



HUGHES HALL
UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

MCR Committee
Wednesday, 22 April 2020, 10:30
E-meeting

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Present: A Entwistle-Thompson (President); H Zhou (Vice President); A Vasileva (Secretary); B Low (Academic Affairs Officer); Z Rehman (Social Secretary); B Williams (Social Secretary); R Hosking (Female and Non-binary Welfare Officer); N Gorringe (Equality and LGBT+ Officer); J Navani (Accommodation Officer); M Tang (IT and Infrastructure Officer);

I. Introduction

I.A. Apologies for Absence

No apologies were received.

I.B. Declaration of Members' Interest

No declaration was received.

I.C. New Committee Members' Introductions (**Annex A**)

Ms A. Entwistle-Thompson welcomed all new members to the MCR.

The members of the new MCR Committee briefly introduced themselves. The list of MCR Committee members is found on **Annex A**.

II. Standing Items

II.A. Goal and Aim Setting

Ms Entwistle-Thompson expressed her wishes for the MCR to continue working and support the student body during this term despite distant learning. Ms Entwistle-Thompson also encouraged current MCR members to plan to be back in September to welcome new student unless advised otherwise.

II.B Social Events

Mr Williams and Ms Rehman have put a social calendar in place for the Easter term.

Ms Entwistle-Thompson asked that other MCR members propose ideas for social events to help social secretaries.

Ms Gorringe shared the positive feedback received from online quizzes so far and asked for the quiz to be added to the calendar.

Mr Navani proposed the idea of a *Zoom Supper Club*, where Hughes Hall members could cook and eat a meal together.

Ms Entwistle-Thompson suggested organising an online formal and asked for ideas to make it more special.

Actions:

- Ms Entwistle-Thompson will share the social calendar with the rest of the MCR members.
- Once MCR members have had the opportunity to add to the calendar, it will be shared with the student body on Monday 27th of April.
- Any new social event queries sent to Ms Entwistle-Thompson to be re-directed to Mr Williams and Ms Rehman from now on.

II.C. Rent

Ms Entwistle-Thompson discussed student concerns regarding rent for the Easter term with the rest of the MCR members. She has been working closely with college to resolve issues and answer students' queries.

Ms Entwistle-Thompson clarified that students who have moved out (even if their belongings are left in their room) will not be charged rent next term. No-one will be charged Kitchen Fixed Charge (KFC) for Easter term. Ms Entwistle-Thompson asked MCR members to encourage students to apply for hardship funds made available by the university to help if they are under financial strain.

Actions:

- MCR members and particularly welfare officers to keep an eye out for people in financial hardship and direct them to hardship funds.
- Any new accommodation queries sent to Ms Entwistle-Thompson to be re-directed to Mr Navani from now on.

II.D. Second Round of Hustings

There are five unfilled positions on the MCR Committee: Treasurer, Male and Non-binary Welfare Officer, Equality and BAME Officer, Sports and Societies Officer, and Green and Ethical affairs Officer.

Ms Entwistle-Thompson asks for MCR members to encourage students to apply for the unfilled positions.

II.E Academic Affairs

Mr Low asked MCR members to advertise the *Hughes Hall Fun Facts* and encourage students to participate in it.



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**Minutes of the Meeting
Annex A**

**MCR Committee
(as of 22 April 2020)**

1. President: Alexandra Entwistle-Thompson (ae418)
2. Vice President: Hector Zhou (pz277)
3. Secretary: Anie Vasileva (amdv3)
4. Academic Affairs Officer: Brendan Low (bsll2)
5. Social Secretary: Zainab Rehman (zr247)
6. Social Secretary: Ben Williams (bacw2)
7. Female Welfare Officer: Rachel Hosking (rh730)
8. Equality and LGBTQ+ Officer: Nicola Gorringer (njg53)
9. Accommodation Officer: Jivan Navani (jjkn2)
10. IT and Infrastructure Officer: Michael Tang (cit27)

Unfilled Positions:

1. Treasurer
2. Male and Non-Binary Welfare Officer
3. Equality and BAME Officer
4. Sports and Societies Officer
5. Green and Ethical Affairs Officer