

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

MINUTES

A meeting of **GOVERNING BODY** was held on Wednesday 9th March 2011 at 2.00 p.m. in the Senior Common Room.

Present: The President, Professor M. R. Freedland, Mr. N. Purcell, Professor K. P. Tod, Professor C. J. K. Batty, Dr. I. J. Sobey, Professor S.J. Whittaker, Professor A. Grafen, Dr. A. R. Weidberg, Professor A. J. Parker, Professor F.A. Armstrong, The Revd. Dr. E. D. H. Carmichael, Professor S. Elston, Professor P.P. Craig, Professor G. J. H. van Gelder, Professor K. Nation, Professor W. Mattli, Dr. J. Ouaknine, Professor L.M. McDowell, Professor P. Maini, Dr. C. A. Larrington, Dr. A. Hills, Dr. R.M. Harding, Dr. M. Stokes, Dr. A. Wright, Dr. J. Schnell, Dr. T. Burt de Perera, Dr. C. Jeffrey, Dr. J. Snicker, Ms. S. Layburn, Dr. M-S. Omri, Dr. H. Skoda, Dr. N. Lübecker, Mr. D. Townsend (MCR President), Mr. D. Messling (JCR President), Mr. M. Klaput (MCR President-elect).

Apologies: Dr. D. Martin, Dr. H. Bouman, Professor N. P. Harberd, Dr. A. Starinets, Ms. N. Weinberg (JCR Vice-President)

Dr. J.C.G. Pitcher was present for part of item ?.

ACTION

AGENDA 'A'

1. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 16th February 2011 were approved subject to the following correction:

Item 2 – insert “anyone sitting examinations” and delete “Finals candidates”.

2. Tuition fees, waivers and bursaries

There was general discussion on the papers that had been circulated. The JCR and MCR Presidents commented, and the Principal Bursar explained aspects of the proposals for fees, fee waivers and maintenance bursaries. Debt aversion among students from lower income backgrounds was felt to be a likely serious obstacle to the College's wider access efforts. The current proposals were designed to address these concerns, as far as it was possible to do so. The President said that the discussion would be very helpful to the College's representations at the forthcoming Conference of Colleges discussion of these issues.

3. Joint Council

The minutes of the meeting held on 27th January 2011 were accepted.

4. Library Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 23rd February 2011 were accepted.

5. Web Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 23rd February 2011 were accepted.

6. Music and Visual Arts Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd March 2011 were accepted.

Governing Body approved the recommendation that [] honoraria [] be made available for the filmmaker and three writers involved in the series of four seminars 'Filmer l'écriture'

Helen Chadwick Fellowship

The proposal was to support a Fellowship (not a college Fellowship) to which contributions would be made by a number of bodies including the British School of Rome. It was agreed that if the necessary funding was raised to support the Helen Chadwick Fellowship, and for a period of three years, the College would offer accommodation and dining rights to the Fellow for the months of October and November, starting in 2011, when the Fellow is in Oxford. The College would also provide a sum of £500 towards travel expenses.

7. Educational Policy Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd March 2011 were accepted.

8. Equality Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd March were accepted.

9. Decanal Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd March 2011 were accepted.

10. Ball Steering Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th March 2011 were accepted.

11. Any other business

The outgoing MCR President, David Townsend addressed Governing Body and introduced his successor, Michael Klaput. The President thanked David Townsend for his contribution as MCR President for two years.