



Minutes of
St Hugh's JCR Meeting
1st Week Hilary Term 2026
25.01.26
8:00pm, JCR

Agenda:

- 1) Reports from members of the JCR Committee
- 2) Statement by the JCR Treasurer of the balance of the term's motion budget and the balance of any other budget relevant to this meeting
- 3) Late motions for admission
- 4) Action motions for debate asking for funding
- 5) Action motions for debate not asking for funding
- 6) Statement motions for debate
- 7) Items for discussion

1. Reports from members of the JCR Committee

President- Oscar Mowatt

- May be getting a student-run bar, putting feelers out to see if anyone interested in running it
- Exchange formal with Clare college, some tickets will go out for general release

Vice President- Rüya Oral

- Welfare ballot - will send an email about this, might be stricter regulations on the welfare ballot this year due to issues in the past
- May have to accept room college allocated you
- If you want a good room and don't have major reason to be on welfare ballot, better off not applying for it so it doesn't get oversaturated

Secretary- Eleanor Suh

- NTA

Treasurer- John Macmillan

- NTR

Access Rep- Ayesha Kangama

- NTR

Welfare Reps- Elizabeth Akora, Christopher Robertson, and Saria Branson

- Elizabeth has a meeting this week with harassment advisors about how harassment can be dealt with



- Setting up an anonymous sexual harassment report form and meeting with college about how these will be dealt with
- Looking into statement about standing up to the far-right

Entz Reps- Cosmo Fasanya and Raghu Krishnan

- Expect next BOP to be smaller in scale
- Halfway hall questions are out
- Invite fewer people to next BOP

LGBTQ+ Reps- Valerie Mann and Ben Woodward

- Queer formal
- Hotmess project playing
- Monday w2 queer drop-ins 12-1.30 in the SU building

International Rep- Ludwig Illies

- Welcome to all international students
- Approach Ludwig with questions, concerns, wishes
- Contact with ideas for events

Environment and Ethics Rep- Isabelle Marsh

- Drop in for college green-impact group
- Events with Wildlife Trust
- Eco-subcommittee emails will be going out to sign up for that

BAME Reps- Anushka Gupta and Maryam Omar

- Movie night tomorrow at 7pm, 'Sinners'

Disabilities Rep- Charles Hill

- Dyslexia screens will be in library this coming week

Charities and Community Rep- Isobel Henderson

- Pink BOP
- Pink formal and post-formal music event - jazz and pink drink. Around 9pm

Sports and Societies Rep- Tilak Patel

- Form will be sent out for those who play university sport
- MCR sports and soc rep wants to do a dinner at Vinny's for university sportspeople

Careers and Academic Affairs- Annabelle Parbrook

- College want to rearrange the student artwork around college, form will be sent around about it to the JCR

Director of Digital Operations- Ethan Precey

- Air mattress booking form is out, found in cupboard in JCR
- Food review dropped and w2 menu will be out soon



Freshers' Rep- Faraz Farooque

- NTR

Faiths and Beliefs Rep- Ella Joseph

- Ramadan pidding this term
- Meeting with college about improving food in hall

Cat Rep- Mia Carter

- Not present

2. Statement by the JCR Treasurer of the balance of the term's motion budget and the balance of any other budget relevant to the meeting

- £800 of motions budget left

3. Late motions for admission

NA

4. Action motions for debate asking for funding

Motion 1: OPS Uni Slam Team entry fee

The JCR notes:

Oxford Poetry Society is putting together a team for the annual UniSlam Poetry competition held this year in Birmingham. The entry fee for the team is £60 before any money goes towards transport, accommodation etc. The proposer, Audrey Davidson-Houston, is the President of OPS this year and is aiming to bring back slam poetry to the university. Due to the society's lapse during Covid we aren't currently able to receive funding from the university so this money would go a long way towards helping the team to get there. Slam Poetry has a long history in bringing people together to share their cultures, backgrounds and beliefs. Its emphasis on performance and shared emotion gives it an important and often overlooked spot in the poetry space.

