



Robinson College Students' Association - Open Meeting



Sunday, 28th October 2012

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence or lateness
2. Announcement of the presence and purpose of guests
3. Approval of the presence and speaking rights of guests
4. Approval of the order of the agenda
5. 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.
6. Matters Arising from the minutes
7. Reports from the Committee
8. Questions to the Committee
9. Extraordinary Motions
10. Ordinary Motions
 - a) Robinson College Board Games Society
 - b) 2012-2013 Budget
11. Any other RCSA business

1. There should be an opportunity for people who like board games to play them together.

RCSA Resolves:

1. A Robinson Board Games Society should be formed.
2. That this society will be bound by the constitution of the RCSA.
3. That this society will be responsible for organising regular meet-ups to play board games.
4. To amend Appendix 1 of the RCSA Constitution to include the Robinson College Board Games Society (See Appendix 1 of this agenda).

**Proposed Lotte 'Board To Be Wild' Reinbold
Seconded Chris 'Connect THIS!' Truscott**

Ordinary Motions

a) Robinson College Board Games Society
This motion requires a two thirds majority to pass.

RCSA Notes:

1. Board games are fun.
2. The JCR has a fine collection of board games, as do many college members.
3. A recent poll on Facebook revealed that a (surprisingly?) large amount of college members like board games, and would like to play them together.
4. There is no Robinson Board Games Society.

RCSA Believes:

b) 2012-2013 Budget

This motion requires a simple majority 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 2012-13 (See Appendix 2 for breakdown)

Proposed: The Constitution.

Appendix 1: Constitution of the 'Robinson College Board Games Society

CHAPTER I: TITLE

SECTION 1:

The name of the Society shall be 'Robinson College Board Games Society' (RCBS)

SECTION 2:

The aim of the Society shall be to bring members of college together in board-game playing harmony.

SECTION 3:

Membership of the Society shall be open to any member of the college.

SECTION 4:

Amendment of this Constitution of the Society shall require the assent of two thirds of the Members of the Society present and voting in a General Meeting.

SECTION 5:

In case of doubt interpretation of this Constitution of the society shall rest with College Council.

CHAPTER II: GENERAL MEETINGS

SECTION 1:

There shall be an Annual General Meeting called by the Committee during Lent Full Term neither earlier than ten months nor later than fourteen months after the previous Annual General Meeting. There shall have been three and only three Annual General Meetings within any period of three years. Every Member of the Society shall be entitled to attend and shall have been given one week's written notice.

SECTION 2:

There shall be an Extraordinary General Meeting at the call of the Committee or on petition to the Secretary signed by one tenth of the total number of Members of the Society. Every Member of the Society shall be entitled to attend and shall have been given three days' written notice.

SECTION 3:

The quorum for General Meetings shall be one fifth of the total number of the Members in the Society.

CHAPTER III: THE COMMITTEE

SECTION 1:

The Committee shall consist of the following four Officers in order of seniority:

- i) President
- ii) Vice President;
- iii) Treasurer;

iv) Secretary;

SECTION 2:

No person shall hold more than one office at any time.

SECTION 3:

Each Officer shall serve on the Committee from the end of the General Meeting at which he or she shall have been elected until the earliest of the following conditions:

- i) The end of the next Annual General Meeting;
- ii) He or she shall cease to be a Member of the Society;
- iii) He or she shall have published written notice of resignation;
- iv) He or she shall have been challenged by the signatures of one sixth of the total number of Members of the Society.

SECTION 4:

Elections shall only be held at General Meetings. There shall be the annual election of all Officers at the Annual General Meeting. A bye-election shall be held at an Extraordinary General Meeting neither fewer than seven days nor more than 14 days following the resignation or challenge of the Officer to be replaced.

SECTION 5:

After every election the Secretary of the RCBSA shall be notified of the names of each of the holders of all the Offices of that association.

CHAPTER IV: DUTIES

SECTION 1:

A Committee Meeting shall be allowed to be called for any time and any place by either the President or a majority of the Officers.

SECTION 2:

The quorum for Committee Meetings shall be half of the Officers.

SECTION 3:

The President shall have overall responsibility for the Affairs of the Society. The President shall chair all Meetings of the Society, unless decided otherwise by the Committee.

SECTION 4:

The Vice President shall assume the duties of the President should the President be absent or unable to fulfil their duties. Where a conflict of interest may arise, the Vice President will assume chair of the Meetings of the Society.

SECTION 5:

The Treasurer shall present to the Annual General Meeting a written report detailing the financial position of the Society and explaining income and expenditure since the previous Annual General Meeting.

SECTION 6:

The Secretary shall maintain a list of Members of the Society which shall be available for inspection by any Member of the Society. The Secretary shall give notice of each General Meeting and each Committee Meeting to those entitled to attend. The Secretary shall keep minutes of each General Meeting and each Committee Meeting which shall be available for inspection by any Member of the Society. The Secretary shall invite nominations for elections.

CHAPTER V: POLLS

SECTION 1:

A valid nomination for an election shall consist of a note declaring the Office for which the nominee shall be a candidate bearing the signature of a Member of the Society indicating his or her willingness to stand and agreement to abide by the **Constitution** together with the signatures of two other Members of the Society.

SECTION 2:

Any Member of the Society shall be allowed to be nominated for more than one Office and retiring Officers shall be allowed to stand for re-election.

SECTION 3:

The close of the nominations shall be noon on the day before the General Meeting at which the election is to be held. At the close of nominations the Secretary shall prepare ballot papers and shall advertise all the Candidates to each Member of the Society.

SECTION 4:

The elections will be held in the order of seniority of the Officers to be elected. A person already elected to an Office shall not be eligible for an inferior Office at the same General Meeting.

SECTION 5:

Each nominee shall be allowed to withdraw his or her nomination from any election before the poll for that election.

SECTION 6:

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.

CHAPTER VI: FINANCE

SECTION 1:

The Committee shall decide how funds at the disposal of the Society shall be disbursed in pursuance of the objects of the Society.

SECTION 2:

The RCSA Treasurer shall have the power to inspect all documents pertaining to financial transactions conducted on behalf of the Society.

SECTION 3:

The Treasurer of the Society shall appoint a person independent of the Society as auditor who shall check the financial statement presented by the Treasurer to the Annual General Meeting

CHAPTER VII: DISSOLUTION

SECTION 1:

The Society may be dissolved by a majority vote of its Committee at a General Meeting. The Society may also be dissolved by decision of the RCSA.

SECTION 2:

On dissolution of the Society, its assets shall become the property of the RCSA.