



Lincoln College MCR

MCR General Meeting & Committee Representative Elections

Wednesday 11th October 2017 (Michaelmas Term)

Minutes

1. President's Welcome

- Accommodation prices: Prices have risen from 2016/17 in line with inflation i.e. 2.7%-2.9%. If your battels show a disproportionate increase, check with the bursar's office to see if there is a mistake
- MCR carpets: Current carpets in poor condition and we are looking to replace them with money granted from college. If you have any recommendations for tasteful & durable carpets, then email me (Glenn). Must match colour scheme of MCR - maroon/ brown/ beige.
- Suspension of status update: University is reviewing this process for graduate students, looking to make it easier & provide more support to students if they suspend. They want to flag up and address any issues *before* there is negative impact on studies. They are looking for comments on this so get in touch with Glenn if you have any experience.
- Dunne school review. Lincoln is home to 90% of pathologists so should contribute to the review. How do people enjoy programme? Any comments to Glenn about the school.
- Reminder of JCR MCR Dinner on Saturday of week 2. Great way to make friends across common rooms & enjoy a nice meal! Signups will be soon.

2. Treasurer's Report

- Bike Cull: On Wednesday 18th there will be a cull around *all* college sites. If your bike is not college registered it will be removed & sold so you must register your bike! You can register at the to get a sticker for bike. Register before Wednesday.
- Charities opt-out: To opt-out of the various charities schemes, use the google link on Glenn's 1st week email. Pay now then get reimbursed in following battels. Opt-out before Sunday 15th October @5pm. To summarise, Overseas scholarship (9£) pays for an overseas graduate to come to Lincoln. Student Refugee (£4) is an Oxford wide fund, pays for a refugee to study at Oxford. Charities scheme (£8) goes to nominated MCR charities.

3. Secretary's Report

Freshers' Matriculation Photographs:

- See Alice's email for time slot of individual portrait.
- You will get 2 photo cards in the pidge – make sure you have these when posing for photographs!
- Meet in front quad at 11:45am to get ready for group matriculation photo. If you are late you will likely be put in an awkward place.
- Have fun!

4. Welfare Report

- New welfare team formed: Rose Mortimer, Hansjochen Kockert, Jess Milligan & Sebastian Kemner
- Male Welfare Officer position still open. Would need to take peer support training in Michaelmas to undertake role.
- All welcome at Welfare tea on Friday!

5. Social Report

- Social team survived Freshers' week (somehow)
- Sign up to volunteer for Emily Carr party and get free food and fun
- Emily Carr brunch sign up ends 10am on Friday. Even if you are volunteering you need to sign up. Fills up quickly – so sign up now!
- College has sent a big thank you to the Welfare & Social team for a great Freshers' week.

6. Charities Report

- New Charities team of 7 is formed!
- So far 2 charities have been nominated for the Charities Scheme. Please continue to nominate before week 4, when we will vote at the general meeting.
- Look for small charities as we tend to donate between £500-£1000 to each charity
- Proposals for outings/charities events are welcome
- If you want to take part in the Charity concert on November 27th then get in touch with Tiziana Imstepf or Emily Hasrati. Not many people from MCR so far. Staff & fellows will be invited.

7. Academic Report

- Lord Florey paper abstract deadline is 24th October (see email)
- Many thanks to the many applicants to join Academic Team. Can't select 5 team members until Lincoln Leads panel is finalised as depends on suitability. Tried to undersell but had 14 applicants so far! Those who don't get on the team will have 1st refusal on student slots to present paper.
- Lincoln Leads: Have all fellows and some alumni in place. It will be a couple of weeks before call of papers for student slots.
- Poster highlighting themes/questions will be ready soon.

Q: Who gives Lord Florey talks, only DPhil?

A: Anyone who wants to, all levels can apply. Academic team vote on submitted abstracts each term. Abstracts assessed anonymously. Needs to be an accessible presentation, rather than super academic paper. Involves presenting & questions for 30-40mins. Good public engagement experience. Can present about anything, doesn't have to be course. Very relaxed.

8. Food Report

- Biscuit tin concerns: Bear in mind there is a finite weekly budget for biscuits. Once this is used up there will be no more so don't eat them all at once! Also don't eat gluten free unless you are gluten free, and don't put them in the box as this contaminates them.

9. LGBTQ Report

- We are now joint with JCR. Had first joint event which was successful.
- Ask Liam if you'd like to join the LGBTQ facebook group.
- There will be a discussion around recent Vice Chancellor comments in week 3. Let Liam know if you have any opinions for us to raise.

10. E&D Report

- Team night is tomorrow night! All invited. There will be home-made snacks! Come have a chat and be around like minded people.
- Events based on your needs so let us know if you'd like us to run anything.
- It is black history month! We will post events.
- Next week we will celebrate Diwali with a community dinner. Plenty of Indian food, sweets & decorations. All welcome!

11. Election of Social Team (2 positions)

- Nominees:
 - **Shahnaz Hoque**, seconded by Lewis Arthurton & Mat Veal

Hust: Hello I'm Shaz and I want to join the social team! Have relevant experience as started 2 societies during Undergrad degree - Women in Science & Engineering & Boxing, and was social sec. of these. Have worked & organised lots of social events for engineers which can be very challenging!

Vote results: Unanimously in favour!

12. Election of Sports Rep.

- Nominees:
 - **Zoe Clark**, seconded by Migle Stankaityte.

Hust: I did undergrad here, so know how intercollegiate sport works & keen to do more. I am a rower, powerlifter, swimmer, iceskater (&more!) and am keen to help out in the MCR and get more people involved in sport.

Vote results: Unanimously in favour!

13. Election of Green Rep.

- Nominees:
 - **Edward Roberts**, seconded by Glenn Cahilly-Bretzin.

Hust: I'm new to Oxford & very confused so far. Can see lots of environmental improvements to be made. Had a similar role during my undergrad & worked in recycling/tree planting. Have lots of new ideas so if you love the environment vote for me.

Q: Will you have pictures of Hawks in emails?

A: Yes very keen for that

Vote results: Unanimously in favour!

14. Election of First Year Rep.

- No 4th years present to vote.

15. Election of MCR Rep.

- No nominees

16. AOB

The next call for motions will be before the general meeting in 4th week.