Ratified Minutes of
THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
1st Week Trinity Term 2018
Monday 23rd April 2018
President's Office, 16:00

Present: **The President** (Mr Gui Cavalcanti, *Pembroke College*), **The Librarian** (Ms Shivani Ananth, *St. Anne's College*), **The Treasurer** (Mr Daniel Wilkinson, *Oriel College*), **The Secretary** (Mr Brendan McGrath, *Oriel College*), **The Elected Member** (Ms Cecilia Zhao, *St. Catherine's College*), **The Elected Member** (Mr Eric Sukumaran, *Pembroke College*), **The Elected Member** (Mr Nick Brown, *Magdalen College*), **The Elected Member** (Mr Musty Kamal, *Harris Manchester College*), **The Elected Member** (Mr Ray Williams, *Wadham College*), **The Elected Member** (Mr Robert Sutton, *Magdalen College*), **The President-Elect** (Mr Stephen Horvath, *New College*), **The Librarian-Elect** (Ms Genevieve Athis, *Christ Church*), **The Treasurer-Elect** (Mr James Lamming, *Exeter College*), **The Senior Librarian** (Mr Sean Power, *Oriel College*), **The Senior Treasurer** (Mr Stephen Dixon, *Downing College, Cambridge*), **The Bursar** (Mrs Lindsay Warne), **The Chair of the Consultative Committee** (Mr Matthew Vautrey, *Magdalen College*), **The Access Officer** (Ms Kirsten Stewart, *Trinity College*), **The Chair of the Debate Selection Committee** (Mr Andrew Seow, *Lincoln College*).

Attending:

The Deputy Returning Officer (Thomas Laver, *Balliol College*), **The Deputy Returning Officer** (Lucy Boland, *Keble College*)

Apologies:

Absent:

The President opens the meeting at 16:05.

The Treasurer-elect enters at 16:06

Requests to Pass Absences from Previous Meeting

Mr Robert Sutton notes that he would like to pass his absence from the previous meeting of the Standing Committee, on the grounds that he had an exam.

The President says that Mr Sutton's absence from the 0th week meeting need not be passed, but that he will do so regardless.

The President moves that the Standing Committee pass The Elected Member's (Robert Sutton, *Magdalen College*) absence as with 'good reason' due to an immovable academic commitment: an examination.

nem. con.

The Librarian moves that the Standing Committee pass her absence as with 'good reason' due to a disabling and infectious illness.

Seconded by the President

nem. con.

The Librarian-elect moves that the Standing Committee pass her absence as with 'good reason' due to a disabling and infectious illness.

Seconded by the President

nem. con.

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

There are no matters arising from the previous minutes.

Ratification of Minutes

The President says that the 0th week meeting minutes were not circulated, and that this circulation should be postponed.

The President-elect moves that the Standing Committee extend the deadline for the circulation of the minutes of the 0th Week Trinity Term 2018 Ordinary Meeting of the Standing Committee until 48 hours prior to the 2nd Week Trinity Term 2018 Ordinary Meeting of the Standing Committee.

The President-elect says this is to give the new Secretary enough time to draft these minutes.

Seconded by the President

nem. con.

The President raises the need to ratify the *in camera* minutes from the 5th Week Hilary Term 2018 Emergency Meeting of The Standing Committee, and asks those not on the JDC or Standing Committee at the time to leave the room. He delegates the Chair to the **President-elect**, and recuses himself.

The President-elect moves that the Standing Committee go *in camera* regarding *in camera* minutes from a disciplinary proceeding.

nem. con.

The Standing Committee moves in camera *at 16.10.*

The President-elect moves that the Standing Committee ratify the *in camera* minutes from the 5th Week Hilary Term 2018 Emergency Meeting of the Standing Committee.

nem. con.

The President-elect moves that the Standing Committee go *ex camera.*

nem. con.

The Standing Committee moves ex camera *at 16.12.*

The President-elect vacates the Chair and delegates it back to **The President**

The President
Meetings missed: 0, Missed without good reason: 0

Business of the President:

The President has no business.

Questions to the President:

There are no questions to the President.

The Librarian
Meetings missed: 1, Missed without good reason: 0

Business of the Librarian:

The Librarian has no business.

Questions to the Librarian:

There are no questions to the Librarian.

The Treasurer
Meetings missed: 0, Missed without good reason: 0

Business of the Treasurer:

The Treasurer has no business.

Questions to the Treasurer:

There are no questions to the Treasurer.

The Secretary
Meetings missed: 0, Missed without good reason: 0

Business of the Secretary:

The Secretary has no business.

Questions to the Secretary:

There are no questions to the Secretary.

Ms Zhao
Meetings missed: 0, Missed without good reason: 0

Business of Ms Zhao:

Ms Zhao has no business.

Questions to Ms Zhao:

There are no questions to Ms Zhao.

<u>Mr Sukumaran</u>
Meetings missed: 0, Missed without good reason: 0

<u>Business of Mr Sukumaran:</u>

Mr Sukumaran has no business.

