

St John's College Junior Common Room

Minutes – 1st Meeting, Hilary Term 2022 Sunday 23rd January, 8pm, Zoom

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The meeting was opened at 20:06 by the Chair.

1. Minutes from the Previous Meeting

The minutes were accepted.

2. Matters Arising from the Minutes

No matters were arising.

3. Reports from Officers, Reps and Committees

Welfare officers:

Finn said they have been delivering isolation packages, sent out contraceptives and are working with the Union to get anti-spiking drink covers.

Not present:

- Bike Reps: Ben Robinson
- Art Reps: Zoe Hind and Lily Middleton-Mansell
- Charities Reps: Aishani Gupta and Samuel Wagman
- Facilities Rep: Phil Fernandes
- SU Reps: Korben Bailey

4a. Ratifications

Descriptions of the available roles were given.

• Returning Officer

Ivan Toth-Rohonyi ran for Returning Officer. In his hust, he said he wants to help with the JCR and recognises the role is important, and has enough time to take it on. No objections or questions were raised.

Ivan was Ratified

• Returning Officer's Assistant

Gracie Green ran for Returning Officer's Assistant. In her hust, she said she was organised and paid attention to detail, and was interested in the role even if it could be mundane at times. No questions or objections were raised.

Gracie was Ratified.

• Bike Rep (2 vacancies)

Aggie Burns and Yasmin Ziv both ran for Bike Rep. In their husts, they said they had enjoyed the bike scheme, work well as a team and had the skills needed to maintain and fix the bikes. No questions or objections were raised.

Aggie and Yasmin were Ratified.

Facilities Rep

Anas Dayeh ran for Facilities Rep. In his hust, he said he had ideas for the TV, DVD and JCR rooms including new board games, wall art, a Netflix subscription and repairing or replacing the broken vending machine. He also wanted to work on redecorating the pool room, and was open to new ideas.

No questions or objections were raised.

Anas was Ratified.

SU Rep

No nominations were received.

- E&D roles:
 - Disabilities Rep

No nominations were received.

• International Rep (2 vacancies)

Hazal Bulut ran for International Rep. In her hust, she said she wanted to represent and help international students in the face of College, including on issues she experienced such as having to pay for mandatory quarantine. She also wanted to organise more fun events apart from the international dinner.

Hazal was Ratified.

Cate Pile also ran. In her hust, she said she had found it hard starting as an international student because of travel restrictions, and wanted to make future students' lives easier. She had a good relationship with College and wanted to use it to negotiate on issues that affect international students. She also wanted to hold more fun events as well as the diner.

Cate was Ratified.

• LGBTQ+/Minority Gender Rep

No nominations were received.

5. Items for Discussion

a) Michaelmas 2021 audit

The Chair said that Talav, who was willing to be ratified as an auditor, was not present. The audit process was then explained and nominations for a second auditor were opened, but none were received.

b) Condition of the Republic 2022

The Chair said that no report had been submitted and none of the former Executive was present, so the motion would be deferred to the next meeting. Matt noted that Talav should be contacted to check on progress.

6. Agenda Items

a) The 'Support Persona' Financial Motion

Rachel gave a short speech explaining the background of the play and what it was about, and said that it would be good value for money for the JCR.

Matt proposed a friendly amendment to remove "and the budget" from the motion because it wasn't necessary. Rachel accepted it.

Ozan incorrectly said the Chair could express an opinion on the motion, which Jake corrected.

b) The "Finance the College Airbed Scheme" Financial Motion

Paddy gave a short speech explaining that the college has given permission for the airbed scheme to restart, but no one knows where the old airbeds are. He said that for £250, six double airbeds and pumps could be bought, which would be very useful.

Matt asked if he had found specific models, which Paddy confirmed.

Matt then asked if two beds could be singles, as some rooms were too small for doubles, and Paddy agreed.

Khadijah said that maybe three should be singles because there are more small rooms than we thought. Hannah agreed. Khadijah proposed this as a friendly amendment and Paddy accepted it.

Khadijah asked if there was enough money to buy sheets, and Paddy said there was.

c) The "Set Up A Domestic Sub-Committee" Constitutional Motion

Paddy gave a short speech explaining that Guest Dinners are a lot of work to set up and clear away, and they already ask friends to help out. This motion formalises it, and makes sure people are recognised for their help, and Entz Reps already have a similar sub-committee.

Anas asked how members would be appointed, and Paddy said that the Domestic Officers would pick them.

d) The 2022 Budget Financial Motion

Matt gave a short speech explaining the content of the budget was mostly the same, but some formatting had been updated. The size of the financial motions budget has increased, and this can also be used to transfer money to other areas. He said the JCR has plenty of money to be spent on a wide range of areas, and explained how the Kendrew Arts Fund and charities motions work.

Anas asked what the MCR contribution was for. Matt replied it was for the Sky subscription and TV license.

Anas asked if the budget could be amended so the Facilities Rep had more money. Matt pointed out that the Social Spaces and Repairs and Improvements budgets already had £6,500 between them, and a further £10,000 for social spaces would be reimbursed by College. Anas agreed this was enough.

7. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

The meeting closed at 20:58.