

Ratified Minutes of
THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
5th Week Michaelmas Term 2015
Monday 9th November 2015
President's Office, 16:00

Present: **The President** (Mr Charles Vaughan, *St John's College*), **The Secretary** (Mr Golooba-Mutebi, *St John's College*), **The Elected Member** (Miss Henna Dattani, *Brasenose College*), **The Elected Member** (Mr Callum Tipple, *Hertford College*), **The Elected Member** (Mr Jonathan Tan, *Exeter College*), **The President-Elect** (Mr Stuart Webber, *Somerville College*), **The Librarian-Elect** (Miss Niamh Coote, *Pembroke College*), **The Treasurer-Elect** (Mr Noah Lachs, *Lincoln College*), **the Ex-Secretary** (Mr Nikolay Koshikov, *Exeter College*), **The Senior Treasurer** (Mr Stephen Dixon, *Downing College, Cambridge*), **The Bursar** (Mrs Lindsey Warne), **The Returning Officer** (Mr Peter Corden, *Oriel College*), **The Chair of the Consultative Committee** (Mr Michael Li, *Magdalen College*), **The Access Officer** (Mr Harry Samuels, *New College*), **The Chair of the Debate Selection Committee** (Mr Jamie Jackson, *St John's College*).

Attending: **The SBS Liaison Officer** (Mr Matt McGrath, *Saïd Business School*).

Apologies: **The Elected Member** (Mr Tim Cannon, *Wadham College*),

Absent:

The President opens the meeting at 16:06.

Requests to Pass Absences from Previous Meeting

The President moves that TSC pass the absence of Miss Mia Smith from the Ordinary Meeting of TSC of MT15 4th Week as being with good reason due to a pressing and extraordinary engagement.

Passed nemine contradicente.

The Librarian-Elect and Mr Nikolay Koshikov enter the room at 16:07.

The President moves that TSC pass the absence of Mr Robert Harris from the Ordinary Meeting of TSC of MT15 4th Week as being with good reason due to his attendance at a funeral.

Passed nemine contradicente.

The Librarian apologises for his having to leave soon to meet a guest speaker, which shall result in his missing a large part of the meeting.

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

There are no matters arising from the previous minutes.

Ratification of Minutes

The President moves that TSC ratify the minutes from the Ordinary Meetings of TSC of MT15 4th Week.

Passed nemine contradicente.

The President

Business of the President:

The President explains to TSC that there is a new Standing Order mandating that all Debate Cocktails be approved by TSC. The President informs TSC the names of the 3 remaining cocktails suggested by the bar, namely Gulpiver's Travels, Howard's Blend, and Moby Drink.

The President moves that TSC ratify the 'Gulpiver's Travels', 'Howard's Blend', and 'Moby Drink' as the Debate Cocktails for the three remaining debates of MT15.

Passed nemine contradicente.

The Librarian leaves the room at 16:14.

The President moves TSC into camera to discuss the actual negotiation of a sensitive financial contract at 16:14.

The President moves TSC out of camera at 16:21.

Questions to the President:

There are no questions to the President.

The Librarian

Business of the Librarian:

The Librarian presents two candidates for t

The Librarian moves that TSC approve the appointment of Miss Rina Fang (Brasenose College) to the Library Committee.

Seconded by the Librarian-Elect.

Passed nemine contradicente.

Questions to the Librarian:

The Bursar asks the Librarian how many Junior Members there are now of the Library Committee.

The Librarian explains to the Bursar that the Library Committee wishes to maintain the principle of keeping the ratio of Junior Members to Senior Members as 2:1 and so it is seeking more Senior Members as the ratio is now currently too high. The Librarian adds that the Library Committee, however, does not want to turn members who wish to get involved in it away, as they provide extra help. The Librarian suggests that the solution, thus, should be to find more Senior Members rather than turn candidates for Junior Membership away. The Librarian informs the Bursar that there are currently 15 Junior Members of the Library Committee and 5 Senior Members.

The Treasurer

Business of the Treasurer:

The Treasurer has no business.

