

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

MINUTES

A meeting of **GOVERNING BODY** was held on Wednesday 18th February 2026 at 2.00 p.m. in the Senior Common Room.

Present: The President, Professor Z. Molnár, Professor M. Cannon, Professor P. K. Maini, The Revd Canon Professor W. Whyte, Professor A. Hills, Professor R. M. Harding, Professor H. Bouman, Professor S. Myers, Professor A. Wright, Professor A. Starinets, Professor J. Schnell, Professor P. R. Hayes, Professor A. Russell, Professor C. Newton, Dr. G Kantor, Professor B. Murnane, Professor J. Stanyek, Professor K. Southwood, Professor Z. Olszewska, Professor L. Pratt, Professor C. Beem, Professor L. di Mare, Professor G. Rose, Professor S. Kiefer, Professor N. Sugimura, Professor S. Toussaert, Professor R. Slater, Professor S. White, Dr M. Nicholls, Professor E. Wonnacott, Professor N. K. Jones, 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 C. Munday, Professor S. Knott, Professor E. Batyra, Professor G. Cormode, Dr C. La Rocco (ECR Representative), Ms. R. Brooks (MCR President), Mr F. Truman-Williams (MCR Vice-President), Mr J. Pailing (JCR President), Ms. R. Magedera (JCR Vice-President), Ms. M. Clark-Webb (JCR Secretary)

Apologies: Professor K. Nation, Professor D. Martin, Professor T. Burt de Perera, Professor H. Skoda, Professor N. Lübecker, Professor R. Ekins, Professor J. Obloj, Professor J. J. Pandit, Professor I. Klinke, Professor E. Greensmith, Professor B. McFarlane, Professor R. Hoye, Professor L. Moody, Professor P. Jha, Dr. J. Richards (ECR Representative)

In attendance: Mr. Z. Asheber (for Item 4); Ms. D. Cripps

AGENDA 'A'

ACTION

1. Minutes and matters arising

The unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of Governing Body held on 3rd December 2025 were **approved**.

2. Educational Policy Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 28th January 2026 were received.

The Governing Body **agreed** the Student Parental Leave Framework.

The Conflicts of Interest Arising in Undergraduate Admissions Policy and the Undergraduate Vacation Residence Policy were also **agreed**.

3. Chapel and Patronage Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th February 2026 were received.

The Governing Body **agreed** to award Choral Scholarships to Tiffany Chan, Mairead O'Connor, Ewan Gatenby, Ella Heger, Frida King, Arabella Manchester, Pascal Sleigh, and Anna Sozanska (Chapel Music Scholar).

4. Anti-racism motion

Mr. Asheber presented a paper from the MCR on anti-racism. He welcomed the College's explicit commitment to being a non-racist institution. He suggested that this should be further considered in relation to investment policy, for example by stopping all investment in

institutions such as arms-related companies, arguing that such companies supported racist policies due to their impact on communities and regions.

It was noted that the Governing Body had reviewed its approach to arms investment in 2022 and had at that time agreed a policy of limited and controlled investment.

The President thanked Mr. Asheber for the detailed work he had put into the motion and for his consultation with College Officers. She would follow up after the Governing Body had discussed the issues raised.

PRESIDENT

5. Trinity Term Calendar

The draft Trinity Term Calendar was **agreed**.

BELOW THE LINE ITEMS – TO NOTE

6. Welfare Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 28th January 2026 were received.

7. Promotion of the Arts Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th February 2026 were received.