

## ST CHAD'S COLLEGE, DURHAM SENIOR COMMON ROOM

### Minutes of the meeting held in the Chapel on February 2 2017

**Present:** Bill Apedaile (President), Ashley Wilson (Treasurer), Paul Braidford (Secretary), Margaret Masson, Rhys Burriss, Colin Woodward, Richard Taylor, Judy Burg, Sue Shaw, Suzanne Cox, Gary Cox, Jane Manley, Sarah Banks, Claire Harman, Gillian Allnutt, Petet Swift, Eleanor Spencer-Regan, David Stanley, Iain Edgar, Anna Montague-Johnson, Colin Ferguson, Martin Wright, Anthony Anderson, Craig Robertson, Andy Stephenson, Robert Guthrie, David Stancliffe, Tim Packer

**Apologies for absence** had been received from: Mikolaj Kundegorski, Dick Watson, Pauline Watson, James Lancelot, Jonathan Tate, Edwin Holmes, Jessica Holmes, Kay Schiller, Gillian Weir, Gregory Pritchard, Rosalind Brown, Simon Grant, Ian Zass-Ogilvie, Michael Butler, Gillian Skinner, Peter Fisher, Elizabeth Fisher, Gordon Allinson, John Hanks, Fred Robinson, David Blazey, Gill Blazey, Rebecca Wallace, Paul Chandler, Lucy Szablewska, Marek Szablewski, David Hunt, Frederik Seidelin, Nick Barton, Alistair Smith, Bill Wyllie, Annette Wyllie, Clare Stancliffe, Michael Snape, Peter Coulson, Patricia Jones, John Marshall, Jenny King, Del Atkinson, Richard Monk, Avril Sokolov, Maurice Simmons, Richard de Robeck, Sally Smith, Toby Breckon, Tony Seward, Angela Seward, Gordon Harper, Julian Fowell, Richard Hird, Oliver Burnham, Judy Burg, Matt Smith, Kat Saunders, Diana Collecott, Stuart Watson, David Crookes, Jenny Parker, Jonathan Moreland, Jean Woodward, Julian Kotze-Wilson

**Minutes of the meeting held on 24 November 2016** The minutes were accepted as an accurate record

**Matters Arising** There were no matters arising

The President opened the meeting by asking the SCR to rise in memory of Jihun (Brendan) Han

**Treasurer's Report** The Treasurer reported on the accounts (appended), which are in good shape, and a list of the personal development awards and conference travel grants (also appended). The SCR received a request from the MCR for a grant of £200 to support a photography and art competition, which was passed by the membership. The Treasurer also updated the meeting on charitable matters. He reported on activities in South Africa - this project has been approved by the Governing Body to continue (subject to annual inspections) for the next five years - including the possibility of top-up scholarships for Rhodes University students. He also reported on the situation around charitable donations, including the Sri Lanka initiative, which is coming to an end. He clarified that donations from the SCR do not come out of subscriptions, but additional donations. The meeting discussed whether the Sri Lanka initiative should be replaced by a specific cause for members to donate to. Sue Shaw proposed a motion on whether the SCR should encourage donations by members by providing an opportunity to donate alongside subs, and act as a conduit to collect these donations and forward them on. The motion was carried. The Treasurer will collect suggestions for possible future donations, with a view to deciding if this goes ahead (by an online poll, for instance) between meetings.

**Principal's Report** The Principal reported on: the term so far, the death of the student Jihun (Brendan) Han and his memorial service, progress on the college strategy, contributions of the SCR to the college, and two awards won by SCR members: the Queen's Gold Medal for Poetry, won by Gillian Allnutt, and the Chancellor's Medal, won by Dick Watson for his contribution to education and research.

**President's Report** The President noted that he had written to both award-winners to congratulate them on the SCR's behalf; on the co-opting of SCR members Sue Shaw, Sean Kelly and Matt Smith onto SCR sub-committees; the Cassidy Memorial Lectures, which have an inaugural speaker lined up for later this academic year; ongoing cultural activities; the first SCR Guest Night, which will happen on April 22nd; the online SCR profiles

#### **New Members**

*Ex officio new members:* **Philip Ziegler** (Visiting Richardson Fellow);

*Appointed as new members:* **Philippa Matthews** (Senior Teaching Fellow in Accounting, DBS), **Claire Harman** (Professor of Creative Writing in the English Studies department), **David Janzen** (Senior Lecturer in the Department of Theology and Religion)

*Elected as new members:* **Joe Foxall** (undergrad and postgrad alumnus, MCR Secretary, Bar Manager, Wine Cellar Steward, and JCR Keeper of the College Clocks, proposed Oliver Burnham, seconded by Frederik Seidelin); **Simon McMurtary** (Chaplain, Counsellor and Religious Studies head of department at Durham School, proposed by Gill Boughton, seconded by Bill Apedaile); **Nathan King** (Anglican army chaplain proposed by Mike Snape, seconded by Iain Edgar); **Patricia King** (author, editor and teacher proposed by the Principal, seconded by Robert Song); **Christopher Ferguson** (Curatorial, Conservation, and Exhibitions Director at Auckland Castle Trust, proposed by Mark Roberts, seconded by the Principal)

The date of the **next SCR meeting** is 2nd February 2017

**AOB** There was no other business.

In the absence of further business the President closed the meeting at 7pm.

## **SCR TREASURER'S REPORT 30/1/2017**

**Balance at 31/10/16** **5077.39**

### INCOME

|                          |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Subs income              | 325.00        |
| Sri Lanka project income | 35.00         |
| PDA Fund income          | 20.00         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>             | <b>380.00</b> |

### EXPENDITURE

#### SCR Grants

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Personal Development Awards              | 525.00*        |
| Conference Presentation Grants           | 400.00         |
| Misdirected payments (repaid to College) | 120.00         |
| Contribution to College Christmas Tree   | 100.00         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                             | <b>1145.00</b> |

**Balance at 30/01/17** **4312.39**

\* There is one grant of £100 still to be paid

### **PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AWARDS**

| Name                 | Activity/Opportunity                   | Award          |
|----------------------|--|----------------|
| Elizabeth Hoyt       | Teach English in China over the Summer | £150.00        |
| Dewi Erwan Humphreys | DUCK - Budapest Marathon (team leader) | £75.00         |
| Eleanor Forsyth      | DUCK - Peru Expedition                 | £50.00         |
| Lorna Reston         | DUCK - Borneo Expedition               | £50.00         |
| Emily Kitching       | DUCK(?) - Peru Expedition              | £50.00         |
| Yi Rong Toh          | Turtle Foundation                      | £150.00        |
| Erin-Marie Gallagher | NYC Internship                         | £100.00        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>         |  | <b>£625.00</b> |

### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATION GRANTS**

| Name              | Conference  |         |
|-------------------|---|---------|
| Leslie Quade      | American Association of Physical Anthropologists, New Orleans                         | £100.00 |
| Curtis Runstedler | International Congress for Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo                                | £100.00 |
| Abdulla Omaigan   | Association for Moral Education, Harvard  | £100.00 |
| Antonia Perna     | Society for the History of Childhood and Youth (SHCY) Biennial Conference, New Jersey | £100.00 |