

Chair: Rhiannon Ogden-Jones
Secretary: Christopher Phang-Lee
Returning Officer: Hannah Taylor

1. Report from the JCR President

meeting with welfare and Judith; attended PresCom at Keble; went with Ben to Governing Body; extraordinary JCR meeting; with Emily to SU; equality meeting with Will – made Race and LGBTQ workshops in Freshers' Week compulsory; went to 2 rounds of the University's consultation on Mental Health strategy – waste of her time but got cake; put together rent negotiations with MCR; priced up bikes for hire

2. Reports / Questions to Officers

3. Reading from the Poet Laureate

4. Ratifications from Previous Meetings

5. Constitutional Amendments

Empty Equal Opps Roles Are Bad (and some Constitutional Cleanup)

This JCR Notes:

1. That empty Equal Opps (henceforth E.O.) Committee roles are bad
2. That the responsibilities of an unfilled role on the E.O. Committee are currently passed onto the E.O. President
3. That not all Constitutional references to the defunct Socio-Economic rep have been appropriately replaced by those to the Access and Admissions Officer

This JCR Believes:

1. That we should avoid publicising unfilled roles on the E.O. Committee
2. That the responsibilities of any unfilled roles on the E.O. Committee should be subsumed by the most appropriate representative

This JCR resolves:

1. To remove the defunct role of Socio-Economic Liberation rep from section 21.II. of the Constitution. (the list of E.O. reps) - To amend said section of the Constitution to remove the word "permanent" and refer to "up to five positions from among the following:"
2. To amend section 21.III. of the Constitution to include the Access and Admissions Officer.

3. To remove all E.O. Representatives from section 18.II. of the Constitution (which is a list of permanent positions in the JCR) - To add a subsection to section 21. of the Constitution: "The responsibilities of an unfilled role on the Equal Opportunities Committee shall be subsumed by the most appropriate representative on the Committee and/or the Equal Opportunities President;"

Proposed: Will Song

Seconded: Florence

SFQs:

Tyron: what does 'change up to 5 positions' mean?

Will: no need to put unnecessary members

Ruby: why not publicise?

Will: as we don't want to look like we don't care

Seb: how will you determine most appropriate representative?

Will: discretion of committee

Debate:

Ruby: is it right to remove the role if we can't find someone to fill it?

Will: better to hide than publicise an empty position

Florence: maybe we can publicise it on website to divert queries to disabilities rep?

Amendment to motion proposed by Ben: to put the Equal Opps role that has been subsumed into another role next to the role into which it has been subsumed (seconded: Florence)

Taken as friendly

Debate on amendment:

Tyron: seems silly and a bit disingenuous

Will: people will still be keen and help will still be given

Lucie: people are unsure whether they want to speak or don't want to 'out' themselves; would it not make more sense to merge mental health and disabilities rep?

Will: might not be qualified to deal with both

Lucie: mental disabilities are not always synonymous with physical disabilities

Shiv: is there any point in hiding the role; instead put contact details for equal opps rep

Ruby: agrees

Will: what's worse: to hide or publicise an empty role?

Amendment proposed by Ruby: for unfilled positions, just put see 'other role' (seconded: Shiv)

Taken as friendly

For: 18

Against: 2

Abstain: 1 **PASSES**

Trans and Gender Minorities Rep

This JCR notes:

- That there is currently no separate representative for trans* students on the JCR committee, unlike many other colleges
- That there are a significant number of trans* students within Corpus, and that there is growing awareness and positivity about issues surrounding transgender people
- That Corpus is committed to maintaining a progressive and inclusive environment

This JCR believes

- While the trans* and gender non-conforming communities fall under the LGBTQ+ umbrella, they also have their own unique experiences and needs which could be better catered to by a separate JCR representative - That having a separate trans* rep on the JCR committee would help improve the welfare and support for trans* students in Corpus
- That introducing a trans* rep demonstrates Corpus' commitment to progress, equality and inclusivity

This JCR resolves:

- To create the role of Trans and Gender Minorities Representative to the Equal Opps Committee, and amend section 21.II. of the Constitution as appropriate
- To amend item 6. of the LGBTQ+ representative's Standing Orders to: "To organize an event in Freshers' week, in liason with the Trans and Gender Minorities representative, for LGBTQ+ Freshers." - To add new standing orders as per Appendix A:

