

KING'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

At a meeting of the Council held in the Wine Room
on Monday 13 October 2008 at 4.30pm

Present: The Provost
Vice Provost (for items 213-219)
Senior Tutor (Prof Henderson)
Dr Carne
Dr Griffin
Mr Jones
Dr Laidlaw
Dr Lummis (for items 213-219)
Mr Rowbottom
The Revd Mr Thompson
Mr Trevithick

Mr Domercq) for Open
Mr Starr) Business only

In attendance: Second Bursar
Ms Amiss (Secretary)

- Apologies were received from Dr Chandran and Mr Santa Clara.
- The Provost welcomed the new Senior Tutor, Professor Henderson, and noted that Dr Laidlaw is now Acting First Bursar.
- It was noted that a new Junior Member (to take the place of Ms Higgins who graduated in June) would be nominated by the time of the next meeting.

OPEN MATTERS

213. Minutes of Open Matters of 8 July 2008

The minutes of Open Matters of 8 July 2008 were approved as drafted.

214. Action List and Matters Arising

- a. Received: the action list of open matters.
- b. Agreed: there were no matters arising.

215. The Hal Dixon Rooms

- a. Received: a paper from the Vice Provost.
- b. Agreed: to name the Gibbs E1 set 'The Hal Dixon Rooms' and make it an attractive space in the College to use by Fellows who, in any given year, do not have assigned individual rooms.

216. Setting of Graduate Rents

This item was deferred.

217. Filming Permission

- a. Received: a paper from the Dean.
- b. Agreed: to grant permission to Walker George Films to film in College subject to terms and conditions agreed by the Dean, and the Second Bursar, in consultation with the Senior Tutor and the Director of Music, with completion before the start of Easter Term 2009.

218. King's Affairs 2008 and 2009

- a. Received: a paper from the Dean.

- b. Agreed: to grant permission for King's Affair 2009 to go ahead on the night of Wednesday 17 June, subject to the conditions outlined in the June Event Policy Document.

219. Any other business

1. The Wollaston Bookcase

- a. Received: an oral report from the Provost. If the College acted quickly, an opportunity had arisen to purchase the bookcase from Mrs Wollaston for £95,000, plus Sotheby's commission. Pledges have been received totalling £45,000 and more would now be sought. The Governing Body at the 11 July 2008 Congregation had already agreed to spend up to £25,000 in order to secure ownership of the bookcase.
- b. Agreed: pending decision of the Governing Body, to underwrite up to £50,000 the purchase of the Wollaston Bookcase.

2. The Credit Crunch

Received: oral report from the Provost on the College's cash and investment position. It included the reassurance that the College is not holding any cash in an Icelandic bank.

3. Jagdish Modi Prize

- a. Received: a tabled paper by the Provost on behalf of the Development Director regarding a prize fund, endowed by Dr Modi for £2200, for 2nd Year Computer Science students.
- b. Agreed: to ask the Development Director to re-submit a revised paper to the next meeting of Council.

4. Whichcote House

- a. Received: oral report from the Senior Tutor.
- b. Agreed: to repay to each of the graduate occupants of Whichcote House one month's rent in recompense for the poor state of their accommodation at the beginning of term.

5. Fire Regulations

Received: an oral report from the Dean regarding an anonymous report that the College fire alarms were faulty and reassuring Council that this is not the case. The Dean also reported that there is some inconsistency in that some hobs in the gyp rooms are on timers and some not; this is currently being looked at by the Second Bursar.

6. Passage to India

Received: an oral report from the Acting First Bursar regarding the possibility that the filming of *A Passage to India* may not proceed as planned, with consequential negative impact on College royalty income.