

OUSU

council minutes

5th week Council held at 2.30pm on Friday 29th May 2009 in the Auditorium at Magdalen

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 - vi. motions affecting ousu members as citizens of the world*
- o. Any Other Business

a. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

No matters arising **Error!**

c. Ratifications in Council

1. Oxfordshire PCT and Gender Dysphoria

Ratified

2. Department of Children, Schools and Families policy on Inclusive Sex Education

Ratified

3. Changes in the Constitution of the International Students' Campaign

(See below ISC Constitution) Appendix I

Ratified **Error!**

e. Reports from the Sabbatical Officers

President

Thanks to those who have welcomed me to their common rooms anyone who wants me or any of the Sabs to attend your common room meetings please let us know.

No questions

VP Women

Amazing women in politics forums and seminars hopefully loads applying for politics. Had speaking classes also grad study event Balliol 5-7pm encourage people to come along. Also Domestic Abuse workshop 3 places need to fill if interested talk to me.

Posters a list of things that OUSU has achieved through its representation on committees we would appreciate it if you could put up as its really important if you want more copies or more info.

No questions

VP Charities & Community

No questions

VP Access & Academic Affairs

Tomorrow Target schools out and about. NSS didn't reach 50% working with university to try and find different ways to publicise.

QAA have taken on board on stuff we have put on it. Everyone will have access to their report.

No questions

VP Graduates

Highlight fantastic International Fair thank you for attending and publicising. Change of mature students drinks timing

No questions

VP Welfare

All in report but if you could pressure your colleges to respond to the questionnaire would be great We are having problems finding rooms for SWD meetings, please can you let me know if you can recommend one.

No questions

e. Reports from those Members of the Executive wishing to give Reports**Environment & Ethics Officer**

Green week starts next week I would like to highlight the screenings that will be taking place of the "Age of Stupid" in lots of colleges if you don't know if your college is showing it please contact Alice Heath or me and we will be able to advise you. On Friday there will be a big picnic taking place in the University parks. On Sunday there will be a sit down dinner for those that are really interested in campaigning.

No questions

Rent & Accommodation Officer

Implore to send rent negotiation details that have been completed to me.

No questions

k. First Readings of Motions to Amend the Constitution and Standing Orders

I. Amending in Council

Rachel Cummings (Somerville):

This motion is about the new committee structure, which will be coming into effect in Michaelmas. Motions will be sent to committees to look at how it will work in practice with current council policy as it stands. Council will not be able to amend these motions as it is at the moment. This motion says council should have the last say; the committees are just for advice. What I think committees should do is advise what works and what doesn't at moment if council likes most of it then it can't amend. No formal way if it gets sent back and brought back again and still voted down then can't come again for next 6 months. Council should be the sovereign decision making body.

Noor Rashid (St Edmunds):

Doesn't this allow the committees to have more power?

Rachel Cummings (Somerville):

No this is limiting the committee's power to ensure that they just act as a gatekeeper

Passes automatically no speech in opposition

2. The Governing Documents- General

Madeline Stanley (LMH):

Sorry for the agenda I wrote most of it. Looks dull but really important. 7th week Michaelmas council decided that a lot of constitutional changes haven't been put in, archaic records. Made a working group to ensure that everything is in it, no relics. The committee consisted of Martin Nelson, Lewis Iwu and myself Madeline Stanley. These are most of the changes which are being made to ensure there are no ambiguities. These are really important documents. Ask questions.

10 points in this motion. Few job descriptions 7th week. Changing date when VP grad starts so that they start at the same time as the rest of the sabs. Change the title of the part time exec, will be exec officers and grad officers. Grad Women and Graduate International have been passed at various times. OUSU feels valuable to have both so have added this. Corrected typo in NUS. Permanent committees are like E&E and RAG, got rid of Academic Affairs. Put in one about them choosing their own Chair. I have removed references to university committees that no longer exist. I have made the governing documents consistent, I have added the constitutions of Autonomous campaigns that have ratified constitutions.

