



## Governance Committee Meeting – 17.03.2022

Attendance: EM (JCR Chair), AB (SRO), AW (President), ML (JRO), AF (JRO), JV (JRO)

Apologies: KM (VP), MB (Stool) [arriving late]

Absent:

Location: House 8 Conference Room

EM was 13 minutes late and unapologetic. MB and KM apologised for lateness in advance - accepted.

### Meetings Next Term

EM: Normal meeting for 3.1, then 3.2 budget meeting, then day after Cuth's Day we do joke meeting 3.3

### Interlude

KM arrives

KM: Can you continue to minute Alfie?

AW: Sure thing pal

MB arrives

MB: I finished my exam at 4am in the morning

AW: I'm not very good at minuting so please take this slowly

### Meetings Next Term Resumed

EM: GovComm had emergency powers last year and we split the budget meeting, but basically we need to set dates and we need to decide how we're gonna do the budget meeting

AW: Its frustrating because the budgets should get scrutiny because some really stupid budgets pass but nobody wants to pay attention or understands it - what should we do?

KM: Why are you only minuting yourself?

AW: Posterity

Everyone is in awe of AW's witty reply

MB takes over minuting because AW is a bad at minuting



EM: We need to set a date for the first meeting, preferably close to the beginning of term. It will be brutal but we want to get it out of the way as soon as possible. Possible dates are 25th, 27th or 28th April.

AW: I propose we do a show of hands. Tuesday, Thursday or Sunday of term.

AB: Tuesday is too early

There was a vote and Thursday 28th April won for 3.1

KM: This is not a democracy

Discussion about deadlines and exams.

EM: Thursday means we could do GovComm on the Wednesday too

AW: Can I propose we do the budget meeting as it is supposed to be done, in the afternoon in the bar. No one wants to sit in the hall.

GovComm agrees.

AW: I think we need to hold the JCR meeting without Euan (POI Euan is away)

EM: So... Sunday 12th June for the Budget meeting (3.2), afternoon for the budget meeting and I may not be there for GovComm

EM: Finally the last meeting of term (3.3) will be Sunday 19th of June after Cuth's Day.

Discussion about Cuth's Day ensues, including debating bringing back the President's Run and the Battle of the Exec.

AW: Continue the meeting without me (goes to bring stash into the conference room)

AB: That took us 40 minutes

### Extra Meeting in Epiphany

EM: Next point to discuss is adding an extra meeting, which would be 2.4

AB: We should have a separate meeting for the Presidential election. I don't think it should be advertised as a JCR meeting per se, just the Presidential election.

JV: I don't think that will solve any of the issues, we'll just have another meeting which is half an hour long which is a waste of people's time.

AB: No, that's why it's an extra meeting to try and break up a really long meeting which is really important.

AW: I agree with breaking it up, I just don't think splitting it in that way is the best way to do it.

AB is in shock that AW agreed.



MB: It's about keeping people interested. By the time you get to the Presidential husts everyone is half cut and you want people to really be engaged. The focus should be on making it shorter.

JV: We could just do President at the beginning so people are still engaged?

AW: But then everyone will leave and no one will be there for the motions.

KM: I don't think this solves many of the issues of 2.1, GovComm can just say no to motions to keep it short.

AW: We could just do husting in an afternoon for President, VP and Senior Welfare; so it's not a meeting.

KM: Don't be annoying, just call it a meeting. It is a meeting. We could just move FCO to week 4 or 5

EM: If you know who the President elect is that could impact the FCO that's something to bear in mind.

KM: If you are put off running by who is President then you shouldn't run - separate personal and professional and if you can't don't run. We should keep 3 meetings in the second term, move senior welfare to 2.1 and then maybe something else.

JV: I'd prefer 3 meetings rather than 4 meetings with two of those meetings which are slightly shorted

EM: PGM should be 3.1 because people might not have their Masters and PGs etc

AF: I agree, it clears out a space in 2.3 for any roll over elections.

AW: I'm strongly in favour of moving FCO to 2.2 and replacing it with Senior Welfare in 2.1.

EM: What about campaign times for FCO?

AF: Posters are a waste of paper

AW: I think the posters do bits

KM: I agree posters are good

#### Discussion about SOs for FCO campaigning

AW: Keep FCO on normal Presidential method 1 but with 48 hour campaigning and put it in 2.2

AF: If we're moving Senior Welfare into 2.1 will that mean it has 64 hour campaigning.

KM: Yes

AW justifies another decision by claiming "It's always been that way. It's tradition"

MB shares her Medjool dates with KM. They both share their love dates. MB claims "Dates with a walnut inside...ecstasy"



**AP: AB to write a motion reflecting the above. Moving Senior Welfare to 2.1 and FCO to 2.2.**

## AOB

KM: I think we should get rid of some Method IV's

AW: There are so many Method IV's

KM: There are so many that are lame and just not funny

EM: Get rid of the ones which are really old. If they're old they're just not funny, they're all old in jokes.

AW: Keeper of the Glass bell can we scrap that one.

EM: Also its Meeting 3.3 so nothing ever comes to it

KM: Plus everyone is hungover (POI after Cuth's Day)

AW: I think we should drop the new ones

POI Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dum are AW and Joe O'Connor

**AP: AB to write a motion to reflect this.**