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Captain's Meeting Agenda

7pm, Tuesday 10th week Trinity Term 2021

29th June 2021

Chair: Martin Barakso (OUBC President)

1. **Register and Welcome**
2. **Minutes of the Last Meeting**
 - Available at: <https://ourcs.co.uk/organisation/meetings/>
3. **Matters Arising**
4. **Rowing Sabbatical Officer Election – Beth Carter to speak**
 - James Lucas (Linacre)
Proposed: Liam Brown (Linacre)
Seconded: Elisa Martin Perez (Linacre)
 - Thomas Surridge (Mansfield/St Catherine's)
Proposed: Rowan Burford (Mansfield)
Seconded: Eva Hassan (Mansfield)
5. **OURCs Committee Elections – Beth Carter to speak**
 - Secretary
Ty Rallens (Merton)
Proposed: Ilayda Karadag (St Catherine's)
Seconded: Yüran Shi (St Anthony')
 - Captain of Coxes
Evan Roberts (Kellogg/Christ Church)
Proposed: Anna James-Bott (St Hilda's)
Seconded: Abigail Whalen (Magdalen)

Mifforcombi Mifsud (Worcester)
Proposed: Jess Wallis (Worcester)
Seconded: Robert Anderson (Worcester)

Ruby Sioux Harrison (Green Templeton)
Proposed: James Marsden (Wolfson)
Seconded: Jiaxin Zhao (Green Templeton)
 - Treasurer
No applicants.

6. Amendments to the Constitution - Viv Leong to speak

Two thirds majority to pass

1) Change:

1.4.f. *College Boat Clubs automatically cease to be affiliated on the 1st October if, in the previous year:*

- i. they have not entered any OURCs events,*
- ii. they have not paid British Rowing affiliation fees, or*
- iii. they have not submitted a British Rowing Safety Audit.*

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(additions shown in red)

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g. Exceptions to 1.4.f., in cases of bona fide financial or otherwise hardship, may be agreed prior to that date with the OURCs senior member or senior treasurer.

2) Change:

1.5.g. *All College Boat Clubs are required to pay an affiliation fee to OURCs, which will be used solely to fund the OURCs Sabbatical Officer. College Boat Club affiliations will be based on the number of boats competing in the most recent Eights competition where at least one full day of racing was completed (excluding boats that fail to row on). The fee per crew must be confirmed in the first Captains' Meeting in Michaelmas Term.*

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1.5.g. All College Boat Clubs are required to pay an affiliation fee to OURCs, which will be used solely to fund the OURCs Sabbatical Officer. College Boat Club affiliations will be based on the number of boats competing in the most recent **Bumps** competition where at least one full day of racing was completed (excluding boats that fail to row on). The fee per crew must be confirmed in the first Captains' Meeting in Michaelmas Term.

Proposed: Vivian Leong (St Hugh's/OURCs)

Seconded: Beth Carter (OURCs)

7. Change to Rules of Racing – Becky Hore and Jamie Atkinson to speak

2/3 majority to pass

Motion to amend the Rules of Racing to allow Fellowship Members to transfer under the same rules as Student Members

Under certain circumstances, student boat club members are permitted to transfer between college boat clubs: for instance, a student undertaking a master's degree may continue competing with their undergraduate college.

This allows students with deep ties to a college to continue training and racing with their friends and coaches with whom they may have learned to row. These transfer provisions do not currently extend to Fellowship Members.

We believe that there is no substantial difference between someone undertaking a Junior Research Fellowship after a DPhil, and someone undertaking a master's degree after an undergraduate degree. In both circumstances they are likely to have formed connections they may wish to maintain.

We therefore propose the following changes to the Rules of Racing, A1.2.a., A1.2.b., and A1.2.c.:

1. Replace references to 'bona fide student or visiting student' with 'bona fide student, visiting student, or fellow eligible under A1.1.a.ii.1')
2. Replace references to 'student member' with 'student member or fellowship member'
3. Replace references to 'student status' with 'student or fellowship status'
4. Replace references to 'course of study' with 'course of study or fellowship'
5. Add hyperlinks to the definition of Fellowship Member (A1.1.a.ii.1), as required
6. Any other minor changes, as necessary, to implement the intent of this motion

This motion does not change any requirements of transfer: transfers would still require the written permission of the relevant boat club captains, as well as relevant proof of academic status.

Proposed: Becky Hore (Somerville)

Seconded: Jamie Atkinson (Somerville)

8. Discussion Points - Alison Carrington and Anna Betteridge to speak

We would like to discuss the following points;

- Granting SUs the power to consider evidence and not just the application of the rules of racing
- Granting SUs the power to consider appeals against race committee decisions, not just complaints against other crews
- Increasing the appeals window for escalation of matters regarding race committee decisions to the SUs, with the exception of sandwich boats which need to be resolved in a time sensitive manner

Proposed: Alison Carrington (Hertford)

Seconded: Anna Betteridge (Christ Church)

9. Ratification of Major Transgression Meetings – Thomas Surridge to speak

- St Catherine's - £40
- University - £40

10. AOB