Matthew Ranger (New):

I believe that there is a typo here.

Madeline a typo (Madeline will advise afterwards)

Kaushal Vidyarthi (Wolfson):

Can the International Constitution be added?

Madeline Stanley (LMH):

Not this time but put them in next term

No opposition

Motion Passes

3. The Governing Documents- Finance

Lewis Iwu (New):

Updates the financial standing orders removes references to VP Finance and divides up the duties between the President and the General Manager.

Overview of Company accounts with regards to publications. Remove references to Zoo and replace with Entz

This is to change the OUSU accounts so you can't see a breakdown of accounts.

Lewis Iwu (New):

Yes this gets rid of this to stop problems with commercial information

Motion passes

4. Electoral Reform:

Madeline Stanley (LMH):

I ran Michaelmas elections and I reported on these it was 40 pages long, this is me writing it up, unfortunately due to my Thesis etc, I haven't managed to write up of some of the more controversial ones so I may have to bring another motion with regard to these.

If I run through them. Proposing a change to the Disclosure form at the moment this comes in Midday on Friday doesn't make sense if people don't get them in don't know what to do. Only one item that can't be submitted at the time. This is the financial breakdown of what is spent and they intend to spend. Most haven't spent much. Nothing we can do if they don't keep to it. Should be scrapped all the rest should be handed in at the same time. The other change is re the nature of the political disclosure you make, have to disclose national political organisation. I think that this should be replaced with political party and organisation. Candidate use this in elections and insinuate things about other candidates needs to be out there, should be open and clear. Other changes I suggest. Remove full use of Internet, replace with certain uses of Internet. Facebook group. Things that not allowed to do is put in, just makes standing orders clearer.

Standing order manifesto added to ballot paper. All complaints have to be in 90min after the close of the poll. Changing the deadline, it is possible to complain before close of nominations.

Leonie Northedge (St Johns):

What are the definitions relating to disclosing whether you are a member of Society or organisations and how are these defined?

Madeline Stanley (LMH):

Definitions are covered in the guidelines. Covered by RO write to the RO and they will advise you

Jake Anders (New):

A typo 3.2.6

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Madeline put number in it it will come in the standing orders wherever makes sense. This is a list of things, will make sense in the right context. Two drafts sorry your correct it needs amending "Abstention"

Are we talking about British Political parties only?

Madeline Stanley (LMH):

No

How is membership defined? Declare some and not others.

Madeline Stanley (LMH): Membership applies if it is something like Amnesty International where you pay a subscription. To join Green Party you have to pay. These all mean you have made a committed decision to belong to something.

Motions Passes

5. Proposed changes in the Articles/Sections on the Postgraduate Assembly

Kaushal Vidyarthi (Wolfson):

In this motion I just wanted to say in Michaelmas term set up a review group on the PGA and how it will interact with new committees and how it is run at the moment. The members were people from all colleges and all divisions and we came up with a conclusion.

I have summarised the recommendations of the report. Some things in the existing governing documents which are incorrect and need amending for clarity. At one point all student members and then only common rooms conflicting things.

Also there are changes that need to be made with regards to how the PGA will interact with the new committee structure. PGA motions will be discussed in the PGA and then sent to the appropriate committee this will be decided by the Chair of the PGA. They will make points about discrepancies. This is the proposed structure.

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

All graduate members should have voting rights at PGA? Will this not mean disaffiliated colleges, coming in through the back door? Could have 20 people from a disaffiliated college making up a quorum then get it to council.

Kaushal Vidyarthi (Wolfson):

Council ratifies so it will be up to council to pass or fail. PGA just an alternative forum where can bring graduate issues. Doesn't take away rights of council even if disaffiliated do do as you have suggested then council still have the ultimate power. It is an alternative forum it doesn't take from council.

Alex Bulfin (Univ):

Why not as Post graduate issues will they not go through PGEC committee?

