St Catherine's College Middle Common Room Open Meeting

Open Meeting Minutes

Sunday 1st December, 2019 at 7pm in the MCR

In attendance:

30 MCR members in total

Executive Committee Members Present:

Vivek Kothari – Co-President (Meeting Chair)

Chloe Colson – Co-President

Ben Jackman – Secretary

James Ayre – Social Secretary



I. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed and approved without objection.

II. Confirmation of Appointed Committee Member

Academic Officer:

Himani Aggarwal had been serving as academic officer after appointment by the executive committee between open meetings.

Candidate was unopposed and duly elected.

III. Election of Committee Member

Candidate:

Charity Officer

1. Brooke Prakash

Seconders: Nileema Patel, Olimpia Lampert

Candidate was unopposed and duly elected.

IV. AOB

Proposal for Creation of New Regular Committee Role - Food Rep

The Chair proposed the creation of a new role on the regular committee, **Food Rep**. This role would be similar to roles in many other college JCRs and MCRs, primarily liaising with the college and the dining hall staff to represent the MCR's interest in food-related matters.

The Chair proposed a vote to create this position, and the MCR voted in favour.

Election of MCR Member to New Food Rep Role

The Chair asked for nominations to the newly created position. Raphaëlle Petit nominated for the position, citing experience dealing with hall staff while a member of the JCR. Several questions from MCR members were made to Raphaëlle, including how the food rep should deal with allergen concerns (Raphaëlle is keen to help the dining hall improve in this regard) and opinions on meat-free Mondays (Raphaëlle noted that the JCR voted on meat-free Mondays, so it may be tricky to change or improve).

After questions, the MCR voted on Raphaëlle's nomination. The candidate was unopposed and duly elected.