

Robinson College Students' Association - Open Meeting

Sunday 7th November 2010



Agenda

- 1. Apologies for absence or lateness
- 2. Announcement of the presence and purpose of guests
- 3. Approval of the order of the agenda
- 4. Reading by the secretary on request by any member, amendment if necessary and approval of the minutes of any previous Open Meeting not yet accepted by an Open Meeting.
- 5. Matters Arising from the minutes
- 6. Reports from the Committee
- 7. Ouestions to the Committee
- 8. Extraordinary Motions
- 9. Ordinary Motions
 - a) Domain name
 - b) Jelly society
 - c) Rugby Pads
 - d) Budget
- 10. Any other RCSA business

Ordinary Motions

a) Domain Name

THIS MOTION REQUIRES A TWO THIRDS ASSENT TO PASS.

RCSA Notes:

- 1. The "rcsa.co.uk" domain owned by the RCSA expires in less than 30 days.
- 2. The domain will cost £7.03 to renew for a further 2 years.
- 3. The last time the domain was renewed it was renewed for 2 years.

RCSA Believes:

1. It's important when people visit rcsa.co.uk they end up at our website.

2. It's nice to have rcsa.co.uk for ourselves.

RCSA Resolves:

- 1. To allocate £7.03 of the open meeting budget to renew the subscription.
- 2. To mandate the Computer Officer to renew the subscription.

Proposed: Hannis "currently the entire IT department" Whittam
Seconded: Andy "Handy's personal IT team" Akon

b) Jelly Society

THIS MOTION REQUIRES A TWO THIRDS ASSENT TO PASS.

RCSA Notes:

- 1. That there is no society for the appreciation of Jelly.
- 2. That there is an increased interest in the appreciation of Jelly (and or Ice cream) and consumption thereof.
- 3. That Jelly flavours increase awareness of different fruits.
- 4. That Jelly can be combined with fruit to form a healthy dessert.
- 5. That on weekend evenings many undergraduate members have limited access to desserts.

RSCA Believes:

1. That there is a need for a Jelly Society, to promote, educate and indulge in all things Jellicious.

RCSA Resolves:

- 1. To form The Robinson College Jelly Society (RCJS). The RCJS agree to be bound by the constitution of the RCSA.
- 2. To amend Appendix 1 of the constitution to include The Jelly Society.
- 3. The aims of the RCJS shall be:

- i) to spread the love of jelly throughout the college, city and world.
- ii) to make known the awesomeness of the jelly-ice cream combination.
- 4. To approve the RCJS constitution. (see addendum)

Proposed: Maria "Jelly Princess" Farrimond

Seconded: Brynmor "Mould Me" Pickering

c) Rugby Pads

THIS MOTION REQUIRES A TWO THIRDS ASSENT TO PASS.

RCSA Notes:

- 1. That the current RCRUFC (Robinson College Rugby) contact pads are worn out and insufficient for the size of players.
- 2. The number of people who are new to rugby or are resuming the game after not playing for a number of years means that good quality contact pads are necessary to prevent injury.
- 3. Following the Teams recent promotion to Division 2 proper training pads are crucial to maintain training quality.
- 4. The money is requested from the reserves because the pads will last a number of years and benefit the club for many seasons.

RCSA Believes:

- 1. That the pads will benefit all members of the squad.
- 2. New pads will prevent injuries such as those caused by the current pads.

RCSA Resolves:

1. To allocate £500 from the RCSA reserves to buy 2 Tackle Pillars and 4 Contact Pads.

(see addendum)

Proposed: Will "Here comes the Boom" Woods Seconded: Harry "Big Dog needs big pads" Clifford

d) Budget

THIS MOTION REQUIRES A TWO THIRDS ASSENT TO PASS.

RCSA Notes:

1. The budget for the next year needs to be discussed and voted on.

RCSA Believes:

1. That this is essential.

RCSA Resolves:

- 1. To discuss the budget and vote on it, according to the constitution
- 2. To approve the RCSA budget for 2010-11 (see addendum for breakdown)

Proposed: The Constitution.

Addendum

Constitution of the Jelly Society

Article 1 Name of the Society

The name of the Society shall be the Robinson College Jelly Society, hereinafter referred to as 'the Society'.

Article 2 Aims of the Society

The aims of the Society shall be to spread the love of jelly throughout the college, city and world and make known the awesomeness of the jelly-ice cream combination.

Article 3 Membership

- 3.1 Membership is open to all members, even women, of Cambridge University and Anglia Ruskin University.
 - Any eligible person shall become a member of the Society on signing their name to the official membership list of the Society.
- 3.2 Membership shall carry with it a commitment to help with society fiscal maintenance at each jellirific meeting.

Article 4 The Committee

- 4.1 A committee shall conduct the business of the Society.
- 4.2 The committee of the Society shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting, or, if necessary, at an Extraordinary General Meeting.
- 4.3 The committee shall consist of the following members:- the President; the Chairman; the Senior Treasurer; the Secretary; the Public Relations Officer; the Staff Development officer; the Research and Development officer. All members of the committee shall be required to be members of the Society.

4.4 **President**

The President shall have overall responsibility for the affairs of the Society. He/She shall chair all meetings of the Society, save where decided otherwise by the committee or where otherwise provided for in this constitution.

4.5 Chairman

The Chairman shall assume the duties of the President should the President be absent or unable to fulfill his/her duties. Also where a conflict of interest may arise, the Chairman will assume chair of the meetings of the Society.

4.6 **Senior Treasurer**

The Senior Treasurer will manage the financial affairs of the Society, in consultation with all members of the committee. He/She will maintain the financial records of the Society. He/She will prepare and present to the Society and the College the end of year accounts and treasurers report for the Society.