Questions to the Treasurer:

There are no questions to the Treasurer.

The Secretary

Business of the Secretary:

The Secretary has no business.

Questions to the Secretary:

There are no questions to the Secretary.

Miss Henna Dattani

Business of Miss Henna Dattani:

Miss Henna Dattani has no business.

Questions to Miss Henna Dattani:

There are no questions to Miss Henna Dattani.

Miss Mia Smith

Business of Miss Mia Smith:

Miss Mia Smith has no business.

Questions to Miss Mia Smith:

There are no questions to Miss Mia Smith.

Mr Tim Cannon

Business of Mr Tim Cannon:

Mr Tim Cannon has no business.

Questions to Mr Tim Cannon:

There are no questions to Mr Tim Cannon.

Mr Callum Tipple

Business of Mr Callum Tipple:

Mr Callum Tipple has no business.

Questions to Mr Callum Tipple:

There are no questions to Mr Callum Tipple.

Mr Jonathan Tan

Business of Mr Jonathan Tan:

Mr Jonathan Tan has no business.

Questions to Mr Jonathan Tan:

There are no questions to Mr Jonathan Tan.

The President-Elect

Business of the President-Elect:

The President-Elect introduces Matt McGrath, the SBS Liaison Officer, to TSC.

The SBS Liaison Officer introduces himself to TSC, adding that ??? and the MBA students who attended greatly enjoyed the Venetian Masquerade Ball. The SBS Liaison Officer says that he is very interested to develop the relationship between SBS and the Oxford Union and see how to use the resources of its students for the benefit of the Union. The SBS Liaison Officer presents some of his initial thoughts, namely that: SBS members should get more involved with speaker invitations; there is potential for MBA students with expertise in revenue models and digitisation of content and monetisation of digital content to advise the Union on these areas; and SBS students should be more involved in elections and the running of the Union. The SBS Liaison Officer expresses his desire for discussion with TSC regarding the best way for SBS students to get more involved in the overall running of the Union and be a positive contribution to the Society.

The President expresses his view that it is important for the Union to look after all of its members, including those at SBS, who are often very experienced and have great contacts. The President expresses his opinion that more involvement from them would be great for the Union.

The President-Elect suggests that the SBS Liaison Officer should come to more Ordinary Meetings of TSC and perhaps be required to.

The President suggests that, since this could seem burdensome for an MBA student, it would be better for the attendance of the SBS Liaison Officer to be a convention, such that he or she may come as often as possible without being mandated to.

The President-Elect expresses his view that, given that the position of the SBS Liaison Officer is unlike usual appointed positions, since an election is held in SBS for the role, perhaps it should be consolidated further.

The Treasurer-Elect reiterates the sentiments of the President-Elect.

Questions to the President-Elect:

There are no questions to the President-Elect.

The Librarian-Elect

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

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 informs TSC that Mr Simon Lawson, who used to work in the Library, passed away and that she shall be attending his funeral on 20th November as a representative of the Union.

TSC asks that the Bursar pass on their condolences to his family and take flowers on its behalf.

Questions to the Bursar:

There are no questions to the Bursar.

The Returning Officer

Business of the RO:

The R.O. has no business.

Questions to the RO:

There are no questions to the RO.

The Chair 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.

Questions to the Access Officers:

There are no questions to the Access Officers.

The Chair of the Debate Selection Committee

Business of the CDSC:

The CDSC informs TSC of the great success of the debating team at the Durham IV, adding that it dominated the competition.

TSC applauds the success of the debate team.

Questions to the CDSC:

There are no questions to the CDSC.

Changes to the Composition of this Committee

There are no changes to the composition of this committee.

Any Other Business

There is no other business.

Date of the Next Meeting

Monday 5th Week Michaelmas Term 2015 (Monday 9th November 2015), 16:00, in the President's Office.

The President closes the meeting at 16:32.

Signed,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ssuuna Golooba-Mutebi', written in a cursive style.

Ssuuna Golooba-Mutebi
St John's College
Secretary