

ST CATHARINE'S COLLEGE JCR

JCR Meeting Minutes

Date and Time: Saturday 27th November at 4pm in the Upper Octagon

Present: President (AV), VP (SS), Treasurer (KP), Communications (DL), Accommodation (LM), BAME (SO), Environment and Ethical (AD), Welfare (AM), Academic (CD), Access (ES), Catering (JD), LGBT+ (MT & IW), Women's and NB (GS)

Apologies for Absence: Disabilities (AA), Environment and Ethical (AO), Charities (NW),

Absence without Apologies: Fresher reps (DT & EG), Welfare (AB), Catering (HP), Ents (AW & VM), International (AT & JK), Sports and Societies (RM),

Ordinary Members: RC

Matters arising from the minutes of last meeting

News and Updates

Boycott Barclays

- Letters for use to Boycott Barclays and dates on when the JCR will be leaving properly will be sent out on Wednesday. There is the current complication of whether the JCR itself is a charity which is causing issues with leaving the bank promptly.
- Boycott Banks Destruction now also has an instagram where updates can be followed too.

Issues Raised

EDI Meeting

- GS (Women's and NB) attended an EDI meeting last week where it was

discussed that the EDIWG would like the JCR to help create an annual calendar of religious holidays where the JCR committee could help organise some of the events from a student perspective.

- There is going to be a google document where the JCR can add events or potential celebration ideas they would like the College to consider and implement.

Orange Slips in the Library

- Currently the slips allow belongings to be left on desks for up to 2 hours but there are complaints this is not fair given the reduced capacity of the library at present.
- The committee decided since the Library is currently pushing for full capacity, we will keep the orange slips with a 2 hour reservation time. If by next term the library does not return to full capacity however, the committee will be reducing the time for which belongings can be kept at the desk for.

Rename Seeley Campaign Open Letter

- Currently the History Library - named Seeley - has been named after a colonialist so there is an open letter to rename it. Find the letter here
[☰ RENAME SEELEY LIBRARY OPEN LETTER](#)
- The JCR voted unanimously to sign the letter.

Catz Bar Essentials Shop (+stamps)

- There is an idea to have a Catz shop that sells essentials so students can grab items quickly when required. This will be followed up as a potential idea as last time something similar was implemented it wasn't used as much.
- There is the potential idea to ask College to either sell stamps for students to have easier access to postage if and when required or to make use of a franking machine.

Easier drop off and pick ups on move in day

- There is a concern among some student parents being uncomfortable driving around Cambridge and the city centre in particular for move in and out days. LM (Accommodations) to ask College for what alternatives they can support. There is already an option to ask one of the Porters to help transport your items via use of his van which can be booked. Students also now have complete flexibility to

move out whatever time they wish so can avoid the busier times of day when the traffic might be more inconvenient for parents.

PS4 at the Bar and Game Suggestions

- The PS4 is currently in the JCR room, one of the committee members will go and move it to the Bar as soon as possible since the JCR room will not be opened until the building works have finished.
- The committee currently aren't aware of what games are available to play on the PS4 but suggestions of what students would like purchased are welcome and they will be assessed on a case by case basis.

Issues Not Raised

- If your issue has not been raised here, please see the JCR Tracker
- (https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1is7NLM-Xm77Lf0liRlR01ARRdY_tGbMMC98XhzFxx0/edit?usp=sharing)

Any Other Business

JCR Social Media Promotional Usage

- The JCR currently accepts requests from any society that wishes to advertise their events or initiatives via the social media, however any activity that the society carries out which is offensive and/or discriminatory in any way will result in the JCR no longer approving their posts either on the Instagram or Facebook group since we do not condone such behaviour. Any offensive/discriminatory views or activity carried out by the society will be raised to College.

The Great Wheel Bakeoff

- Reminder to students to participate in this - the deadline for it is tomorrow 28th November! Details can be found in the Catz JCR instagram post put up on Tuesday.

Better quality facemasks

- College will be emailed to ask if provision of this is possible.

Later Breakfast times in Hall

- This is probably not possible but JD (Catering) to email and follow up.

If you have any suggestions or feedback you'd like to give the JCR, please get in touch by emailing [SS](#) or using the [anonymous messaging platform](#).

DL, 2021-2022 JCR Comms Officer