

Goodricke College Junior Common Room Committee Meeting Minutes – 09/06/11

Date:	Thursday 9 th June 2011 (18:39 – 19:51)
Venue:	GCR
Chair:	Nacho Hernando Serrano
Attendees:	Nacho Hernando Serrano (NHS), Joshua Henning (JH), Hannah Roper (HR), Liam McDaid (LMD), Katie Whiteside (KW), Emily Niamh Miller (ENM), Phoebe Collier (PC), Frances Ryan (FR), Arthur Jiggins (AJ), Liam O’Shaughnessy (LOS), Terri Chopping (TC), Joanna Carrington (JC), George Davis (GD), Claudia Medina-Moralejo (CMM), Tom Merriman (TM), Sean Ahlstrom (SA), Henna Ishaq (HI), Katy Mills (KM), Li Zhang (LZ), Megan Cross (MC), Grace Elizabeth Morledge (GEM), Mickey James (MJ), Alan Robert Persaud (ARP),
Apologies:	James Killer (JK), Florian Finke (FF), Antony Howard (AH), Greg Hinds (GH), Christina Oulton (CO), Calum McIntyre (CMI), Harry Clementson (HCS), Tom Finnerty (TF), Russell Joyce (RJ),
No Shows:	Thomas Peligro Martin (TPM), Hannah Colbourne (HC), Hayden Watson (HW), James Carney (JCY), Anastasia Evans (AE), Nat Hanks (NH), Danielle Smith (DS), Francesca Peach (FP), Matthew Williams (MW), Paula Gallagher (PG), Rory James (RYJ), Abigail Rushton (AR), Emily Hogan (EH), Arthur Mukembo (AM),
Next meeting:	Thursday 16 th June 2011 at 18:30, GCR

- NHS opened the meeting at 18:39.
- NHS begins by asking every member of the committee present to state their thoughts on the success of Goodfest with one good thing and one bad thing about the event:
- SA – Good: The Sweet Stall. Bad: There weren’t enough photos taken during the event.
- MJ – Good: It was all generally good. Bad: The weather turned and it was cold (especially during the evening).
- TM – Good: The evening itinerary was “really enjoyable”. Bad: The bouncy castle deflated.
- HR – Good: The Krispy Kreme’s. Bad: The Sports activities were in the wrong place. NHS then asked whether or not it was placed in the wrong location or whether the wrong sports were presented with perhaps a Pool competition or similar event taking place instead. LOS also suggested that the sports activities could have benefited from better publicity.
- FR – Good: Every other college seems to be copying the Goodfest idea and are holding their own events (for instance the Alcuin summer fete and Faxival event). Bad: General Goodricke participation.
- GEM – Good: There was plenty to do and was generally good. Bad: The Tombola could have been better organised in regards to prizes etc.

- TC – Good: The bands at the event. Bad: The weather.
- LOS – Good: The free drink. Bad: The time between 17:00-19:00 could have had more going on.
- MC – Good: The amount of money raised for RAG. Bad: We ran out of ‘stuff’ quickly for instance Krispy Kreme’s etc. NHS suggests that we take note of this for future events (for instance Fresher’s Week and Goodfest 2012).
- LZ – Good: The fact that people from other colleges came. Bad: LZ’s opinion was that all the bad aspects of the event had already been said.
- JC – Good: The Silent Disco. Bad: Comparatively, there weren’t that many people from Goodricke in attendance.
- GD – Good: The drinks on offer. Bad: Drinking slightly too much.
- CMM – Good: People enjoying themselves. Bad: There should have been more opportunities for efficiency in making money and that we need to check our maths next time (for instance in regards to the £50 in a Safe event).
- ARP – Good: The BBQ. Bad: The Vintage Stalls in the GCR. NHS replied that they were providing an alternative and could have worked (which apparently it did because the Stallholders reported that it was a normal days trading for them).
- AJ – Good: The Bachelor Auction. Bad: The Weather and more precisely the lack of a backup plan if it had rained. NHS replied that there was in fact a backup plan because the Law and Management building had been booked out to house the stalls had the weather not been on our side.
- LMD – Good: The Silent Disco. Bad: Not a lot of effort was put into the Silent Disco as it proved to be quite popular. Both NHS and LMD suggested that this was something which could be worked on for Fresher’s Week.
- KM – Good: The Welfare surveys. Bad: The mishap with the Megaphone.
- ENM – Good: The Welfare Stall and face painting. Bad: A larger ‘chill out’ area with beanbags was needed. Furthermore an improvement for next year perhaps would be to take shifts/turns on different stalls.
- PC – Good. The Night time events in general. Bad: The activities in the daytime needed to be pushed more with the whole event having a more ‘Funfair’ theme. PC cited the Bronco being underused during the day as an example (with its location and/or timing also being cited as reasons for this).
- JH – Good: The whole event. Bad: A lack of participation by first year Goodrickers.
- NHS – Good: The money management and making a killing for RAG (over £1200 being totalled post-meeting). Bad: There was nothing in the JCR during the day.
- CMM added that if we were to approach and present a business plan and sponsorship ideas well in advance to big companies such as Coca Cola and Innocent Smoothies etc. then we may be able to get good deals/sponsorship/freebies etc. from future events. FR added that Nestle may be another company open to this and NHS stated that he is going to talk to companies at Monk’s Cross about sponsorship in light of the Supermarket Bus and revenue it will bring them. Furthermore he [NHS] added that we will be getting just over £1000 in sponsorship from Streamline taxis for next year and that he is also taking to Six Five Nine Taxis concerning sponsorship. LOS also suggested approaching takeaway companies. NHS asks that CMM look into approaching companies in regards to sponsorship/deals/freebies for Fresher’s Week.

