



RCSA Open Meeting Agenda
2pm, JCR, Sunday 19th October 2014



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) Jelly Society Budget Reallocation
 - b) Women's Football
 - c) RCBC – Race Costs and Cam Subs
 - d) PhotoSoc Budget Reallocation
 - e) Vocal Chords Society
 - f) Talking over Tea – Robinson College Tea Society
 - g) Robinson College Jewish Society
11. Any other RCSA business
 - a) Green Officer wants student opinions about the gardens

Ordinary Motions

- a) **Jelly Society Budget Reallocation**

RCSA Notes:

1. We have a Jelly Society.
2. In the budget meeting in 2013 the jelly society received funding for the following categories: Moulds (£40), Cutlery (£10).
3. The Jelly society has a lack of good storage for existing moulds, due to damage to boxes. The society has also relied on members to provide other equipment essential for jelly making.
4. This would require money to be in a general equipment category, which would allow the committee to buy the storage boxes/containers required and digital scales.
5. The society is not asking for any more money

RCSA Believes:

1. The current budget categories restrict the ability of the Jelly society to purchase what is required.
2. The society should be able to reallocate money within its budget, in order to meet its needs.

RCSA resolves:

1. £40 from the moulds category and £10 from the Cutlery category of the Jelly Society budget 2013-2014 should be reallocated to an equipment (and Storage) category (providing a total of £50 in equipment).

Proposer: Mark 'THE JELLY LORD' Driver

Seconder: Fiona 'Jelly Spiller' Howells

b) Women's Football

RCSA Notes:

1. Sports teams should have access to the appropriate basic equipment
2. Basic equipment can be damaged in storage over the summer
3. Women's football did not have a budget last year
4. The football season has started

RCSA Believes:

1. In order for our sports teams to be successful, the RCSA should help to provide appropriate basic equipment

RCSA Resolves:

1. To allocate £15 per ball from the Open Meeting Budget to Women's Football, so that they can buy 2x new Adidas footballs
2. To allocate £10 from the Open Meeting Budget to Women's Football to purchase a new pair of goalkeeping gloves.

Proposer: Emily Shaw

Seconder: Nicole Manion

c) RCBC – Race Costs and Cam Subs

RCSA Notes:

1. RCBC bought a new boat this year. It needs to be registered with Conservators of the Cam for us to be allowed to use it.
2. RCBC has spent a lot more on races than in previous years as we have had a significant increase in numbers of people rowing

RCSA Believes:

1. RCBC's new boat should be registered otherwise it is not allowed to be used on the Cam.
2. All members of RCBC should be allowed to race often.

RCSA Resolves:

1. To reallocate £64 from Repairs, Refits and Equipment into Cam subs.
2. To reallocate £399.25 from Repairs, Refits and Equipment into Race Costs.

Proposer: Ed Osbourne
Secunder: Will Tremellen

d) PhotoSoc Budget Reallocation

RCSA Notes:

1. Photography and Art Society has overspent in certain sections of their budget
2. There is enough money in other sections to reallocate and balance the budget

RCSA Believes:

1. Reallocation should be allowed to prevent confusion at the Budget Meeting

RCSA Resolves:

1. To reallocate from 52.38 Prints to Equipment
2. To reallocate 12.10 from Speakers to Prizes

Proposer: Adam Runacres
Secunder: Douglas Robinson

e) Vocal Chords Society

RCSA Notes:

1. People in college want to be involved in a college singing group
2. Not all people can commit to chapel choir
3. People enjoy attending singing group concerts

RCSA Believes:

1. It would be good for singers to have an opportunity to sing together
2. Vocal Chords should be officially recognised by the RCSA

RCSA Resolves:

1. To create Vocal chords
2. That the society will be bound by the constitution of the RCSA
3. "To amend appendix 1 of the RCSA constitution to include Vocal Chords"
4. To approve the Vocal Chords constitution

Proposer: Douglas 'lowest of the low' Robinson
Secunder: Sam 'that'll be a tenor please' Holmes

Constitution of Vocal Chords

Article 1 Name of the Society

The name of the Society shall be Vocal Chords, hereinafter referred to the as 'the Society'.

Article 2 Aims of the Society

The aims of the Society shall be:

1. To provide opportunity for the enjoyment and performance of acapella and accompanied choral music

The society agrees to be bound by the constitution of the RCSA.

Article 3 Membership and the Conduct of Members

Opportunity for membership shall be open to anyone. Arrangement of the choir shall be decided by the committee.

