ST HUGH'S COLLEGE, OXFORD

The Second Stated Meeting of the **GOVERNING BODY** in Hilary Term was held on Wednesday, 8 February 2017

Present: The Principal (Chair) Professor Capelli

Professor Watts Professor Marshall
Professor Moore Professor Perera
Dr Kuhn Mr Marshall

Professor Plunkett Professor Loutzenhiser

Professor Getzler Professor Mann

Professor Wong Ms Stott

Professor Stellardi Dr Parkin (Secretary) Professor Mitchell **Professor Husband** Professor McDonald **Professor Ballentine** Professor Westbrook **Professor Sullivan** Professor Pašeta Professor Jérusalem **Professor Grainger Professor Oberhauser Professor Macnair Professor Saupe Professor Wilson Professor Llewellyn Professor Rood Professor Morisi**

Dr Perkins

In attendance: Professor Cook Dr Hein

Ms Carthew Dr Pavlova

Mr Bull represented the MCR and Ms Pavlova the JCR. They attended for items 178-192, 194-196 and 202-207.

Mr Leigh, from Ridge and Partners LLP, the Project Managers for the St Hugh's Future Project, attended for items 181-183.

178. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were <u>received</u> from Professor Chalker, Professor Harnden, Professor Martin, Professor Conway, Professor Baker, Professor Doyle, Professor Eidenmüller, Dr Large, Professor Thompson, Professor Riddoch, Professor Carvalho, Dr De Luca, Dr Ohta and Dr Atack (Professor Garnett, Professor Duncan, Professor Lewis, Professor Leach, Professor Blunsom, Dr Sanders, Professor Biro and Professor Xiang on leave).

179. <u>The Minutes</u> of the First Stated Meeting in Hilary Term held on 12 January 2017 were <u>approved</u> and signed.

180. Conflicts of Interest

Fellows <u>declared</u> potential conflicts for the items from Academic Committee (minute 201) regarding leave and buyouts and also regarding the closure of the Woodstock Road gates at night (minute 203).

181. St Hugh's Future Project Architects' Competition

On the recommendation of the St Hugh's Future Project Architects' Competition Judging Panel, Hawkins Brown Architects LLP was <u>approved</u> as the architectural practice for the Project.

182. St Hugh's Future Project Governance Structure

The proposed governance structure for St Hugh's Future Project, replacing the St Hugh's Future Project Working Group, had been circulated and was approved.

183. St Hugh's Future Project Review Report (GB 172)

The St Hugh's Future Project Review Report for January, compiled by Ridge, the Project Managers, had been circulated and was received.

184. Report and Recommendations from Finance Committee

The Minutes of the Finance Committee held on 25 January 2017 had been circulated and were received.

185. Admissions Interview Expenses for Students (FC 4)

It was <u>noted</u> that this issue was being considered by Conference of Colleges and that the Senior Tutor was also raising this matter with the University's Admissions Executive, ADEX, to ensure a harmonised approach between colleges.

186. Management Accounts Period 5 and Forecast, 2016-17 (FC 7)

The Management Accounts for Period 5 (financial year to 31 December 2016) and the Forecast to 31 July 2017 had been circulated and were <u>approved</u>.

187. Conference Sales and Profitability (FC 8)

An analysis of Conference Sales and Profitability for 2016-17, with regard to the five months to December 2016, had been circulated and was noted.

188. <u>Schools Dinners in Trinity Term</u> (FC 8)

The Bursar <u>advised</u> that she would refer the proposal to hold Schools Dinners on four prearranged evenings in June back to Finance Committee in 7th Week for further consideration.

189. <u>Use of the Wordsworth Tea Room</u> (FC 8)

It was <u>agreed</u> that further exploration should take place of ways to increase the use of the Wordsworth Tea Room. It was further <u>agreed</u> that there should be greater promotion to friends and neighbours and to the wider University community, but that the Tea Room should not open to the general public.

190. St Hugh's Future Project and VAT (FC 9)

An analysis of possible VAT options with regard to the St Hugh's Future Project had been circulated and was <u>received</u>.

Advice had been taken from the College's VAT advisors at Grant Thornton and four possible options were presented to the Committee. Option E was approved.

