



MINUTES

of a meeting of the Governing Body in the New SCR at 8.30 pm on Tuesday 13 November 2018

There were present: The Master, Professor Baert, Dr Beauregard, Dr Benson, Dr Button, Professor Chu, Professor Clegg, Mr Downer, Professor Ellis, Dr Eves, Dr Filimonova, Mrs Fraser Butlin, Dr Gardner, Dr Grabenhorst, Dr Howard, Dr Jarvis, Dr Keeler, Dr Larcom, Ms MacDonald, Dr McDougall, Professor McFarland, Dr Macieszczak, Mr Matheson, Dr Meer, Dr Moultrie, Mr Nicholson, Dr Nikiforakis, Dr Phillips-Robins, Dr Sage, Dr Sewell, the Rev'd Canon Shilson-Thomas, Dr Smith, Dr Summers, Dr Thompson, Dr Upton, Dr Velu, Dr Viejo Rose, Dr Webb, Dr Wilcox, Dr Ye, Dr V Young and Dr Zivkovic. The JCR President, the JCR Treasurer, and the MCR President were present for the Unreserved Business, for which the MCR Treasurer was also in attendance.

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

UNRESERVED BUSINESS

gb2018.42 Statement of Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest arising from this Agenda concerning any of those persons present.

gb2018.43 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from: Professor Butterfield, Dr Cameron, Professor Cant, Dr Connell, Dr Faul, Mr Kitov, Dr O'Sullivan, Dr Rana and Dr Venkateshvaran.

Absent without apologies were: Professor Dennis, Dr Halina, Dr O'Donnell and Dr da Silva.

gb2018.44 Minutes of the Unreserved Governing Body Meeting held on 19 June 2018

The Minutes were agreed and signed.

gb2018.45 Ann's Court Phase III and Old Library

The Bursar reported that plans for Phase III were now out to tender, and that there were three interested contractors. The estimated cost of the project was £12.6 million, and tenders were expected in January 2019.

- gb2018.46* *Development Matters*
The Development Director reported that over twenty alumni events had been held since June 2018, in Cambridge, London and regionally. Governing Body noted that the College *Calendar* had recently been sent out, as had 1,500 copies of the brochure about the Library and Auditorium. To date, £10.8 million had been raised towards the new building, from a total of 164 donors. The interest of alumni in a range of academic support for students was also welcomed, as was the fact that the College had recently exceeded 6,000 followers on Facebook. Another telephone campaign would be held in December 2018.
- gb2018.47* *Report on Non-Financial Matters*
Governing Body received and approved the Report on Non-Financial Matters for the academical year 2017-18 (**GB2018/14**). Governing Body welcomed the fact that there had been a significant drop in accidents and in fire evacuations over the past year. It was agreed that the College's risk register would be made available on-line.
- gb2018.48* *Accounts for the Year Ending 30 June 2018*
The Bursar presented the College Annual Accounts (**GB2018/15a-d**). These showed an increase in the underlying deficit to £475,000. Governing Body noted the need to address the Catering deficit and to increase the spending by members in Hall and in the Bar. It was hoped that the new Servery, with its longer opening hours, together with the building of the Auditorium and the refurbishment of the Bar, would help to increase income. Governing Body noted the fact that although progress was being made, the College remained underendowed: the average Cambridge College endowment, excluding Trinity College, was now over £100 million, whereas Selwyn's was about £60 million. Governing Body approved the accounts and a one week staff bonus.
- gb2018.49* *Investment Committee*
Governing Body received and approved the Investment Committee's Annual Report for 2018 (**GB2018/16**). Governing Body noted that the recent move towards a more diverse portfolio, with more pooled investments, was producing encouraging results.
- gb2018.50* *Sports Clubs and Societies Accounts 2017-18*
- i. MCR Accounts 2017-18*
Governing Body approved the MCR accounts for the academical year 2017-18 (**GB2018/17**).
 - ii. JCR Accounts 2017-18*
Governing Body approved the JCR accounts for the academical year 2017-18 (**GB2018/18**).



iii. *Societies and Sports Club Accounts*

Governing Body approved the accounts of other societies and sports clubs (**GB2018/19**):

Selwyn College Engineering Society
Selwyn College Football Club
Selwyn College Linguists' Society
Selwyn College Medical and Veterinary Society
Selwyn College Music Society

- gb2018.51 *Snowball 2017 Accounts*
Governing Body received and noted the Snowball 2017 accounts (**GB2018/20**).
- gb2018.52 *Selwyn College Permanent Henley Fund*
Governing Body received and noted the report and accounts of the Permanent Henley Fund (**GB2018/21**), and noted also that this fund would henceforth be known as The Friends of Selwyn College Boat Club.
- gb2018.53 *Education Committee*
Governing Body received and noted the unreserved minutes of a meeting of the Education Committee held on 29 October 2018 (**GB2018/22**).
- gb2018.54 *Senior Tutor's Report on academic performance*
The Senior Tutor reported that Selwyn's Tripos performance in 2018 had been close to the University's average, although this overall picture concealed marked variations between subjects. He expressed his thanks to Directors of Studies and Tutors for all their work in helping students. There was also evidence that the monitoring of academic performance and the system of meetings with individual undergraduates who had achieved less than a 2.1 were having a positive effect. The appointment of Dr Halina as Study Skills Tutor was a helpful addition to the provision in this area. The Senior Tutor welcomed the growing amount of financial support for summer projects. He thanked the tutorial team, broadly defined, and the admissions teams at both postgraduate and undergraduate levels for their contributions, and commended the College's strong outreach programme. Governing Body noted that Dr Grabenhorst had been appointed to co-ordinate a search for non-stipendiary Research Fellows and Research Associates, and that a volunteer to undertake a similar role on the Arts and Social Sciences side would be welcome.
- gb2018.55 *Prevent*
The Senior Tutor introduced **GB2018/23a-d**, and reminded Governing Body of its statutory duty to approve the declaration and the statement relating to Prevent. Governing Body approved these documents and noted the further relevant material contained in **GB2018/4d-f**. Governing Body affirmed its commitment to defend academic freedom and free speech as part of its statutory responsibilities.



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Equality and Diversity Committee

Governing Body received and noted the minutes of a meeting of the Equality and Diversity Committee held on 6 November 2018 (**GB2018/24**). The Master reported that the matter of pay transparency would be brought to Council and then to the next meeting of Governing Body. The Bursar reported that the issue of pay equality was being carefully monitored, as was the methodology for assessing it.

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Any Other Unreserved Business

i. MCR and JCR

Governing Body thanked the outgoing MCR and JCR officers for their hard work over the course of their term of office.

