



## Agenda for the MCR General Meeting

5pm 6<sup>th</sup> March 2011

### ***1. Matters Arising from Previous Meetings***

- Sofa Motion
- Committee-Based Motions
  - VP Motion
  - Arts Rep
  - Accommodation & Food Rep
  - Reallocation of OUSU duties
  - Recognition of 'Officer' positions
- Coffee Machine Motion

### ***2. Report back from (a) the Joint Domestic Committee, (b) the Joint Welfare Committee, (c) the Joint Consultative Committee and (d) the Computing Committee***

### ***3. Motion - Green Rep duties***

The MCR notes that:

1. There are currently no duties specifically assigned to the Green Rep in the MCR constitution.
2. There are some useful green duties that can be undertaken by the Green Rep.
3. A constitutional reminder to incoming Green Reps of such duties would be handy.

This MCR resolves to:

1. Add an amendment to the Constitution after Article II, Section A.2 to extend point c) to include: and in addition, i) represents the MCR on the College Green Group committee, and ii) is responsible for leading the MCR effort for the organisation and promotion of the Edible Garden project.

Proposed: Laith Tapper

Seconded: Jamie Frost

### ***4. Motion - President Committee Dinner Subsidy***

The MCR notes that:

- a) President Committee Meetings occur twice a term. These are preceded by a dinner at a particular college.
- b) These dinners can get rather expensive (since they are charged by colleges at the 'private dinner student rate'), and therefore the current President often did not attend these, instead attending just the meeting.

- c) But it seems a shame that Presidents miss out on some 'President type' discussion that occurs outside of these meeting. In addition, the dinner provides some mental preparation for what is often a very long meeting, which the President is taking their time out to attend.
- d) Most MCR Presidents claim the full amount for these dinners, but we believe this to be wrong, since they are effectively charging their respective MCRs for them to eat and drink wine for free.
- e) The proposal does not retroactively affect the existing President if passed, and thus is not proposed out of selfish intention.

The MCR resolves to:

- a) Subsidise Pres Com dinners for any value above £10, up to a maximum subsidy of £10.

Notes: If the cost was say £16, they could claim back £6. The idea is that the President is still expected to pay a reasonable amount for attending the dinner, while not disincentivising them from attending. The maximum cost to the budget a term is only £20.

Proposed: Jamie Frost

Seconded: Tomi Johnson

### ***5. Motion - Constitutional change (see attached)***

The Constitution has been updated. A summary of changes are as follows:

- a) Committee position descriptions have been updated, the new position added, and a new section for 'Officer' positions has been created.
- b) Any previous mentions of 'officer' in reference to a committee position has been changed to avoid ambiguity.
- c) Any references to Secretary or Treasurer have had "VP &" appended.
- d) The clause in the Committee section that specifies that committee positions can include 'any other positions approved at a GM' has been removed. It is redundant since any positions approved (and subsequently approved at a Governing Body meeting) would appear in the constitution anyway.
- e) The clause which requires us to put a printed version of those running for candidacy in the MCR has been removed. Announcements by email are sufficient.
- f) A shiny new title page with the Worcester logo and the date of the last update included. Whenever a change is made to the constitution, the old version will now be archived.
- g) These changes have already been pre-approved by the Governing Body and the MCR in the last GM.

The MCR resolves that they are happy with the changes to the constitution.

Proposed: Jamie Frost

Seconded: Tomi Johnson

### ***6. Motion - Electoral Constitutional Change***

The MCR notes that:

Voting has in the past been done non-anonymously via email. Not only is this bordering unconstitutional, but is unethical and is likely to discourage people from voting.

The MCR resolves to:

Add the following clause to Article III Part B of the constitution: All effort must be made to ensure voting is anonymous.

Proposed: Jamie Frost

Seconded: Tomi Johnson

### ***7. Motion – Women’s Gym (related to a JCR motion)***

This MCR notes that:

1. The gym is a resource for all of College but is not used equally by men and women.
2. Women often feel put off using the full range of gym equipment, or going at all, because they are not comfortable in the gym.
3. Women would benefit from having a couple of hours a week when only they can use the gym. It would increase general confidence on using the machines, especially the weights, and help the gym be more accessible to all of college.
4. This time would not be of peak use of the gym.

This MCR resolves to:

1. Allocate Tuesdays 12-2pm in Trinity term as a trial period of 'Women only' Gym time.
2. Review the success of this trial later in Trinity term to see if it should be made a permanent slot.

Proposed: Tomi Johnson

Seconded: Jamie Frost

### ***8. Treasurer’s Report***

### ***9. Hustings (List of candidates to follow)***

### ***10. Any Other Business***