JCR meeting agenda – 2022 MT 2

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3. Motions

a. Fresher's rep

The JCR notes that:

- The entz team work very hard and we appreciate them very much
- Freshers' week is a big job for them, taking a lot of time and effort to organise

- The current system, whereby the entz reps appoint a "freshers' representative" as part of the entz team, which they also appoint, is convoluted, and can be improved upon
- Other colleges have "freshers reps" as a separate JCR committee position to entz reps, and this system works effectively

The JCR believes that:

- The JCR would benefit from creating the role of freshers' reps, separated from the entz reps and entz team
- This would have twofold benefits: firstly having designated reps would improve freshers' week and secondly doing so would give the entz reps more time to plan other events
- Overall doing this should mean entz and freshers' week both become better (though they are already great) and less stressful for their respective organisers
- Two people are needed to achieve this new role, however:
- The freshers' reps can create a smaller 'freshers' team' to delegate jobs to if they wish (just as the current entz team has done for ticket distribution)
- Having multiple people on the team would mean that specific roles can be delegated (e.g. clubbing events, non-clubbing events, t-shirts, timetabling, freebies, move-ins etc.)
- Whilst freshers reps would have a lot of work, having the option to create a team means work can be delegated
- Doing this would also mean that the organisation of non-clubbing events, an area we know needs more attention, would become a closer focus. A specific member of the freshers' team could be delegated this as their sole job, for example.
- Having freshers reps means incoming freshers will also have a specific point of contact and a familiar friendly face during their first week here

- The freshers' team and entz team should work in close contact with each other and liaising with each other often, particularly for the organising of events such as club nights, which the entz team will have experience co-ordinating.

The JCR resolves to:

- Create a new JCR position for "freshers' reps"
- Have this position consist of two people running together under the same manifesto
- Have the position be husted for at the end of Hilary, giving the reps sufficient time to plan freshers' week in advance
- Allow for the freshers' reps to create a freshers' team for the delegation of roles if they see fit
- Put the entz reps and freshers' reps into contact

Proposer: Joss Carr **Seconder:** Eve Gueterbock

b. QUOTH, WOTH, and MOTH budget increase

The JCR notes that:

- The MOTH, QOTH, WOTH budget has been £100 a term
- In the past this amount has been increased to £150 through JCR approval

The JCR believes that:

- This increase would help support these events

The JCR resolves to:

- Change the constitution so that it is a £150 a term
- Spend this money wisely on fun things
 - E.g. snacks (at WimbleWOTH we bought strawberries and cream), prizes (we bought 'wimbledon' trophies which were gold paper plates) and other cool things (cameras and the budget to develop the pictures and turn them into a collage)

Proposer: Sarah Woodford **Seconder:** Sophie Richardson

c. Pink Week funding

This JCR notes that:

- Breast cancer affects thousands of people every year of all genders, with 1 in 7 women and 1 in 870 men likely to be diagnosed with it in their lifetime.
- Pink Week, running in 3rd week Hilary 2023, is an Oxford University initiative which raises money for five breast cancer charities (Against Breast Cancer, Coppafeel!, Oxford Breast Buddy Group, Black Women Rising and Live Through This).
- As well as fundraising, Pink Week raises awareness amongst the student body, e.g., through discussion panels and sharing information.
- Pink Week is aiming to raise as much money as possible but is entirely reliant on external funding to organise all its events and other initiatives.
- We (Sarah and Harriet) are the Teddy Hall JCR pink week reps and are planning lots of events for the week too

This JCR believes that:

- Money raised for these charities will make a significant positive impact on the lives of those affected by breast cancer.
- Spreading awareness of breast cancer warning signs and symptoms is relevant to all JCR members and could help save lives.

This JCR resolves to:

- Contribute £200 from the JCR budget to Pink Week 2023 towards fundraising and events.

Proposer: Sarah Woodford **Seconder:** Harriet Eyles

d. Women and minority gender identity officers' tankards

The JCR notes that:

- Adam Hawkins, a man whomst is thoughtful and kind, headed the motion to buy a JCR tankard for the women and minority gender identity officers
- The tankard is here
- It is not yet inscribed with the women and minority gender identity officer's names for the last number of years
- Harriet and sarah are joint officers, yet there is one vessel from which to drink

- The tankard should be inscribed with names going back as far as we (and adam Hawkins) can remember
- Sarah and harriet should be able to drink together out of the tankard

The JCR resolves to:

- Reimburse the women and minority gender identity officers the money to get it inscribed at blue bloods
- Reimburse sarah and harriet for the price of 2 squiggly straws

Proposer: Sarah Woodford **Seconder:** Harriet Eyles

e. Coffee mugs in the JCR

The JCR notes that: There are no coffee mugs in the JCR.

The JCR believes that: We should have coffee mugs in the JCR.

The JCR resolves to: Spend £250 on coffee mugs to be kept in the JCR.

Proposer: Tom Coates **Seconder:** Alex Whitmarsh

The JCR believes that:

f. JCR Coffee machine

The JCR notes that:

- Members of the JCR are free to use the JCR coffee machine whenever they desire, however, it is not always filled with their drink of choice.
- The coffee machine has an impact on how well you can study as caffeine improve focus and happiness, and so does hot chocolate.
- We all pay a £5 fare in battels for the coffee machine so having it full is nice.
- We understand that it is a lot of pressure to put on the VP, Adam, to fill the coffee machine as we are all busy. (Rose, Food and drinks rep, does not have access to the key)

The JCR believes that:

- Everyone should get access to their drink of choice at any point

The JCR resolves to:

- Give multiple people access to the key to fill up the coffee machine so that it is more likely to be filled up at any given point.

Proposer: Lalou Laredo **Seconder:** Tom Coates