



MCR Committee, St. Catharine's College

Meeting held on **Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016**

## MINUTES

### Present

Michael Rivera (Co-President), Ravi Ranninga (Co-President), Rachel Lai (Secretary), David Wade (Treasurer), Helene Mobbs (Education Officer), James Elderfield (Computing Officer), Charlotte Northop (Welfare Officer), Erin Oerton (Social Secretary), Marcus Fantham (Food and Drink Officer), Joe Cooper (External Officer)

### Absence with apologies

Izzy Everall (Social Secretary), David Battersby (Formal Hall Officer), Alex Scott (Green Officer),

The meeting was called to order and chaired by Michael Rivera. Rachel Lai recorded the minutes.

117	<p><u>Feedback from CN</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Events not held up to standard compared to previous years</li> <li>• Burns night had no extension</li> <li>• Bops fell off (?)</li> <li>• No wine &amp; cheese during refreshers week (Lent 2016)</li> <li>• Prioritisation issues of events</li> <li>• The MCR is supposed to be a 'glorified ents committee'</li> <li>• No one turned up for board game night during refreshers week and the PJ party cancelled</li> </ul> <p>RR responded that as a committee, we have a lot more responsibility than just entertainment. It's not just about drinking, bops, and partying. Together with the graduate tutors, we have tried to shift our focus to include more academic items.</p> <p>DW explained that wine &amp; cheese nights cost about £600 each. MCR did not organise any swaps in Michaelmas 2015, and hence depleted the MCR pot. Additionally, each time a DJ is hired, it costs £250-£350. Multiple hiring of DJs also eats into the MCR pot substantially.</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Future meetings to be done on doodle poll</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> IE / EO to organise club lists for Easter term formals. Contact Blaine / Amanda for advice</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> EO to re-upload social calendar for everyone to access</p>	ALL
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118	<p><u>Upcoming formals</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Worcester Swap (5<sup>th</sup> March, Saturday) – EO / DB to organise late opening (till midnight). IE to sort out club list. Committee to decide on theme (1910s/20s?).</li> <li>Easter formal and bop (12<sup>th</sup> March, Saturday) – DW to check budget for £350. Alice in wonderland / easter rabbits theme</li> <li>St. Patrick's formal (17<sup>th</sup> March, Thursday)</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> EO / DB to organise late opening (till midnight) for Worcester swap</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> IE to sort out club list for Worcester swap</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Committee to decide on theme (1910s/20s?) for Worcester Swap</p>	EO DB IE ALL
119	<p><u>Garden party</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IE / EO / DB / MF to organise a garden party in Russell Street court for Easter term</li> </ul>	IE EO DB MF
120	<p><u>Worcester College</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Catz has not paid Worcester</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> EO to sort out payment with Oxford</p>	EO
121	<p><u>Welfare event</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CN to organise welfare event before formal on 5<sup>th</sup> March</li> <li>Event will include an art installation, and Lady C will be attending</li> <li>There will be a Q&amp;A at 5.30pm</li> <li>The Ramsden room has been booked, and permission has been attained from the Dean</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> CN to continue with relevant preparations and circulate event to MCR &amp; JCR</p>	CN
122	<p><u>Yoga</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Every Thursday at 7pm during term time, the JCR organises yoga. These are free for Catz students, and held in the McGrath centre. MCR members are invited to attend, so long as there are less than 15 MCR students</li> <li>GU also holds yoga sessions on Monday &amp; Wednesday; Zumba on Thursday. All lessons at 5.30pm</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> MR to place yoga advert in bulletin</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> CN to e-mail MCR separately and inform about yoga</p>	MR CN

123	<p><u>Other updates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DW / MR / RR will be attending rent negotiations on Wednesday</li> <li>• RR / MR to attend buildings &amp; services meeting on Friday. CN to forward complaints list to RR / MR; MCR room aerial not working (very very bad signal); MR / RR to enquire regarding CCTVs – where will it be installed, what will it be used for? Will it be used for Deaning students (e.g., parking lots), or solely for security purposes?</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> DW to check with JCR on how their rent meeting went</p>	MR
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There being no further items to discuss at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting will be polled and communicated online.