

Chair: Alice Rubbra
Secretary (acting): Hannah Cheah
Returning Officer: Francesca Parkes

1. Report from the JCR President

Thank you to the committee members that are leaving for all they've done this past year!

2. Reports / Questions to Officers

3. Reading from the Poet Laureate

A no to nostalgia

Time's anger has flared up again
as it does every year in June
But I profusely refuse to let him blow his fuse
even when he clangs on with untimely cues

Cues for what? An ending?
Well yes I suppose
But goodness know we have plenty of those
Even the year's not drawing to a close

So I say no to nostalgia;
I can't write wistfully about mumps
or the election of Trump
or even rowing bumps
(though that's mostly because I still don't know what they are)

This is a celebration gosh darnit
We've survived the whole year
And the pressing of time (and prelims) shan't detract from my cheer

4. Ratifications from Previous Meetings

5. Constitutional Amendments

6. Motions of No Confidence

7. Charities Motions

8. Monetary Motions

Lex Munronia de Ludibus Testudinum

This JCR Notes

- 1) The Tortoise Fair has raised an incredible amount of money for the charity Rory's Well
- 2) The JCR has contributed money to this cause on a loan basis which would now be deducted from the overall donation
- 3) It would be tricky to account for the disparate sums of money, since there was no formal budget

This JCR Believes:

- 1) Charity is good and the JCR should contribute to charity
- 2) Orderly accounting is good and the JCR should simplify the job of the Treasurer in pursuit of these aims
- 3) Beth did a fantastic job as *custos testudinum*

This JCR Resolves

- 1) To not deduct any money from that raised for Rory's Well i.e. to donate from the JCR enough to cover the remaining costs of the fair
- 2) To formally thank Beth for the fantastic job she has done this year

Proposed: Thomas Munro

Seconded: Milo Fabian

SFQ: None

Debate: None

17 for, 1 abstention, motion passes

First Generation Student Groups

This JCR Notes:

- 1) That 1 first-generation students and students from lesser advantaged and non-academic backgrounds are under-represented at Oxford
- 2) That Oxford First Generation Students is a group which supports this category of students and aims to publicise the experience of such people at Oxford, as well as providing a space for students to meet one another and share their experiences

This JCR Believes:

- 1) That Oxford colleges should help students from lesser advantaged or non-academic backgrounds feel at home in Oxford
- 2) That helping to fund events that support this movement for a stronger first-generation community supports Oxford's access initiatives and helps raise the profile of students both already at Oxford and looking to apply

This JCR Resolves:

To donate £10 to Oxford First Generation Students Group to fund their Fresher's fair stall in order to provide much needed support to freshers

Proposed: Abi Newton

Seconded: Xavier Peer

SFQ: None

Debate:

Tom: Are other colleges involved in this? Because I'd assume so since 10 pounds is not enough to cover the stall.

17 for, 1 abstention, motion passes

Welfare Room Equipment

This JCR Notes:

- 1) The table-tennis room has recently been converted into a welfare room as a quiet space for people to have private conversations or work outside of the library
- 2) The room is currently mostly devoid of furnishing, except some tables and chairs lovingly sourced by our loving JCR President.

This JCR Believes:

- 1) Comfortable furnishings make for a comfortable room, which can be helpful for people who are feeling stressed
- 2) Easy access to warm drinks can do wonders for people's wellbeing in a stressful environment, which Oxford categorically is
- 3) Bean bags are one of the most comfortable things that can be sat upon realistically available to the JCR
- 4) The variety of hot drinks you are able to make with a kettle is staggering
- 5) The variety you could make with a kettle in addition to the one already owned by the JCR is even more staggering
- 6) We should totally get bean bags and a kettle for the welfare room.

This JCR Resolves:

- 1) To mandate the Welfare Officers to obtain a kettle for the welfare room and a kettle for the JCR at no more than £20 each .
- 2) To mandate the Welfare Officers to obtain for the welfare room a minimum of 2 large cushions for a total of no more than £200

Proposed: Abi Newton

Seconded: Tom Spink

SFQ:

Alice: Point of information, beanbags aren't allowed as they are fire hazards

Debate:

Tom: Can I propose an amendment to purchase 2 kettles instead and change beanbags to cushions up to 200 pounds

Amendment taken as friendly

Hugo: Can they not have feathers in because people with asthma would not be able to use the cushions

Milo: Is 200 pounds not quite a lot of money for things that won't be used by many people?

Alice: We've ended up with a lot of leftover money from budgets this term

15 for, 2 against, 1 abstention, motion passes

9. Motions as submitted

Policy on Fairtrade Cotton

This JCR Notes:

- 1) That the Domestic Bursar Andy Rolfe is currently in the process of getting the college Fairtrade accredited
- 2) That in order to achieve this, all sources of sales in the college must offer a Fairtrade option – the JCR must also comply with this in their sales of stash

This JCR Believes:

That we should support the move to make Corpus Fairtrade

This JCR Resolves:

To add the following as a clause to the JCR policy document: "On account of the JCR's effort for the college to become *Fairtrade* accredited, all sources of sales in college must offer a *Fairtrade* option. Hence, this JCR is committed to, wherever possible, purchase stash in Fairtrade Cotton."

Proposed: Abi Newton

Seconded: Thomas Munro

SFQ:

Cameron: Will this extend to societies within the JCR?

Abi: I think the point is that we have at least one fairtrade option

Thomas: The societies do not tend to be connected to the JCR as they are budgeted separately, so I don't think this extends to them.

Hugo: For Corpus Challenge tshirts, all fairtrade or have fairtrade option in addition to a non-fairtrade option?

Alice: Not everything has to be fairtrade, but throughout the year something we'd buy would have to be a fairtrade item. This is for accreditation on a basic level.

Debate:

Milo: Who is this important for? (I.e., saying we're fairtrade)

Abi: Fairtrade is nice... It's more of a solidarity thing.

Alice: Miriam, Ailsa, and Lizzie are the ones to ask about this

19 in favour, 2 against, 1 abstention

OUSU Affiliation

This JCR Notes:

- 1) That one of the OUSU Officer's duties as outlined in the standing orders is "to propose at the first meeting of each Trinity Term a motion to re-affiliate with OUSU for the following year"
- 2) That this has not been done for the past three years
- 3) Affiliation to OUSU costs the JCR nothing as membership is centrally funded by the University

This JCR Believes:

- 1) That staying affiliated with OUSU is beneficial to the JCR, providing access to all OUSU services and support (from student advice service to campaigns and project incubator etc etc) as well as three votes in OUSU Council
- 2) We should go on as we have for the past few years and remain affiliated to OUSU
- 3) Should reason arise to disaffiliate, it can then be brought forward to a JCR meeting

This JCR Resolves:

- 1) To remove duty 5 ("to propose at the first meeting of each Trinity Term a motion to re-affiliate with OUSU for the following year") from the OUSU Officer's standing orders

Proposed: Zoe Kuyken

Seconded: Emma Christie

SFQ:

Milo: What does this affect???

Alice: *reads believes 1)*

Debate:

Cameron: I'd like to propose an amendment to mandate the OUSU Officer to bring forward a motion in the 1st meeting of Michaelmas to remain affiliated with OUSU

Alice: Taken as out-of-order. If two thirds deem it to not be out-of-order, then the amendment is taken as hostile.

In-order: 11

Out-of-order: 6

Alice: Amendment out-of-order, so we are now back to debate on the original motion.

Tom: I think that Cameron's point makes sense because otherwise we need to amend the constitution

4 in favour, 9 against, 3 abstentions, motion fails

10. Emergency Motions

11.Any other Business