ST HUGH’S COLLEGE, OXFORD

The First Stated Meeting of the GOVERNING BODY in Trinity Term was held on Thursday, 20 April 2017

Present:

Principal (Chair)  Professor Marshall
Professor Moore  Professor Rood
Dr Kuhn  Professor Baker
Professor Chalker  Professor Mann
Professor Giles  Ms Stott
Professor Wong  Dr Parkin (Secretary)
Professor McDonald  Professor Husband
Mrs Vainker  Professor Sullivan
Professor Duncan  Professor Jérusalem
Professor Grainger  Professor Saupe
Professor Stevens  Professor Morisi
Professor Wilson

In attendance:

Dr Jenkins  Ms Carthew
Professor Carvalho
Dr Ohta  Dr Pavlova

Mr Bull represented the MCR and Ms Pavlova the JCR. They attended for items 256-261, 264-268, 271, 274 and 276-281.

256. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Professor Watts, Professor Getzler, Professor Stellardi, Professor Westbrook, Professor Pašeta, Professor Harnden, Dr Perkins, Professor Martin, Professor Capelli, Professor Perera, Mr Marshall, Professor Loutzenhiser, Professor Ballentine, Professor Biro, Professor Doyle, Professor Eidenmüller, Professor Oberhauser, Professor Llewellyn, Dr Large, Professor Thompson, Professor Cook, Professor Riddoch, Dr Hein, Dr De Luca and Dr Attack (Professor Garnett, Professor Plunkett, Professor Macnair, Professor Leach, Professor Leach, Professor Blunsom, Dr Sanders and Professor Xiang on leave).

257. St Hugh’s Future Project Stakeholder Management Plan (Circ Bus 08.03.17)

It was noted that the Stakeholder Management Plan for the St Hugh’s Future Project had been circulated.

258. Conference of Colleges’ Training Seminar for Trustees (Circ Bus 10.03.17)

It was noted that information about future training seminars for Trustees, to be run by the Conference of Colleges, had been circulated.

259. Minutes of Conference of Colleges Meeting, 16 February 2017 (Circ Bus 10.03.17)

The unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of Conference of Colleges held on 16 February 2017 had been circulated and were received.
260. The Minutes of the Third Stated Meeting in Hilary Term held on 8 March 2017 were approved and signed.

261. **Conflicts of Interest**

None were declared.

263. **Elizabeth Wordsworth Fellowship** (GB 159)

It was agreed to award Elizabeth Wordsworth Fellowships to Mr Weber Lo, Ms Brenda Tse, Mr Eddy Tang and Ms Emily Tang.

264. **Women in the Humanities** (GB 173)

It was agreed to defer this item to the 4th Week meeting of Governing Body.

265. **Development Report**

The Principal advised that:

i. **St Hugh’s Law Society’s Dinner in London, 9 March 2017**
   A successful dinner had been held with Sir Keir Starmer, KCB, QC, MP, Shadow Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union as the guest speaker;

ii. **Locals Lunch, 11 March 2017**
   The lunch for 60 alumni, local to Oxford, was held in March;

iii. **International Alumni Weekends, March 2017**
   International Alumni Weekends were held in Hong Kong and Singapore in March 2017 hosted by the Vice-Chancellor. St Hugh’s Alumni Dinners were held in both Hong Kong and Singapore, hosted by the Principal to coincide with these weekends;

iv. **Alumni Dinners in the United States, April 2017**
   Dinners were held in Los Angeles, Palo Alto and New York, hosted by the Executive Director of International Alumni Engagement, to coincide with the Vice-Chancellor’s visit to America;

v. **St Hugh’s Ball, 29 April 2017**
   200 alumni are attending the St Hugh’s Ball and there will be a Dinner beforehand in the Principal’s Lodgings for major donors;

vi. **Virginia Woolf Celebration, 5 May 2017**
   An event is being held in College to commemorate the 90th anniversary of Virginia Woolf delivering a talk to the Oxford University English Society at St Hugh’s in May 1927, accompanied by Vita Sackville-West. The celebration will involve a day of talks and discussion about Virginia Woolf and explore new perspectives on her life and work. There are a number of high-profile speakers taking part, including Juliet Nicolson (English, 1973), alumna, author and historian and Dame Eileen Atkins, actor and author;

vii. **Garden Party, 18 June 2017**
   The Garden Party and Alumni Association Annual General Meeting will be held on 18 June.

266. **Legacies and Donations**
An update was received from the Principal. The student helpers were thanked for their work during the recent, successful Telethon campaign.

267. **Donald Murphy Prize**

The Principal advised that Dr Peter Leary, Canon Murray Fellow in Irish History, had been recognised by the American Conference for Irish Studies. Dr Leary’s recent work on the history of the Irish border, *Unapproved Routes*, was awarded the Conference’s Donald Murphy Prize for Distinguished First Book.

268. **St Hugh’s Law Lecture**

The Principal advised that the St Hugh’s Law Lecture is being given by Mr Rimsky Yuen, Secretary for Justice, Government of Hong Kong, on 25 May with a dinner afterwards, attended by the Vice-Chancellor. Fellows are invited to attend the Lecture and Dinner and should contact the Principal’s Executive Assistant to confirm attendance.

269. **Report and Recommendations from Academic Committee**

The Minutes of the Academic Committee held by circulation on 29 March 2017 had been circulated and were received.

270. **Teaching in Archaeology (AC 1; GB 305, Academic Year 2015-16)**

On the recommendation of the Academic Committee, the extension of the appointment of Mr Solomon Pomerantz to a four-hour Stipendiary Lectureship in Archaeology for Trinity Term 2017, to the end of the academic year, was approved.

271. **Admissions (AC 5.1, 25.01.17)**

The Admissions Applications and Offers and Summary 2017 had been circulated and was received.

274. **St Hugh’s Future Project Review Report (GB 244)**

The St Hugh’s Future Project Review Report for April, compiled by Ridge, the Project Managers, had been circulated and was received. The Bursar advised that a number of stakeholder meetings had taken place over the Easter vacation.

276. **Banbury Road House**

The Bursar advised that she had been approached by one of our close neighbours on the Banbury Road who is looking to sell their property in 2018. The Bursar and the Head of Estates are planning to meet with the owners next week, without any commitment on our part, to view the property.

277. **College Contributions Committee Bid 2017 (GB 221)**

The Bursar advised that College had submitted a bid to the College Contributions Committee in late March, seeking an income grant for the next five years. The bid is based on a five-year plan of prioritised, scheduled maintenance of the estate, resulting from the outcomes of the Stock Condition Survey undertaken at the behest of the Committee in 2016. The Principal and the Bursar will meet with the Committee on 22 May to discuss the bid further.
278. **HEFCE PREVENT Reporting 2017 (GB 245)**

The Bursar advised that the annual report to HEFCE on the PREVENT duty had been submitted ahead of the submission deadline in early April.

279. **North Oxford Victorian Suburb Conservation Area Appraisal Consultation**

The Bursar advised that the College had now provided a detailed response to this consultation, well ahead of the submission deadline.

280. **Equality and Diversity Issues Arising**

No issues were identified.

281. **Date of Next Meeting**

The Second Stated Meeting of the Governing Body in Trinity Term will be held on Wednesday, 17 May 2017 at 2.00pm in the Mordan Hall.

This ended the business of the meeting.

DR J PARKIN
Secretary