4.7 **Staff Development officer**

The Staff Development officer ensures that all members are fulfilling their duties as per the constitution and maintains inter-departmental relations.

4.8 **Secretary**

The Secretary shall keep the non-financial records of the Society, including the official membership list, and manage the correspondence of the Society and submitting the end of year report.

4.9 **Public Relations Officer**

The Public Relations Officer shall be responsible for advertising the meetings and events of the Society.

4.10 Research and Development officer

The Research and Development officer ensures quality of new, delicious jelly. All ideas that he/she moulds must be passed by the members of the committee before taking fruitation.

4.11 **Committee Meetings**

- 4.11.1 Meetings of the committee shall be held at least twice termly during the academic year. All members of the committee shall be entitled to attend and vote at such meetings.
- 4.11.2 The quorum for a meeting of the committee shall be four committee members.
- 4.11.3 Meetings of the committee shall be convened by the President or Secretary. At least two days notice of a committee meeting shall be given by the President or Secretary to the members of the committee.

4.12 Term of Office of the Committee

The committee shall hold office from the end of an AGM at which they were elected until the close of the AGM four years following.

Article 5 General Meetings

5.1 **Annual General Meeting**

5.1.1 The Annual General Meeting of the Society shall take place on the 1st November, at a time to be determined by the committee of the Society.

The date and time of the A.G.M. shall be notified to the College and advertised by public notice within the College.

5.2 Extraordinary General Meetings

- 5.2.1 An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Society may be convened to:
 - (i) Hold an election to fill a vacancy on the committee, should one arise;
 - (ii) Consider a proposal to amend this constitution or any other governing instrument of the Society:
 - (iii) Address any other circumstance not provided for in this constitution.
- 5.2.2. An Extraordinary General Meeting shall be convened:
 - (i) By majority decision of the committee; or
 - (ii) On foot of a submission to the committee of the Society of a petition signed by not less than 6 members of the Society.
- 5.2.3 No less than three days notice of an Extraordinary General Meeting shall be given. The date and time of the E.G.M. shall be notified to the University and advertised by public notice within the University.

Article 6 Election of the Committee

- 6.1 The committee of the Society shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- 6.2 The President shall act as returning officer for the elections. Where the President intends to be a candidate in any election, a returning officer, who is not a candidate in any election, shall be appointed by the committee.
- 6.3 All members of the Society shall be eligible for election to the committee.
- 6.4 Candidates for each position on the committee of the Society must be proposed and seconded by members of the Society at the A.G.M.
- 6.5 All members of the Society shall be entitled to vote in the election of the committee.
- 6.6 The election of members of the committee shall take place by secret ballot at the A.G.M. Where the votes obtained by any candidate exceed the votes obtained by any other candidate for that position, he/she shall be deemed elected to that position.

Article 7 Resignations from the Committee

7.1 The resignation of any member of the committee shall be instituted by a letter of resignation to the Secretary of the Society. In the case of the resignation of the Secretary, resignation may be instituted by a letter of resignation to the President.

Article 8 Management of Finance

- 8.1 The finances of the Society shall be managed by the President and Senior Treasurer of the Society.
- 8.2 No member of the committee of the Society shall receive remuneration from the Society, or use their office for personal financial gain.

Article 9 Amendments to the Constitution

- 9.1 Amendments to this constitution may be made at an Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Society.
- 9.2 Such amendments to this constitution as may be approved by an Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Society shall require the formal approval of the College before taking effect.

Article 10 Dissolution of the Society

- 10.1 The Society may be dissolved by a two thirds majority vote of its committee at a General Meeting. The Society may also be dissolved by decision of the RCSA.
- 10.2 On dissolution of the Society, its assets shall become the property of the Robinson College Porters.

Rugby Pads

How much is requested? £500

What it is to be used for? 2 x Tackle Columns 4 x Contact Pads

Costing Tackle						
Pads						
				Price	Inc .Delivery	Total
2	Tackle Bags	2-611011	Senior	£94.54	£99.27	£198.53
4	Pro Contact Pad	2-611310	Senior	£71.52	£75.09	£300.36

		Order Total	£498.90

These are necessary because;

- 5. That the current RCRUFC (Robinson College Rugby) contact pads are worn out and insufficient for the size of players.
- 6. The number of people who are new to rugby or are resuming the game after not playing for a number of years means that good quality contact pads are necessary to prevent injury.
- 7. Following the Teams recent promotion to Division 2 proper training pads are crucial to maintain training quality and playing performance.

Why it was not requested at the Budget Meeting:

 Because the pads will be used for a number of seasons and should not be allocated from this years budget.

Whom it will benefit;

- All members of the playing squad which is continuously growing following a strong fresher sign up and renewed interest from other years.
- The pads will last for a number of years and so benefit future squads for a number of seasons.

We have decided to buy these pads because:

- They are a high quality pad constructed of quality and durable materials which means they will last a number of years.
- o They are specifically designed for senior size and weight players.
- As a subsidiary club of the University Rugby Club we get a 20% discount on Samuari kit which not only makes these pads very good value for the quality but also makes them very competitively priced compared to other options.

Budget

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Boat Club	£7,260
Rugby Club	£1,670
Hockey Club	£1,250
Chapel Choir	£1,080
Film Soc	£583
RCMS	£450
Basketball	£350
Football	£320
Badminton	£215
Squash	£190
Nethell	C100
Netball	£180
Cricket	£150
Video Games	£110
Waterpolo and Swimming	£105
CD Library	£70
Amnosty	£90
Amnesty	
Art Soc	£60
Pool	£60
Table Tennis	£50
Christian Union	£50
Cross Country & Athletics	£35
Volleyball	£30
Chess Club	£20
Ultimate Frisbee	£20
Grand Total Societies	£14,399