

MCR GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday 22nd October 2013 (2nd week, Michaelmas Term)
Upper MCR, 8.15pm
AGENDA

1. Committee Reports and Notices

2. MCR Mural

This MCR notes:

- (1) At an MCR Meeting on Tuesday 1st February 2011, the MCR passed a motion to:
 - (i) commission from Michael Clapton, artist, a painting entitled 'The Quadrivium', a work in four panels depicting the four higher arts of the medieval university curriculum (namely Arithmetic, Geometry, Music and Astronomy) in the life of Jesus College, to be hung on the south wall of the Upper MCR,
 - (ii) pay Michael Clapton £1000 from the MCR savings for this work.
- (2) A formal contract was not drawn up at the time and thus, the only records of the commission are the original motion (1) and informal email discussions between the artist and the then-VP of the MCR, Oren Margolis.
- (3) According to the MCR Constitution:
VII.C.21 All resolutions [of motions passed at an MCR meeting] not yet enacted three terms after their introduction must be reactivated at a MCR meeting, by a simple majority of those present, in order to be carried out.
- (4) Owing to the lack of a formal contract (2), the original motion (1) was not enacted in the time frame outlined in the Constitution (3) and therefore must be reactivated in order for the mural to be completed.
- (5) During a recent combing of the MCR Constitution by the MCR President and Secretary in order to identify any necessary constitutional changes for later this year, a motion-expiry clause was discovered in the MCR Constitution (3) which requires a reactivation of the original motion (1) in order for work on the MCR Mural to continue.
- (6) As a result of the previous universal lack of knowledge regarding the motion-expiry clause (5), the artist (Mike Clapton, a former undergraduate student of Jesus College) already has drawn up plans for three of the four panels [available at meeting and attached to email] and has prepared a description for the remaining panel [available at meeting and attached to email].
- (7) The artist has said that he is ready to start work immediately if the motion is reactivated, and that he hopes to have the mural finished and installed by the end of Trinity Term 2014.

This MCR therefore proposes to:

- (1) Commission from Michael Clapton, artist, a painting entitled 'The Quadrivium', a work in four panels depicting the four higher arts of the medieval university curriculum (namely Arithmetic, Geometry, Music and Astronomy) in the life of Jesus College, to be hung on the south wall of the Upper MCR.
- (2) Draw up an official contract between the artist and the MCR President, on behalf of the MCR. This contract will stipulate that the artist be paid £1000 from the MCR savings on completion of the mural and will specify a time frame for its completion.

Proposed: Matt Saxton

Seconded: Ariel Gregory

3. Hustings

- a. First-year Representative
- b. Wine Steward
- c. Three Stags Editor

4. AOB