

MCR GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday 21st January 2014 (1st week, Hilary Term)
Upper MCR, 8.15pm
AGENDA

1. Committee Reports and Notices

2. Proposed Constitutional Amendments

These are attached separately. Please note that these amendments are only being proposed, not debated, during this meeting. These amendments will be debated at the next MCR meeting.

3. MCR Coffee Machine

This MCR notes that:

(1) Iwan Walters has expended £569 on purchasing a coffee machine for the collective benefit of the MCR, along with an extended warranty/insurance policy to ensure lasting value to the MCR community.

This MCR therefore proposes to:

(1) Reimburse Iwan Walters for £569 from the MCR savings.

Proposed: Iwan Walters
Seconded: Sam Calderwood

4. MCR Piano

This MCR notes that:

(1) The piano is out of tune and relatively infrequently used.

(2) The piano is more likely to stay in tune down in the Bunker, as less people will plonk on it/spill wine on it.

(3) A standard tune is something like £50-70; this will depend on how damaged the piano actually is.

This MCR therefore proposes to:

(1) Spend up to £100 of MCR savings to organise getting the piano moved to the bunker and get it tuned.

Proposed: Eleanor Berry
Seconded: Bobby Brooks

5. MCR Coat hooks and bag storage

This MCR notes that:

(1) We could do with some coat hooks in the MCR and somewhere to sling bags during events so they stay out from underfoot and free up more seating.

(2) These kinds of units can be quite expensive, but maintenance may be able to make something for us.

This MCR therefore proposes to:

(1) Spend up to £100 of MCR savings to get some coat hooks and a little storage unit, ideally put in the place formerly occupied by the piano, for bags during events (like the shelves in hall).

Proposed: Eleanor Berry
Seconded: Bobby Brooks

6. Funds for the Jesus MCR Arts and Musical Society (JAMS)

This MCR notes that:

- (1) The Jesus Arts and Musical Society (JAMS) is a new society that has been formed by members of the Jesus MCR, in order to facilitate events and activities that relate to the performing arts, including music, theatre, and dance, within College. JAMS activities are open to all members of the Jesus MCR, with the express intention that this will add to the cultural life and creative experience of MCR members.
- (2) The JAMS Committee intends to put on a performance of 'The Importance of Being Earnest' in Eighth Week of Hilary Term 2014 in the College Chapel, and intends to cast actors from the Jesus MCR in this production.
- (3) This performance has the support of the College authorities, including the Principal and the Chaplain. However, as a new society, JAMS currently has no financial resources for the production.
- (4) JAMS does not intend to charge audience members for this production, on the understanding that the play will be publicised primarily within Jesus, and therefore members of College will form the majority of audience members.
- (5) The JAMS Committee intends to make the society financially self-sustaining in the long term, foremost by applying for a bursary from college, and then by introducing ticket prices for future productions.

This MCR therefore proposes to:

- (1) Supply JAMS with £200 to cover the cost of props and costumes, and play scripts for the actors, on the understanding that:
 - (a) Any unspent money from this sum will be returned to the MCR after the final performance.
 - (b) Any props bought with this money will go into a JAMS costume store, to be kept for future productions.

Proposed: Richard Elliott

Seconded: Jess Boland

7. "Less Meat, More Veg" proposal

This MCR notes that:

- (1) Although vegetarians have at least one option at every meal in hall, vegans often only have the salad bar as an option and are unable to attend hall because it is unlikely that they will be catered to.
- (2) Going to Hall is an important part of social life in College and no one should be excluded from this.
- (3) Non-vegans can also enjoy vegan meals.
- (4) Vegan meals are much more environmentally friendly than meals containing meat, or even vegetarian meals.
- (5) Debbie, the head chef, and Ruedi Baumann, the Director of Accommodation, Catering and Conferences, have both agreed to run the pilot meals below, provided they have the support of the student community.

This MCR therefore proposes to:

- (1) Officially pledge its support for the pilot meals to begin running in Hilary Term, which would involve:
 - (a) There being a vegan option instead of a vegetarian option every Monday dinner.
 - (b) There being an agreement to revisit this issue in Hilary Term and potentially make it a permanent change, or amend it to better suit the needs of the MCR, JCR, and Jesus College members of staff.

Proposed: Anna Feeney

Seconded: Siobhan Kenney

8. AOB