<u>Questions to Mr Sukumaran:</u>

There are no questions to Mr Sukumaran.

<u>Mr Brown</u>
Meetings missed: 0, Missed without good reason: 0

<u>Business of Mr Brown:</u>

Mr Brown has no business.

<u>Questions to Mr Brown:</u>

There are no questions to Mr Brown.

<u>Mr Kamal</u>
Meetings missed: 0, Missed without good reason: 0

<u>Business of Mr Kamal:</u>

Mr Kamal has no business.

<u>Questions to Mr Kamal:</u>

There are no questions to Mr Kamal.

<u>Mr Williams</u>
Meetings missed: 0, Missed without good reason: 0

<u>Business of Mr Williams:</u>

Mr Williams has no business.

<u>Questions to Mr Williams:</u>

There are no questions to Mr Williams.

<u>Mr Sutton</u>
Meetings missed: 1, Missed without good reason: 0

<u>Business of Mr Sutton:</u>

Mr Sutton has no business.

Questions to Mr Sutton:

There are no questions to Mr Sutton.

The President-Elect
Meetings missed: 0, Missed without good reason: 0

Business of the President-Elect:

The President-Elect has no business.

Questions to the President-Elect:

There are no questions to the President-Elect.

The Librarian-Elect
Meetings missed: 1, Missed without good reason: 0

Business of the Librarian-Elect:

The Librarian-Elect has no business.

Questions to the Librarian-Elect:

There are no questions to the Librarian-Elect.

The Treasurer-Elect
Meetings missed: 0, Missed without good reason: 0

Business of the Treasurer-Elect:

The Treasurer-Elect has no business.

Questions to the Treasurer-Elect:

There are no questions to the Treasurer-Elect.

The Ex-Officio

Business of the Ex-Officio:

The Ex-Officio have no business.

Questions to the Ex-Officio:

There are no questions to the Ex-Officio.

The Senior Librarian

Business of the Senior Librarian:

The Senior Librarian has no business.

Questions to the Senior Librarian:

There are no questions to the Senior Librarian.

The Senior Treasurer

Business of the Senior Treasurer:

The Senior Treasurer has no business.

Questions to the Senior Treasurer:

There are no questions to the Senior Treasurer.

The Bursar

Business of the Bursar:

The Bursar has no business.

Questions to the Bursar:

There are no questions to the Bursar.

The Returning Officer

Business of the RO:

The RO has no business.

Questions to the RO:

There are no questions to the RO.

The Chairman of the Consultative Committee

Business of the CCC:

The CCC has no business.

Questions to the CCC:

There are no questions to the CCC.

The Access Officers

Business of the Access Officers:

The Access Officers have no business.

<u>Questions to the Access Officers:</u>

There are no questions to the Access Officers.

The Chair of the Debate Selection Committee

<u>Business of the CDSC:</u>

The CDSC has no business.

<u>Questions to the CDSC:</u>

There are no questions to the CDSC.

Changes to the Composition of this Committee

The President notes that, after the 24 hour period following the resignation of Shanuk Mediwaka, Brendan McGrath has succeeded to the Office of Secretary for Trinity Term 2018. He remarks that there is now a vacancy for the 7th elected member of Standing Committee. He says that an email has been sent to those eligible to succeed to this position, with the most senior automatically succeeding to the position at the end of 24 hour period.

Any Other Business

Mr Kamal asks whether the composition of other committees, such as the Access Committee, changes as a result of the resignation, and if so whether a delegation of an Elected Member of TSC to such a committee could be ratified in this meeting.

The President replies that, as there is still a vacancy on the Standing Committee, this is not the case.

The Senior Treasurer would like a regular report regarding the accomplishments of the Union's competitive debating teams.

The Chair of the Debate Selection Committee claims that there have been no accomplishments to note over Easter.

The President-elect inquires on a "round-robin" competition held over the vacation.

The Chair of the Debate Selection Committee explains the round-robin tournament, and that participants typically take part in the tournament independently, rather than representing the Union. He recounts the performance of Oxford students in the tournament; a team came second in the Grand Final. He will collect the other accomplishments to announce next week. He also notes that trials for the European Championships took place on the previous day; the Union will be sending teams to that competition to be held in Serbia in August.

The Senior Treasurer stresses the importance of debating to the Union, and repeats his wish for a regular report on its debating accomplishments.
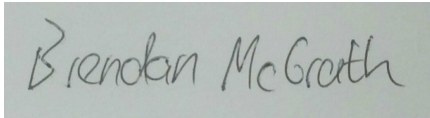
The President requests that **The Secretary** add a permanent item of business under the CDSC, with the remit of giving a brief report on the DSC.

Date of the Next Meeting

Monday 2nd Week Trinity Term 2018 (30th April 2018), 16:00, in the President's Office.

The President closes the meeting at 16:16.

Signed,

Brendan McGrath
Oriel College
Secretary