Kaushal Vidyarthi (Wolfson):

Depends what they relate to will be sent to the appropriate committee. Discretion of Chair will send them to the respective committee.

Motion Passes

n. Other Motions

1. Motion on the Oxford Graduate Scholarship Fund

Passes Nem Com

2. Don't lift the cap, introduce a Graduate Tax

Lewis Iwu (New):

I am going to make this brief first thing say important that Student population in Oxford has a stand on this. Most important thing is we have a position. This tax would apply for about 25 years although it is not fixed average worker would pay 2% done on a credit system. Part time course would not have to

pay as much as full time courses. Potentially more money into higher education, doesn't lead to a market in higher education don't choose courses by how much they cost. Issues with widening participation. Terms of public expenditure. If same system kept would incur £320 million extra costs. The nil repayment terms may not exist.

Free education problematic would cost £6.5 billion is it fair that people that don't go to higher education should they contribute? Is this realistic in the current climate. Why increasing tuition fee will be problematic in itself. Problem people debt averse, problem linked to commercial interest. Different to having taxation. Some issues, those leaving, can happen now. Double taxation yes being charged twice. Well off and went to university, will pay income tax and university tax. In the interim period how raise finances. Could sell off student loans, no problem having it government covering in interim. I think that this is the best proposal out there not saying doesn't have holes but most feasible. NUS going to launch on 10th think should support as think if don't won't be at core of debate.

Leonie Northedge (St Johns):

What do you think about the Government policy of raising university intake to 50%?

Lewis Iwu (New):

Higher education incredibly valuable giving more people the opportunity is a good thing. Dynamics different now than when it was free. I don't think we have any policy but support widening participation so think will support.

Lewis Goodall (St Johns):

You say young people would prefer a tax what is your justification of this?

Lewis Iwu (New):

Difficult to see at the moment. However look at the reports, massive increase in people coming in before changes in fee occur, kind of look as if people are debt averse. No costs associated with degree, powerful message. Think understandable and more people will be better off paying less on a monthly basis and spread over a longer term. Think psychological but important.

Sarah Burton (Hertford):

Quite a strong majority in our common room against a grad tax could give reasons. In principal, agreed with some but felt impractical. Felt not only alternative. Is 50% to look at? Idea that a grad tax would be better for those that are debt averse. Felt wasn't desirable that face an extra tax. Seems like another income redistribution tax. University not best for everyone. FE vocational courses have to consider. Practical issues would money go directly to university you came to, should the money be spread out. Still not very well defined. People leave people at the moment debt system less easy than grad tax. A lot of people thinking politically unfeasible so parties wouldn't agree.

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

I like I think we should vote for it. There is a funding gap it will cost more for those coming after us we still need to fund this. John Hood wanted Oxford to charge £10,000 a year. This is awful as I think it would make people less likely to go into 3rd sector careers. I think it is fairest way so the more wealthy put money back to support nurses and teaches.

Lewis Iwu (New): I would like to respond to these points. Understand widening the gap think that money put in a pot and it would be distributed according to criteria. What I think would widen the gap is the variable fees. Richer institutions with good reputations can set their fees higher and still attract, whereas new universities won't be able to. Even if people don't think it is realistic, it is more unrealistic to think will support cutting back of numbers and also funding higher education at the rate I suggested. Then we are looking at raising fees. We would be against this. The biggest thing is people may be able to leave this system, No government going to support free education or want less people to go to higher education

To strike council resolves 7 and replace with 1st Amendment

Sanjay Nanwani (St Peters):

Debated in JCR we are aware of the current climate and think grad tax is the fairest way. But it does give up the goal of free education. Going in raw form is going against this dream. Do support grad tax but support amendment.

William Hartshorn (Hertsford):

Against free education as should support at least in part paying for higher education

Move to debate on amendment

Move to Vote on

"In an ideal world education should be free."

Amendment clearly fails

Another Amendment to delete council believes 7 & 8

That education is never free and amend council resolves 3 lobby NUS

Point of Order this is a wrecking amendment.

