

ST HUGH'S COLLEGE, OXFORD

The First Stated Meeting of the **GOVERNING BODY** in Hilary Term
was held on Thursday, 11 January 2018

Present:	Principal (Chair)	Professor Marshall
	Professor Moore	Professor Perera
	Professor Garnett	Mr Marshall
	Dr Kuhn	Professor Loutzenhiser
	Professor Chalker	Professor Conway
	Professor Plunkett	Professor Mann
	Professor Giles	Ms Stott
	Professor Stellardi	Dr Parkin (Secretary)
	Professor Mitchell	Professor Husband
	Professor McDonald	Professor Sullivan
	Mrs Vainker	Professor Jérusalem
	Professor Westbrook	Professor Saupe
	Professor Macnair	Professor Morisi
	Professor Wilson	Professor McMahon
	Professor Rood	Professor Cousins
In attendance:	Professor Cook	Ms Carthew
	Professor Carvalho	
	Dr Ohta	Dr Zou
	Dr Pavlova	

Ms Walnicki represented the MCR and Mr Yeandle the JCR. They attended for items 154-171, 180-182, 185 and 188-190.

154. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Professor Getzler, Professor Grainger, Professor Harnden, Dr Sanders, Professor Biro, Professor Eidenmüller, Professor Llewellyn, Dr Large, Professor Thompson, Professor Riddoch, Dr Hein, Dr De Luca and Dr Atack (Professor Duncan, Professor Pašeta, Dr Perkins, Professor Martin, Professor Leach, Professor Blunsom and Professor Doyle on leave).

155. Christmas Arrangements 2017 (Circ Bus 01.12.17)

It was noted that information had been circulated about catering arrangements prior to Christmas. The Principal advised that it would be appreciated by staff if more Fellows could attend the Staff Christmas Lunch in future. Governing Body will be advised of the date as soon as it has been confirmed.

156. Minutes of Conference of Colleges Meeting, 9 November 2017 (Circ Bus 01.12.17)

The unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of Conference of Colleges held on 9 November 2017 had been circulated and were received.

157. Senior Accountant (Circ Bus 12.12.17)

It was noted that information about the retirement in March 2018 of the Senior Accountant, Mr White, had been circulated.

158. Consultations on Changes to the USS Pension Scheme (Circ Bus 08.01.18)

It was noted that information about consultations on proposed further changes to the USS pension scheme had been circulated.

159. Admission of Fellows

The following made their Declarations and were admitted to their:

a. Fellowship

Professor T Cousins (Tutorial Fellow in Human Sciences)

b. Career Development Fellowship

Dr M Zou (Fangda Career Development Fellow in Chinese Commercial Law)

160. The Minutes of the Third Stated Meeting in Michaelmas Term held on 29 November 2017 were approved and signed.

161. Conflicts of Interest

None was declared.

162. St Hugh's Future Project (GB 113)

The Principal advised that the Future Project will be discussed at the 4th Week Governing Body meeting on Wednesday, 7 February. Prior to Governing Body, the Principal will be meeting the lead donor and the architects will have completed RIBA Stage One, so a full and robust discussion of the project can take place at this meeting. The Principal requested that as many Fellows as possible attend this Governing Body.

163. Development Report

The Principal advised that the following events would be taking place in Hilary Term:

- i. Alumni Burns Night Supper and Ceilidh, 27 January 2018
This event will be held for alumni and guests, hosted by the Principal, on Saturday 27 January.
- ii. Alumni Association Lunch and General Meeting, 4 March 2018
After lunch, Professor Leach will speak about aspects of her research.
- iii. Oxford European Alumni Weekend in Rome, 16-18 March 2018
There will be a private tour for St Hugh's alumni and friends of the Palazzo Colonna, followed by a drinks reception hosted by the Principal in Princess Isabelle's Apartment, on the evening of 16 March.
- iv. Oxford North American Alumni Weekend in San Francisco, 6-8 April 2018

The Principal will host a College dinner for alumni, friends and guests on the Saturday evening. The inaugural meeting of the newly established St Hugh's College North American Alumni Association will take place on 8 April.

- v. London Breakfast Event with Owen Tudor, 26 April 2018
Owen Tudor, Head of European Union and International Relations at the TUC, will provide a briefing on Brexit, the current situation and implications for business and employees.

The Principal also advised that the Regent Street Cinema special screening of "It's a Wonderful Life" on 5 December 2017 had been hugely successful, attracting a number of younger alumni to their first alumni event.

164. SCR Burns Night Supper

The Principal advised that the SCR Burns Night Supper would be held on Tuesday, 23 January 2018 and that this event was almost fully booked.