191. <u>Development Report</u>

The Principal advised that:

- i. Alumni Burns Supper, 28 January 2017

 a successful Burns Supper and Ceilidh had been held for 110 alumni, students, Fellows and staff attended. Baroness Helena Kennedy QC, Principal of Mansfield College, had been Guest of Honour;
- ii. Chinese New Year Celebrations, 1 February 2017
 a Chinese orchestra from the Chinese University of Hong Kong had performed prior to a Chinese dinner in the Wordsworth Tea Room. More than 120 guests, including Fellows, students and staff had attended. Cheryl Tan (2nd year Music and Organ Scholar) had performed on the guzheng during the SCR Dessert Night Formal Hall the previous evening, which had been themed on Chinese New Year;
- iii. Oxford and Cambridge Society of New England, 10th Annual Ancient Universities Burns Nicht, Boston, 4 February 2017 she had presented the Immortal Memory at this event and had also hosted an alumni reception;
- iv. Avril Bruten Lecture, 1 March 2017
 Margie Orford will be presenting this year's Lecture, on 'Writing Violence: Ethics and Aesthetics';
- v. Donors' Dinner, 4 March 2017 the annual Donor's Dinner, celebrating the achievements that donors have made possible through their support of St Hugh's College, will be held on 4 March;
- vi. St Hugh's Law Society's Dinner, 9 March 2017
 Sir Keir Starmer, KCB, QC, MP, former Director of Public Prosecutions and Head of the Crown
 Prosecution Service and currently Shadow Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union,
 will address the College Law Society at its Dinner in London.
- vii. International Alumni Weekends, March 2017
 International Alumni Weekends will be held in Hong Kong and Singapore in March 2017

192. <u>Legacies and Donations</u>

An update was <u>received</u> from the Principal.

193. Honorary Fellowship (GB 164)

It was <u>agreed</u> to elect Dr Subra Suresh to an Honorary Fellowship.

194. Report and Recommendations from Academic Committee

The Minutes of the Academic Committee held on 25 January 2017 had been circulated and were received.

195. <u>University in China</u> (AC 4)

It was <u>agreed</u> that Professor Plunkett should explore the possible shape of a proposed collaboration or exchange programme with the university in China, to bring a more detailed proposal back to Governing Body for approval. It was confirmed that other Colleges had collaborations with partner universities and that collaboration did not have to be at University level.

196. <u>Undergraduate Admissions Offers</u> (AC 5.1)

A report of the number of offers made this year in each subject, with a note of the notional target in each had been circulated and was <u>received</u>. It was <u>noted</u> that any Tutor wishing to alter this number for future years should approach the Senior Tutor.

197. Teaching in Archaeology and Anthropology (AC 11)

On the recommendation of the Academic Committee, it was <u>agreed</u> that Mr Pomerantz should be asked to take on additional organisational and pastoral duties for Hilary Term 2017.

198. <u>Tutorial Fellowship in Economics - vice Professor Quah</u> (AC 12.1)

On the recommendation of the Academic Committee, the appointment of Professor McMahon to the role of Tutorial Fellow in Economics from 1 October 2017 was approved in a paper vote.

199. <u>Shared Tutorial Fellowship in Linguistics (Syntax)</u> (AC 12.2)

On the recommendation of the Academic Committee, the appointment of Dr Mycock to a two-hour role at St Hugh's, in Trinity Term 2017 was <u>approved</u>. Dr Mycock will take up the role of Tutorial Fellow in Linguistics (Syntax) at Somerville College.

200. Professorial Fellowship in Mathematical Finance (AC 12.4)

On the recommendation of the Academic Committee, it was <u>agreed</u> that the College's association with this post should continue.

201. Leave and Buyouts (AC 14)

On the recommendation of the Academic Committee, it was agreed to grant sabbatical leave:

- a. To Professor Doyle, according to entitlement, for Hilary and Trinity Terms 2018.
- b. To Professor Stellardi, according to entitlement, for Michaelmas Term 2017. It was <u>noted</u> that Professor Stellardi intends to take part in the undergraduate admissions process.
- c. To Professor Baker, according to entitlement, for Michaelmas Term 2017.

202. Report and Recommendations from Library Committee

The Minutes of the Library Committee held by circulation on 31 January 2017 had been circulated and were received.

203. Woodstock Road Gates

A joint paper from the MCR and JCR Presidents about the closure of the Woodstock Road gates at night had had been circulated and was <u>received</u>. It was <u>agreed</u> that the Bursar should look into

the matter and investigate the possibility of another entrance to College, at the southern end of the site but further from accommodation, becoming available for use at night.

204. <u>Junior Common Room</u>

The Dean <u>advised</u> that recent issues in the Junior Common Room area had highlighted that the common room was not comfortable to use in either warm or cold weather. College needed to think about making improvements to the space quickly, to make it more conducive to use in the period prior to Future Project work in the area.

205. Fire Safety

The Dean <u>advised</u> that there had been a significant increase in the number of fire alarm reports in College this term and that most incidents had been caused by cooking incidents. It was <u>agreed</u> that the MCR and JCR Presidents would raise this issue with their members.

206. Equality and Diversity Issues Arising

No issues were identified.

207. Date of Next Meeting

The Third Stated Meeting of the Governing Body in Hilary Term will be held on Wednesday, 8 March 2017 at 2.00 pm in the Mordan Hall.

This ended the business of the meeting.

DR J PARKIN Secretary