

JCR Meeting Week 6 Trinity

Motion 1: Purchase of Electric Fans for the Marquee

Proposer: Isobel Davidson

Seconder: Freddie Crichton-Miller

This JCR notes:

1. The use of a marquee for studying as a makeshift library by the JCR.
2. That the marquee can be painfully hot and sweaty because of the hot weather
3. The JCR and MCR are currently spending lots of time in the marquee for exams or general work

This JCR believes:

1. Providing electric fans in the marquee will contribute to the comfort and well-being of JCR members studying.
2. Proper air circulation and cooling measures are essential to create a pleasant environment, especially during periods of heat or high occupancy.
3. The purchase of electric fans is a cost-effective solution to address temperature and ventilation concerns within the marquee.

This JCR resolves:

1. To allocate £48 from the JCR budget for the purchase of two electric fans for the marquee.
2. To mandate the JCR President to ask the college to refund our purchase of the fans and / or split the purchase with the MCR
3. To ensure proper maintenance and care of the electric fans to maximise their lifespan and functionality into every year going forward

Yes: 22

No: 2

Abstain: 1

Motion 2: Donation of money to Jacari

Proposed by: Sandra Hernandez Chang

Seconded by: Faith Wong

This JCR notes:

1. Jacari is a tutoring scheme for local children and young people aged 6-16 from refugee and migrant backgrounds who are learning English as an additional language.
2. Jacari recruits student volunteers from both universities in Oxford to provide 1:1 tuition for pupils at 12 local partner schools in the city.
3. Jacari provides support and resources for its volunteers, and runs events for pupils, their families and volunteer tutors.
4. Jacari is Oxford's oldest student-run charity (Charity Reg. No. 1177211)

This JCR believes:

1. As students at the University of Oxford, we have the opportunity to become good role models for and provide additional support to newly arrived pupils in Oxford.
2. Jacari is regarded by local teachers and parents as an invaluable service.
3. Jacari is reliant on charitable donations from JCR colleges, especially during a time when funding to schools is being cut and there are increased numbers of refugees and migrant children in the city.

This JCR therefore resolves:

1. To donate £200 to Jacari.

Yes: 25

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion 3: Update the JCR Constitution to further support suspended students

(Note that as this is a Constitutional Amendment, voting is done through a show of hands as per Article 11.2, (b) of the constitution: Voting shall take place by secret ballot, except in the case of amendments, where it shall be by show of hands)

Proposer: Freddie Crichton-Miller

Seconder: Tanay Mukherjee

This JCR notes:

1. Suspension of Status is the suspension of studies for reasons of health, disability, or family emergency, often mistakenly referred to as 'rustication'
2. Suspended students remain members of the Stapeldon Society according to the Constitution (Article 5, (a), (ii)).
3. Suspended students currently have no point of liaison with the JCR.

This JCR believes:

1. It is the JCR's obligation to look after the welfare of all Society members, including suspended students
2. Having the Vice President for Welfare as the point of contact/liaison for suspended students would support them through the process as well as help them reintegrate into the JCR
3. Contacting the VP Welfare should be a choice made by the Suspended student, and it should always be an option if the Suspended student so wishes

This JCR resolves:

1. To update Article 18 of the Constitution to read:

(h) Serve as the point of contact between Suspended Students and the JCR, assisting where they can when asked by the Suspended Student

Quorum was not reached for a constitutional amendment (35 are required) and so motion was deferred until a meeting with quorum.