Chair looks advises wrecking amendment

Amendment Fails

William Bergen (Lincoln):

Got figures of EU students 48,000 have to pay loan back. But if it's a tax don't have to pay. This means a lot £320 million which relates to the subsidy. The EU also applies to those who are home and go to Europe. Think real issue. Borrowing figures £47 billion before see any back. Increase borrowing they make.

2 sides big public, graduates who earn more do pay more already. Individual benefit should pay for make your own contribution.

Lincoln against

Alex Bulfin (Univ):

We debated in our common room and they have requested we vote one against one for. I personally think we shouldn't get too caught up in the minutiae shouldn't scrap just because of the comment already made, someone will come up with a way to solve this there are legitimate points but should support.

The Chair decided that although the last amendment is a wrecking amendment it still has to be heard.

Speech in proposition of the amendment

Elena Lynch (Wadham):

This is something that came up in our SU. A lot of people accepted not free but disliked not knowing how much would pay with graduate tax. £3000 has affected people applying, so I brought this amendment here for discussion.

Paul Dwyer (Keble):

Not many people put off by £3000 but would be if the amount keeps increasing. This amount is not enough from university perspective, they need more money, the resources are just more expensive. This is not sustainable.

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

Think should vote down as changes spirit of motion. I think you probably have mandate about grad tax not top up fees should be discussed in a separate motion

Move to Vote seconded.

Amendment Fails

Move to vote on motion.

Speech in summation.

Lewis Iwu (New):

Policy not set in stone. If massive scandal on this over the summer, then it can be changed this is just a clear direction to travel in, OUSU has done it before when not known concrete details. I think that this is the fairest for students working within the current economic reality. We need another way to fund higher education that is fair to universities and students.

Sarah Burton (Hertford):

Listening to debate, that private benefits that should be met by us and social benefits should be met by the public. Debate comes down to how much we should pay privately. Asking people who end up earning more, this is just another way of income redistribution. This would be popular in way put towards student but think wrong, not sure would want to pay more tax rather than knowing how much they would have to pay in fees.

In favour: 31

Against: 24

Abstentions: 9

The motion passes

Policy Lapse

Accommodation

1. Accommodation Office

Lapses

Academic Affairs

2. Retention of the Tutorial System

Paul Dwyer (Keble):

Set out a few years ago just want to make sure we still we want to have a policy which is strongly in favour of this.

Policy Kept

3. Creation of a Student Charter

Lapses

4. Library Opening Hours: Saturday Opening

Portia Roelofs (Queens)

Think policy puts it well we're here to work, libraries help us work we should have them open as long as possible.

Libraries open already.

A triumph for OUSU will drop

Lapses

5. Campaign for Greater Resource Allocation to UK Funding Council

Paul Dwyer (Keble):

Not letting it drop, lapsing because contradictory so will bring a new policy.

Lapses

6. No confidence in NSS

Lapses

7. Access to libraries

Back up Portia's point from earlier

Portia reading it says everyone has access to every college libraries.

Paul Dwyer (Keble):

Some colleges really well stocked others not therefore should be access to all.

Jake Leeper (LMH):

Are there any problems usually I just consult the librarians. Is this correct.

Portia Roelofs (Queens):

I think this is really complicated and puts forward lots of problems, may make them really crowded.

Kaushal Vidyarthi (Wolfson):

Clarification any student can access if you write to librarian, need to make prior appointment. Committee of colleges decided to restrict this because of these problems.

Noor Rashid (St Edmunds): Isn't it just being greedy to deny people to access to your library. Shouldn't all libraries be equal?

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

Easier to be able to access using a bod card. Think we should be able to access to every college library maybe not lending rights.

Paul Dwyer (Keble):

About commonality and fluidity of access

Jake Leeper (LMH):

Can write to them etc then don't have ability to take out. Art subject if someone takes out every single book, if then student from another colleges.

Paul Dwyer (Keble):

Access not lending rights

Anastaya Molodykh (Keble):

Are you able to let people in from a point of security. How does this work?

