

St Cuthbert's Society JCR

Article 1 Method II Election Rules



1. Method II Election Rules

1.1. Eligibility to Run in a Method II Election

- 1.1.1. You are eligible to run for a Method II position if you meet the following criteria:
- 1) You are a Full Member of St Cuthbert's Society Junior Common Room (JCR), and will be for the duration of the term of office of the position you are running for.
- 1.1.2. Should winning the election result in you holding a Method I and a Method II position simultaneously, or more than two JCR positions (Method II, II, or III) simultaneously, a resignation from previous position(s) causing the conflict shall be automatic upon success.
- 1.1.2.1. A person may, however, hold the position of Senior Freshers' Week Rep at the same time as one Method II position.
- 1.1.2.2. The positions of Volunteer Librarian and General Technician shall be the exceptions to this.

1.2. Applying for a Method II Position and Meeting Procedure

1.2.1. Application and Election Materials

- 1.2.1.1. To run in the election, candidates must nominate themselves to the SRO at any point prior to the hustings.
- 1.2.1.2. Any candidate may decide to run in absentia, if they cannot be present at the meeting, or if for any reason they feel unable to hust in person.
- 1.2.1.3. No other materials may be used in a Method II Election.

1.2.2. Hustings for Method II Positions

- 1.2.2.1. Hustings shall be held in a JCR Meeting.
- 1.2.2.2. All candidates for Method II positions may hust for a maximum of one minute, unless the SRO deems otherwise for accessibility reasons. The new length of hust shall be at the SRO's discretion.
- 1.2.2.3. During their hustings, candidates are forbidden from:
- 1) Offering any bribes or exchange of value for votes,

- 2) Personally attacking a current or previous JCR Member,
 - 3) Campaigning for Reopen Nominations,
 - 4) Associating or affiliating with any member of Governance Committee, the Executive Committee, or the incumbent, and
 - 5) Any action or phrase that the SRO deems as negative campaigning.
- 1.2.2.4. If a candidate is running in absentia, the candidate's speech will be read by a member of Governance Committee.
- 1.2.2.5. After each candidate's hust there shall be an opportunity for candidates to be asked up to a maximum of 2 targeted questions about the content of their hust or manifesto.
- 1.2.2.6. There shall be an opportunity for candidates to be asked up to 3 non-targeted questions after all the candidates have husted.
- 1.2.2.6.1. These questions must not be aimed at a specific candidate, and must be answerable by all candidates.
 - 1.2.2.6.2. In exceptional circumstances, for example in a Presidential election, the SRO may allow more targeted and non-targeted questions to be asked.
 - 1.2.2.6.3. The JCR Chair will enforce the question limit if the SRO exceeds it without good reason.
 - 1.2.2.6.4. Any questions deemed inappropriate, irrelevant, or repetitive, shall be declined by the SRO.
 - 1.2.2.6.5. If a candidate is running in absentia, no questions shall be asked to any candidate in that election.
 - 1.2.2.6.6. Candidates shall give their answers in alphabetical order by surname. For each successive question, the order

1.2.3. Campaigning

- 1.2.3.1. Campaigning is only permitted via word of mouth (canvassing) from up to 24 hours before the husting takes place.

1.3. Voting Procedure

- 1.3.1. After hustings and questions have concluded all candidates will be taken out of the room by a member of Governance Committee.
- 1.3.2. Attendees of the JCR Meeting shall be asked to close their eyes and vote for their preferred candidate(s) by raising their hand.
- 1.3.3. Attendees shall be given the option to Reopen Nominations and to abstain.
- 1.3.4. Votes shall be counted by the SRO and the JCR Chair.
- 1.3.5. The result of the election shall be declared by the SRO immediately after the conclusion of voting.

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