Minutes

For the meeting on 28th November 2024, 5pm in staircase A. Ellen Thomas chaired the meeting.

Present:

Ellen Thomas (President) Zeeshan Hossein (VP) Tyr Högsander (Treasurer) Maya Kunchur (Frep) Claire Ding (Secretary) May Brown (Green and Ethics) Eugénie Bourette (ASO) Sophie Mason (Women's/nb) Jamie Hore (Webmaster) Haily Ching (Frep) Georgia Emmanuel (Ents) Georgia Brooks (Welfare) Martha Shawyer (Class Act)

<u>Apologies:</u> Teymour Taj (VP) Wes Treasure (Ents) Billie Kilburn (Ents) Lily O'Sullivan (Ents) Kai Zhen Tek (International) Krishna Mahendrakar (Treasurer) Taylor West (Welfare) Florence Assetto (BME) Baz Chan (LGBTQ+) Jen Price (Frep) Wilf Vall (Access)

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- 1. Sports and society officer (President)
 - → The sports and society officer will give help and support the running of societies, being in contact with the SU, in charge of organising the sports day at Wychfield in Michaelmas and compiling society contacts. It is a bureaucratic post like the ASO.
 - → To make the post official the JCR would either need to run through an open meeting or a referendum; probably will go with a referendum because it is less of a hustle.

- → The Green officer asked about the possibility of organising a sports day with our Oxford sister colleges (Univ and All-Souls), to which the President responded that it was at least not financially possible this year.
- → Ents raised the possibility of having a combined sports society with a college sports dinner at the end of the term like the BCD and having college colours.
- → Frep (Maya) mentioned it would be nice to have a central sports Instagram, which records scores of different matches and college members could show up at matches to show support for each other.
- → Ents said the President might need to be in touch with the MCR committee about the referendum as some sports societies also have MCR members.
- → The VP asked when should the referendum be held and was told by the President this should be as soon as possible.

2. Lisa's project (President)

→ President asked who went to the mental health discussion groups, to which Frep (Hailey) replied he had gone recently, and encouraged more JCR committee members to get involved.

3. Handovers (President)

- → President encouraged the current committee to do better handovers than past committees and build on information left by them.
- → President suggested each post should make a one-page document on handover and lessons one learnt through their role.
- → DSO said it would be useful for all the handover documents to be centralised.

4. Green formal (Green and Ethics officer)

- → Green formal went well, although the starter and the main were the same as last year.
- → The Green officer wondered who will be the new MCR Green officer and the President said there has just been a MCR election.
- → President said the college is very proud of what JCR and MCR Green officers have achieved this year.

5. Frep elections (VP)

→ VP would like to current Freps to encourage the first years to run for the upcoming Frep elections as currently there were only two people running.

6. Changes to Wych/BBC (VP)

- → There is a master plan on the intranet that can help students figure out accommodation next year.
- → ASO followed up stating BBC will be closed next year and the Bateman street houses will be back for renting.

7. Pool tables/equipment (VP)

- → Non-JCR members have been found using our pool tables.
- → Ents also raised the concern that sometimes non college members just wander around college; further clarification on this was required.
- → President said the earliest time for the pool table in Boho to be fixed would be in Lent
- → President mentioned the JCR could have a dart board but it cannot be in the way, so interested committee members could brainstorm where to put it.

8. Moving out end of term (ASO)

- → VP asked the ASO to find out about the BBC storage situation.
- → Ents asked about whether freezers at Wychfield need to be cleared out.

9. Fresher's society setups (Treasurer)

- → Freshers have approached the treasurer hoping to acquire funds for setting up societies. So he would like to run a trial run for this; a survey will be sent out to freshers to see their plans and fresher's societies will be limited in numbers and funding.
- → Aside from this the treasurer would like to have a list of societies, to which the President said this could be taken up by the new Sports and society officer post and in the meantime worked out between the treasurers and her.

10. Christmas bop (Ents)

→ Ents encouraged everyone to come to the last bop of the term!

11. JCR photos (Freps)

- → Frep (Maya) said it would be nice to have JCR photos in the JCR.
- → DSO then mentioned the JCR committee should take a group photo.
- → Ents would like to put up bop photos, to which the President said it is allowed.

12. Period products (Women/ NB officer)

- → Women/NB officer is still working on sorting out period products funding with the college as based on their agreement with the SU they should be providing them instead.
- → President said she would help with this.

13. Support for Gaza (DSO)

- → DSO would like the JCR to show support for Gaza as a humanitarian issue as the college could not.
- → President said she will look at what other colleges' JCR have done so far and raise this at the governing body.
- → DSO also said it would be useful to learn more about the specificities of college funding based on freedom of information.

14. Committees (DSO)

- → DSO would like to be part of the EDI Committee if possible.
- → President said the moodle for the EDI Committee should be available to everyone and between the liberation officers they could decide who would attend each meeting.

15. Library committee (Secretary)

- → There is a JCR post missing on the committee as according to the current constitution at least three JCR posts should sit on the committee.
- → President said this is not necessary.