

# Minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> ordinary JCR meeting of Hilary Term 2015



1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING
2. MATTERS ARISING
3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT  
The College are pissed off about Turl Street Dash, so are going to fine anyone who participates in future years. Also, Committee had a meeting today about Health and Safety. If anyone shits in the JCR then please inform the lodge.
4. TREASURER'S REPORT  
Sign up for the punting scheme if you want to.
5. SECRETARY'S REPORT  
Nothing to report.
6. OUSU REPORT  
Nothing happened at the OUSU meeting. There are still positions available on the committee.
7. SOCIAL REPORT  
There's a bop next Friday. Also join the Cockdance event on facebook.
8. WELFARE REPORT  
It's welfare weekend! Come to the activities.
9. ACCESS REPORT  
Still doing the alternative prospectus. If anyone wants to put anything in it please talk to Sam e.g. Tom Kinsella is doing a music section.
12. ACADEMIC REPORT  
Nothing to report.
11. EQUAL OPPS REPORT  
Equal Opps week next week.
13. ARTS REPORT  
TSAF is still going on. The Vagina Monologue made £90, and there is life drawing tomorrow.
13. SPORTS REPORT  
Nothing to report.
14. CHARITIES REPORT  
Fundraiser this evening. Next week is student volunteering week. There are lots of events across different student societies and charities. Also support the Living Wage. Jon has started a group to lobby college on that front. Please support this and if you want to get involved let Jon know.
15. GREEN REPORT



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Nothing to report.

## 16. BAR AND FOOD REPORT

Next week is international bar night with lots of international beers. Prices are quite good, subsidised. If anyone wants to do the pub quiz on Sunday let me know.

**Matt Knight:** What happened on Thursday?

**Tim Bell:** Jan wanted a night off during the week, as he had worked another night.

## 17. IT REPORT

Nothing to report.

## 18. QUESTIONING PERIOD

## 19. JUNIOR MEMBER SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING

## 20. JESUS LIVING WAGE CAMPAIGN

## 21. JESUS LIVING WAGE CAMPAIGN BADGES

## 22. FOOD WASTE

### 19. Junior Member Scholarship Funding

**This JCR notes:**

- i. Our current Junior Members Scholar, Rawan Yaghi, is being paid a maintenance grant to cover living costs for nine months of the year.
- ii. Rawan was unable to go home this summer, due to the current political climate, and this is unlikely to change in the foreseeable future.
- iii. There is money available in the pot of donations for the scholarship which has accumulated through JCR donations and other charity donations since 2011.

**It therefore proposes:**

- iv. To mandate the Junior Members Scholarship Representative to arrange with college to reallocate some of the funds already donated, so that the scholar automatically receives funding for twelve months of the year rather than nine.

**Proposed:** Verity Sherwin

**Seconded:** Jess Gould

**Verity Sherwin:** Asked the JCR about raising our donation. However, this is a much more

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pressing issue. There is already money available that can be donated. This summer Rawan couldn't go home due to situation in Gaza, and had to beg college for money. There is already money available so she shouldn't have to ask for it. There is a similar scheme at Teddy Hall where the student is funded for 12 months rather than 9. The political situation isn't likely to change, so it makes sense to fund for 12 months rather than 9 as well.

£10,250 is current grant. This should be increased to £13,667. Half of this is matched by the charity and half comes from JCR donations. We just need to persuade college that there is no reason not to change it. Just need support from college for this.

**Sam Skillcorn:** Is this feasible in the future?

**Verity:** Should be feasible in the future. It is one of the most popular things for Telethon to donate to.

*Motion passes unanimously.*

## 20. Jesus Living Wage Campaign

**This JCR notes:**

- i. The Jesus Living Wage Campaign has recently been established as a subsidiary of the wider OUSU campaign.
- ii. OUSU has policy supporting the living wage which was renewed in Trinity 09.
- iii. The Living Wage is a figure which is annually reviewed by the Centre for Research in Social Policy and has wide cross-party political support.
- iv. Paying a Living Wage has been demonstrated to have benefits on an institution's reputation, and the quality of work overall.
- v. Currently the Living Wage outside of London is £7.65 per hour.
- vi. As a matter of principle, we should take an interest in the lives of those who work in Jesus, who provide us with education and support and, should they have concerns about their work, be prepared to stand by them in advocating change.
- vii. That employees within the University and Colleges should be paid a Living Wage.
- viii. That there is both a moral and an economic case in favour of the Living Wage, as well as a case for the publicity benefits to be gained from paying it and accrediting as a Living Wage employer.

