



termly council minutes

Minutes of OUSU Termly Council Trinity 2002

a. election of chair

Conor ONeill, Wadham I am impartial, experienced and know the constitution. I have not read all the standing orders.
Ruth Hunt asks whether he has time for all the hustings next term
Conor says yes. Conor also says he has no problems clamping down on intimidation in council.

b. termly reports

RH nothing to add.

Questions

Jack Clift, corpus, asks whether RH would support a letter about palestine.

Eleanor Fletcher nothing to add

James Rowlands nothing to add

Antonia Bance nothing to add.

Questions

Andrew Thomas St Annes, asks whether council adequately holds sabs to account.
AB urges people to come along and hold them to account.

Jeff Williams re-iterates that he will be working in ousu over the summer

John Craig termly report was written in a rush. sonia will be great.

Exec Reoprts

Chris Hanretty ethics ctte hindered by the lack of an email list.

PT, JB and AP were not present at this stage.

Commitee co-chairs

F&F- will be 7 on Tuesday.

AcAff gives a verbal report need for more divisional board reps. Student Charter on horizon. J Kern, Pemb, asks whether it will be an overall student charter or specific to colleges. JC says AcAff will help colleges to campaign. The student charter can be found on ousu.org.

constitutional business

(need 2/3 to pass)

1. student advice service

proposed by james rowlands a good idea. no objections passed

2. ousu general manager

prop by RH altering management structure. no obj passed.

3. www.ousu.org

website successful so far. no obj passed.

4. equal opps and harrassment

prop by JR a good idea. no obj passed student advice and publications sorts out constitutional confusion and makes sure right people are doing the right jobs. passed.

5. election regs

prop AB need to pass these intact before the next election.

Amendment

RH clarifies that this will put the regs back to first reading.

Prop Sean Sullivan, SEH wasnt able to be in council last time. The regs insist on declaration of party affiliation on ballot paper. some want politics out of ousu, OULC want it in. no problem give the electorate the choice. the commission was mainly OULC who have tried to make all candidates party political. not fair. liable to confuse the electorate.

SFQs

did SS go to the commission

no.

what are current regs on this

affiliations dont go on ballot paper.

Luke Haywood, somerville did SS try to get his concerns raised by someone else?

no

-andrew copson, balliol why didn't he try to remove political affiliation from the booklet

SS ballot paper is the last port of call, v persuasive.

Debate

AB regs have taken 6 months and a lot of work. genuinely sorry that the motion had to come in 5th wk when some people couldnt attend. this amendment would throw the new regs off course and deny us a comprehensible list of regs.

CH a list of disclosures decided by ousu.

Rachel logan, new people can still chose the independent label

Move to vote.

prop we are running out of time opp points still to be raised FAILS

Peter Orlov, New- unfair to ignore candidates wishes. this is not an attempt to derail councils wishes.

Matt Selwood, New this is a case of self-interest. people have a right to know.

Sonia Sodha, Hildas thanks AB. council needs to decide whether the old regs are worth sticking to. purpose of ballot paper not there to give info about candidates. thats what the manifestoes are for.

JC, New - we need decent new regs. not an issue on which an SU can be neutral. Personally feels that parties are important. this is throwing away too much.

Move to vote

passed.

Summing up for Sean the argument about the amount of work involved is irrelevant. the new regs can still be used. there is a confusion of politics and party politics. Sonia stresses the difference between the JMB and the ballot paper. Summing up against AB this has taken a long time the current regs are a shambles. issues of party politics are complex why not amend them next term?

Amendment fails to get 2/3 majority.

Move to vote on main motion

passed

Summing up for AB 9000 words should improve next terms election.

Vote 42-10 2/3 majority.