165. College Neighbours' Party

The Principal advised that around 150 neighbours had attended the Neighbours' Party held in the Principal's Lodgings on 18 December 2017. The Principal thanked the significant number of Fellows who had also attended and helped to host the event.

166. Hilary Haworth Prize

On the recommendation of the Haworth Prize Committee, it was agreed to award the Haworth Prize, for a student in the second or penultimate year of a Mathematics or Science degree, to Tom O'Connor (Engineering Science, 2014).

167. Hurry Prize

On the recommendation of the Hurry Prize Committee, it was agreed to award the Hurry Prize for the most distinguished finalist jointly to Gonzalo Linares Matas (Archaeology and Anthropology, 2014), Arkady Kwapiszewski (Modern Languages: German, 2013) and Sulaiman Ilyas-Jarrett (History, 2014).

168. Academic Priorities Strategy Session (GB 135)

The Principal advised that the Away-Day to discuss Academic Priorities would be held on Monday, 15 January 2018 in the Wordsworth Room. All Governing Body members were warmly invited to attend this session.

169. University Access Data

The Principal advised that the University will be publishing access data that will include College-level information. While the data will focus on undergraduate students, it would be useful for College to promote its postgraduate access, which is likely to show better results. The Principal is attending a dinner with the Rt Hon David Lammy MP at Lady Margaret Hall, to discuss access and diversity issues. It was noted that Mr Ben Jones, Communications Manager, is collecting news stories regarding these issues and Fellows are invited to contact him with information.

170. Desmond Morris 90th Birthday Celebration

The Principal advised that a celebration for Desmond Morris' 90th Birthday will be held in College on 31 January 2018. A lecture about Desmond Morris' art will be followed by a drinks reception in the Principal's Lodgings.

171. College Magazine

The Principal advised that the *College Magazine* had now been published, and that the *Chronicle* will be published in February 2018.

173. Report and Recommendations from Education Committee

The Minutes of Education Committee held by circulation on 5 January 2018 had been circulated and were received.

174. Withdrawals (EC 2.1)

A list of withdrawals was noted.

175. Suspensions (EC 2.1)

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

176. Returns (EC 2.1)

A list of students scheduled to return was noted.

177. Change of Course (EC 2.1)

A list of students who had changed course was noted.

178. Scholarships (EC 3)

On the recommendation of Education Committee, it was agreed to award the following Scholarships in recognition of first class marks achieved in Part IA examinations:

Samuel Secher	3 rd year	Chemistry
Farhin Yasmin	3 rd year	Chemistry

It was noted that these scholarships would take effect from the beginning of the 2017-18 academic year.

179. Professorial Fellowship in Mathematical Finance

On the recommendation of the Selection Committee, the appointment of Professor Rama Cont to a Professorial Fellowship in Mathematical Finance from 1 July 2018 was approved in a paper vote.

180. Decanal Team

The Dean advised that Mr James Coates had been appointed Assistant Dean and had taken over the role from Mr Pomerantz, who had now left College. The Dean further advised that one Junior Dean had stepped down from the role so that there was currently a smaller team than usual. The vacant position would be advertised shortly.

181. Human Resources (GB 133, 30.11.16)

The Bursar advised that Ms Felicity Walker, HR Advisor, had now returned from maternity leave and is working part-time in the HR Office. Ms Melina Kapsala has been promoted to HR Advisor and is working full-time. The HR Manual for staff has been launched and is available on the intranet.

182. Marquee and Barbecue for a Large Accommodation Group in August

The Bursar advised that College had been approached about hosting a barbecue for 350 guests staying in College on 30 August. It was proposed to erect a large marquee on the Main Lawn as a wet weather option for this event. It was agreed that this event could take place in this form.

185. Admissions

The Senior Tutor advised that 626 applications had been received this year and that 350 interviews had taken place during the admissions period in December. 144 offers, including 7 open offers, had subsequently been made for entry in MT18 (53 candidates were imported from other colleges and 11 were exported to other colleges). No deferred offers were made this year. Added to the six deferred candidates from previous cycles, a total of 150 candidates currently hold offers for entry in MT18. The Principal thanked everyone involved in the admissions process, recognising that this was a considerable task that was undertaken after the end of term.

188. Conference of Colleges (GB 156, 14.01.16)

The Principal advised that this was her final year as Deputy Chair of Conference of Colleges, with her term of office finishing at the end of Trinity Term 2018.

189. Equality and Diversity Issues Arising

No issues were identified.

190. Date of Next Meeting

The Second Stated Meeting of the Governing Body in Hilary Term will be held on Wednesday, 7 February 2018 at 2.00pm in the Mordan Hall.

This ended the business of the meeting.

DR J PARKIN
Secretary