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- ix. To support the Jesus Living Wage Campaign.
- x. To mandate the Jesus Living Wage Team along with the JCR President to lobby college to ensure Jesus College becomes a Living Wage Employer.

**Proposed:** Alex Proudfoot

**Seconded:** Jon Clingman

**Alex Proudfoot:** Pretty straightforward, a good thing for College to become accredited. They should pay the Oxford Living Wage which is a bit higher. Starting up the campaign and need to get the college behind this.

**Chris Mansfield:** What's the economic reasoning?

**Alex Proudfoot:** People will spend more money if they have higher wages.

**Jon Clingman:** There are many benefits for living wage employers, e.g. 80% of London employers believing that the living wage decreased absenteeism by 20%.

**Tom Anderson:** What is college's stance?

**Jessy:** College currently pays a living wage, but its suppliers don't. Krebs said it was difficult to do this, but other colleges are accredited. e.g. Hertford, Wadham etc. So it is possible.

**Kathy Page:** Are the scouts etc employed directly by the college?

**Jon Clingman:** Will find out and get back to you

*Motion passes with one abstention.*

## 21. Jesus Living Wage Campaign Badges

**This JCR notes:**

- i. The Jesus Living Wage Campaign has recently been established as a subsidiary of the wider OUSU campaign.
- ii. The Jesus Living Wage Campaign would like to buy some badges so support for the living wage can be seen around college.
- iii. 400 badges can be bought for £150

**It therefore proposes:**

- iv. To provide Rebecca Cavanagh with up to £150 to buy 'I support the Jesus College Living Wage' (design yet to be made).

**Proposed:** Rebecca Cavanagh

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**Seconded: Jon Clingman**

**Jon Clingman:** It would be nice if all the students and staff could wear badges saying they support the campaign. This will show the extent of support for it. The number we got would depend on how many people wanted.

**Alice Raw:** Would they be free?

**Jon:** Yes.

**Chris:** What about temporary tattoos instead?

**Jon:** Yes, if they're affordable etc. This was Rebecca Cavanagh's idea.

**Jessy:** I would wear one on my face.

**Tom Downes:** What is the Oxford Living Wage?

**Alex Proudfoot:** £8.65.

**Sam Skillcorn:** If the Oxford Living Wage is so high, how do we make sure college keeps up with that? Is there any way of making sure they do this?

**Alex:** No. We'd just have to trust college.

**Matt Knight:** Will these be pigged?

**Jon:** They can be pigged providing that people who are pigged and don't want them give them back.

*24 for, 4 against, 6 abstentions. Motion passes.*

## **22. Food Waste**

**This JCR notes:**

- i. That there are no food waste bins in Jesus undergraduate accommodation.
- ii. That Oxford City council do provide food waste bins to Households and have recently decided to also provide food waste collection for privately owned flats.
- iii. If food waste is sent to Landfill it simply releases Methane into the atmosphere.
- iv. If food waste is recycled it is used to create electricity through biogas and fertiliser.

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- v. To mandate Eduin Boater Latimer JCR E&E rep to meet with College staff to try and introduce food waste bins.

**Proposed:** Eduin Boater Latimer

**Seconded:** Josh Hart

**Eduin:** Seems sensible.

**Sam Moss:** With recycling at the moment, all rubbish goes into the same bins anyway.

**Eduin:** I am taking steps towards this. In theory they should be recycling.

**Alice Raw:** Will this be available at barts and Stevens?

**Eduin:** Yes.

*Motion passes unanimously.*

23. ANNOUNCEMENTS PERIOD

24. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

25. NEXT MEETING