a brief plan for Friday.

Caolan – Freshers Fair planned for Sunday afternoon of Freshers

(Discussion on Fitz Up Look Sharp (hereby FULS) being held either on Sunday or Tuesday of Fresher's Week)

VP – Sunday would mean set up for Freshers Fair and FULS on same day. People who aren't freshers may go out on Sundays so it would be less of a whole-college event.

Duversa – Notes it's not just for freshers and attendance has not been just freshers for recent ones.

President – Must still prioritise freshers on the freshers week FULS

Henry – Problem with Tuesday is that we don't get the auditorium all day to set up

Duversa – Freshers can find first couple of days exhausting and there's a lot on already

Andrew – You haven't met friends properly on Sunday, you've just met loads of people at once without getting to know them

Henry – Rather have the bar crawl on a later date because you can talk to people a bit more

Alexandra – Last time had bar crawl on Sunday, it was a good night as you've had time to get to know people until the club. If FULS is then after this, you know some people you can go with. FULS advertised as a huge night, can be intimidating until you know people.

Cerian – Lots of first meetings are on Weds, it is not ideal to have a hangover for this! Agree would be easier to have bar crawl later in week because you know people and where you are

Vote – On which day of Fresher's Week FULS event is to be held?

Sunday - 8

Tuesday – 10

Abstain/No Preference – 3

Result - FULS will remain on Tuesday night of Fresher's Week

Question of what now happens on the Sunday, as Bar Crawl is on Wednesday night after FULS?

Henry – could move Hill Garden Party to the evening, after the societies fair?

The room are happy with this

Henry – notes that rotas will change and likely to have extra work to do.

7. Billy Day Updates (19th June)

President – Asks to send her ideas. Will be music acts, BBQ, goats, games, and burial of time capsule. Also got the rounders and 5-a-side.

Caolan – Plan to use Oxford Rd fields in the morning for 5 a side finals and rounders. Any ideas of how to use the spaces available, let Caolan know.

8. AOB

The SWP have been hosting events here, we shall not be allowing this. Will contact events.

Should propose that votes we carry in relation to liberation campaigns are only voted on by those identifying in those groups? Could make this a future agenda point.

Poppy – get chapel open 24hrs for exam term.