ST HUGH’S COLLEGE, OXFORD

The First Stated Meeting of the GOVERNING BODY in Hilary Term was held on Thursday, 16 January 2020

Present: The Principal (Chair) Professor Rood
Professor Moore, Vice Principal Mr Marshall
Professor Garnett Professor Leach
Dr Kuhn Professor Loutzenhiser
Professor Chalker Professor Mann
Professor Getzler Professor Husband
Professor Stellardi Professor Biro
Professor Mitchell Professor Doyle (Secretary)
Mrs Vainker Professor Morisi
Professor Duncan Professor McMahon
Professor Westbrook, Senior Tutor Professor Cousins
Professor Wilson Professor Kornmann

In attendance: Dr Large Dr Zou
Ms Carthew Dr Vandi
Ms Aitken Mr Knott, acting Bursar
Professor Alemany

Mr O’Hanlon represented the JCR. He attended for items 177-181, 183-188, 199-203, 205 and 208-209. Mr Brandts sent his apologies and there was no representation from the MCR.

177. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Professor Plunkett, Professor Wong, Professor McDonald, Professor Stevens, Professor Hamden, Dr Perkins, Professor Marshall, Professor Perera, Dr Sanders, Professor Ballentine, Professor Saupe, Dr Taylor, Professor Cook, Professor Riddoch, Professor Carvalho, Dr Hein, Professor De Luca, Professor Bentley and Mr Brandts (Professor Macnair, Professor Capelli, Professor Conway, Dr Parkin, Professor Eidenmüller, Professor Jérusalem and Professor Oberhauser on leave).

Mr O’Hanlon was welcomed to his first Governing Body meeting as the new JCR President from 1 January 2020.

178. Circulated Business Since the Last Meeting of Governing Body

It was noted that there had been no circulated business since the previous meeting of Governing Body held on 4 December 2019.

179. Admission of Fellows

The following made their Declarations and were admitted to their Fellowships:

a. Fellowship by Resolution

Professor L Alemany (Fellow by Resolution in Entrepreneurial Finance)
b. Visiting Fellowship

Professor M Hewitt (Belcher Visiting Fellow in Victorian Studies)

180. The Minutes of the Third Stated Meeting in Michaelmas Term held on 4 December 2019 were approved and signed.

181. Conflicts of Interest

Professor Chalker noted a conflict with regard to minute 191 and withdrew from the meeting during the discussion of this item.

182. St Hugh’s Future Project (GB 149, 04.12.19)

The acting Bursar advised that the draft update report on the Future Project was expected to be received by the College the following day.

It was noted that the incoming Bursar, Mr Myring, would be attending the next meeting of Finance Committee and, as an observer, of Governing Body, before starting in College in 5th Week.

183. Principal’s Report and Development Update

The Principal’s Report and Development Update report had been circulated was received.

The Principal advised that:

i. Neighbours’ Christmas Party, 17 December 2019
   The Principal hosted this annual party with 110 guests in the Principal’s Lodgings.

ii. Children’s Christmas Party, 18 December 2019
   The Principal hosted this annual party with 60 children and 60 parents. Professor Moore and Mrs Moss were thanked for their work for the event.

iii. SCR Christmas Dinner, 19 December 2019
   The Catering Team was thanked for this excellent dinner, which had been attended by a recent-record number of 113 guests.

iv. Staff Christmas Lunch, 20 December 2019
   Fellows were thanked for joining this lunch. More had attended this year than usual, and this had been much appreciated by the staff.

v. Donors’ Dinner, Saturday, 15 February 2020
   The Principal will host the annual Donors’ Dinner, which Fellows were strongly encouraged to attend.

vi. British Museum Visit, Tuesday, 18 February 2020
   The Development Office has reserved 30 tickets for the 4.00pm viewing of the exhibition “Troy: myth and reality”.

vii. Alumni Association Symposium on Bletchley Park and GCHQ, Saturday, 7 March 2020
   The Symposium will celebrate the many alumnae who served at Bletchley Park during the Second World War and those alumnae who subsequently joined GCHQ and other intelligence
services. This event is one of a number in College linked to the celebration of the centenary of women being able to take degrees at the University.

viii. Alumni Dinner in Berlin, Saturday, 21 March 2020
This dinner will coincide with the University-wide “Meeting Minds” weekend.

184. Legacies and Donations

An update was received from the Principal.

185. Burns Night Supper

The Principal advised that the Burns Night Formal Hall being held on 28 January 2020 was already full and that there was a waiting list being coordinated by the Executive Assistant to the Principal.

186. Fellow’s Book Nomination

The Principal advised that Dr Kuhn’s book, The Collected Poems of Bertolt Brecht, co-edited with David Constantine, had been nominated as a book of the year by the Times Literary Supplement.

