

## ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

## MINUTES

A meeting of **GOVERNING BODY** was held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 2.00 p.m. in the Senior Common Room.

Present: The President, Professor S. J. Whittaker, Professor A. R. Weidberg, Professor S. J. Elston, Professor Z. Molnár, Professor K. Nation, The Revd Professor W. Whyte, Professor D. Martin, Professor R. M. Harding, Professor H. Bouman, Professor N. P. Harberd, Professor S. Myers, Professor J. Schnell, Professor T. Burt de Perera, Professor M-S. Omri, Professor H. Skoda, Professor P. R. Hayes, Professor C. Newton, Professor J. Obloj, Dr G. Kantor, Professor B. Murnane, Professor K. Southwood, Professor J. J. Pandit, Professor Z. Olszewska, Professor I. Klinke, Professor L. Pratt, Professor C. Beem, Professor G. Rose, Professor S. Kiefer, Professor N. Sugimura, Professor S. Toussaert, Professor R. Slater, Mr R. Crow, Professor S. White, Professor B. McFarlane, Dr M. Nicholls, Professor N. K. Jones, Ms Z. Hancock, Dr S. Campbell, Dr K. Doornik, Professor R. Hoye, Professor L. Hunt, Professor R. Lall, Dr. Z. Cai (ECR Representative), Dr J. Richards (ECR Representative)

Apologies: Professor R. G. Compton, Professor M. Cannon, Professor P. K. Maini, Professor C. A. Larrington, Professor A. Hills, Professor A. Wright, Professor A. Starinets, Professor N. Lübecker, Professor A. Russell, Professor G. Gottlob, Professor R. Ekins, Professor J. Stanyek, Professor Sir R. Collins, Professor L. di Mare, Professor E. Greensmith, Professor E. Wonnacott, Professor B. Stevenson, Professor K. J. Patel

In attendance: Ms. D. Cripps

## AGENDA 'B'

## ACTION

1. Minutes and matters arising

The minutes of the meeting of Governing Body held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2023 were **approved**.

In matters arising the Fellow for Access reported the result of the binding vote at Admissions Committee in Week 4 on the future mode of undergraduate admissions. The vote had required a two-thirds majority and 77.4% voted in favour of remote interviewing. The decision would be in place for five years and would then be reviewed. There would be annual feedback forms and the University's Undergraduate Admissions and Outreach office would contact schools to inform them of the decision. Some system improvements had been identified and would be in place for the December admissions round. There would also be improvements to offerholder activities.

2. Educational Policy Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023 were received.

The Governing Body **agreed** to cover the full costs of a Grade 5 post for a Lectureship in Archaeology, subject to the Ashmolean Museum being the employer [ ], to include the benefits of a College Lectureship, for the first three-year cycle of the post, pending the outcome of the Ashmolean's fundraising efforts. The College might offer to assist with or run the recruitment process in order to recruit in good time for the next academic year.

It was **agreed** that the Junior Research Fellowship of Dr J. Potts should be extended for a fourth and final period of one year, from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023.

It was **agreed** to recruit Career Development Research Fellowships in Modern History, Archaeology/Anthropology, Music, Politics, Chemistry, Engineering and Biology to start in Michaelmas Term 2024.

It was also **agreed** to reappoint Ms N.Buchmann as Lektorin in German for a second year from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023.

**SENIOR TUTOR**

3. Promotion of the Arts Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were received.

It was noted that, whilst the Committee was able to decide how to allocate the Kendrew Fund budget, it had no further discretionary funds available to it.

**PRINCIPAL BURSAR/KEEPER OF THE PICTURES**

4. Chapel and Patronage Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were received.

The Governing Body **agreed** to award a Choral Scholarship to Ella Jackson.

**PRINCIPAL BURSAR**

5. Annual Report of the Director of Development and Alumni Relations

The Director of Development and Alumni Relations reported on his team's activity in fundraising, stewardship and donor recognition, and alumni relations and engagement. He noted that new funds raised this year were the second-best year on record. The third Benefactors' Dinner had been well attended and he thanked Fellows for their support of the event.

**BELOW THE LINE ITEMS – TO NOTE**

6. Conference of Colleges

The unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of the Conference of Colleges held on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 were received.