# St Catherine's College Middle Common Room

# Open Meeting Minutes

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 1930 in the MCR

In attendance: 31 MCR Members in total

#### **Executive Committee Members Present:**

William Beuckelaers – Co-President (Meeting Chair) Julian Malisano – Co-President Phil Earp – Secretary



Minutes taken by MCR Secretary, Phil Earp

#### I. Approval of minutes from previous meeting

Approved

### II. Approval of new Associate Member

Yoel Mitrani's statement read out by William. (Yoel not in attendance due to meeting starting early. He then arrived at 2000 and was introduced to the remaining MCR members)

Approved by show of hands

# III. College Continuation Charge

This MCR believes that St Catherine's College should adjust the period of liability of the college continuation charges to be in line with the University continuation charges.

Motion read out. College fees much smaller than tuition fees – but relevant to people who are funded for tuition fees for DPhil.

Difference between college and university policy highlighted. University exempts MPLS and Medical Sciences division students from 4<sup>th</sup> year university continuation charge.

Proposal is to ask college to put college continuation charges in line with university charges. Only affects 4<sup>th</sup> year DPhil students (and typically science students, who require 4 years to get sufficient publications to be competitive).

Motion read out.

Motion approved by show of hands.

## IV. AOB

- Rent up by 1.25% for next academic year; good compared to other colleges.
- Hall the MCR is encouraged to use the JCR's signup system. Not obligatory but reduces food waste.
- (John Kenny) Annual MCR music quiz will be in a couple of weeks. Lots of prizes will be on offer. Keep your eye on the MCR bulletin for more details

Meeting closed at 1949