Should anyone harm the reputation of the society or any other members enjoyment of the society they will be banned from the society at the discretion of the committee.

Article 4 The Committee

The committee of the society will be decided at the first meeting of the term and will include the following positions:

1. Director
2. President

The society will be run by these officers who comprise the committee whose roles will include the following:

1. Organising every meeting of the Society
2. Applying for funding from the RCSA after determining the budget
3. Managing the finances of the Society
4. Administration of the social media of the Society (Facebook page, etc)
5. Organising of events and performances.

The responsibilities listed above will be divided among the officers at their discretion at the first general meeting of the society.

Article 5 Rights of the Committee

The committee reserves the right to control the music list and any music printed or purchased for the use of the society.

The committee reserves the right to rescind membership to the society.

Article 6 Changes to the Constitution

Changes to the Constitution may be proposed by any member of the society and enacted following a majority vote by the members of the society. Any changes to

the constitution may result in the need to submit a new constitution to the RCSA, the responsibility of that committee.

Article 7 Dissolution of the Society

The society may be dissolved by decision of the committee or the RCSA. On dissolution of the Society, its assets shall become the property of the Robinson College Student Association.

f) Talking over Tea – Robinson College Tea Society

RCSA Notes:

1. People in college want to be involved in drinking tea (60 people signed up for the mailing list)
2. People enjoy drinking tea
3. There is a demand in college for collective welfare efforts which Tea Society would be a part of

RCSA Believes:

1. It would be good for people to have the opportunity to collectively drink Tea and to have the ability to have a safe haven away from the stress of College
2. 'Talking over Tea – Robinson College Tea Society' should be officially recognised by the RCSA

RCSA Resolves:

1. To create 'Talking over Tea – Robinson College Tea Society'
2. That the society will be bound by the constitution of the RCSA
3. "To amend appendix 1 of the RCSA constitution to include 'Talking over Tea – Robinson College Tea Society'
4. To approve the 'Talking over Tea – Robinson College Tea Society' constitution

Proposer: David Lewis

Secunder: Georgie Edmonds

Constitution of 'Talking over Tea' – Robinson College Tea Society

Article 1 Name of the Society

The name of the Society shall be 'Talking over Tea' – Robinson College Tea Society, hereinafter referred to the as 'the Society'.

Article 2 Aims of the Society

The aims of the Society shall be two fold.

1. To celebrate and promote Tea within Robinson College
2. To further the knowledge of Robinson College Students about Tea

3. And, most importantly, to provide a space for students as a safe haven from the stresses and pressures which accompany a Cambridge degree, to provide a possibility for them to get together in a calm manner, talk about whatever is on their mind and to support the Welfare efforts of the College

The society agrees to be bound by the constitution of the RCSA.

Article 3 Membership and the Conduct of Members

Membership is open anyone.

Should anyone misuse the social networking platforms provided by the Society or misrepresent the Society with inappropriate images and other such things, they will be banned from the society and blocked from the sites.

Article 4 The Committee

The committee of the society will be decided at the first meeting of the term and will include the following positions

1. President
2. Vice President

The society will be run by these officers who comprise the committee whose roles will include the following:

1. Organising every meeting of the Society
2. Applying for funding from the RCSA after determining the budget
3. Managing the finances of the Society
4. Administration of the social media of the Society (Facebook page, etc)

The responsibilities listed above will be shared among the officers at their discretion.

Article 5 Rights of the Committee

The committee reserves the right to rescind membership and block users from the social media sites.

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Changes to the Constitution may be proposed by any member of the society and enacted following a majority vote by the members of the society. Any changes to the constitution may result in the need to submit a new constitution to the RCSA, the responsibility of that committee.

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g) Robinson College Jewish Society

RCSA notes:

3. The number of Jewish students at Robinson has grown considerably in recent years.
4. Other colleges with comparable numbers of Jewish students have set up Jewish societies. These include Trinity, Queens' and Jesus.
5. Robinson has a Christian Union and an Islamic Society but currently no Jewish Society.
6. Jewish Societies have been known to put on great events for their colleges.

RCSA believes:

1. The creation of the Robinson College Jewish Society would be a good idea.
2. Diversity is an important aspect of college life.

RCSA resolves:

1. To create the Robinson College Jewish Society.
2. That this society will be bound by the constitution and policy of the RCSA.
3. The society will contribute to the cultural, religious and social diversity of the college and the fostering of inter-faith relations.
4. That this society will also help to support Jewish students at Robinson.
5. The Robinson Jewish Society will have events at which the whole college will be welcome.