

TREVELYAN COLLEGE JCR MINUTES

JCR Meeting

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EXEC REPORTS

Eddie Brown: We'll be introducing our formal token system soon.

Mary Karvalits: We've brought up at a university level the extended exam period and the increased levels of stress that it has caused and wanted to know your opinions on this?

Lorna Reeve: A lot of people had a squeezed exam period.

Mark Thisleton: There needs to be a better sense of communication within and between departments.

Laura: I've spoken to Dr. Latham about this, he suggests members of the JCR talk to their course reps so it's brought up from multiple channels.

Christian Moulding: The PS4 has been returned.

Abby Ellis: Charging station keys for the Upper JCR can now be accessed behind the bar during the day or during drop-in hours from the JCR Office. If anyone has any suggestions for how to expand this period we are open to ideas.

Mike Dermody: Why was the PS4 moved in the first place, does this mean we can't use it during office hours?

Abby: We want to free up the upper JCR and limit the noise so the JCR can relax. So long as people aren't using it disruptively they can use it during office hours.

Mary: Also, please don't send me Facebook messages, I will not respond to JCR matters over Facebook so please email me instead.

Dermody: Has there been any developments on the 'dream scheme'?

Alistair Stark: It will work in a similar way to Special Projects Committee but the finer details have not been figured out yet because of exams. It's something I'm working on at the moment.

Jack Reed: The sabbatical president referendum is also coming up.

Wan Aiman Azmi: Will there be a limit to the number of people who can campaign?

Jack: I can limit it to around ~15 but I don't expect that much.

Mary: Generally I would like to say that the next couple of weeks will be used to settle in this new exec, if you have any suggestions please contact us.

Dermody: Is there an update on the vending machine?

Mary: Becki isn't here today to discuss this; we had hoped to get this done before exams but we ran into some unexpected issues.

FRESHERS REPRESENTATIVES MOTION

Mia Grabski: *Describing the motion* We basically would like to change the wording of this motion to require Freps to arrive a week before freshers week, as is the norm, and that their role will continue for the year through their attendance at weekly mentor hours.

Aiman: Who would supervise this?

Mia: The mentors will let us know I imagine.

Mary: This change is something reflected in the application forms sent out last week. We just want a better engagement after freshers week.

James Lowrey: Some people won't know their commitments for next year when signing up though.

Mia: We can sign them up to the mentor hour that is most likely to fit with their schedule.

?: Is it better not to write it as something expected rather than mandated?

Daisie Langford: I don't see the value in Freps going to mentor hours.

Mia: It's the one occasion where a landing all meet.

Mary: The job of mentor hours is to promote the college award, and if that hasn't worked we need to look at ways to improve it.

?: What about if we mandate this attendance for just one term?

Amendment seconded by Alistair Stark and Accepted.

Dermody: Generally I think this is a great idea in theory but that the details of it have not been thought through; maybe go away and think about it more? We don't really seem to have a plan for if this doesn't work.

Mary: We can just stop it if it doesn't work but it is better to have tried.

Abi Johnson: Can we split this motion?

Amendment seconded by Alex Durk and accepted.

Durk: I suggest that rather than 1 week, we specify 'Freps arrive as specified by the senior Freps'.

Vote overwhelmingly in favour of amending written frep attendance requirement.

Jack: And the weekly mentor hour motion?

Motion not passed for Frep attendance at weekly mentor hours.

ANNUAL BUDGET MOTION

Robert Sunley Saez: Currently the budget is not publicly available but you can ask to have it presented. The idea is to have the budget presented in a JCR meeting after College Council so people have a better understanding of the state of JCR finances and also encourage people to submit FinComm applications.

Daisie Langford: A motion very similar to this was passed a couple of years ago where it was suggested that budgets were presented in freshers week and again after freshers week - this motion is more complete than that. Technically the Treasurer has been obliged to do this though. We need to consider the difference between budgets and accounts. Things like losses are more account based. The budget is quite a vague thing on its own which is presented to College Council. For a greater understanding of JCR finances, the accounts provide more useful detail than just the budget.

Mike Dermody: Are we suggesting the JCR should see both of these - as a mandated thing? **Alistair Stark:** You'd need both.

Daisie: We could do it when the accounts are finalised, maybe a presentation of the budget and accounts in summary.

Amendment seconded by Alistair Stark and Accepted.

Vote overwhelmingly in favour of the Annual Budget motion.

VOTES

FRESHERS REPRESENTATIVES MOTION

- Vote overwhelmingly in favour of amending written Frep attendance requirement.
- Motion not passed for Frep attendance at weekly mentor hours.

ANNUAL BUDGET MOTION

- Vote overwhelmingly in favour of the Annual Budget motion.