



TREVELYAN COLLEGE JCR MINUTES

# Exec Meeting

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## ABSENT

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**Abby Ellis** Outreach Officer

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## INDIVIDUAL REPORTS

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**Grover:** We're handing out charging station keys and the TPP event is happening soon.

**Dan:** I've been sorting out the ordering of the Matriculation photo and designing a wristband for informal ball.

**Mary:** I have a meeting with the DSO framework people next week. Essentially were currently suggesting that the university exploits common rooms and student workers - these are the things Durham uses to promote itself.

**Christian:** Undercroft chats is happening today and stash should be arriving on Friday so I'll be out on the cobbles for that.

**Laura:** Self care is happening but I'll talk about that later.

**Becki:** I'm training new workers and am in contact with the shop chair for Aidans.

**Nat:** I have an SU Assembly coming up soon.

**Alistair:** We've given out £877.08 in the latest round of FinComm applications.

**Jeremy:** The Day of the Dead event was good. Someone messaged me to say that they enjoyed themselves so that was nice. I'm pushing for Diwali to be a formal.

**Saška:** Halloween happened, 7 people came, informal ball is in the process of being organised.

**Danielle:** I had a catering committee meeting and i'm trying to get the menu online to be updated soon.

**Jack:** Committee elections and some tier 1 positions are opening soon. I'll email those whose roles are coming up to ask if theres anything to add or change to the fact sheets.

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## MINUTES ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

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### **Self care:**

Laura: For the self care event things on the cobbles went well. Events weren't so well attended

### **Formal review:**

**Christian:** Formal went well, there were some issues with MCR members but I have spoken with their exec who will deal with it internally. Generally it was very good.

**Nat:** I had some people ask why the rules were sent out after formal?

**Christian:** It was mainly in response to the formal beforehand - a reiteration of the rules can't go amiss.

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## RIPPED OFF MOTION REVIEW

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**Mary:** There was a bit of discussion about this yesterday. To review this motion I wanted to ask what you think off the ripped off campaign. As members fo the JCR what do you think my approach should be?

**Nat:** I think the focus of discussions should be through PresComm, mainly to focus George Walker's efforts on a national level.

**Christian:** We need to offer an improvement. Offering something shows that the student body is invested in this issue.

**Danielle:** If they have a justified reason for high fees, I feel like as a student I can't do anything. I have no choice but pay for fees.

**Grover:** I'm not sure the university really know where all the money goes.

**Jeremy:** People might see the campaign as being run by the DSU and not by the students themselves.

**Christian:** I don't know what George Walker is allowed to say, but if they can communicate more about what they are bringing up with the University to the student body, that might give people more impetus to do something.

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### FORMAL DEBTORS

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**Alistair:** There is a loophole people are using to get into formal. Can I make a new rule that people have to tell us about swapping their tickets with a friend.

**Grover:** I agree something should be done.

**Mary:** Can we have a list of all the debtors? I see this as the only solution.

**Christian:** I just don't think there is any way to enforce this.

**Mary:** How can we get people to pay off their debts?

**Alistair:** I do send an email for the list every week. It's a lot of work though.

**Mary:** Best to carry on with that and maybe try a list system for the next formal.

\*\*\* Dan departs, minutes continued by Alex Grover henceforth \*\*\*

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### MCR EXEC IN JOINT FORMALS

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Christian Moulding looking for idea on issue of MCR in formals not knowing rules

Christian spoke to Christopher Saunders who discussed how the rulings were vague.

Christian proposed that Christopher Saunders starts working formals out of MCR budget to enforce some level of invigilation.

Discussion raised on what Christopher Saunders would be allowed to do.

Mary mentioned the technicalities of 'working' a joint formal. Nat and Christian point out the difference between working and helping maintain general roles expected of MCR exec.

Jack shows that standing rules of formals show that the MCR President and Vice-President are responsible for MCR control in formals.

Danielle mentioned that there isn't really an available 'place' for Christopher Saunders to be placed.

Christian proposed general area, Danielle believed this would be fine

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### SU ASSEMBLY

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Nat describes goings on with the SU assembly, some of the motions being passed make the SU more bureaucratic.

Most controversial topic: Student society (agreement).

Nat believes the problem lies in Charlie Walker having published this document (which was written by lawyers) without providing discussion about it.

Students main concern is about freedom of students to speak to the press. But the SU already did this to reduce libel risk.

Nat believes the point should be pushed to the next assembly.

Laura asked about associations. Nat says they have the same legal frameworks as societies.

Nat 'It isn't a clampdown, it is a formalisation'. Also related to issue of societies' procedures for formal complaints – sometimes end up as illegal accusations. Turns out many societies were not meeting the legal complaint procedures. That was what created the lawyers getting involved.

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### **PRESENT FOR CHARLOTTE**

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Discussion raised on how to get Charlotte a gift.

Christian raised from previous discussion that Charlotte wanted a Frep Jumper.

General agreement from exec.

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### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

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Nat discusses the lecturer money for strikes. It has been voted to give that money to the student body. The SU now has pot of money. Has been budgeted into a couple of pots. Currently a survey on website. Christian met with Janice. Sportsman board outside JCR office. If people have opinions on how it should look, contact Christian.

Laura – housing campaign happening. Being run by Abby Ellis.

Christian – suggested reintroducing mythbusters posters from years previously.

Laura – there will be resources, talks etc. Jack Reed suggested individuals think about it.

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### **ACTION POINTS**

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Laura to look into mythbusters posters for the housing campaign.

Whole exec to get Charlotte a Frep jumper.