Tuesday 10 October 2017

# Present

Jason Smith (Vice President), Adam Ashby, Mike Beard, Richard Briggs, Richard Brooks, Nick Dyer (Headmaster), Peter Hobbs, Steve Mace, Duncan Miller, John Mitchell, Nino Pelopida, Eric Stephens, Helena Cornish (Secretary).

# Apologies

* Paul James, John Mitchell, Bob Timms

Minutes of Meeting held on 10 May 2017

* Minutes as received were accepted

# Matters Arising

* Peter Hobbs reported that OCC minutes up to 2011 were archived at Gloucestershire Archives

and Richard Briggs currently holds all the subsequent minutes online

**Action** – In addition to digitalisation, Peter will investigate how minutes should be archived in future.

# Headmaster’s Report

* Nick Dyer reported that the OCC lunch held at the school in June was a success and suggested it be held annually or every two years as a summer reunion with a tour of the school. The OCC Committee welcomed this excellent proposal. Over 60 members were present including the oldest member who was born in 1933
* A level results for 2017 were outstanding:
* Overall 80% A\* - B
* Mathematics 74% Grades 9-7
* Biology 81% A\*- A
* All Year 13 students went on to their chosen course of study
* Year 7 on roll September 2017 – 147 (largest intake)
* 950 students on roll September 2017– increase of 30 per year on year
* 400 pupils sat the entrance test for selection to co-ed school in September 2018
* A covered area will be erected to create a seating area outside
* The reception area will be renewed to add security with entrance by fingerprint or card access
* The plan to build onto the new block including a pavilion, changing rooms and function room may have to be fund raised
* 10 new staff joined the school this term
* Richard Graham MP has proposed a Gloucestershire University Technical College specialising in health and science technologies and based in Gloucester
* There have been changes to school funding with additional funding for the next two years to local authorities who will then allocate to schools

# President’s Business – ‘History of the Crypt School’ publication

* Richard Briggs referred to the circulated briefing note on ‘The History of the Crypt School’ by Charlie Hannaford
* Nick Dyer agreed to look again at the writing of the last chapter of the book. In addition, someone will be required to do the final formatting and editing before the book is published
* The OCC Committee are prepared to fund half the cost of production with the school funding half subject to obtaining further quotes. Any profits from the sale of the book will be shared with the school
* Nick Dyer reported that any financial contribution from the school would require the approval of the Governors and agreed that, provided with a full financial case, he would take it to them

**Proposed by Peter Hobbs Seconded by Mike Beard** that the OCC Committee will in principle support the publication of the book subject to the provision of a full financial case, and will share income with the school in proportion to financial contribution.

**For – 11 Against – 0 Abstentions – 0 Carried**

Nick Dyer left the meeting.

# Treasurer’s Report

* Rich Brooks referred to his report
* As at 25.09.17 accounts show a current surplus of £2290. Income was higher mainly due to members correcting their subscription payments

# Annual Golf Match Report 2017

* Eric Stephens reported that the annual golf match was poorly supported
* Liaison with the Parent Teachers Association was suggested

**Action** - Jason Smith to contact the Parent Teachers Association to see if they would be interested in working with the OCC Committee to organise the annual golf match.

# Founders Day 2017

* Richard Briggs reported that the dinner went very well despite making a financial loss. It was suggested that the Parliament Rooms continue as the venue until the Old Schoolroom at St Mary de Crypt is ready. Richard will continue to organise the supper but requested some help on the night. Eric Stephens thanked Richard for organising the evening

**Action** - Jason Smith will talk to his contact at the Parliament Rooms to see if the cost of hire can be reduced for 2018.

**Proposed by Eric Stephens Seconded by Peter Hobbs** that the 2018 Founders Day supper takes place at the Parliament Rooms.

**For – 10 Against – 0 Abstentions – 0 Carried**

# AGM and Reunion Dinner March 2018

* The 2018 AGM and Reunion Dinner will take place at Crypt School with Steve Mace organising the event. 17 and 24 March was suggested with a preference for 24 March

**Action** - Steve Mace to confirm date with the school after speaking to the Headmaster.

**Action** - Jason Smith to liase with Parent Teachers Association to ask if they would like to help with the event.

*(AGM and Reunion Dinner 24 March – confirmed)*

**Proposed by Peter Hobbs Seconded by Richard Briggs** that the dinner should include a ladiestable

**For – 10 Against – 0 Abstentions – 0 Carried**

* At the AGM a new away vice president would need to be proposed for election together with enough committee members to take the place of those committee members retiring

**Action** - Committee members were asked to consult widely and send suggestions for nominations to Jason Smith.

# The Cryptian

* No publication date as yet

# Cenotaph Parade 2017

* 18 tickets have been received – 9 allocated to OCCs and 9 to the school
* Nino Pelopida will send out instructions for the day
* Sue Wales will be marching this year and Nino Pelopida will be driving the mini bus

# Discover DeCrypt Project/School History

* Report from Richard Browning is attached
* An archaeological dig by volunteers will commence end of October

# Centennial Bursary Fund

* Report from Richard Browning was acknowledged

# Membership

* The committee discussed if the club should register with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). School leavers are required to give permission for their details to be stored on a database

**Action** - Adam Ashby to investigate if the OCC are required to register with the ICO

# Website and Communications

* Richard Briggs referred to his report
* The news section on the website needs refreshing regularly – Adam Ashby to update

# Any Other Business

* Richard Briggs thanked Helena Cornish for producing a Style Guide for the OCC

**Action** - Helena Cornish to circulate the Style Guide again to the committee

# Date of next meeting

* **Monday 15 January 2018 at 6.00pm** at Crypt School

**Attached:** Discover De Crypt Update

Centennial Bursary Fund Report

Helena Cornish OCC Secretary - 16 October 2017