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

Yes you can but they don't let you in sometimes. I suffer because of my rugby team

Chris Blake (St Hughes):

Think will never realistically go through think that OUSU energy should be directed to the central libraries

Portia Roelofs (Queens):

Think should be written up as a new motion lots of contributions

Alex Bulfin (Univ):

Univ has 24 hr library, then have to give access code, the security ramifications are huge.

Paul Dwyer (Keble):

Will withdraw and then write a new motion

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

Whole point was researched and thought a good idea. Circumstances haven't changed should stay

Jake Anders (New):

Nothing saying unlimited access. Sensible access times.

Alex Bulfin (Univ):

Still need door codes

Move to vote

Against more - fails

Policy Lapses

8. Funding for Teaching

Paul Dwyer (Keble):

Basically this is too to encourage graduates into teaching should reaffirm.

Policy kept

9. Final Gap

Katharine Terrell (St Hilda's): This still appropriate

Rachel Cummings (Somerville):

I was going to let it lapse as it factually inaccurate, so going to bring new motion for policy.

Lapses

10. Library Service Establishment Review

Lapses

11. Burgess Report

Lapses

12. Grad Academic Affairs Committee

Lapses

13. NSS

Lapses

14. Library Opening Times

Lapses

15. Finals gap

Rachel Cummings (Somerville):

Again weird so think along with WomCam bring again

Lapses

16. Lexis Nexis

Lapses

17. Library Opening Times

Lapses

18. Exam Timetable

Lapses

Clubs and Societies

19. KEEN Office Space

Lapses

Jack Wellby points out that the policy was effective and the goal was achieved

Asylum Seekers

20. Support Azim Ansari

Will McCallum (Wadham):

Some inaccuracies but he is still here and still problems would like to uphold as still issues. Afghan refugee who had come to Bristol, then Oxford, then married British women. Still issues about his passport if caught doing things illegal will be deported.

Policy kept

Charity / RAG

21. RAG Funds

Jack Wellby (Jesus):

The only thing I'd like to ask states can't support two years running sense, I guess if you want to reaffirm then agreeing with everything there, So if don't agree then lapse.

If we lapse it are there problems?

Jake Leeper (LMH):

What if you only get 9?

Jack Wellby (Jesus):

Think would be surprising

Policy kept

Community

22. Endorsement of Future Outlook

Lapses

23. Opposition to the Proctors' and Assessor's Memorandum's Characterisation of Begging, Homelessness and Drug Addiction in Oxford

Lapses

24. One World Week Facilitation

Lapses

25. A Noughtie Message

Lapses

Equal Opportunities

26. Support for The Level Information Project

Lapses

27. Prayer Room

Lapses

28. Disabilities Action

Lapses

29. Student Parents

Rachel Cummings (Somerville):

This is something we've been working on for several years and it is just about to happen

Policy Kept

College Equality

30. Creation of a Second College Inequality Report

Lapses

Ethics

31. Advertising Ban on Esso/Exxon-Mobil

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

This is an oil company reason policy against them is that they buy scientists to say climate change isn't happening. The advertising ban etc is working a vast majority of funding doesn't happen but they are still giving lots of money to some scientists. Legislation used by Sarah Palin to drill in arctic and make polar bears no longer an extinct species

Jim O'Connell (Keble):

Are we losing any money re this?

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

So far as aware we have not been approached, not aware is usually Nestle that approach us

Policy kept

32. Campaign Against the University Using Sweatshop Labour

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

Sweatshops are evil "No Sweat" is entirely legitimate and is based around UN standards

Policy Kept

33. The Said Business School

POI Madeline Stanley (RO) this was repealed Hilary Term 2007 we have said we will refer to them as the Business School rather than the Said Business School, but have said we will interact.

Lapses

Portia Roelofs (Queens):

If people want information about this Said facilitated a very large sale of arms to Saudi Arabia, used weapons for repression of people don't think this money should be used to fund our education.

