

KING'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

At a meeting of the Council held in the Audit Room
On Tuesday, 26th November 2013 at 4.30 pm

Present: Provost
Dr Adkins
Professor Dunn
Professor Keverne
Dr Marston
Dr Moody
Dr Morris
Dr Musallam
Dr Omitowoju
Dr Zeeman
Mr Abrams*
Ms Melendez*

In Attendance: Vice-Provost
First Bursar
Senior Tutor
Domus Bursar
Ms Fitzpatrick*
Mr Tchernev*
Dr Mody

Mrs Wilson to take Minutes
* *Open business only*

OPEN MATTERS

Apologies for Absence

Dr Flack is on leave.

Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

382. Minutes of Open Matters of 12th November 2013

The minutes of the Open Matters of the meeting held on 12th November 2013 were approved and signed.

383. Action List and Matters Arising

The Vice Provost suggested that the Action List should include all regular reports which were submitted to Council during the year and offered to help with the revision of the Action List format.

384. Minutes of the Computing Committee of 23 October 2013

Council accepted the Minutes of the Computing Committee of 23 October 2013.

385. Rent Reduction, Bene't Street

This paper was withdrawn by the Senior Tutor.

386. History of the College

The Provost reported that Professor Ross Harrison has agreed to write a short history of the College to replace the volume by Morris. He proposed that Council accept Professor Harrison's generous offer, and agree to underwrite the costs of production.

Agreed: to accept with gratitude Professor Ross Harrison's offer to write a short history of the College, and to guarantee underwriting costs of approximately £2000 for a print run of 1000 copies.

387. Adornment Committee

Council had previously set up a group to draw up a job description, interview for, and appoint to the post of Keeper of the College Collections. The group asked Council to approve the setting aside of an ex officio place on the Adornment Committee for the Keeper.

Agreed: that the Keeper of the College Collections should be *ex officio* a member of the Adornment Committee.

388. Shop at King's

Further to the recent paper on the Shop at King's¹, the Domus Bursar proposed that a Working Group be set up to develop further a number of options aimed at making the shop profitable but also considering changes to the management of visitors to the College.

The Domus Bursar was asked to bring an estimate of costs and profits to Council in January 2014.

Agreed: to ask Professor Osborne and Dr Zeeman to be members of the Working Group. Further volunteers were to be invited as the Working Group felt necessary.

389. Jeffrey Wilkinson Fund

The Bursarial Tutor reports annually to Council on various funds available to assist students.

During the academic year 2012/13, four grants totalling £2,170 were made to three undergraduates who attended language courses in France during the Easter Vacation 2013, and to an undergraduate visiting Paris to study French culture.

Under the 2007 revised terms, hardship awards totalling £4,433.70 were given to five final year undergraduates in the academic year 2012/13, to alleviate financial difficulties and to allow graduation in June 2013.

390. Reavley Bursary

The Bursarial Tutor reports annually to Council on various funds available to assist students.

This bursary was generously funded by the Reavley Family in memory of Norman Reavley. It is intended to support students in financial need and preferably those from a poor financial background and from the state school sector.

¹ Shop at King's, a Council paper by the Domus Bursar dated 5 November 2013

One award for £1,350 was made during the academic year 2012/13 and two awards totalling £1,409 have already been allocated for the current year.

391. Inderpal Rahal Fund

The Bursarial Tutor reports annually to Council on various funds available to assist students.

This fund was set up by her family in memory of a past student at King's, and is intended to provide support for students who are from an ethnic minority background and went to a state school in Britain, as did Inderpal herself.

During the 2012/13 academic year the College awarded a bursary of £600 from the Inderpal Rahal Fund.

392. Minutes of the Garden Committee of 24 October 2013

Council accepted the Minutes of the Garden Committee of 24 October 2013.

393. Choir Recording Programme Report

The Dean presented a paper summarising recent progress with the Choir's recording programme, and especially its own label recordings. As noted in June, both income and expenditure look likely to be lower than originally expected.

394. Living Wage

The KCSU submitted a paper requesting that all Staff in College be paid at the rate of the Living Wage. This followed a paper submitted to Council in the Easter Term 2013 when Council agreed to review this during Michaelmas Term.

The KCSU expressed frustration that no action appeared to have been taken on this. The meeting confirmed that this matter should be taken very seriously. The First Bursar explained that the matter had been raised at the Finance Committee who had referred it to the Personnel Committee for discussion of the principles. Following the next meeting of the Personnel Committee on 7th February 2014, information would be brought to Council at its meeting on 18th February 2014, with the Finance Committee also advising on the effects of implementing any proposal. It would then be possible to set a timetable so that any agreed action would be in time for the next budget round.

395. CUWBC Appeal

The Cambridge University Women's Boat Club asks whether King's would support it in building an extension to the Goldie boathouse in Cambridge for the Women's crews.

Agreed: to make a donation of £1,000 to the Cambridge University Women's Boat Club appeal to support them in building an extension to the Goldie boathouse in Cambridge.

396. Any other business

The Provost thanked the Senior Tutor, Professor Dunn, Dr Zeeman, Miss Fitzpatrick and Miss Melendez for their service on Council.