



Keble College JCR General Meeting Agenda Sunday 4th Week TT13

Order of Business:

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Officers' Reports
3. Motions
4. Any other Business

Motion 1: Charity Motion: ODA Uganda 2013

This JCR notes that:

1. Oxford Development Abroad is a university-wide organisation, run by students which aims to assist developing countries with small-scale, community-initiated, sustainable development projects in the developing world.
2. Last year, in Uganda, ODA volunteers assisted the construction of water tanks at schools and protected springs in order to provide clean water in villages for more than 1500 adults and children who previously drank from stagnant swamps. They also provided training on building smoke free stoves, reducing the incidence of respiratory related diseases – one of the biggest killers in Africa.
3. ODA gives in-depth training to the volunteers before their departure and provides high-profile speaker events to the entire university.

The JCR believes that:

1. The work of the ODA makes a crucial difference to the lives of the people where the projects are run. Volunteers must fund all personal costs themselves. Without central fundraising to cover minimum overhead costs, these valuable projects can't go ahead. The future of this year's project relies upon raising these funds.

This JCR resolves to:

1. Donate £200 to James Davies' fundraising for ODA, making the cheque payable to Oxford Development Abroad.

Proposed by: James Davies

Seconded by: Gargie Ahmad (charities and donations)

Motion 2: Charity Motion: Oxford Aid to the Balkans

This JCR notes that:

1. Oxford Aid to the Balkans is a student-run registered charity which has been volunteering with some of the most disadvantaged children in Europe since 1993. During Summer and Easter vacations we send students to volunteer in a range of South-East European countries such as Bosnia, Albania, Serbia, Bulgaria and Kosovo. These volunteering efforts focus on community projects about health and working with children, to teaching English and doing policy research in think tanks.
2. OXAB also supports a number of long-term social and educational projects in Bulgaria to support young people growing up in children's institutions and help them to fulfil their potential. These include mentoring projects, children's club and Christmas activities for children at the orphanage in Bulgaria as well as an internship program to support those leaving the orphanage and providing equipment for the disabled children being cared for.
3. OXAB does not charge students a volunteering fee, instead asking them to take vital provisions for the orphanages or community centres. This means we rely solely on fundraising to pay liaison social workers, administration costs such as child protection training and the required funds to continue our long-term projects.

This JCR believes:

1. OXAB should be able to continue this work. Several members of the college are involved in this charity either on committee and/or volunteering on projects and we should support their work

JCR resolves to:

1. Donate £200 to OXAB.

Proposed by: Elizabeth Culwick

Seconded by: Gargie Ahmad (charities and donations)

Motion 3: JCR Bike Funding

This JCR notes that:

1. The current JCR 'Basil' bike has, through a great deal of love and use, become somewhat dilapidated and even dangerous.
2. Its meagre size restricts its safe use to the smaller members of college only.

This JCR believes that:

1. All members of the JCR should have access to bike-facilitated mobility around Oxford, regardless of their size.
2. The JCR has a duty to ensure a bike is in a sufficient state for functional use.

This JCR resolves to:

1. Buy two new bikes, one for ladies and one for men, as well as an extra bike lock and sets of lights for both from the Oxford Bicycle Company, at a total cost of £225
2. This price would include free minor repairs for the foreseeable future.

Proposed by: Fiona Elliott

Seconded by: James Newton