Appendix A:

- Trans and Gender Minorities Representative

Elected: Trinity Term of Office: One Year Committees: Equal Opportunities Committee

- Duties:

1. To represent JCR interests on the above committee, and to keep Junior Members informed of developments.
2. To provide a focal point for student welfare in college, with particular emphasis on issues for transgender and minority gender students, and act as a signpost to transgender-related welfare services in college, in the university and more broadly.
3. To publish in College all transgender- and minority-gender-related welfare information from the College, University, Oxford SU, NUS and LGBTQsoc via the welfare board and JCR welfare website.
4. To liaise with Oxford SU in connection with its transgender-related welfare services, including attendance at any Oxford SU transgender-focussed welfare groups.
5. To liaise with the university LGBTQ society, distributing any relevant information about entz or welfare.
6. To organize an event in Freshers' week, in liason with the LGBTQ+ representative, for LGBTQ+ Freshers.

Proposed: Will Song

Seconded: James neale

SFQs:

Florence: what happens to LGBTQ rep

Will: still there

Seb: do we want a JCR officer

Will: no we want an equal opps committee member

Debate:

Tyron: is it necessary; slippery slope if we keep eroding Trans Rep role

Will: talking to people who identify, they think it is necessary; Corpus population of trans people is significantly higher than national average; will would fill role for next 2 years until someone is interested

Liv: different reasons why different roles aren't filled; therefore should address demands of JCR members

Will: role is different from LGPT+ as that is more marketing and publicising role; this is more of a welfare role

Caleb: why not have the opportunity to have a rep if there is demand for it; no drawback to having a trans rep

Will: having a backup plan for unfilled roles means that no role will be 'unfilled'

James: shows that the JCR is committed to such issues, especially online presence

Florence: to what extent do we dislocate the equal opps committee; where is the cut-off point

Will: experience of trans students is significantly different to others' so it is necessary; increased visibility of trans community

Lucie: safeguarding principles

Will: would only message people who are fairly open; no pressure

Shiv: generally, it shouldn't matter whether there are lots of transgender students or not; more about showing commitment

Tyron: but we shouldn't create lots of roles which will probably not be filled; unnecessary for corpus as there might be other ways of showing support

Will: trans community is more isolated than others so important to have resources

Seb: would it be possible to have a referendum for trans people

Will: no

Liv: this is about a role, not anything else

SECRET BALLOT CALLED

For: 16 MOTION PASSES

Against: 3

Abstain: 4

6. Motions of No Confidence

7. Charities Motions

8. Monetary Motions

Pooling our resources

This JCR notes:

1. We have a pool table
2. It is broken

This JCR believes:

1. It should not be

This JCR resolves:

1. To mandate the Clubs and Socs officer to have the pool table fixed, up to a value of £60

Proposed: Ben Lakeland

Seconded: Sam Hazeldine

SFQs:

Tyron: how did it break

Josh: summer school broke it

Tyron: can we tell college

Ben: quite a small amount of money to fix it

Oscar: cost?

Ben: two call-outs worth £30

Debate:

For: 19 MOTION PASSES

Against: 0

Abstain: 2

Picture Perfect

This JCR notes:

1. We have had photos taken

This JCR believes:

1. We should have a copy of the photos in the JCR

This JCR resolves:

1. To mandate the Clubs and Socs officer to buy one copy of each club/soc photo taken yesterday, up to a value of £150

Proposed: Ben Lakeland

Seconded: Sam Hazeldine

SFQs:

Adam: how many photos

Ben: 11

Tyron: which photos

Ben: can replace any

Debate:

Shiv: propose an amendment to change to £180 for additional photos for groundsmen (taken as friendly) seconded: Caleb

Lucie: can we put them online

Ben: no as we don't have licenses

Lucie: would be good to have an archive

Ben: upstairs in the TV room

For: overwhelming majority MOTION PASSES

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

Charitable JCR

This JCR notes

- 1) Girlguiding Oxfordshire was voted as one of our charities from the HT19 charities ballot
- 2) The Treasurer was mandated to donate £250 from the charities ballot to Girlguiding Oxfordshire
- 3) After 5 attempts to get details to donate (via BACS and/or cheque) they have stopped responding, assuming we are a scam and refuse to acknowledge our emails
- 4) In TT19 2nd week meeting, we donated £750 from the charities ballot to the Tortoise Fair

