



Lincoln College MCR
General Meeting
Wednesday 25 January 2015 (Hillary Term)

Minutes

1. President's Welcome

- Little Clarendon Street - Update on Flooring & Window Replacement Works
 - Floors have been replaced
 - Windows will be replaced – college is seeking more companies to purchase from
- Changes in Hall - call for feedback
 - Keep giving us feedback so we can continue to improve
- Report from Senior Tutor's Committee
 - New accommodation bursaries
- MCR involvement in Lincoln outreach activities
 - Lincoln is looking to encourage MCR members to get involved in its outreach activities
Let Kevin know if you're interested in being a part of Lincoln's outreach efforts
- MCR Committee Elections are coming up!
 - President, Treasurer, Secretary, Welfare Officers, and Social Secretaries will be elected this term
 - Nominations are open in 5th week – check your e-mails
 - Elections are held in 6th week
 - All other positions elected at the beginning of Trinity Term
- Call for Annual Fund Applications
 - We need ideas for applications to the Annual Fund
 - Lincoln goes to Lincoln trip
 - Punt at the Cherwell
 - Lincoln Leads
 - Disposable cameras?
 - Garden area?
 - Send ideas to Kevin and Josh
- Library
 - Clean-up process is changing
 - Items will be cleared between 9am and 10am each morning as normal to discourage desk-hogging

- Instead of being put on a lost property desk near the entrance of the Library, from now on lost property will be put in a grey bin for collection
- When bin is full, these belongings will be put in the JCR
- JCR has ballot for lecterns in the library in Trinity Term, increasing pressure on space. While a Graduate Table provides four spaces for MCR members, what ideas/suggestions do we have for possible improvements?
 - Can Oakshott room (or another room) be used for a quiet study space just for MCR members?
 - Lewis wants to know why a booth ballot occurs in the first place
 - Because Finalists require guaranteed study space

2. Treasurer's Report

- Playstation 4 in MCR
 - We have a PS4 now, but be respectful (i.e. be mindful of events happening in the MCR and maybe don't play Call of Duty at full volume in the middle of Dissertea)
 - Also if someone wants to watch live TV, they have priority for use of the TV
- Emily Carr
 - Received around £500 from guests

2. Secretary's Report

- Housing ballot
 - The Housing Ballot will be run this term rather than next so that people can make a decision about whether to seek alternative accommodation earlier in the year
 - Emails will be sent with further details, but tentative timetable will be that the ballot opens in 4th week and closes in 6th week, with the order being released in 7th week.
 - Room choosing part of the ballot will occur in Trinity Term

4. Welfare Report

- Apologies from Rose & Jochen for not being here
- Movie night happening
- Welfare tea continues
- People interested in taking on the Welfare Officer role should get in touch with Rose and Jochen

5. Social Report

- Magdalen bar exchange – “sign up” on facebook
- Signups for other exchanges will be circulated
- Lincoln goes to Lincoln – sign up for the trip! Travel completely funded by Annual Fund, and entry prices to Cathedral and Castle are subsidised by the MCR. Tour of Cathedral and meeting with Bishop of Lincoln arranged
 - Buy Imp stuff at the Cathedral gift shop
- More details for social events (e.g. costs of MCR lunch, MCR dinner, etc.) will be put on MCR website

6. Charities Rep Update

- Charities auction is coming up
 - Asher will be the MC
 - We will auction MCR member promises or items
 - Cooking feast for example
 - Monday of 5th week the items will be due
 - See e-mail earlier this week for full details on how to promise something at the auction

7. Diversity and equality

- Apologies from Maayan and Matt for not being here
- E&D reps are working toward alternatives to hall portrait diversification

8. Academic Rep Update

- Lincoln Leads update
 - So far successful
 - Next week will be the having Brexit session
 - Law student
 - Baron Lisvane
 - Parliamentary legally ramifications
 - Surprise guest
 - One of 3 very impressive and knowledgeable speakers
- Thanks to Emily for putting on Monday Dissertea
- Lord Florey talk needs a speaker
 - 200 word abstract
 - 40 minute talk
 - Can be anyone, MSt to DPhil

9. Food Rep Update

- Hall things are still a work in progress
- Keep sending feedback

10. Green Rep Update

- Zero waste challenge – starts next week
- Plants and gardens update – edible plants will be coming to College & Bear Lane, will arrange a tour of gardens with Kyle for students to go on at some point
- Bike update – there is a bike pump in Bear Lane coming
- Hawk update – second Hawk arrival is imminent

11. LGBTQ Rep Update

- Apologies from Alex for not being here – sent update in e-mail

12. First Year Rep Update

- Apologies from Gabriel for not being here
- Lincoln Jumpers continue to be distributed – please pick it up if you bought one

13. Sports Rep Update

- Apologies from Arutyun and Tom for not being here
- MyProtein scheme exists – so far made £1.42

14. Motions

15. Any Other Business

- Potential replacement of the Tassimo coffee machine
 - The Tassimo coffee machine by virtue of it using coffee pods generates a lot of waste
 - An alternative machine that uses just coffee beans would generate less waste – should the MCR investigate a replacement coffee machine?

- Only feasible if people are willing to clean it – not the job of the Scouts or the Committee to tidy up after everyone else
- Compromise on a French press?
- Potential for sink to be blocked with coffee grinds if people don't dispose of them properly – prolonged discussion of diameter of pipes in British plumbing