- NHS also asks that if anyone can think of any other feedback concerning Goodfest 2011 and ideas for Fresher's Week/next year then can they please either put them on the Facebook group or liaise with him ASAP.

Officer Reports:

Vice Chair for Democracy and Welfare – Thomas Peligro Martin:

- Nothing to report this week.

Vice Chair for Services – Hannah Colbourne:

- Nothing to report this week.

Secretary – Joshua Henning:

- JH has now acquired a Dictaphone so that from next week (16/06/11) he should be able to record meetings to assist in writing the minutes.

Treasurer – James Killer:

- In response to incidents concerning block runs etc. over the last few weeks, JK has released a statement clarifying his side of the story. Because he was unable to attend this week's meeting, I [JH] have included a copy for those who missed it outlining his side of the story:
- "Hey Everyone,

I was just going through the minutes of the last meeting and thought it would be appropriate to bring up the key card issue on here as I am unable to attend the next meeting on Thursday due to being in Derbyshire again.

Firstly I must apologise for any inconvenience I have caused to anyone, I totally accept that in hindsight it was inappropriate to "publicise my own event" but I would however like to clarify a few of the details that surround the situation.

Firstly I would like to point out that Nacho was aware of my actions at the time and indeed recommended that we sold our goods around the blocks (in saying this I am in no way passing the blame, I take full responsibility for my actions.)

At the time I truly did not believe I or my team were doing any wrong as I specifically laid out, that if we were going to go round the blocks, our first and foremost priority must be in promoting Goodfest - which we did. Our idea was that we could then sell our leg warmers as an accessory to anyone who was thinking of attending the silent disco and indeed as an accessory for any U.V themed events in the future. Furthermore during my time in Goodricke last year we had numerous sets of people coming round promoting different events, products and tickets so this to me seemed normal. It appears this is not the case anymore and I was genuinely surprised that there had been complaints received.

At the time I spoke to Mandy and explained the situation and she was very understanding. Again I apologise for any inconvenience I have caused and with regards to being held to

account I hope you can see that this was not a truly selfish act and I was trying to act in the good of the JCRC at all times. I believe it is only fair that I should be the only one who has keycard privileges removed as a consequence of my actions.

Hope that sheds a little more light on the situation,

Killer.”

Bar(less) Officers – Hayden Watson, James Carney:

- Nothing to report this week.

Campaigns Officer – Alan Robert Persaud:

- ARP reports that due to exams he has not been attending the YUSU Campaigns Committee but has emailed them to catch up on what he missed.
- ARP also reports that he has been talking to the HUB café and they say that the cash back scheme was never put forward by the university so they are in the wrong in that regard.
- The Campaigns Officer stated that he has received reports that ‘stuff’ is breaking in kitchens and isn’t being fixed/replaced following emails sent to the cleaners three weeks ago. NHS stated that ARP should send all complaints either Mandy or the Porters rather than the cleaners as things will more likely get done that way. He [NHS] further added that when ARP contacts Mandy, he forward the email he sent to Julie stating that it was sent three weeks ago.
- GEM also suggested that it be made known generally that if people have an issue in regards to malfunctioning/broken utilities and the like should contact Mandy and not the cleaners.

Disabilities Officers – Sean Ahlstrom, Arthur Jiggins:

- SA reported that 12 or 13 people attended Games night last week and that he spent £15 on pizzas.

