

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

MINUTES

A meeting of **GOVERNING BODY** was held on Wednesday 11th March 2015 at 2.00 p.m. in the Senior Common Room.

Present: The President, Professor J.C.G. Pitcher, Professor K. P. Tod, Professor C. J. K. Batty, Professor I. J. Sobey, Professor S. J. Whittaker, Professor A. R. Weidberg, Professor A. J. Parker, Professor F. A. Armstrong, Dr. C. Whistler, Professor K. Nation, Professor W. Mattli, Professor J. Ouaknine, Professor L. M. McDowell, Dr. C. A. Larrington, The Revd. Professor W. Whyte, Professor R.M. Harding, Professor A. Wright, Professor C. Jeffrey, Professor T. Burt de Perera, Ms. S. Layburn, Professor M-S. Omri, Professor H. Skoda, Professor N. Lübecker, Professor P. R. Hayes, Dr. K. Doornik, Professor C. Newton, Professor G. Gottlob, Dr. G. Kantor, Professor B. Murnane, Professor J. Stanyek, Professor J. Bray, Dr. J. Anderson, Ms. M. Lambrakis (MCR President), Ms. E. Tanner (MCR Vice-President), Ms. C. St. Clair (JCR President), Ms. B. McCullagh (JCR Vice-President)

Apologies: Professor P. K. Maini, Professor A. Starinets, Professor A. Russell, Professor J. Obloj, Professor K. Southwood, Professor J. J. Pandit, Mr. D. Waldman (JCR Secretary)

In attendance: Ms. D. Cripps

ACTION**AGENDA 'A'**1. Minutes and matters arising

The minutes of the meetings of Governing Body held on 3rd December 2014 and 18th February 2015 were **approved**.

2. Music and Visual Arts Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th February 2015 were received.

3. Academic Services Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 25th February 2015 were received.

The Fellow Librarian noted the Librarian's Report and encouraged Fellows to visit the Yeats exhibition in the Library.

The IT Fellow highlighted the proposal for a new College website and noted that the Web Officer had gathered information from a number of colleges about their level of investment in new sites which ranged from £15-£50k. A detailed proposal for expenditure would be presented to Governing Body in Michaelmas Term.

4. Decanal Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th March 2015 were received.

5. Education Policy Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th March 2015 were received.

The Senior Tutor noted that, after discussion of an MCR paper on the College Advisor system, it had been agreed that the letter sent to Advisors by the Tutor for Graduates would indicate a firm requirement that there be face-to-face contact between Advisors and Advisees in the first term and at least once per year thereafter.

6. Any other business

The outgoing MCR President thanked the MCR Committee, College staff and Governing Body for their support and encouragement. She particularly thanked the College for offering alternative sources of both financial and pastoral support of graduates, highlighting the pressures on graduate funding and housing. She noted her pleasure in being part of the College's first all-women team of Presidents/Vice-Presidents and commended Governing Body for the 2000 Women initiative. She also noted the effective links built between JCR and MCR members.

The President thanked the MCR President and the outgoing MCR Committee for their support and hard work. She noted that graduate scholarships were high on the College's agenda and welcomed Ms. Tanner as the new MCR President.