

JCR Committee Minutes

Meeting on 22.02.2022 at 16.00 UK time

List of Committee Members

Names, initials and pronouns	Role and * to mark non-attendance
Jamie Charles, JC , she/her	President
George Stokes, GS , he/him	Vice President
James O'Garro, JO , he/him	Treasurer
Jacob Hougie, JH , he/him	Secretary
Keelan Shorten, KS , he/him	Welfare
Vasilisa Grachova, VG , she/they	Welfare
Ben Palmer-Welch, BPW , he/him	Welfare
James Walker, JW , he/him*	Academic and Access
Kitty Joyce, KJ , she/her*	Green
Yifei Zheng, YZ , he/him	Catering, Accommodation and Facilities
Matthew Wadey, MW , he/him*	Sports and Societies
Gosia Szakowska, GoSz , she/her	Ents
Muhammad Mahmoud, MM , he/him	Ethnic Minorities
Neve Baskar, NB , she/her	International Students
Emma Gibson, EG , she/they/he	LGBTQ+
Lucy Trusler, LT , she/her	Gender Equalities
Malachi Gee, MG , he/him*	Disabled Students
Izaak Mammadov, IM , he/him	Computing

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Summary of Key Points

1. The May Ball Worker's deposit policy will be changing soon
 2. The 2022 Budget has been finely crafted to balance the needs of societies and the need for a One Off Purchase fund.
 3. Solutions are being found for International Student storage
 4. There may be a Queer Night in the bar soon
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0. Administrative Matters – Apologies and Approval of Minutes

Meeting begins at 16.02. **MG, KJ, BPW and MW** are absent with apologies. **JW and GoSz** are absent without apologies.

1. May Ball Workers Deposit (**JC**)

JC spoke to Alex Mann (May Ball Committee President) and found that he has got David Greaves' permission to remove the policy on securing deposits from workers at the May Ball.¹

He also reported that the reason for the policy was that it was the standard practice for May Ball Committees, which was continued.²

The May Ball committee do not wish to write a statement on this.

2. Budget 2022 (**JO**)

2.1 General Discussion

JO explained that the JCR committee received slightly more money than they originally asked for because the Pool Cue and Ents budget were extended and we are buying a chromecast and karaoke machine.

JO noted that after detailed discussions societies are getting a more limited budget than they'd requested, but still more than last year.³

JO noted that asking students to part-fund the Corpus Challenge has helped and that most students have not opted out.

In sum, **JO** states that the budget leaves us with a £3000, rather than £4000 One-Off Purchase, so the JCR will need to be more frugal this year than last.

¹ For more (Varsity tabloid journalism) detail, <https://www.varsity.co.uk/news/23121>

² I was just doing what I was told – I have heard that defence before

³ The austerity has thankfully not been as bad as it could have been

JO noted that he'd forgot the Tennis society so it will be funded by a £100 One-Off Purchase for their cup fees.⁴

2.2 Exception to the Printing Active Policy.

GS explained that an existing Active Policy prevents societies from receiving JCR funding for printing, but that generally the JCR gives an exception to the Pelican's satirical magazine. Thus, the JCR Committee needs to approve the Pelican's exception by a vote

Vote: 11 in favour

3. Any Other Business

NB has been working with Sarah Wordsworth to find a space for international student storage. Currently there is lots of stuff stored there, which college can't remove, so students need to collect their stuff to free up the room. **GS** noted that Simon Harding or **NB** should send an email instructing to students to collect property so that any remaining property can be removed.

NB found that storage is first-come-first-served, which disadvantages other students, so requested money in the budget for placards to assign shelves to particular students. **GS** noted the porters may be helpful for this. **NB** noted this would help to match property to owners later.

EG is having a meeting soon to try and secure a Pelican Bar Queer Night, including special drinks. **JC** noted that the branding is important to make clear that it was open to everyone.

⁴ At least it is only a small budget item that had been forgot

GS asked if anyone would update the JCR noticeboard and **KS** agreed to do this.

JH asked what happens to the suggestion box in the post room and **VG** explained that it is now done online. So **GS** suggested that the suggestion box be removed.

Meeting ends at 16.15