Entertainment Officers – Phoebe Collier, Joanna Carrington, Anastasia Evans:

- The ENTs Officers report that JC is getting 100 tickets for the bar crawl next week which will include Q-Jumps and free entry. The ENTs also report that Halifax are also doing the bar crawl but they will be advertised as two separate events.
- A discussion into the pricing for next week’s bar crawl followed with it eventually being decided that (considering we are getting them for £1 each and that all 75 tickets sold at £3.50 for the last bar crawl sold out), the first 40 tickets will be sold at £2.50 with the remaining 60 being sold at £3.50.
- The ENTs also confirmed that the theme for the bar crawl will be Northern Monkeys vs. Southern Fairies. GD voiced his strong reservations about this, making it quite clear that he is very insecure about being considered a fairy leading CMM to insinuate that GD should man up and just get on with it.
- NHS also added that Vanbrugh are holding a bar crawl on Thursday Week 9 (23/06/11) and that he will look into whether or not we can acquire some tickets for it.

Environment and Ethics Officer – Frances Ryan:

- FR also reports that she has been contacting people concerning the winner of the Water Clock from Goodfest.

International Officers – Nat Hanks, Florian Finke:

- Nothing to report this week.

JCR Officers – Grace Elizabeth Morledge, Terri Chopping:

- GEM and TC report that they are organising a Goodricke Bingo event for this Sunday (12/06/11) which will be £1 to play with all proceeds going to RAG and a prize for the winner.
- GEM also reports that the JCR Officers have been in contact with Nick Hall and the Darts Society and are currently trying to acquire a dartboard for the JCR. GEM also adds that the Darts Society is unwilling to fund the board but they are contacting YUSU to try and achieve funding. Furthermore GEM reports that she has emailed Health and Safety who have no problems with it providing that the idea is Ok'd by Jane and the location of a board is agreed.
- The JCR Officers report that they are starting to think about an event for next week.

LGBT Officers – Henna Ishaq, Liam O'Shaughnessy:

- LOS reports that he is liaising with HI concerning LGBT movie night this Sunday (12/6/11).

Merchandise Officers – Francesca Peach, Danielle Smith:

- Nothing to report this week.

Ordinary Officers – Anthony Howard, Greg Hinds, George Davis:

- GD reports that he will be holding a FIFA tournament this Sunday (12/06/11). NHS asked that GD also have a RAG bucket present during the event.
- The issue of the unfinished JCRC picture board was again raised with NHS placing GD in charge of getting it done by next week's meeting (16/06/11) with LOS adding that the board also needs some colour added to it.

Press and Publicity Officers – Paula Gallagher, Katy Mills, Rory James, Matthew Williams:

- KM reported that posters (namely for Goodricke's got Talent are being printed and collected tomorrow. NHS also asked that both the P&P and RAG Officers do block runs on both Sunday and Monday to promote the event.
- NHS also stated that he has received an email asking for the chalk for Goodfest on Heslington West to be cleaned off ASAP. GD (like the good Ordinary Officer he is) volunteered (without any coercion), to help clear it up as did MC and CMM. It was also suggested the JK be made to assist as part of his punishment. NHS stated that he would forward the email he received to GD and can all those who volunteered to help please liaise with GD concerning this ASAP.

RAG Officers – Christina Oulton, Megan Cross, Li Zhang:

- MC reported that the RAG Officers are in the process of counting up the proceeds from Goodfest. (Post meeting MC reported to me [JH] that over £1200 has been raised for RAG).
- NHS added that we are defiantly not going to come last in the College Cup this year.
- The RAG Officers report that Goodricke's Got Talent will be held this Monday (13/06/11) with York Clemo having been acquired as a guest judge. NHS also added that he would like the RAG Officers to see if they can acquire some cheap buzzers (costing less than £10).
- MC also reports that the YUSU RAG Committee would like the College Cup back by Monday (13/06/11). NHS replied that he will look for it.

Social Secretaries – Harry Clementson and Calum McIntyre:

- Nothing to report this week.

Sponsorship Officers – Abigail Rushton, Emily Hogan:

- Nothing to report this week.

Sports Officers – Tom Merriman, Tom Finnerty, Claudia Medina-Moralejo, Hannah Roper:

- The Sports Officers report that the Goodricke Sport's Day will take place next Wednesday (15/06/11) with the Facebook group having been created earlier today (09/06/11). It was also suggested that a block run be undertaken to publicise the event.
- HR reported that Goodricke came third in the Lacrosse tournament last Sunday.
- The Sports Officers also report that they will be attending a meeting tomorrow to decide on several sporting awards including Sportsman of the year, Sportswomen of the year and Fresher of the year etc. The Sports Officers ask that all nominations be passed to them ASAP.
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Technical Officers – Liam McDaid and Russell Joyce:

- LMD asked that everyone answers the question concerning the JCRC Social ASAP so that a date for it can be finalised. NHS added that attendance on this is compulsory and that JH will not be accepting any apologies for non-attendance!
- NHS also stated that he will contact Jane concerning the BBQ for Gill.