187. Honours for Alumnae

The Principal advised that two St Hugh’s alumnae had been named in the New Year Honours list 2020; both being awarded OBEs. Dr Hilary Cottam (Modern History, 1984), a social entrepreneur, was honoured for “services to the British Welfare State”, and Ms Juliet Pleydell-Bouverie (Modern Languages, 1986), Chief Executive of the Stroke Association, was given an OBE for her “services to stroke survivors”.

188. Professor Andrew Burrows QC (GB 63, 10.10.19)

The Principal advised that St Hugh’s and Lady Margaret Hall are jointly hosting an event on 29 February 2020 to celebrate the appointment by Her Majesty the Queen of Professor Andrew Burrows QC (Norton Rose Professor of Commercial Law, St Hugh's College, 1999-2010 and Honorary Fellow of the College since 2010) to the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom.

189. Election to an Honorary Fellowship (GB 96, 13.11.19)

The Honourable Mr Justice Robert Tang Kwok-ching GBM, SBS was elected to an Honorary Fellowship.

190. Fellowship (GB 155, 04.12.19)

Mr Harry Myring, incoming Bursar from February 2020, was elected to a Fellowship.

191. Senior Research Fellowship

[Professor Chalker withdrew from the meeting during the discussion of this item.]

Professor John Chalker was elected to a non-stipendiary Senior Research Fellowship in Physics from 1 February 2020.
192. **Distinguished Friend of St Hugh’s College** (GB 157, 04.12.19)

Ms Veronica Lowe (Modern History, 1969) was **elected** as a Distinguished Friend of St Hugh’s College.

193. **Teaching in Management**

An explanatory note concerning the reasons for this appointment and Dr Alex Connock’s **CV** had been circulated and were **received**. The appointment of Dr Alex Connock to a three-hour stipendiary Lectureship in Management from January 2020 for the rest of the 2019-20 academic year was **approved**.

194. **Undergraduate Changes of Circumstances**

Information about Undergraduate Changes of Circumstances at the beginning of Hilary Term 2020 had been circulated and was **noted**.

195. **Suspensions** (UCC 1)

A list of students whose status is currently suspended was **noted**.

196. **Undergraduates Returning to Study** (UCC 1)

A list of students scheduled to return to study this term was **noted**.

197. **Change of Course** (UCC 1)

A list of students who had changed course was **noted**.

198. **Awards and Prizes**

The following proposals were **approved**:

(a) **Scholarships**

Amber Cowans 3rd year Biology
Harry Trevelyan 3rd year Biology

Both students had performed extremely well in their second-year examinations, which count towards Finals.

199. **Admissions Business**

The Senior Tutor **advised** that there had been 728 applications made to St Hugh’s in 2019 and that after initial reallocations this number had risen to 822. 352 of these candidates were shortlisted for interview and 153 offers have been made, including 17 open offers. This compared to 155 offers made last year.

200. **Opportunity Oxford** (GB 60, 10.10.19)

The Senior Tutor **invited** feedback from Fellows with experience of the Opportunity Oxford bridging initiative.
201. **Hurry Prize**

The Senior Tutor *advised* that the deadline for nominations for the Hurry Prize for the most distinguished Finalist was at the end of 0th Week.

202. **Changes to College Officers**

The following nomination was *approved*:

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203. **College Librarian (GB 240, 06.02.19)**

The Principal *advised* that Ms Khayi had returned to College that morning after her maternity leave. Ms Marjory Szurko, the interim Librarian, was thanked for her excellent work during the eleven months that she had provided maternity cover in the Library for Ms Khayi. The Principal *agreed* to write on behalf of the Governing Body to Ms Szurko, to thank her for her work for the College.

204. **Employer-Justified Retirement Age (EJRA)**

The acting Bursar *advised* that Professor Anne Trefethen, PVC (People and GLAM), had written to all University staff concerning the EJRA.

205. **Lady Ademola (Kofoworola Moore) (GB 98, 13.11.19)**

The Principal *advised* that the unveiling of a photograph of Lady Kofoworola Ademola (née Moore, English and Education, 1931), to be followed by a lecture by Ms Pamela Roberts FRSA, Founder and Director of Black Oxford Untold Stories, would be held in College on Tuesday, 10 March 2020. The event will celebrate Lady Ademola, the first black African woman to graduate from the University of Oxford, and be part of a series of events to commemorate 100 years since women were first admitted to degrees at the University. The lecture will be followed by a drinks reception, to precede Formal Hall that evening.

206. **Honorary Fellowships**

The Principal *advised* that it was proposed to nominate prominent women for Honorary Fellowships during the year 2020, the centenary of women being granted full membership of the University and the right to take degrees.

208. **Equality and Diversity Issues Arising**

No issues were identified.

209. **Date of Next Meeting**

The Second Stated Meeting of the Governing Body in Hilary Term will be held on Wednesday, 12 February 2020 at 2.00pm in the Mordan Hall.

This ended the business of the meeting.

PROFESSOR D DOYLE
Secretary