This JCR believes

- 1) The Treasurer has done his best to give Girlguiding Oxfordshire the money
- 2) The money shouldn't sit in the JCR account indefinitely
- 3) We should give it to charity

This JCR resolves

- 1) To rescind the mandate to the Treasurer to donate £250 to Girlguiding Oxfordshire
- 2) To add this money to the TT19 Charities ballot
- 3) To donate the remaining £2500 to charities nominated in the charities ballot as follows a. £750 to the 2nd choice b. £250 each to the choices 3 – 9 With the proceeds from the Tortoise Fair going to the 1st choice

Proposed: Ben Lakeland

Seconded: Sam Hazeldine

SFQs:

Debate:

Tyron: does the tortoise fair need any more money

Alice: no but would be good

For: 19 MOTION PASSES

Against: 0

Abstain: 2

Light 'em up

This JCR notes:

1. Light is good
2. The Ball bought a lot of lights which need rehoming; and will sell them to the JCR for £20
3. The Christmas Bop, and therefore the JCR, will benefit greatly from purchasing them

This JCR believes:

1. The Christmas Bop, and therefore the JCR, will benefit greatly from purchasing them

This JCR resolves:

1. To mandate the treasurer to purchase the lights so we can have a nicely-illuminated time

Proposed: Joshua Fine

Seconded: James neale

SFQs:

Oscar: what happens to the leftover money

James: used for next ball

Tyron: can we get them for free

Ruby: no

Florence: could we sell them elsewhere for more money

Ruby: yes but why tho

Debate:

For: 15 MOTION PASSES

Against: 1

Abstain: 8

9. Motions as submitted

'Come up with some spicy JCR motions'

This JCR notes:

1. It is 'traditional' that JCR tea is at 4
2. JCR tea being at 4 means that people who have classes/tutes till 4 can't go
3. James missed out on ice cream last week because of this

This JCR believes:

1. People who have tutes till 4 should be able to go to JCR tea

This JCR resolves:

1. To change the time of JCR tea to 4.15pm

Proposed: Florence Goodrich

Seconded: James Neale

SFQs:

Oscar: are we sure we want to do this

Will: what will happen to the finalists

Lucie: what about people who have tutes at 4

Ruby: what about people who have tutes at 4.15

Debate:

Adam: don't need to mandate

Florence: yes we do

Ben: move to have motion not put

Florence: James complained

Lucie: it's nonsense; without a survey this is completely unsubstantiated

Rhiannon: motion overturned

For: MOTION OVERTURNED

Against:

Abstain:

To meat, or not to meat

This JCR notes

1. That both the JCR and MCR, on numerous occasions, have voted in favour of meat-free Mondays
2. That the purpose of meat-free Mondays is to reduce our meat consumption, which is responsible for an enormous amount of greenhouse gas emissions
3. That meat-free Mondays have been unilaterally cancelled by college

This JCR believes

1. That it is vitally important for us to reduce our meat-consumption
2. That meat-free Mondays was a good first step at doing that
3. That replacing it with having 2 vegetarian options is not good enough

This JCR resolves

1. To mandate the DO and the President, as a matter of priority, to lobby college to reintroduce meat-free Mondays

Proposed: Tyron Surmon

Seconded: Oscar Beighton

SFQs:

Debate:

Oscar: to propose an amendment to add that we will have a rent-strike indefinitely until meat-free Mondays is granted (seconded by Ella) taken as hostile

Tyron: it is a serious motion

Will: but if people aren't going...

Ben: veggie options aren't getting eaten

AMENDMENT FAILS

Tyron: changing attitudes towards meat; as a JCR we should reaffirm that we support meat-free Mondays

Florence: ask college to decrease price of veggie options

Jen: we can ask but they will say no; motion will probably not change anything college-wise; more important to change attitudes

Ryan: POI (in a deep voice) andy rolfe: veggie options are not much cheaper

Oscar: conspiracy theory – veggie food worse on Mondays than other days

Ruby: agrees

Ben: but Jimmy is in charge and he supports meat-free Mondays

Lucie: was only a trial anyway; drop in popularity on Mondays

Tyron: previous motion passed therefore we should support it

Florence: can we ask them to keep trialling it and just encourage more people to go

