

JCR Meeting Minutes 26-10-2025

RC: Thank you very much for coming to this meeting, quite a few motions to go through today. A few announcements. Hustings to begin for the Student Union/Returning Officer, Access, College Affairs, IT. Telethon details (see agenda). Motion being spent – around £50 left of the motions budget after this meeting.

Any questions arising from the previous meeting?

None

Motion 1 (Funding for Women Beware Women)

Any short factual questions?

No

Any opposition or a move to general discussion?

No

Motion 1 passes

Motion 2 (Subscription to the Oxymoron)

Any short factual questions?

NK: Is this a standard price for all colleges?

FC: Yes, or £50 for 50, £30 for 30 copies termly is a baseline price.

Any opposition/general discussion?

No

Motion 2 passes.

Motion 3 (Support for Friends of MSF)

Any short factual questions?

No

Any opposition or a move to general discussion?

No

Motion 3 passes

Motion 4 (Support for St Hilda's Ball 2026)

Any short factual questions?

- MG: Why should the money be used on a theme reveal party?
- KR: Important for raising interest in the Ball itself and to increase ticket sales.
- MG: How much money to go to the release party?
- KR: About half to the party and half to other needs.
- RC: Could you give us an overview of the situation of the ball?
- KR: After the last two years the committees have left us £3000 in debt. We need JCR finance to help us close the debt to college and to fund software. The ball reveal party is an integral part of the year and needed to make the ball a ball.

Any opposition or a move to general discussion?

No

Motion passes

Motion 5 (Support for Oxford Women in Government)

Any short factual questions?

No

Any opposition or a move to general discussion?

No

Motion 5 passes

Motion 6 (Support St Hilda's Classics Society)

Any short factual questions?

No

Any opposition or a move to general discussion?

No

Motion 6 passes

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Motion One

Funding for *Women Beware Women*, proposed by Fiona Bestrova.

- Fiona Bestrova, a member of St. Hilda's JCR is part of the cast of *Women Beware Women*, running at the Michael Pilchard Studio between the 4th and 8th of November.
- Because the ticket sales return to Tallinted Production, the production requires funding for the construction of the set, costumes, and marketing (etc.)
- To support student drama, encourage extracurricular activities, and promote creativity, this JCR proposes to donate £75 to *Women Beware Women*.

Motion Two

Subscription to *The Oxymoron*.

- Finlo Cowley is involved with *The Oxymoron*, a termly satirical magazine produced by Oxford students.
- To support *The Oxymoron*, this JCR resolves to pay £30 a term for 30 editions to help fund publishing costs and have the magazine in the JCR. This motion mandates that the JCR President will renew the JCR's subscription for as long as they feel it is worth the fee, or until a new JCR motion is passed to stop the subscription.

Motion Three

Support for Friends of MSF (Doctors Without Borders) Oxford.

- Anna Hutchens and Nouha Kisra help run the Oxford Friends of MSF Society.
- MSF relies on donations to perform emergency medical care in zones where access to medical aid is limited. The Oxford branch aims to engage students with the charity, including fundraising to go directly to MSF. A number of St Hilda's students are on the committee.
- To support Friends of MSF's events, outreach and fundraising activities, this JCR proposes to donate £80 to encourage the society's growth and promote MSF's mission.

Motion Four

Support for St Hilda's Ball 2026

- Proposed by Katya Rybchenko and seconded by Aimee Dixson. The Ball was left at a net loss last year, so the Ball committee must first pay back its debt to college, as funding from ticket sales will not begin until mid-November.
- The money would be spent on decorations and drinks for the theme reveal party, on general ball preparation, and on covering the debt to college.
- To support the Ball, the JCR resolves to gift £350 to the Ball committee.

Motion Five

Support for Oxford Women in Government.

- Lizzie Dunley and Georgia Scarisbrick, alongside several other students, are involved in the committee and running of Oxford Women in Government.
- The society organises talks, events, and networking opportunities at a university level to inform students about career opportunities in government. The society needs funding to help run and organise these events.
- To support Oxford Women in Government, a society of which many St Hilda's students are members, his JCR proposes to grant £100 to support activities and events in the forthcoming term.

Motion Six

Support for St Hilda's Classics Society.

- Anna Cloke and Milo Skinner are involved in St. Hilda's Classics Society. With a large number of Classics, AMH, and CAAH students at college, the newly refounded society puts on film nights, academic talks, and hosts welfare and social events.
- Given that the society receives no financial support from tutors, and that there is no uni-wide Classics society, it requires funding to provide events and encourage connections across the college.
- To support the Classics Society here, the JCR proposes to provide £70 to help run it.

Reminder

If anyone is interested in working for the Telethon in January, then here is some information:

- Earn approx. £800 over 2 weeks
- Only evenings and weekends working, plus 2 days off
- Hot meals, snacks, teas, and coffee will be provided for calling shifts
- Accommodation fees are covered, and you can move back to college early (for those staying in private/non-Hilda's accommodation we will offer an average fee to cover their rent expenses)
- Opportunity to network with our incredible alumnae

Leaflets are available for those who are interested, and you all will have received an email.