

## **Tuesday, 20th February 2024 - JCR Meeting Notes**

### **Attendees**

Ritika (President), Jessica (VP), Vladimir (Secretary), Jack (Treasurer), Joe (Freshers Rep), Sarah (Women's & enby welfare), Szymon (Men's & enby welfare), Emily (Ents), Keane (Access), Lewis (Class Act), Iris (D&I Rep), Izzy (LGBTQ+ Rep), Anna (WMG), Ruxi (Internationals), Sabrina (Ethnic minorities)

**Reminders to everyone:** fill out bio/photos form for the website!

### **Jack (Treasurer)**

- Reimbursement form can be found [here](#) (it is on the Messenger chat as well).
- Reimbursement can happen in two ways: with a receipt (take a nice, clear photo in which everything can be seen; there have been issues in the past) or with an invoice (they can be emailed directly to the college, could go through Jack as well so that he keeps track of finances).

### **Joe (Freshers' Rep)**

- Will circulate a feedback form for the last freshers' week and wishes to inquire whether freshers' week can be extended.
  - College response may be that accommodation is already booked out due to conferences happening at the same time, Ritika will bring it up during her next meeting with Dr Hampton.
- Will start putting together upcoming events (e.g. the Marriage Formal).

### **Emily (Ents)**

- There will be a bop on Saturday; will be promoted more. Emily will follow up to confirm whether non-alcoholic drinks are also half-priced.
- Joe raised a question about how the turn-out can be improved:
  - JCR can be redecorated; student artwork submissions can be organised.

### **Anna (WMG)**

- Thinking of organising a screening of a feminist documentary for International Women's Day in the Theatre.
  - Will need to get in touch with Anne Gifford for permission and forms.

### **Sabrina (Ethnic Minorities)**

- Raised discussion about JCR taking a stance about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.
  - If the JCR releases a statement, there should be events/charities attached to it, so that it is not meaningless.

- The college as a whole refrains from taking a stance, it can be something to be discussed at the JCR Open Meeting.
- Wants to plan a film screening in the Theatre about current events.
  - Needs to get permission from Anne; cannot use it as a fundraiser event with ticket proceeds going to a cause (but may put up a box for donations).
  - A question was raised whether other non-Peterhouse societies can have similar events in the Theatre: the College would regard these as commercial bookings with high prices.
- Wants to organise Holi SH
  - Needs to get in touch with catering (Symon and Mathew) about a date and drafting a menu.
- Sarah passed on an idea from the Chaplain about an Iftar formal.
  - Again, catering should be contacted about options.

### **Ruxi (Internationals)**

- Has been in touch with the Admissions Office about planning an International Freshers Week next year.

### **Ritika (President)**

- Reminders for everyone to send bio/images through the form.
- Accommodation forum: the form has been sent out; the purpose of the forum is to discuss wider issues the Accommodation office is not responsive about.
  - Iris/Joe/Lewis/Ruxi area awaiting students' responses.
- Extending library opening hours: Ritika spoke with the librarian, who will discuss it with the head librarian and the porters; the librarian seems more lenient towards opening the library 7-9 am instead of after midnight.
  - The bar can be converted into a study space during the day (it was supposed to be like this over the year, but it has not happened).
  - Other places (Lubbock Room, Upper Hall, Davidson Room, etc) can also be looked at and possibly open for group-study bookings.
- May Ball bursary tickets: Ritika has spoken with a member sitting on the Friends of Peterhouse's committee about funding bursary tickets for the May Ball. It may be a possibility, but the committee's next meeting will be at the end of March, so nothing can be done until then.
  - A question was raised about putting a Class Act/Access officer on the May Ball committee: can be a motion raised during the Open Meeting.
- By-elections are organised for Bar & Buttery and CCE officers, as well as applications for the Webmaster position. The Webmaster is especially important because he handles the ballot system.
- An Open Meeting will be held on March 5th: 20 people are needed for a quorum, motions for referendums can be passed with fewer people.
- Handover Hall: Ritika has contacted Catering, but they still have not followed up with any information or possible dates.