KING'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

At a meeting of the Council held on Tuesday, 25th October 2022 at 2.00pm in the Audit Room and via Zoom

Present: Provost In Attendance: Vice Provost

Professor Efstathiou First Bursar
Professor Candea Senior Tutor
Professor Griffiths Domus Bursar
Dr Clarà Saracho *Mr Pugh

Dr Hall
Dr Dolan
Dr Srinivasan
Dr Adams

Dr Good *Open business

*Ms Kadlecova *Ms Kelly

Apologies for Absence

Professor Dunn and Mr Russo apologised for their absence.

OPEN BUSINESS

410. Declarations of Interest

None.

411. Minutes of Open Business 11th October 2022

Approved.

412. Matters arising.

None.

413. Council Timetable - Open Matters

Paper captured in agenda.

414. Council Action List – Open Matters

Four papers due this term. Council agreed to defer the Parking Policy paper to Lent 2023.

415. Oral reports

Nil.

Principal Item of Business

416. Education Policy Review

The Senior Tutor reported that she had inherited a draft review that had begun in 2020 but for reasons various had not been presented to Council. She felt that more time was required to better support the aims of the review, requiring metrics, and that many documents related to the Policy are already in existence. She felt that a Five Year Plan might better suit the needs of College, showing progression against a set of agreed objectives.

Council agreed in principle, observing that this work should not be rushed and should consider all data available, while establishing a baseline that might provide for planning across other parts of the College. There was also the need to ensure resilience was recognised, and the relationship with Directors of Studies and CTOs. The Plan might be wide ranging, taking into account, for instance, the performance of the Outreach Programme and the achievements of those participating in the programme, regardless of where participants end up.

Council agreed to invite the Senior Tutor to prepare a draft Education Five Year Plan for discussion in Lent 2023, and for a final Plan to be presented by the end of Easter Term 2023.

Other Items for Discussion

417. Concert in Hall – 20 November 2022

The Vice Provost asked Council to approve this request to hold a concert in hall to celebrate fifty years of women at King's at an earlier time of 7.30 pm. He further undertook to provide a policy on use of hall in the evenings in term.

Council agreed to permit KCMS to hold a concert in Hall to celebrate fifty years of women at King's on Sunday 20th November, starting at 7.30 p.m. Council further agreed to KCMS negotiating access to Hall for rehearsals directly with Catering.

Business for Report

418. Minutes of Library Committee 11 October 2022 Noted.

419. KCSU – Loan to King's Affair

Council noted a paper from the KCSU detailing the end of the KCSU-KA loan conditions.

420. Concert in Hall - 28 November 2022

Council approved The King's Men holding a concert in Hall on Monday 28th November, starting at 8.00 p.m. Council also agreed to The King's Men arranging details directly with Catering.

421. Chariots of Fire event – 19 March

Council agreed that the organisers of the annual Chariots of Fire Charity Event be allowed to make arrangements to run through King's College on Sunday, 19 March 2023, subject to detailed agreement with the Domus Bursar, the Head Porter, the Head Gardener and the Head of Visitor Services.

422. ex Chapel wood – reinstatement in Chapel

Council accepted the recommendation of the Chapel Committee that the ex-Chapel wood should not be re-installed in the Chapel. They agreed to a slight rewording of the final paragraph in the paper to read –

The discussion considered matters such as likely cost, the overall aesthetics of the east end and the condition of the wood itself and absence of some sections. It could not find a liturgical justification for reinstatement neither could it imagine a missiological aim that would be furthered by it. The Committee did feel that the wood should be used in other locations in College and that consideration be made to placing some of it in the Chapel Exhibition or using parts to fabricate portable items of furniture, such as a music stand or rostrum. It should be considered available for use across the college and no priority given to its use in Chapel.

423. Budget Holders

Council agreed to a list of budget holders for individual departments.

424. Any Other Business.

Access through College

The Senior Tutor sought clarity on the protocols in place that provide access to University members through College. The Domus Bursar stated that College is open to University members when the College is open (which links in to the Chapel being open to visitors, generally 0930 to 1615), and noted that a number of University members seek access outside of these hours, and particularly prior to 0930. Council considered whether opening to University members should be extended to 0830 to 1730, accepting that a Visitor Guide might not be in position to cover this longer period of time. The student representatives felt that there were safety concerns amongst the resident students, but this was mainly during the evenings, and so would not be impacted by this change.

Council agreed to amending the protocols to enable access by University members from 0830 to 1730 (Tuesday to Friday and Monday 0830 – 1630, and weekends when the chapel is open to visitors, term time only), and signage and card access to be amended to reflect such access and make University members welcome. Further, they agreed to the rear gate being left in the open position when a Visitor Guide is in position, and that these changes should be for a trial period, with a paper making observations on the trial being brought to Council towards the end of Easter Term 2023.

Review of Regulations

The Provost informed Council that in light of the anticipated new Statutes and Ordinances, a review of the Regulations should be undertaken. He further informed Council that Dr Keith Carne and Dr James Dolan had agreed to undertake this review and report their recommendations to Council during Easter Term 2023.