The JCR believes:

This money would help OPS to secure a spot in the national competition, putting Oxford back on the map for slam and spoken word poetry. The students involved span both undergraduate and masters students from St Hugh's and this is an opportunity for colleges and year groups across the university to come together. A student from St Hugh's won the Oxford Slam competition when it last ran in 2009 and hopefully by bringing students together for this competition we can get the Oxford based one back up and running. St Hugh's has a legacy of fantastic creativity and this money would be hugely beneficial in restarting the tradition.

The JCR resolves to:

give £60 to the Oxford Poetry Society to be used for the entry fee to the UniSlam Poetry competition this year.

Proposer and seconder:

Audrey Davidson-Houston and Erin Butler

Audrey adds:

- Team of students going, entry fee must be paid this week or next week
- As others are paying for transport and accom, it would be good if college could provide help
- Oxford hasn't entered for a few years, would be helpful if Hugh's could support

POI: NA



POD: NA

36 present

Favour: 36

Against: 0

Abstaining: 0

MOTION PASSED

Motion 2: Fund Monstrous Regiment

The JCR notes:

- a. The play Monstrous Regiment will take place in the Michael Pilch Studio in 5th week of Hilary Term.
- b. Two JCR members are involved, one as an assistant director and another as a major role in the cast.
- c. Picnic Productions is a new production company and needs to raise the funds for the rights and venue, as well as the cost of set, props, and costume.
- d. The rights cost £720 and the venue costs £400, which is significant expenditure for a new production company; any support the JCR could provide will go a long way.
- e. Those involved in student drama are responsible for raising the funds to put on the play, from funding bodies and their JCRs.

The JCR believes:

We should support artistic endeavours and the artistic development of JCR members

The JCR resolves to:

Give £60 to Picnic Productions from the JCR.

Proposer and Seconder:

Valerie Mann, Ben Owen-Range

POI:

POD:

34 present

Favour: 34

Against: 0

Abstaining: 0

MOTION PASSED

Motion 3: Motion to donate £120 to Little Shop of Horrors (Cross Keys x 2046 Productions)

The JCR notes:

Cross Keys x 2046 Productions are putting on a student production of Little Shop of Horrors (18th-22nd February) in the Keble O'Reilly Theatre. There are three members of the JCR involved in this production in the roles of Producer, Production Manager, and Assistant Director. This production is committed to inclusivity and diversity. We proactively contacted groups under-represented in Oxford's student drama scene during the recruitment process, such as Oxford ACS, Jsoc, Wocsoc, and so on. This successfully brought first-timers to Oxford student theatre into the project. The more senior members of the team aim to give less experienced members a supportive environment for learning. This is a production of a grand scale, involving puppetry, a live band, and a tiered set. Significant upfront funding is needed to cover these costs.



The JCR believes:

Funding from JCRs ensures that student theatre remains accessible to all and their support allows creatives to build large-scale shows. Without support from JCRs, many aspects of this production would prove impossible to achieve.

Grants from JCRs allow student productions to maintain their low ticket costs, allowing theatre to be accessed by audiences of all backgrounds.

The JCR resolves to:

Donate £120 to Cross Keys x 2046 Productions to support their production of Little Shop of Horrors.

Proposer and Seconder:

Jess Phillips, Michelle Tse

POI:

- Asking for more than usual as a technical and ambitious production
- Marketing campaign and set
- Relying heavily on JCR funding because no loan from Oxford drama society
- President: meeting by meeting budget of about £200, don't want to use budget used up earlier in the term, proposes £80

POD:

Amending to £80

Voting on amended £80 motion

34 present

Favour:34

Against:0

Abstaining:0

MOTION PASSED (£80 allocated)

5. Action motions for debate not asking for funding

None.

6. Statement motions for debate

None.

7. Items for discussion

None.