

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

MINUTES

A Stated General meeting of **GOVERNING BODY** was held on Wednesday 23rd April 2014 at 10.30 a.m. in the Senior Common Room.

Present: The President, Dr. D. R. Stirzaker, Dr. J.C.G. Pitcher, Professor K. P. Tod, Professor C. J. K. Batty, Professor R. G. Compton, Professor F.A. Armstrong, Professor P. K. Maini, Professor A. Hills, Dr. R.M. Harding, Dr. H. Bouman, Dr. A. Starinets, Dr. J. Schnell, Ms. S. Layburn, Dr. N. Lübecker, Dr. P. Hayes, Professor C. Newton, Dr. R. Ekins, Dr. G. Kantor, Dr. B. Murnane, Dr. J. Stanyek, Professor J. Bray, Dr. K. Southwood, Professor J. J. Pandit

Apologies: Professor S. J. Whittaker, Professor A. J. Parker, Dr. C. Whistler, Professor W. Mattli, Professor L. M. McDowell, Dr. C. A. Larrington, The Revd. Dr. W. Whyte, Professor N. P. Harberd, Dr. A. Wright, Professor C. Jeffrey, Dr. T. Burt de Perera, Dr. J.G.C. Snicker, Dr. M-S Omri, Dr. H. Skoda, Dr. A. Russell, Professor G. Gottlob, Dr. J. Obloj

In attendance: Ms. D. Cripps

ACTION

AGENDA 'B'

1. Professor J. J. Pandit, Supernumerary Fellow in Physiological Sciences, was admitted to Governing Body.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of Governing Body held on 12th March 2014 were approved and signed.

3. Finance Committee: Staff Pension Fund

Governing Body agreed an exceptional transfer from its general funds to the funds of the staff pension scheme.

4. Trinity Term Calendar

Governing Body approved the Trinity Term Calendar. The President highlighted the President's Concert on 3rd May and encouraged Fellows to attend.

5. Conference of Colleges

The unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of Conference on 18th March 2014 were received. Governing Body noted that the binding vote on the recommendations from the Collegiate Funding Formula Review had not been carried and that an extra meeting of Conference had therefore been timetabled for 3rd Week. This was to authorise the holding of a binding vote on a proposition relating to the Collegiate Funding Formula at the meeting of Conference in 5th week

6. Any other business

The Senior Tutor briefed Governing Body on a visa issue that had arisen after the Junior Research Fellowship elections. This related to a new rule introduced in April 2013, whereby overseas applicants over 25 years old were no longer regarded as 'New Entrants' but as 'Experienced Workers': 'New Entrant' status carried a salary threshold of £20,500; 'Experienced Worker' status, however, carried a higher salary threshold of £27,000. Governing Body agreed that a Junior Research Fellowship in Economics should be advertised detailing the full salary and benefits. The Senior Tutor would discuss the issue with the Senior Tutor at Merton and the Senior Censor at Christ Church and consider asking the respective Heads of House to write jointly to the UK Border Agency to express their concern about the consequences of this change in visa rules.

SENIOR TUTOR