34. Coca-cola Scholarships

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

Currently give scholarships occasionally they have history of human rights issues dating back to second world war and their association with Hitler, in the 90's gave out sludge from their plant for use as a fertilizer in India, unfortunately it contained elements which killed people. Which is the main issue why have policy against them recently however in Columbia prevent workers from unionising, claims that bribes officials and politicians. The UN say they are breaching human rights, I am going to bring an advertising ban. Cleaned up most of their act but not all of it.

Who do scholarships go to?

Jack Wellby (Jesus):

The scholarships are for water studies, the studies are a positive thing how water can be more beneficially used and saved

Lewis Iwu (New):

Have Coca-cola apologised or acknowledged their past evils?

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

They stopped giving out sludge but didn't help the people who it had affected. This is about informing the students that receive them not stopping them receive them

Jack Wellby (Jesus):

Think should lapse as don't know enough about the scholarships, the abuses have changed should discuss advertising policy ban and look at this more.

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

Shouldn't let it lapse how many new atrocities before this company changes its way

Richard Foster (Corpus Christi):

My college has policy against this and in India they are using all the water, so shouldn't be able to negate this by funding scholarships into water.

Katherine Terrell (St Hildas):

Are the resolves happening?

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

If they have happened they don't happen again.

Rachel Cummings (Somerville):
New set up of scholarships written again

Steven Bush (Balliol):
I am campaigning for advertising ban not bothering people who take scholarship money

Paul Dwyer (Keble):
I am uncomfortable writing to people who have already taken scholarships.

People who have taken them and then got information regarding them could use opportunity to campaign within Coca-cola it is definitely worth providing information.

Alex Bulfin (Univ):
Is it possible to find out who they go to?

Kaushal Vidyarthi (Wolfson):
Advises who gets scholarships. Think doing good should appreciate this. Think should keep this.

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds): About informing recipients

Lewis Iwu (New):
Think way we do this campaign generally rather than once people have this funding. Putting this moral batten against them as puts them in an awkward position. Think campaigning before would be fairer do agree should take up though.

Tom Meakin (Magdalen):
What do you intend that these letters will give them

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):
People have a foot in door in Coca-cola more likely to get voice heard. Really important.

Move to vote

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):
We are all agreed Coca-cola bad, one letter not harassment important to inform people receiving them and implore them to write to Coca-cola. Should be this policy and an anti Coca-cola advertising policy.

Jack Wellby (Jesus):
Think should bring new policy difficult to say don't accept money which is doing good in the long run. Think advertising ban is the way to go.

For: 15

Policy lapsed

35. Clean Clothes

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds): This is the last one I promise it goes hand in hand with sweatshop labour. Sweatshops evil please uphold policy

Policy kept

36. Ethical Oxford Handbook

Lapses

Finance and Funding

37. Opposition to Differential Fees

Lapses

Graduates

38. Affiliation to the National Post Graduate Committee

Lapses

39. Creation of a Graduate Funding Committee

Lapses

40. Post Graduate Assembly

Kaushal Vidyarthi (Wolfson):

Just talks about keeping minutes of PGA even if quorate not reached it is about the way we run PGA.

Alex Bulfin (Univ):

Why not in standing orders of PGA?

Madeline Stanley (LMH):

Perhaps it should be but at minute it works as policy as not in.

Policy kept

Health

41. Barnes Unit Closure

No longer open.

Lapses

International

42. Condemnation of Acts of Terrorism (including definition of 'terrorism')

Noor Rashid (St Edmunds):

Should always condemn terrorism of any kind.

Originally 9/11 but all terrorist acts, spirit should be kept, as still fresh in memories

Sarah Burton (Hertford):

Only thing confused about is to hold 2 minute silence

Madeline Stanley (LMH):

Substantive believes that it is our policy not what we say to do.

Elizabeth Neate (Hertford):

Obviously all think is bad don't think we need to think a policy or position on this.

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

By having this blanket policy means we don't have to spend hours in policy debating a particular act.

