



MINUTES
of a meeting of the Governing Body in the New SCR
at 8.30 pm on 18 June 2019

There were present: The Master, Professor Baert, Dr Beauregard, Dr Benson, Professor Butterfield, Dr Button, Professor Cant, Professor Chu, Dr Connell, Professor Dennis, Professor Ellis, Dr Eves, Dr Filimonova, Dr Gardner, Dr Grabenhorst, Dr Keeler, Mr Kim, Ms MacDonald, Dr McDougall, Professor McFarland, Dr Macieszczak, Mr Matheson, Dr Meer, Dr Moultrie, Mr Nicholson, Dr O'Sullivan, Dr Phillips-Robins, Dr Sage, Dr Sewell, the Rev'd Canon Shilson-Thomas, Dr da Silva, Dr Smith, Dr Summers, Dr Thompson, Dr Upton, Dr Venkateshvaran, Dr Wilcox, Dr Ye, and Dr V Young. Dr Halina (on leave) was in attendance by invitation of the Master under Statute 4.5. The MCR President was present for the Unreserved Business, for which the MCR Treasurer was in attendance.

There were absent on leave: Dr Briggs, Dr Bulag, Dr Viejo Rose, Dr Willis, and Dr Woodford.

UNRESERVED BUSINESS

- gb2019.19* *Statement of Conflicts of Interest*
There were no conflicts of interest arising from this Agenda concerning any of those persons present.
- gb2019.20* *Apologies for Absence*
Apologies were received from: Dr Cameron, Professor Clegg, Mr Downer, Dr Faul, Mrs Fraser Butlin, Dr Jarvis, Mr Kitov, Dr Larcom, Dr Nikiforakis, Dr O'Donnell, Dr Rana, Dr Velu, Dr Webb, Dr Zivkovic, and the JCR President.

Absent without apologies was the JCR Treasurer.
- gb2019.21* *Minutes of the Unreserved Governing Body Meeting held on 26 February 2019*
The Minutes were agreed and signed.
- gb2019.22* *Matters Arising*
- * *gb2019.7 Timetable of meetings 2019-20*
Governing Body noted the change to the Michaelmas Term Governing Body meeting and the College Meeting for 2019-20 (GB2019/13).

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Ann's Court Phase III and Old Library

Governing Body noted that construction had begun on Phase III.

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Development Matters

The Development Director reported that recent months had seen a busy programme of events. These included a very successful reception and dinner for three of the College's visiting Russian scholars together with Fellows, students and alumni. The College was actively participating in the University's Global Cambridge events, and in the Dear World campaign. Meetings had taken place with alumni in Hong Kong, New York, and San Francisco. The Annual Report had been published in April, the Magazine would be published imminently, and the *Calendar* would be assembled over the summer for publication in the autumn. These items, together with increased use of social media, ensured that alumni were very well informed about the College and all its activities. It was likely that the College would also benefit from the Harding gift in encouraging alumni who had not previously supported the College to become donors. Alumni support for students' summer programmes was welcomed, and benefactors greatly valued students' reports about what they had done. Governing Body noted that 540 donations had so far been received towards the new Library and Auditorium, and over £11.8 million had already been raised towards the target of £12.6 million.

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Senior Tutor's Report

In line with his statutory duties, the Senior Tutor reported that he had no incidents to report relating to Prevent, and that no safeguarding issues had arisen that required action. He thanked the Tutorial Office Manager, the Nurse, the Porters and the graduate student invigilators for all their hard work in ensuring that the examination season had proceeded smoothly. The new arrangements, in which Fellows no longer had to fetch and carry scripts and invigilate examinations, had worked well. Governing Body noted that although the number of students taking examinations in College was very comparable with last year, the complexity of their individual requirements meant that as many as five different rooms needed to be in operation. Student barometer feedback indicated that the greatest area of unhappiness was with taught postgraduate courses (though not with College provision for these students). The Dawson Fund was a great help in supporting students with mental health issues, and 26 students had received individual grants. The spending on these cases and various other activities supported from the Dawson Fund will amount to £15,000 for the financial year to 30 June 2019. The new Trevelyan Postdoctoral Research Associates scheme has brought out a good field, and Dr Grabenhorst was thanked for co-ordinating this. The College was also in discussion with a number of new UTO's with a view to possible appointment at Selwyn. Several new initiatives were being pursued which may attract support from alumni and other benefactors. Governing Body noted that the ballot on the University's revised student disciplinary procedures was currently open.



The Senior Tutor concluded by thanking colleagues and the MCR and JCR officers for all their help and support in these various areas.

- gb2019.26 Directors of Studies Committee*
Governing Body received and noted the minutes of a meeting of the Directors of Studies Committee held on 8 May 2019 (**GB2019/14**).
- gb2019.27 College Budget*
Governing Body approved the College Budget for 2019-20 (**GB2019/15**). Members of Governing Body were invited to send any queries to the Bursar.
- gb2019.28 University Consultations*
Governing Body consented to an amendment to the University's Statutes, relating to the removal of the age limit in respect to some classes of membership of the Regent House, including College Fellows (**GB2019/16**).
- gb2019.29 Student numbers*
The Master introduced **GB2019/17**. Governing Body noted the University's desire for expansion and the need to discuss the implications of this for the College in terms of student numbers and future planning. Governing Body approved the creation of a working group to explore these questions in broad terms and to report to the November meeting of the Governing Body. Members of Governing Body were encouraged to send their views on this matter to the Bursar and the Senior Tutor, and volunteers to serve on the working group would be welcome.
- gb2019.30 Committee and other appointments 2019-20*
Governing Body approved the membership of Governing Body committees (**GB2019/18**, page 4), and noted the membership of other committees and appointments for 2019-20.
- gb2019.31 Any Other Unreserved Business*
- i. Bursarship*
The Master reported that the closing date for applications for the Bursarship was 19 June, and that about twenty applications had been received so far. Shortlisting would take place on 20 June, with first interviews to be held on 27 June. On that occasion, shortlisted candidates would meet with a Fellows' panel, a Finance panel, a Heads of Department panel, and a students' panel. Final interviews of selected candidates would then be held with the full College Council on 9 July. Ways of involving the wider Fellowship in the selection process were being explored.

