# KING'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

## At a meeting of the Council held on Tuesday, 12th October 2021 at 2pm in the Audit Room and via Zoom

Present:	Provost	In	Vice-Provost
	Dr Ainslie	Attendance:	Senior Tutor
	Dr Adams		First Bursar
	Dr Candea		Domus Bursar
	Dr Dolan		
	Professor Dunn		* Open business only
	Dr Griffin		*Mr Nate Roundy
	Dr Perry		*Ms Brenna Salkin
	Dr Srinavasan		*Mr Tom Pugh

\*Mr A Mortlock

By invitation

Emily Lyons - Minutes

## **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Professor Sharman and Professor Griffiths.

## **OPEN BUSINESS**

## 295. Declarations of Interest

None.

## 296. Minutes of Open Matters of 20th July, 2021

The minutes of the Open Business of Council on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021 were approved. The starring of attendees was corrected.

#### 297. Matters arising

None.

## 298. Council timetable & action list

Council noted the timetable and updated the action list. Accommodation for graduates had been discussed. The College should be in a position to offer accommodation to all of our students from next year and will aim to bring the graduate ballot forward.

#### 299. Oral reports

The First Bursar and Senior Tutor updated Council on the current arrangements for CoVid-19 both in College and the University. The pooled testing of students had recommenced but too few students were taking part and this lessened its effectiveness. Infection rates in the University and City remain low but they had risen to high levels in neighbouring areas.

As the Undergraduate members were unable to attend Council during Michaelmas Term it was agreed that Brenna Salkin and Tom Pugh could attend in their place.

## **Principal Items of Business**

#### 300. Risk Policy and Register.

Council asked that Heads of Departments are asked to discuss the risks with relevant committees. In particular, the new Communications Committee should consider the reputational risks. The Health & Safety Officer has now taken responsibility for safety risks from the Head Porter.

Council agreed:

- i. To adopt the risk policy for the College.
- ii. To agree to use the risk register as the basis for assessing the risks the College faces.

iii. That Council will review the risk policy and risk register and report to the Governing Body.

## **Other Items for Discussion**

#### 301. Council Policy on Conflicts of Interest

Council agreed to approve an unchanged policy on conflicts of interest and to circulate this to all members of the Governing Body.

## 302. Review of the Audit & Scrutiny Committee Report

Council reviewed the 2019-20 report of the Audit & Scrutiny Committee.

#### 303. BME and LGBT+ Dinners

The Senior Tutor on behalf of the KCSU BME and LGBT+ Officers asked Council to approve proposals to agree dates for dinners supporting these groups.

Council agreed to holding the BME Dinner in Hall on Saturday 6th November 2021 and the LGBT+ Dinner in Hall Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021 subject to satisfactory arrangements being made for King's members not attending this dinner to dine in the evening.

Council endorsed both as annual events for the next five years, subject to detailed arrangements being considered by Council annually.

#### **Business for Report**

#### 304. Credit Card Policy

Council endorsed the unchanged policy on the use of College Credit Cards.

#### **305.** Criminal Finances

Council discussed the effects of the Criminal Finances Act 2017 and considered the risks it faces in this regard. It considered that our Financial Regulations were a proportionate means to ensure that the College complies with the Act. It approved a public statement expressing our policy in this regard.

# **306.** Financial Controls

Council reviewed the Regulations approved for Financial Controls within the College and approved them.

## 307. Request to illuminate the east end of the Chapel 22 Oct 2021

Council was asked to approve the illuminating of the east end of the Chapel on 22nd October 2021 in support of Phelan McDermid Syndrome International Awareness Day.

Council agreed to allow a projection on the east end of the Chapel on Monday 22nd October 2021, subject to detailed agreement with the Domus Bursar, Head Porter and Head Gardener.

## 308. Millington Road Nursery

Council congratulated the Millington Road Nursery School on being rated Outstanding by OFSTED.

## 309. PTUBS and CBS2 update

The Senior Tutor presented a paper to inform Council of plans surrounding the revised Cambridge Bursary Scheme (CBS2) and the Pilot Top-Up Bursary Scheme (PTUBS)

# 310. The Cambridge Shakespeare Festival 2022

Council approved the staging of the Cambridge Shakespeare Festival in King's College from 11th July to 27th August 2022, subject to detailed planning with the Domus Bursar, Head Gardener and Head Porter.

# 311. Any Other Business

The Admissions Tutor sought advice from Council on a proposal that applicants might choose whether their application should be considered by a women-only College or not. Council was supportive that applicants should be able to express their choice without being required to specify their gender. The views of other Colleges should however be taken in to consideration, especially the womenonly Colleges.