

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

**MINUTES**

A meeting of **GOVERNING BODY** was held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2012 at 2.00 p.m. in the Senior Common Room.

Present: The President, Dr. J.C.G. Pitcher, Professor K. P. Tod, Professor C. J. K. Batty, Dr. I. J. Sobey, Professor S.J. Whittaker, Dr. P. K. Dresch, Professor A. Grafen, Dr. A. R. Weidberg, Professor A. J. Parker, Professor P.P. Craig, Dr. M. Cannon, Professor K. Nation, Professor W. Mattli, Professor J. Ouaknine, Professor L.M. McDowell, Professor P. Maini, Dr. C. A. Larrington, The Revd. Dr. W. Whyte, Dr. A. Hills, Dr. R.M. Harding, Dr. H. Bouman, Dr. A. Wright, Dr. A. Starinets, Dr. J. Schnell, Dr. T. Burt de Perera, Dr. J.G.C. Snicker, Ms. S. Layburn, Dr. M-S. Omri, Dr. N. Lübecker, Dr. P. Hayes, Professor C. Newton, Professor G. Gottlob, Dr. R. Ekins, Dr. J. Obloj, Dr. G. Kantor, Dr. B. Murnane, Dr. J. Stanyek, Professor J. Bray, Professor D. Kwiatkowski.

Apologies Professor F.A. Armstrong, Dr. C. Whistler, Professor L. Tarassenko, Dr. D. Martin, Professor N. P. Harberd, Dr. K. Doornik.

**ACTION**

**AGENDA 'B'**

1. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of Governing Body held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2012 were approved.

2. Election and Admission of a Professorial Fellow to Governing Body

Professor Dominic Kwiatkowski was elected to a Professorial Fellowship in Genomics and Global Health. Professor Kwiatkowski was subsequently admitted to Governing Body.

3. Research Centre Management Committee

The minutes of the meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> October were accepted.

The committee's recommendations that two grants, of up to £44,000 and £3,800 respectively, be awarded to Dr Larrington to support a one-year research project on interpreting Eddic poetry and a workshop on Eddic poetry, were **approved**. Governing Body also **agreed** to the recommendation to appoint Professor Williams (law) of the University of Auckland to a Visiting Research Associate for Hilary and Trinity Terms, 2014.

The President thanked Professor McDowell for preparing the Annual Report of the Director of the Research Centre.

4. Educational Policy Committee

The minutes of the meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> October were accepted.

Governing Body **agreed** to the recommendation that, subject to the conditions outlined in the minutes, Tutorial Fellows should be allowed to apply for personal awards, such as ERC awards, which might involve remission of some tutorial duties. The possibility of restricting applications to early- or mid-career academics will be discussed at the next meeting of Educational Policy Committee.

**SENIOR TUTOR**

It was also **agreed** that the College should offer a bursary, to be known as a Southern Award, to any student who would qualify for the highest level of support under the Oxford Opportunity Bursary scheme, but who is not in receipt of a Moritz-Heyman award.

**SENIOR TUTOR**

The data presented by the Senior Tutor on FHS results were discussed, and it was suggested that this information should inform future discussion of equality issues and academic planning.

5. Archives Committee

The minutes of the meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> October were accepted.

6. Domestic Committee

The minutes of the meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> October were accepted, and it was **agreed** that the Lodge Manager should be invited to be in attendance at Domestic Committee meetings.

**DOMESTIC BURSAR**

7. General Purposes Committee

The minutes of the meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> October were accepted.

After some discussion, it was **agreed** that the Bursar should invite Wright & Wright Architects to investigate the possibility of developing additional Library study space along the Easterly wall of the President's garden, the cost of this investigation being estimated at no more than £35,000.

**BURSAR**

Governing Body **agreed** to the proposal that discussions on academic planning, including the future size and shape of Governing Body, academic and administrative duties, and gender and equality issues, should be held in Hilary Term 2013.

**PRESIDENT**

8. Risk Management Committee

The minutes of the meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> October were accepted.

9. Estates Committee

The minutes of the meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> October were accepted.

It was **agreed** that the College should continue to invest in studies examining traffic in relation to the potential development of the Peartree site, the cost of these studies being estimated at no more than £35,000.

**ESTATES BURSAR & PRINCIPAL BURSAR**

10. Finance Committee

The minutes of the meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> October and the Annual Report and Financial Statements were accepted.

The committee's recommendations for refurbishment of the President's lodgings were **approved**.  
(The Vice-President took the chair for this item.)

**PRINCIPAL BURSAR**

11. Any Other Business

Professor Tod reported that the National Portrait Gallery has requested the loan of the College's portrait of Gregory Martin for an exhibition on "Elizabeth I and her people", from 10<sup>th</sup> October 2013 to 5<sup>th</sup> January 2014. The loan will be insured via the British Government Indemnity Scheme and the NPG will be responsible for transport costs. The College's Conservator reported that the painting would be suitable for loan, provided it is displayed in a stable environment. The Governing Body gave permission for the loan.