

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

MINUTES

A meeting of **GOVERNING BODY** was held on Wednesday 24th May 2017 at 2.00 p.m. in the Senior Common Room.

Present: The President, Professor C. J. K. Batty, Professor R. G. Compton, Professor S. J. Whittaker, Professor A. Grafen, Professor A. J. Parker, Professor F. A. Armstrong, Professor P. P. Craig, Professor K. Nation, Professor W. Mattli, Professor P. Maini, The Revd. Prof. W. Whyte, Professor D. Martin, Professor A. Hills, Professor R. M. Harding, Professor H. Bouman, Professor N. P. Harberd, Professor A. Wright, Professor J. Schnell, Ms. S. Layburn, Professor M-S. Omri, Professor P. R. Hayes, Professor R. Ekins, Professor J. Obloj, Dr. G. Kantor, Professor J. Stanyek, Professor K. Southwood, Professor J. J. Pandit, Professor Z. Olszewska, Dr. I. Klinke, Professor L. Pratt, Professor L. di Mare

Apologies: Professor A. R. Weidberg, Professor S. Elston, Dr. C Whistler, Professor M. Cannon, Professor A. Starinets, Professor T. Burt de Perera, Professor A. Russell, Professor C. Newton, Professor J. Bray, Professor Sir R. Collins, Professor C. Beem

In attendance: Dr. K. Doornik (Equality Officer), Dr. E. Clewlow (Academic Dean), Ms. A. Bielby (Director of Development and Alumni Relations), Ms. D. Cripps

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

The minutes of the meeting of Governing Body held on 19th April 2017 were **approved**.

2. Election of Official Fellow in English

Professor Noël Sugimura was elected as Official Fellow and Tutor in English Literature (1550–1760), with membership of Governing Body, with effect from 1st October 2017.

PRESIDENT3. Election of Official Fellow in Computer Science

Dr. Stefan Kiefer was elected as Official Fellow and Tutor in Computer Science, with membership of Governing Body, with effect from 1st October 2017.

PRESIDENT4. Educational Policy Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd May 2017 were received.

The Senior Tutor noted that potential changes to Presidential Collections would be discussed at the next meeting of the Committee with recommendations coming to the 9th Week meeting of Governing Body. He asked for any comments to be sent to him.

GOVERNING BODY

The Governing Body **agreed** to extend Dr. Cartlidge's appointment as a Stipendiary Lecturer for a further term until the end of Michaelmas Term 2017, during which time he would have no teaching duties. It also **agreed** that the College should retain its association with the Classics Faculty's fixed-term, Part-time Instructorship in Latin by appointing the successful candidate to a six-hour Stipendiary Lectureship.

It was **agreed** to seek to appoint to an Official Fellowship in Philosophy, in association with an Associate Professorship in Epistemology, with effect from 1st October 2018.

It was further **agreed** to bid for association with the post of Keeper of Western Art, noting that Dr. Whistler had already been appointed to the position.

SENIOR TUTOR

5. Promotion of the Arts Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th May 2017 were received.

The Governing Body **agreed** that Timothy Newbery should be commissioned to undertake conservation work on the frames of the portraits in Hall of Sir Thomas White, Archbishop Laud and Bishop Juxon [].

It was also **agreed** that Benjamin Sullivan be asked to undertake the President's portrait [].

KEEPER OF THE PICTURES

6. General Purposes Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th May 2017 were received.

The Governing Body **agreed** that the Emeritus Research Fellowship of Revd. Dr. E. Carmichael should be renewed from 1st October 2017 for a third and final period of three years. It was also **agreed** that the Emeritus Research Fellowship of Professor D. Stirzaker should be renewed from 1st October 2017 for a second period of three years.

PRESIDENT

The Senior Tutor briefed Governing Body on an issue relating to a Junior Research Fellow. It was **agreed** that the terms and conditions of Junior Research Fellows and Supernumerary Teaching Fellows should be reviewed.

SENIOR TUTOR

The Governing Body **agreed** the proposals for the operation of the Professor Ioan James Fund for Mathematics.

The Governing Body further **agreed** that the President should be granted two terms of part-sabbatical leave during Michaelmas Term 2017 and Hilary Term 2018. The President would continue with some duties during her sabbatical and it was also **agreed** that the Vice-President should take up the President's remaining duties as Acting President during the same period.

PRESIDENT & VICE-PRESIDENT

7. Chapel and Patronage Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 2017 were received.

The Finance Bursar noted the appointment of Tom Hammond Davies as Choir Director.

The Governing Body **agreed** that Choral Scholarships should be awarded to Henry Cole, Cameron Di Leo and Lucinda Huntsman.

FINANCE BURSAR

8. Health and Safety Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 2017 were received.

9. Finance Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 2017 were received.

The Principal Bursar updated Governing Body on progress on plans for the Oxford North project. It was **agreed** to authorise a payment [] to take the project through to November 2017, subject to Governing Body's approval of the planning route at its meeting in 9th Week.

The Finance Bursar reported on the College budgets for the year for 1st August 2017–31st July 2018, noting that the draw on the College endowment was consistent with recent years. The budgets were **approved**.

The Governing Body **agreed** to the supply and installation of seventeen automated doors through the new Study Centre [].

It was **agreed** to commission a system from Kinetic Solutions and associated room-booking modules [].

It was further **agreed** to implement ERM, a database with some HR functionality, to share information between the College Office and Bursary [], subject to clarifying how the system would interact with e-Vision, OxCort and other College systems.

PRINCIPAL BURSAR

10. Estates Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 2017 were received.

The Governing Body **agreed** to repairs to the exterior facades of the College's properties in Berlin, subject to the Bursars receiving a detailed proposal.

It was also **agreed** that maintenance of the College's Oxford estate should be outsourced to Savills, subject to acceptance of the final terms by the President and Bursars with the agreement of three and disagreement of none.

ESTATES BURSAR & PRINCIPAL BURSAR

11. Research Committee

The minutes of the meeting held by email circulation on 17th May 2017 were received.

The Governing Body **agreed** an Early Career Grant [] for Professor I. Klinke.

Requests for small grants were **agreed** as follows:

- a) [] to Professor A. Starinets for a workshop in July 2017 on 'Canterbury Tales of Hot Quantum Field theories in the Large Hadron Collider Era';
- b) [] to Revd. Professor W. Whyte for a conference in September 2017 on 'De-Centering Conservatism';
- c) [] to Dr M. Bruna for a workshop in July 2017 on 'Asymptotic gradient flows in multiscale models of interacting particle systems';
- d) [] to Dr J. Johnson for a research proposal entitled 'Thinking in Texture: Georges Rouault and Olivier Messiaen'.

FELLOW FOR RESEARCH

BELOW THE LINE ITEMS – TO NOTE

12. Development and Alumni Relations Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th April 2017 were received.

13. Domestic Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd May 2017 were received.