



RCSA Open Meeting Agenda 2pm Sunday 18th October 2015, JCR



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) Basketball
 - b) Piano
 - c) Femsoc
 - d) PhilSoc
11. Any other RCSA business

Ordinary Motions

a) Basketball

RCSA Notes:

1. Basketball players need balls.

RCSA Believes:

1. Basketball players need balls.
2. Balls are good.

RCSA Resolves:

1. To transfer £200 from Court Hire to Equipment. This can be used to buy balls.

Proposer: James Baker

Seconder: Thomas Folley

b) Piano

RCSA Notes:

1. That many students who are not studying academic music enjoy playing the piano to a high standard.
2. That there are currently only two pianos available to these students, in the music room and music practice room.
3. That the piano in the music practice room is very old and of poor quality and that little enjoyment can be derived from playing it.
4. That many of the pianos provided for the personal use of music students are also of poor quality.

RCSA Believes:

1. There should be more than one decent piano available for student use.
2. An upright piano good enough for most students could be purchased for around £4000 -£5000 (e.g. <http://bit.ly/1NfT4Xo>)

RCSA Resolves:

1. To buy a new piano.

Proposer: Jake Dyble

Secunder: Alice Zanghi

c) [FemSoc](#)**RCSA notes:**

1. There is demand in college for a forum to discuss feminism.
2. Women's welfare is important to members of the college.

RCSA believes:

1. The discussion of feminism in a safe and recognised forum would be beneficial to the College.
2. The RCSA should officially recognise the Robinson College Feminist Society.

RCSA resolves:

1. To create "Robinson College Feminist 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 "Robinson College Feminist Society"
4. To approve the "Robinson College Feminist Society" Constitution (see appendix 1).

Proposer: Martha Krish

Secunder: Matt Kite

d) [PhilSoc](#)**RCSA notes:**

1. Members of the college want to discuss philosophy.
2. There currently exists no forum to discuss philosophy within the college.

RCSA believes:

1. The pursuit of academic philosophy in college would be beneficial to members of the college.
2. The RCSA should officially recognise the Robinson College Philosophy Society.

RCSA resolves:

1. To create "Robinson College Philosophy 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 "Robinson College Philosophy Society"
4. To approve the "Robinson College Philosophy Society" Constitution (see appendix 2).

Proposer: Clemens Oellinger

Secunder: Matt Kite

Appendix 1 – Constitution of the Robinson College Feminist Society

Article 1 Name of the Society

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

Article 2 Aims of the Society

The aims of the Society are as follows:

- To educate members of Robinson College about feminism by encouraging discussion and debate about feminism, sexuality, gender, identity and other issues.
- To promote the welfare and empowerment of self-identifying women.
- To provide an inclusive forum for discussion that is free from discrimination on the grounds of gender, race, or sexuality.
- To create a safe space for discussion where all members can contribute in comfort, security, and the knowledge that what they say will be treated as confidential.

Article 3 Membership and the Conduct of Members

Membership is open to all members of the college.

Members are expected to respect the aims of the Society, and the Society shall have the right to expel from the membership any member who does not respect the aims of the Society or who otherwise acts to bring the Society into disrepute.

Article 4 Running the Society

The society will be run by a committee of officers whose roles will include the following:

- Organising meetings of the Society
- Applying for funding from the RCSA after determining the budget
- Managing the finances of the Society
- Administration of the social media of the Society (Facebook page, etc)
- Liaising with other societies within the University.

These roles will be split between the committee at their discretion.

Article 5 Rights of the Society Committee

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

The committee reserves the right to control the content of meetings and to end discussion without notice at its discretion.

Article 6 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.

[Appendix 2 – Constitution of the Robinson College Philosophy Society](#)

Constitution of the Robinson College Philosophy Society

Article 1 Name of the Society

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

Article 2 Aims of the Society

The aims of the Society shall be to encourage interest in and appreciation of philosophy among the members of the college, and to provide a forum for discussions of a philosophical nature.

The society aims to provide an inclusive forum for discussion and is opposed to discrimination on the grounds of gender, race or sexuality.

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