

KING'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

At a meeting of the Council held in the Wine Room
On Tuesday, 30th June 2015 at 2 pm

<i>Present:</i>	Provost	<i>In</i>	Vice-Provost
	Professor Dunn	<i>Attendance:</i>	First Bursar
	Professor Moffett		Senior Tutor
	Dr Braybrook		Domus Bursar <i>to item 200</i>
	Dr Browne		Mr Mervin*
	Dr Candea <i>to item 200</i>		Ms Kinariwalla <i>for item 199</i>
	Dr Flack		
	Dr Marston		Mrs Wilson to take Minutes
	Mr Munro*		* <i>Open business only</i>

OPEN BUSINESS

Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Professor Keverne, the Reverend Dr Stephen Cherry and Dr Fischer.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

190. Minutes of Open Matters of 9 June 2015

The minutes of the Open Business of the meeting held on 9th June 2015 were approved and signed, with one amendment.

191. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

192. Action List

There were two queries regarding actions which it was agreed should be changed to "ongoing".

193. Minutes:

- a. Council accepted the Church Patronage Committee Minutes of 21 May 2015.
- b. Council accepted the Finance Committee Minutes of 29 May 2015.
- a. Council accepted the Adornment Committee Minutes of 10th June 2015.

194. Change of Signatories for Cazenove Capital Management (Schroders)

The First Bursar presented a paper asking Council to authorise College Officers to instruct Cazenove Capital Management to change the signatories.

Agreed: that

Professor Michael Proctor, Provost

Dr Perveez Mody, Senior Tutor

Mr Philip Isaac, Domus Bursar

Dr Keith Carne, First Bursar

should be authorised to instruct Cazenove Capital Management on behalf of the College. Signatures from any two of these would be sufficient authorisation. The list of those authorised would remain until either they cease to hold office or the Council agreed changes to the list.

195. Jeffrey Wilkinson Fund

The Senior Tutor presented the Annual Report to Council from the Financial Tutor on the Jeffrey Wilkinson Fund. Hardship awards totalling £1,340.58 had been given to two final year undergraduates in the academic year 2014/15, to alleviate financial difficulties and to allow graduation in June 2015.

196. World's Tallest Lego Tower

The First Bursar submitted a paper on behalf of Skills4stem, who had requested permission to construct the world's tallest Lego tower on the Backs in October 2015 as part of a record-breaking event to be held at the College. The First Bursar asked Council to indicate whether they approved of the erection of the tower and the proposed associated events in principle, or whether it was considered undesirable.

Skills4stem were a serious concern. This project team would involve students, University staff and industrial partners. It was agreed that while this would be useful PR for the College, and was generally well received by Council members, more information was needed, particularly regarding the possible dates and the amount of disruption that would be involved. It was not clear whether it was intended to build the Tower on the Back Lawn or on Scholars' Piece. It would not be possible for the project to take place during the first week of Michaelmas Term, nor over the period of the University's campaign launch, which left free only the final two weekends in October. The University was also to have a Lego building, "The Angel of the North", to be based outside the Senate House for the Campaign Launch weekend.

Agreed:

- a. to approve in principle Skills4stem's request to construct the world's tallest Lego tower on the Backs, subject to further discussions with the First Bursar, the Domus Bursar and the Health and Safety Officer;

- b. that the First Bursar should find out further information about the dates and possible disruption that would be entailed, and report back to the next meeting of Council for final approval;
- c. that, if this event was agreed, Council should hold a review immediately afterwards and decide on whether future such events would be permitted.

197. Public Catalogue Foundation [PCF]

The Provost presented a paper and supporting information regarding a renewed request from the Public Catalogue Foundation for the College to take part in its scheme of producing a catalogue of publicly available images of paintings owned or displayed by public bodies. The matter was last considered by Council in 2011, and Council had rescinded its initial agreement following a paper from Dr Marston arguing strongly against the proposal. Council was invited to reconsider this request, in the light of a letter of support received from the Vice-Chancellor.

The Provost said that no vote was needed as the matter was to go back to the Adornment Committee. Many public bodies had agreed to allow their artwork to be published by the PCF, including many Cambridge Colleges and also places such as Chequers.

Some Committee members felt that the College had a responsibility to share its artwork with people outside the College. Dr Marston was not in favour of the proposal, on grounds of security, given the large number of paintings in the College, and the lack of any way to “police” downloading once these were published online. It would also result in people asking to come and see the paintings, and this would cause additional workload and disruption. It was known that Professor Massing was also against the proposal, partly on grounds of security and also because of the poor state of some of the paintings, which might cause embarrassment to the College. There was a rolling programme for restoration, but this was a slow process.

The Provost agreed to find out the reasons behind other Colleges’ decisions to take part or not in the scheme. The matter of security in general was already under investigation by the Domus Bursar.

It was agreed that the matter should be referred to the Governing Body at its meeting in October, so that Professor Humphrey and Professor Massing could give their views before the Adornment Committee met in November to make the final decision.

198. Requests to use the Chapel

The Dean presented a paper asking Council to grant permission for the following Chapel 500 Event and Exhibition:

George Kan, Chapel 500 Event.	Event Rehearsal	19 October (rehearsal) 20 October(rehearsal) 21 October (performance) 22 October (performance) 7-10pm for all dates
Rupert Brooke Exhibition.	Exhibition	1-30 September 2015

Agreed: to approve the request from the Dean for the above events to take place in the Chapel.

199. Graduate Gender Imbalance

The KCGS submitted a paper on the declining numbers of women in the King's graduate community and the consequent effects on the social life in the Community. The students asked how the College could turn around the decrease in the number of female graduates and restore the gender balance.

The Financial Tutor said it was possible that the low numbers in offers from the College being accepted by potential graduate students might be exacerbated because of lack of financial support, as funding was better in the Sciences where there was known to be a majority of male students.

The Senior Tutor said that the matter was being addressed: the Graduate Tutor had reported that in the current year there had been 297 male applicants for graduate places, and 199 female applicants; 64 offers had been made to males and 65 to females. It was hoped that the 50:50 balance would be restored in coming years. The Graduate Tutor had presented a report to the Annual Congregation in 2014 and it was agreed that this would continue to be a regular annual report, which would help to keep people aware of graduate numbers as well as other matters.

Agreed:

- a. that the Graduate Tutor would work with the KCGS to monitor the gender balance and other issues in the graduate community;
- b. that the Graduate Tutor continue to report at the Annual Congregation on all graduate matters.

200. Any Other Business

There was no other business.