

Chair: Jemimah Taylor
Secretary: Thomas Munro
Returning Officer: Akshay Bilolikar

1. Report from the JCR President

None

2. Reports / Questions to Officers

3. Reading from the Poet Laureate

4. Ratifications from Previous Meetings

Consti-new-tion

This JCR Notes:

- That every state and Oxford JCR has a constitution
- That constitutions have been described as "the bedrock of democracy"

This JCR Believes:

- That the current constitution is a mess, having been amended on the fly for years of JCR meetings without due thought or attention
- That Edward Green (Former JCR Vice President) and the RO have invested their own time in designing a new constitution
- That the new constitution upholds the spirit of the old
- That the new constitution effectively implements the current operating procedure of the JCR

This JCR Resolves:

- To mandate the President to call a referendum in line with Article 7 Paragraph 13 of the current constitution, asking the question: "Should the JCR adopt the new constitution as presented at the sixth week JCR meeting of Michaelmas 2016?"
- That should this referendum pass the JCR shall adopt the new constitution as presented in the annexure to this motion

Proposed: Stef Paterson

Seconded: Abi Newton

Passed without SFQs, debate, or vote

5. Constitutional Amendments

6. Motions of No Confidence

7. Charities Motions

8. Monetary Motions

Self-defence classes

This JCR notes:

1. That harassment and violence of varying degrees of severity are ongoing problems in Oxford.
2. That self-defence classes aim to raise awareness of how these situations can arise and offer a means to learn how to best deal with them.
3. That the proposed self-defence classes focus on one's natural reactions as well as tailoring the classes to an individual's specific strengths rather than weaknesses.
4. That these classes have been highly recommended by Trinity and Mansfield Colleges.
5. That the Women's Representative has been contacted by a member of Somerville JCR to express interest in holding two classes, one at Corpus and the other at Somerville
6. That both these classes would be open for all members of both Corpus and Somerville to attend
7. That the cost for both classes is £400, which is more value for money given that holding a single class with the same teacher would cost £250
8. That Somerville JCR has already passed a motion agreeing to pay their £200 share to hold the classes
9. That St John's and Balliol have also held joint-classes with the same teacher

This JCR believes:

1. That everyone at Oxford deserves the right to feel safe
2. That equipping students with skills to protect themselves is really important because it builds self-confidence and is very empowering
3. That inter-college events are generally really cool and nice

This JCR resolves

1. To give £200 in order to pay for half of the cost of two self-defence classes provided by the leader of the Krav-Maga society of Oxford Brookes University
2. To mandate the Women's Representative to organise for one of the classes to be held in Corpus in Hilary term and to publicise both classes to the members of the JCR

Proposed: Abi Newton

Seconded: Alice Rubbra

SFQs

Stef: How many people can attend?

Abi: however big the room is?

Faith: is the leader of this society a woman

Abi: No it's a man

No Debate

Motion Passes

Santa

This JCR notes:

1. It is nearly Christmas.
2. Everyone loves Father Christmas.

This JCR believes:

That, although he must be very busy at the moment, it would be great if he could come to visit our JCR.

This JCR resolves:

To reimburse members of the Santa committee submitting receipts to the JCR treasurer for up to £50 on a Santa's grotto (costume, decorations, etc.)

Proposed: Arthur Harris

Seconded: Jack Holland



SFQs:

Stef: don't you have last years costume?

Arthur: No. Pete has one coming in the post. I won't spend that much, promise.

No Debate

Motion Passes

OxPolicy Motion

This JCR notes:

- Non-profit organisations are a vibrant part of the Oxford community
- Student think tanks are a great experience for a wide-range of students
- Current and previous Corpus students have worked for OxPolicy

- Reports from OxPolicy have been recognised nationally

This JCR believes:

- OxPolicy addresses relevant social issues in a nonpartisan way, making it an effective and accessible think tank
- OxPolicy needs to be supported if it is to continue with its relevant work

This JCR resolves

- To recognise and appreciate the work of OxPolicy by donating £100

SFQs

Stef: what's the money used for?

Alice: upkeep of the thinktank because it's non-profit

No Debate

Arthur Harris opposes

Move to Vote

Overwhelming support

Motion Passes

9. Motions as submitted

Financial Advice Board

This JCR notes:

1. Oxford is a very expensive city to live in.
2. Some corpus students come from poor socio-economic backgrounds.
3. Therefore, some students will suffer financial hardship during their time at Corpus.
4. The college offers financial assistance in times of hardship.
5. The information on what the college offers and how students can get it is often forgotten and difficult to obtain.
6. There are good money saving methods that might help students get through each term in a stable financial position.

This JCR believes:

1. Students should not suffer in silence when they fall into financial hardship.
2. Everything should be done to ensure that students requiring assistance from the college know how to get it and do get it.
3. The Corpus community cares about each other and does not want to see fellow corpuscles needlessly struggling with money due to a lack of knowledge of cheaper alternatives.

This JCR resolves:

To mandate the arts officer ~~and socio-economic rep~~ to create a 'financial advice board' in the JCR that will consist of the different financial assistance the college offers, the process of applying for hardship funds, and general advice on how to make your money last longer whilst in Oxford.

Proposed by: Jack Beadsworth

Seconded by: Ioan Phillips.

No SFQs

Debate:

Akshay: We need to strike the SE rep because he's not on committee

Amended accordingly by Jack

No Opposition

Motion Passes

10. Emergency Motions

Bop Decorations

This JCR notes:

That we love having the Christmas Bop

This JCR believes:

That we should have decorations to make it the best bop we've ever seen

This JCR resolves:

To mandate the Entz President to spend up to £100 on such decorations.

Proposed: Leila Parsa

Seconded: Graham Kelly

SFQs:

Zareena: What will this be spent on?

*Graham: Mistletoe winks and leans back seductively**

Saskia POI: you can get a metre of tinsel for £1.69

Graham: I was going to get lasers.

Stef: Graham bought lights last year and lost them

Graham: we can get it reused.

No Debat

No Opposition

Motion Passes

11.Any other Business