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**TREVELYAN COLLEGE JCR MINUTES**

JCR Meeting 2025

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**PRESENT**

James Koo **President**

Bex Smith **Vice President**

Cody Boyd **Treasurer**

Isabelle Smith **Welfare Officer**

Rosie Crompton **Social Chair**

Sarah Margerison **Publicity Officer**

- **Clubs & Societies Officer**

Livia Zuercher **Buttery Chair**

Dan Wattis **Technical Manager**

Sam McMahon **Sabbatical** **Bar Steward**

Andrew Hamilton **JCR Chair**

**Apologies:**

Helena O’Neil **Welfare Officer**

**EXEC REPORTS**

**JK:**

**BS:**

**RC:** Orangainisng social garage and starting Winter Ball planning.

**DW:** Tech training and preparing the cupboard to make sure everything is ready for moving back to B ground next door. Organising workers and tech for the next events.

**IS:** Stress Less is over. Training and organising for next year.

**LZ:** Buttery is trialing Waffles and we will be open during Trevs Day.

**SM:** Trevs Day publicity. Tiktok back up now, and just day to day publicity.

**AH:** Awards process. Updating the governing documents.

**SUMMER BALL CHAIR REPORT**

*Report read out from one of the co-Summer Ball Chairs – outlining the budget and where the money spent went. Overview of the music and ents and the difficulties in contacting and booking people. Unhappy with comments made on external sites about the Summer Ball and its organisation. Explanation of why decisions were made and what these decisions meant. Negotiating of prices. Why some ENTS did not occur – out of the control of the Ball Chairs. Very detailed report on all the decisions made, why they were made and how this impacted the event overall. Detailed report on pricing and ticketing. Detailed reflections on the overall event and how it was planned, handled and etc.*

JCR Member: Corrections on Tech content - typo on money saved from tech, university covers all the personal liability covers.

**MOTION 1: Pool Table Election System**

*Proposed by: Cody Boyd*

*Seconded by: Harry Naylor*

**Summary: there is a JCR agreement with the Pool Club. JCR funds the pool table and because of a broken mechanism, the JCR is operating in a defecit and cannot afford this. Proposes a contactless system is best to fiz this broken mechanism.**

JCR Member: What is the breakdown of the cost?

CB: £1500 plus installation cost. Company is Liberty Games (was asked about this).

JCR Member: Installation requires a delivery fee, would it be better to hire a van?

Discussed as a potential option.

JCR Member: Could we buy a new table?

CB: More expensive than just fixing.

JCR Member: When would this happen?

CB: Some time over the summer.

JCR Member: Can we get any money for selling the old mechanisn?

CB: Unlikely, as broken.

JCR Member: Can we fit the mechanism itself?

CB: We can look into it but it’s a case of do we want to risk this in case we break it. Best practice, to me, would be to utilise a professional.

JCR Member: Can we inspect the pool table? Question on checking and the internal state of the pool table.

Discussion on internal inspections and what is broken.

JCR Member: When did we acquire the table? Showing its age.

HN: Pre-Covid.

Floor comments about the Pool Table’s age and its impact on usage.

JCR Member: If you’re the only college on the Hill charging, your table should be the best.

CB: Point is that it cannot be re-surfaced because we cannot afford it. Because of the broken part. We cannot afford it and we are gaining no profit.

JCR Member: Would paying for a new table that would last longer not be better to look into?

CB: It could be resold – the issue is that there would still be a defeciit andit would be quite heavy.

**MOTION 2: Pool Table Cost**

*Proposed by: Cody Boyd*

*Seconded by: Harry Naylor*

**Summary: Surrounding the deficit of the JCR operating the pool table and why raising the price of usage temporarily would be beneficial. Breakdown of the costs surrounding the deficits. 40p is more reasonable. Time frame from Sep to March (two terms) and see were this puts us. Any money that comes back can be used back on the table.**

JCR Member: When buying a new pool table – what’s the problem with accepting a bigger defecit?

CB: Risk for the JCR.

JCR members raised concern about costs and how this impacts accessibility to sports.

AH: The pool table is owned by the JCR.

JCR MemberL In the past, college/JCR have asked other socs to charge VAT and we don’t – questions on savings. The pool club should pay for it/the people who are paying for it. System of fincomm – well known – why can’t the pool club use this central pot?

CB: The pool club doesn’t owe us any money.

Discussions on more of the particular points of the motion.

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CB: After the two terms, there will be a discussion held by the whole JCR and then the price will be lowered if it can be.

JCR Member: Cues belong to Fincom – should be excluded from any of these discussions. Members of the club contribute to a significant number of the frames. Would be more cost effective for us to go to another place.

Discussions on the impact of this motion on the pool club and those who play regular games/play tournaments and etc.

CB: Setting the price to 0 at different times to help/alleviate this.

HN: Or could submit a reimbursement form – as per previous agreement.

**DISCUSSION POINT: Abolishment of the Sabbatical Bar Steward and the future of Trevs Bar**

*Raised by: Oli Matthews*

OM: College have decided to get rid of the Bar Sab. Without addressing how this will impact JCR events, etc. Any views?

JK: HN and JK had a meeting with college. The reasons for the change revolves around a University policy about college bar’s profits and the university bars the college from hiring a bar sab. So this is a work around by the college. Any work that the non-sab roles cannot do will be distributed among college staff. General discussion on this.

JCR Member: can we see the policy?

Policy has been asked for – no one has access to it.

OM: Reasonable of us, as a JCR, to ask for this policy but we have not been given this. The bar is on track to make a profit.

BS: Agree. If you take this away and no one applies, it falls apart.

FOI request?

RC: Do any other colleges have a similar system?

JK: We are one of four left that have a bar sab.

JCR Member: Decision made that it is no longer profitable to have a bar sab.

JCR Member: If you know that this policy is a thing – you start planning about this much earlier – not with so little notice and advertisement. Seems to be a very rushed decision.

OM: Bar Sab and staff have not been consuted on this. They don’t know about the important detaila and workings of the bar without consulting us.

BS: There were also a number of people who were interested in bar sab but no one is really interested in doing this alongside your degree.

AH: Questions on how this effects the exec and the standing orders – bar sab is supposed to sit on the exec ex-officio. Any comments on the standing orders.

CB: Discussions on events are held with the bar sab? Will this then continue? Who is our point of call?

OM: Standing orders are a concern but there are also so many more massive issues. Greatly impacts events. Not provided with answers.

RC: If we come a conclusion as a JCR body (…), what can we do from there? What power do we have?

OM: Part of the DSO framework, about disagreements between JCR and college? There is framework – there is a panel. There are ways we can take action.

AH: To gauge the opinion of members of the JCR.

JCR Member: Work and effort that goes into role – it is 35+ hours a week – issues of the university of handling new hires. To put this down to students, to try and make the univrrsity act faster, is just unlikely to happen – it cannot stand. We cannot get seniors in, etc. Not feasible.