Noor Rashid (St Edmunds):

I think it is interesting to think what we are saying if we withdraw it from policy.

Kaushal Vidyarthi (Wolfson):

Not saying should lapse. Can condemn something that has happened should not refer to a particular act. Should bring a one line umbrella policy

Leonie Northedge (St Johns):

This is particularly related to 9/11 should have a general one.

Tom Meakin (Magdalen)

If we let this policy lapse means we drop it, this says it is no longer relevant. Should bring up discussion on certain things that happens we should condemn there and then.

Katharine Terrell (St Hildas):

Think should continue to send out message that terrorism is bad

Think it's trivial as we can't debate about the factual events and the consequences. One sentence talking about acts of terrorism.

Move to Vote

Noor Rashid (St Edmunds):

Echo what people said it gives direction to OUSU we shouldn't take this out. We look as if we were no longer condemning 9/11 yet it is a defining event.

Elizabeth Neate (Hertford)

By not condemning in policy doesn't mean we don't believe it think policy against relevant

For: 25

Against: 23

Abstentions: 5

Policy kept

43. Condemnation of 9/11 Attacks

Lapses

44. Opposition to the Asylum and Immigration Acts

Sara Bainbridge (Mansfield)

The UK policy is not fit for purpose you can read my report on this. OUSU should be in support of this.

Paul Dwyer (Keble):

Have the acts changed?

Will McCallum (Wadham):

Haven't really changed.

Policy kept

45. Opposition to Campsfield Detention Centre

Will McCallum (Wadham):

Campsfield is still very pertinent especially as they are proposing building one at Bicester. Oxford students are opposed to this. There is a rally against this tomorrow

If talking about new one then write new policy.

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):
We did, it passed last term.
Policy Kept

46. Further Opposition to GATS

Lapses

47. Request that Common Rooms Consider the Anti-Iraq War Motion

Lapses

48. Opposition to the War on Iraq

Noor Rashid (St Edmunds):

War in Iraq and war in Afghanistan this is the most grievous act has completely defined the way of the war. Condemn all terrorist attacks and those committed by states. Urge you to not let this lapse

Rachel Cummings (Somerville):

Definitely with you that should oppose but this is ridiculously out of date as Saddam Hussein is now dead think should have new policy on this.

St Catz:

Britain no longer has troops there

Noor Rashid (St Edmunds):

Actually do and are building a permanent base there. War not going to end soon.

Noor Rashid (St Edmunds):

Agree text no longer relevant but spirit still relevant. Opposed first time should keep

Becci:

Some of the factual points out of date, but should keep

Katharine Terrell (St Hildas):

Should bring new policy

Daniel Lowe (St Edmunds):

Spirit of motion opposition of going to war in debate. Support a lapse.

Move to vote

Noor Rashid (St Edmunds):

Agree text not as up to date as policy but don't think OUSU can really bring this back bring but don't lapse just now.

Rachel Cummings (Somerville):

Policy lapse about bringing things up to date should bring again

Policy lapsed.

49. Support for Fairer International Trade Rules and Practices

Jack Wellby (Jesus):

Most entirely relevant should just reaffirm

Alex Bulfin (Univ):

Does council affiliate currently to this?

Jack Wellby (Jesus):
We are pushing for Fairtrade Status.
Policy kept

50. Genocide of the Armenian People

Will McCallum (Wadham):
Now more relevant than it was before still important, lets keep it going

Will McCallum (Wadham):
British Government still mentioning genocide

Policy kept

51. Make Poverty History

Kaushal Vidyarthi (Wolfson):
Think good should keep going and you might know development goals which have come from this campaign. Support the idea of a poverty free world. Most relevant still support

Jake Leeper (LMH): did anything happen?

No one knows

Policy kept

52. Support for Australian Student Union

Lapses

o. Any Other Business

Madeline Stanley (Returning Officer)

Bi-Election both the candidates were successful. If interested in being RO come and see me in the pub after council