

## ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

**MINUTES**

A General meeting of **GOVERNING BODY** was held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2014 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. Grafen, Professor A. R. Weidberg, Professor A. J. Parker, Professor F. A. Armstrong, Professor S. J. Elston, Professor P. P. Craig, Professor M. Cannon, Professor K. Nation, Professor J. Ouaknine, Dr. C. A. Larrington, The Revd. Professor W. Whyte, Professor R.M. Harding, Professor A. Starinets, Professor J. Schnell, 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 R. Ekins, Dr. J. Obloj, Professor B. Murnane, Professor J. Stanyek, Professor J. Bray

Apologies: Professor R. G. Compton, Professor C. Whistler, Professor L. Tarassenko, Professor W. Mattli, Professor L. M. McDowell, Professor P. K. Maini, Professor H. Bouman, Professor A. Wright, Professor G. Gottlob, Professor J. J. Pandit

In attendance: Ms. D. Cripps

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

The minutes of the meeting of Governing Body held on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2014 were **approved**.

2. Supernumerary Teaching Fellowship in Physical Geography

Dr Julie Durcan was appointed to a five-year fixed term Supernumerary Teaching Fellowship in Physical Geography from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015.

3. Supernumerary Teaching Fellowship in Psychology

Dr MaryAnn Noonan was appointed to a five-year fixed term Supernumerary Teaching Fellowship in Psychology from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015.

4. Nuffield Professorship in Population Health

The Governing Body had **agreed** at its meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2014 that the College should bid for association with the Nuffield Professorship in Population Health by offering a Supernumerary Fellowship with (or without) Governing Body membership, at the President's discretion. The bid had been successful and it was now **agreed** to offer a Professorial Fellowship with membership of Governing Body.

**PRESIDENT**5. Academic Structures

The President summarized discussions to date on the appropriate academic structures for the College with regard to College Officerships, given current pressures on academic life and a changing higher education environment.

Two models had now been tabled and discussion focused on whether the proposed new Academic Dean's role was for a full-time 'professional' (with or without a doctorate) or could be held by an Official Fellow with appropriate teaching remission.

After discussion of the two models, it was **agreed** that expressions of interest in the role of Academic Dean in either of the models, whether immediate or within the next five years, should be sent to the President by the end of 4<sup>th</sup> Week with a view to deciding between the two models at the meeting of Governing Body in 5<sup>th</sup> Week.

**PRESIDENT and SENIOR TUTOR**

6. Report on St John's Sport

The Annual Report of the Sports Officer was received by Governing Body. The achievements of the College's Varsity athletes (George Gundle, Samantha Rawlinson, Jenny Richards and Aidan Smith) were noted.

7. Staff Pay

The Principal Bursar reported that a pay settlement of 2% had been agreed for all staff on College-specific salary scales with some adjustment for lower-paid staff to receive an award of 3%. The Living Wage campaign, which seeks the commitment of employers to pay staff at a rate above the national minimum wage calculated on the basis of the cost of living, was noted.

**PRINCIPAL BURSAR**