OPEN BUSINESS

Present: Dr Anthony Freeling (Chair, President), Dr Hilary Burton (Vice-President), Mr Daniel Anton Garcia (MCR President), Dr Stephen Axford (Director of Research Translation), Mrs Victoria Espley (Bursar), Dr Sara Hennessy, Prof Ian Hodge, Dr Agnieszka Iwasiewicz-Wabnig, Dr Philip Johnston (Senior Tutor), Prof Jonathan Powell, Dr Corinne Roughley.

Apologies: Dr Lydia Drumright (Pro-Vice-President), Dr Eugene Shwageraus, Miss Hattie Stacey (MCR Secretary).

In Attendance: Mrs Wendy Solomou (College Secretary and Fellowships Manager, Secretary).

80.8. Introduction

80.8.1. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

80.9. Minutes and Matters arising from the Open Business of College Council, of 14 November 2018

80.9.1. Approval of minutes (CC80 05)

The minutes were approved as an accurate record.

80.9.2. College Council action list: Open Business (CC80 06)

- 77.2.3. College Council terms of reference. The Secretary to submit the agreed draft amendment to Governance Committee for recommendation to Governing Body in Lent term.
  o Ongoing.

- 77.2.2. MOU for Study Centre. Finalise drafting of MOU for Governance Labs with Dr Barker (Director).
  o The Bursar reported that she had discussed the MOU with Dr Barker and that they planned to meet in January to finalise some points of detail.
80.9.3. Matters arising not on the action list

80.9.3.1. [REDACTED]

80.10. MCR Business

The MCR President reported on the following:

- Discussion with the Bursar about the fixed kitchen cost. The Bursar noted that she would be bringing an analysis of catering costs to Council in Lent term.
- Installation of the new AV equipment in the Bar.
- The election of Harry Holkham as May Ball President.
- The MCR’s willingness to help with the running of the student survey in Lent term.

80.11. President’s Report

The President acknowledged the achievement of two Hughes Hall students, Thomas McFarlane and Naoki Toyomura, recipients of the highly prestigious Cambridge Inter-College Instrumental Awards.

80.12. Development Office update

The President reported that he had joined alumni and Senior Members for Christmas drinks in London. He also informed Council that the two members of staff in the Development Office who had been employed on temporary contracts were now on permanent contracts and that a part-time, temporary Communications Officer had recently joined the team.

80.13. Director of Research Translation’s update

The Director of Research Translation reported that:

- The series of six dinners hosted by the President had proved very helpful in providing insights into how he could work with researchers and structure Bridge activities.
- Prof Rupert Wegerif had attended roundtable talks to discuss whether HMG should set up an Office for Education Research, which had been prompted by a meeting he, the President and Prof Wegerif had jointly held with the Permanent Secretary of the Department for Education and that, together with the Faculty of Education, they were continuing to engage with HMG and the Royal Society as an opportunity for policy influence.
- He would soon be sending out a short survey to all Fellows.

80.14. Academic: Senior Tutor’s update

The Senior Tutor reported that the deadline for Hughes Hall PhD scholarships was 3rd January and that the College had already received a good number of applications.
80.15. Bursarial:

80.15.1. Bursar's update

The Bursar reported that, together with the President and the Senior Tutor, she had undertaken the annual review of Assistant Staff as a follow up to the Annual Development Reviews.

She informed Council that as part of the rolling programme of maintenance the corridors of the Margaret Wileman Building were being redecorated.

80.15.2. Management accounts update (CC80 07)

Council received the management accounts for October 2018 (previously presented to Governing Body on 28 November 2018 [GB61.7]).

80.16. Minutes of Committees

80.16.1. Unconfirmed minutes Admissions Committee, of Wednesday 28 November 2018 (CC80 09)

Council received the unconfirmed minutes of Admissions Committee.

80.17. Any other Open Business

A discussion was held concerning the degree to which the student body was aware of the activities of the Bridge and the Bridge Centres. It was agreed that lines of communication needed to be strengthened and more thought given to the media through which information was relayed and other ways of informing students about the Bridge and Bridge Centres.

The President said that Council should consider ways of raising the profile of the Bridge and the Bridge Centres, as a matter of priority, in the Lent term.

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