

MCR General Meeting
Wednesday 30th April 2014 (1st week, Trinity Term)
Upper MCR, 8:15pm
AGENDA

1. Committee Reports and Notices

2. MCR Budget 2014-2015

This MCR notes that:

- (1) Point X:B of the MCR constitution reads: *“At the first general MCR meeting of Trinity Term each year the MCR Treasurer is to propose a budget detailing a financial plan for the year. The budget shall include a forecast total income, expenditure and a breakdown of planned expenses. The budget shall not be considered binding on the MCR but shall be used as a guide. The budget shall be updated accordingly throughout the year with the approval of the MCR.”*
- (2) The MCR treasurer has prepared their budget for the 2014-2015 financial year.

This MCR therefore proposes to:

- (1) To accept the MCR treasurer’s budget under the terms detailed in Point X:B of the MCR constitution.

Proposed: Elizabeth Harnett

Seconded: Rohini Gilles

3. Mug Project

This MCR notes that:

- (1) There is a continued lack of quality mugs available to MCR members in the kitchen.
- (2) Any quality mugs that reside in the kitchen quickly find homes elsewhere. This may be because:
 - a. People forget that the mugs they have borrowed originally come from the MCR
 - b. People prefer the MCR mugs to their own
- (3) This problem could be solved by purchasing mugs that are both ugly and have the text “Please return to Jesus College MCR” written on them.
- (4) Ruedi Baumann (Director of Accommodation, Catering and Conferences) has agreed to help; if the cleaning staff of the College find any of these mugs, they will be returned to a central location to be picked up by the Jesus MCR Committee.
- (5) The cost of purchasing 50 mugs will be approximately £249.99 from vistaprint.co.uk.

This MCR therefore proposes to:

- (1) Reserve £300 from the MCR Savings account to go towards the purchase of 50 mugs.

- (2) Release the purchased mugs into circulation in groups of 10.
- (3) Stow the mugs away during any evening exchanges with other colleges to minimize “trophy theft”.

Proposed: Jessica Boland

Seconded: Damien Frost

4. MCR Black Piano – Moving Costs

This MCR notes that:

- (1) As requested by the MCR, Kari Vann and Simone Salmon located a new (free) piano for the MCR.
- (2) They spent £120 moving this new piano to the MCR after seeking approval from the MCR Committee.
- (3) Unfortunately, this piano has since been described as “untunable” by a piano tuner.
- (4) Kari and Simone could not have known that this was the case before arranging the delivery.
- (5) Pianos can be damaged during delivery.
- (6) The MCR has money to reimburse Kari and Simone.

This MCR therefore proposes to:

- (1) Reimburse Kari Vann and Simone Salmon £120.

Proposed: Elizabeth Harnett

Seconded: Rohini Giles

5. The Big Piano Motion

This MCR notes that:

- (1) A piano tuner has been to the MCR to look at our pianos. According to him, the black piano is beyond repair and cannot be fixed. The brown piano is not tunable in its current state, but it can be fixed at a cost of £150-£200.
- (2) Some members of the MCR have expressed an interest in having a working piano.
- (3) A good piano could cost up to £400.
- (4) It will cost £100 to dispose of a piano.

This MCR therefore proposes to:

- (1) Either;
 - a. Spend £150-£200 fixing the brown piano;
 - b. Buy a new piano (within a budget decided at the meeting) and dispose of the brown piano (at a cost of up to £100); or
 - c. No longer have a working piano in the MCR and dispose of the brown piano (at a cost of up to £100)
- (2) Either,

- a. Spend up to £100 disposing of the black piano;
- b. Use the black piano for some other creative purpose; or
- c. Keep the black piano for aesthetic reasons

Proposed: Damien Frost

Seconded: Rohini Giles

6. Summer Improvements

This MCR notes that:

- (1) In addition to all of the discussion about pianos, there are other improvements to the MCR that members may want, such as throw cushions for the sofas.

This MCR therefore proposes to:

- (1) Set up a Summer Improvement Project Team to recommend improvements to the Upper MCR or MCR Bunker.
 - a. This team will consist of three members, including at least one member of the MCR committee
 - b. They will conduct at least one poll to determine what improvements the members of the MCR would like to see.
 - c. At the last MCR meeting before the summer vacation, they will propose a motion outlining their recommendations
- (2) Select the members of this team right now.

Proposed: Rohini Giles

Seconded: Damien Frost

7. AOB