Seb: is there any point in going to college with this problem; people are boycotting hall on Mondays because of meat-free

Oscar: people can eat veggie food it's not that deep

Ella: look at wider context

Ruby: can we referendum

Jen: yes that is food survey – 70% in effect support meat-free Mondays

Florence: what is the actual environmental impact – can we know more about where college gets food from

Florence proposes amendment to mandate Do to find out where college sources food (seconded: Ruby) AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

For: 20 MOTION PASSES

Against: 0

Abstain: 4

Just millennial things

This JCR notes:

- 1) The president has found some really cool documents from the JCR in the '90s.
- 2) College have lots of records from the JCR stored in their archives.
- 3) Meat free Mondays has been passed twice before by this JCR, but no one remembered this and it faded from existence
- 4) College could use the fact the JCR has such a short memory as students leave to change things back to what they want.

This JCR believes:

- 1) We should have good records.
- 2) Digitising the paper files would allow the JCR to have access to our own records without having to go through college archives.

This JCR resolves:

- 1) To mandate the President and Computing Officer to form a project working group "Archiving Subcommittee" within the JCR, involving as many JCR members who express an interest in contributing to the project.
- 2) To mandate the President to liaise with college in gaining access to our JCR records.
- 3) To mandate the Computing Officer to organise the digitising of the records from the college.
- 4) To add a point to the Computing Officer's standing orders
 - To maintain and update the JCR digital archives, consisting of Officers Reports, Meeting Minutes, Bop Sets and any other relevant documents being produced by the JCR.

Proposed: Ryan Salter

Seconded: Will Song

SFQs:

Tyron: how far back do the archives go

Rhianon: at least 1950s

Lucie: will you have time

Ryan: with a committee, will be done as much as possible

Seb: is there interest in helping out

Ryan: yes

Florence: are we allowed to publish names

Rhiannon: yes

Lucie: will it cost money to do the scans

Ben: we're not being charged for printing at the mo so... probs admin budget

Debate:

For: 24 MOTION PASSES

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

War Were Declared

This JCR Notes:

- That we have not been at war for two years
- That many technological innovations come about in times of conflict
- That this JCR has neither air nor naval defences, nor a standing army
- That Corpus Christi College Oxford MCR has similar defensive capabilities
- In previous conflicts, a JCR Warmonger has been appointed to represent our interests

This JCR Believes:

- That college warfare, unlike inter/national warfare, can be good
- That the MCR, as our nearest neighbour, poses the greatest threat to this JCR
- That in wartime, we should remodel ourselves to reflect the gravity of the situation
- That the most immediate way to reflect our warring status is to rename certain JCR positions

This JCR Resolves:

- To declare war on Corpus Christi College Oxford MCR
- To mandate the President to write a declaration of war to the MCR, and to post a copy of this letter on the door of the MCR
- To add the following text to the Policy Document:
 - 'The mortal enemy of this JCR is our counterpart MCR, and there shall be no peace until the MCR surrenders and pays appropriate reparations'
- To add the following text to the 'For All Officers' section of the Standing Orders:
 - 'To represent the JCR in its war with the MCR, and to do whatever is possible to further The Cause'
- To mandate the Executive Committee to appoint a Warmonger from the current committee.
- To rename the Executive Committee to 'High Command'
- To rename JCR Positions as is described in the Appendix

Appendix:

The following JCR Positions will be renamed as follows, effective immediately. Note that these new names will not be used for the new committee jumpers nor in official correspondence external to this JCR (unless so requested): instead they will serve as alternative titles for the JCR positions.

- President – Commander in Chief
- Vice President – Vice Admiral
- Treasurer – Master of the Treasury
- Returning Officer – Minister of Truth
- Arts Officer – Minister for Propaganda
- Entz President – Minister of Morale
- Domestic Officer – Quartermaster
- Accommodation Officer – Chief of Barracks
- Beer Cellar Representative – Rum Keeper
- Clubs and Societies Officer – Clubs, Societies, and Warfare Officer
- International Officer – Foreign Secretary
- Tortoise Keeper- Battle Tortoise Trainer

Proposer: Adam Steinberg

Seconded: Lake Benland

SFQs:

[general waste of our time]

Debate:

For: QUORUM LOST; to be continued...

Against:

Abstain:

10. Emergency Motions

11. Any other Business