

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

MINUTES

A meeting of **GOVERNING BODY** was held on Wednesday 19th February 2025 at 2.00 p.m. in the Senior Common Room.

Present: The President, Professor A. R. Weidberg, Professor S. Elston, Professor K. Nation, Professor P. Maini, Revd. Canon Professor W. Whyte, Professor R. M. Harding, Professor A. Wright, Professor M. Omri, Professor H. Skoda, Professor N. Lübecker, Professor P. R. Hayes, Professor J. Stanyek, Professor K. Southwood, Professor J. J. Pandit, Professor Z. Olszewska, Professor C. Beem, Professor L. di Mare, Professor G. Rose, Professor S. Kiefer, Professor N. Sugimura, Professor S. Toussaert, Professor R. Slater, Mr. R. Crow, Professor S. White, Professor E. Greensmith, Dr. M. Nicholls, Professor E. Wonnacott, Ms. Z. Hancock, Dr S. Campbell, Dr. K. Doornik, Professor L. Hunt, Professor R. Lall, Professor K. J. Patel, Professor T. Qutbuddin, Professor A. Lak, Professor I. Williams, Professor G. Evans, Professor L. Moody, Professor S. Knott, Dr. J. Richards (ECR Representative), Dr. S. Hardy (ECR Representative)

Apologies: Professor Z. Molnár, Professor M. Cannon, Professor D. Martin, Professor A. Hills, Professor H. Bouman, Professor S. Myers, Professor A. Starinets, Professor J. Schnell, Professor T. Burt de Perera, Professor A. Russell, Professor C. Newton, Professor R. Ekins, Professor J. Obloj, Dr. G. Kantor, Professor B. Murnane, Professor I. Klinke, Professor L. Pratt, Professor B. McFarlane, Professor N. Jones, Professor R. Hoyer, Professor C. Munday, Mr J. Dunn (JCR Vice-President)

In attendance: Ms. D. Cripps

ACTION

AGENDA 'C'

1. Minutes of Governing Body and matters arising

The minutes of the meeting of Governing Body held on 22nd January 2025 were **approved**.

2. General Purposes Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th February 2025 were received.

The Governing Body **elected** Professor Wright as Vice-President until 31st August 2025.

The Provost for Academic Affairs explained that the review process for Professor Jones's initial period of office was out of sync with the University's procedures and the College Statutes since he had started during the Covid crisis. It was **agreed** to renew Professor Jones's Fellowship for a period of one year from 1st October 2025.

It was **agreed** to renew Professor McDowell's Emeritus Research Fellowship for a fourth three-year period from 1st October 2025

It was also **agreed** to renew Professor Bray and Professor Snowling's Emeritus Research Fellowships for a second three-year period from 1st October 2025.

The Vice-President reported on the nominations for Honorary Fellowship. It was **agreed** that two candidates would be invited to accept an Honorary Fellowship from the College.

PRESIDENT

The Governing Body **agreed** the College policies that had been reviewed and updated.

PRINCIPAL BURSAR

The Senior Tutor reported that he was gathering the views of Junior Members on the Freedom of Speech policy. The policy would return for approval at the next meeting of Governing Body.

The Committee Terms of Reference 2024/25 were **agreed** with some minor amendments.

It was **agreed** to extend the partnership with the Department for Social Policy for the Sidney Ball Memorial Lecture on the existing terms for a further three years (from 2026–2028 inclusively), with a review in early 2028.

PRESIDENT

3. Finance and Estates Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th February 2025 were received.

4. Any other business

The President reported that the College had not yet received a letter from the Charity Commission. The Governing Body **agreed** that the letter, once received, could be shared with the Master of Pembroke College.

PRESIDENT