Volunteering Officers – Katie Whiteside, Mickey James:

- The Volunteering Officers report that the Grounds man emailed KW with photos from the planting event.
- KW asked NHS when he is going to publish the Fresher's Week guide. NHS reported that the 'Welfare People' are sorting it and updating last year's. NHS added that he will put a link to it on the JCRC Facebook group but asked that everybody keeps it to themselves for the time being as it has yet to be finalised. NHS continued that it will be a 'Fresher's Bible' with all the information on: Tuition Fees, Accommodation and local amenities etc. being included.

Welfare Officers – Emily Niamh Miller, Arthur Mukembo:

- ENM reported that there will be a free bike tagging event on Monday and Tuesday Week 8 (13-14/06/11) outside the Student Centre (James College) from 14:00-17:00 each day.

- ENM also stated that there will be a Big Green Clean event being held throughout Weeks 9-11 which will consist of clearing out all unwanted stuff (i.e. cutlery and crockery etc.) from kitchens. NHS stated that both ENM and FR should liaise with Jon Fanning concerning this.
- LOS also reported that the 'everybody needs good neighbours' event is being held next week.

Other Business:

- LMD and NHS reported that we have a new table in the GCR.
- PC stated that the YUSU ENTs Committee would like a copy of our non-existent Fresher's Week timetable. NHS replied that this isn't really a problem with PC adding that a rough idea by Wednesday would be good. NHS further replied that we can't start to construct a timetable until we know about bars and sponsorship etc. so he instructed PC to find a copy of last year's timetable and say "something like this" as a rough guide.
- NHS stated that he will check with Tim Ellis concerning the official YUSU Student nights for next year but at present can only confirm that we will be going to Ziggys for Wednesdays.
- PC also raised the issue of our Fresher's Week vs. Fresher's Fortnight being organised by other colleges. NHS replied that in order to change from a Fresher's Week, we would need an Open Meeting but added that it would (in his opinion) be better to have one good week rather than a diluted two weeks.
- A discussion concerning the above then followed with NHS again adding the STYCs would be required for two weeks in a Fresher's Fortnight which was then rebuked by ENM who suggested doing 'softer' events in the second week with STYCs only being required to come back say once for an event. This point was furthered by CMM who stated that we don't need to go out each night having a hard first week and a softer more Welfare event related second week. (This point generally found favour amongst the majority of those present). LOS also suggested extending events forward into Week 0 but NHS stated that it would then come under the remit of and be classed as part of International Fresher's Week. Conversely, SA suggested going more down the 'Alternative Fresher's Week' lines with trying to get societies involved. However NHS stated that getting societies involved is a massive problem and that he will liaise with the other JCRC Chairs concerning Fresher's Week.
- ARP asked when we will begin to organise Fresher's Week with NHS replying that we will start as soon as he has finished his last exam next week.
- GD also asked about STYC selection with NHS replying that it is all in hand and being sorted.
- AJ questioned NHS over why he didn't state during last's weeks meeting that he sanctioned JK's now infamous block run (especially following on from the general mudslinging in the wake of JK's explanation of events which he posted on Facebook a few days ago and which I included earlier as his Officer report), which has led to the keycard privileges of the majority of the JCRC being removed. NHS replied that he never stated that he hadn't sanctioned the block run and explained that JK had come to him asking to sell leg warmers to the JCRC as part of the York Apprentice competition. NHS had said but rather said that he could do a block run to try and sell them and instructing JK not to knock on doors because it is the policy of the JCRC not to knock on doors in case it intrudes on the privacy of the room's occupants. A fact that he has never hidden. AJ then stated that he believed that the main issue was that people need keys to fill their roles and that all access key cards will be

needed for the Big STYCs during Fresher's Week. NHS then furthered his earlier point by also stating that Mandy had been threatening to restrict all JCRC keycard privileges and access to flats meaning that we would have been unable to enter kitchens full stop. However in reducing the number of people able to access key cards, NHS stated that he was able to come to a compromise with Mandy (allowing us to maintain access to kitchens) and responded to AJ by stating that in relation to Big STYCs, that will be provisioned for. He then added that "if you want to go round Goodricke, then go ahead", stating that "Killer knocked on doors when he shouldn't have...simply put, don't knock on doors." AJ accepted this account given by NHS and asked no further questions.

- ARP added that we should have a disclaimer for Fresher's to sign in Fresher's Week or alternately as NHS suggested, amend JCRC policy in the next Open Meeting.
- LMD also asked what suitable punishment should be given to JK. NHS answered that he would like us to wait until JK is present and able to defend himself before any further action is taken.
- TM reported that he has ordered a sample of the generic Goodricke Sports T-Shirt which should arrive and be available to display in next week's JCRC meeting.
- NHS asks that if anyone needs to claim money back for anything then can they please liaise with NHS and JK ASAP.
- NHS closes the meeting at 19:51.