

**COMMITTEE OF ALDERMANIC ALMONERS, COMMON COUNCIL
GOVERNORS AND DONATION GOVERNORS OF CHRIST'S HOSPITAL**

14 November 2011

Minutes of the meeting of the COMMITTEE OF ALDERMANIC ALMONERS, COMMON COUNCIL GOVERNORS AND DONATION GOVERNORS OF CHRIST'S HOSPITAL held at Guildhall, EC2 on MONDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2011 at 11.00am.

Present

Members:

Deputy John Barker
Ray Catt
Deputy Dennis Cotgrove
Martin Day
Sophie Fernandes
Marianne Fredericks

Dr Peter Hardwick
Vivienne Littlechild
Edward Lord
Deputy Janet Owen
Henry Pollard
Alderman and Sheriff Alan Yarrow (in
the Chair)

Officers:

Gemma Goulding
Jacky Compton
Howard Holdsworth

- Town Clerk's Department
- Town Clerk's Department
- Christ's Hospital

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from John Bird, Alderman Jeffrey Evans, Deputy Robin Eve, Deputy Catherine McGuinness and Alderman Sir Michael Savory.

2. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING

There were no declarations.

3. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

The Committee proceeded to elect a Chairman for the year ensuing.

The Town Clerk read a list of those Governors eligible to stand and Deputy Dennis Cotgrove, being the only Governor to signify his willingness to serve, was duly elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.

Deputy Cotgrove took the Chair and thanked Members for their continued support in re-appointing him as their Chairman for a third year.

4. **ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRMAN**

The Committee proceeded to elect a Deputy Chairman for the year ensuing.

The Town Clerk read a list of those Governors eligible to stand and Henry Pollard, being the only Governor to signify his willingness to serve, was duly elected as Deputy Chairman for the ensuing year.

5. **MINUTES**

The public minutes and summary of the meeting held on 30 September 2010 were approved and agreed as correct record.

MATTERS ARISING

In-House Magazine (page 3) – The Chairman reported that, following a request raised at the last meeting, all Members of this Committee should now be receiving copies of Christ's Hospital's in-house publication 'Housey'.

A Governor commented that a copy of 'Housey' was also placed in the Members' Reading Room and that a note alerting all Members to this would be useful.

Aldermanic Almoners (page 3) – In response to a question regarding the Aldermanic Almoner vacancy, Alderman and Sheriff Yarrow was pleased to report that this had now been filled. He went on to explain that, previously, there had been 'an unwritten rule' that two of the four Almoners would be Alderman and the other two would be Common Councilmen. He reported that the Court of Aldermen had decided to take the opportunity to redress this balance and, after consulting with the three other Aldermanic Almoners, had invited Henry Pollard to fill this vacancy.

The Deputy Chairman reported that he had been only too happy to accept this invitation to serve and was looking forward to attending his first meeting in the next fortnight.

6. **MINUTES OF THE REFERENCE SUB - COMMITTEE**

The public minutes of the last meeting of the Reference Sub-Committee held on 30 September 2010 were received.

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7. **APPOINTMENT OF REFERENCE SUB COMMITTEE**

The Town Clerk reminded the Committee that a note had been circulated to all Governors some time ago seeking expressions of interest in serving on the Interview Panel.

The Chairman reported that Ms Fredericks had expressed an interest in serving and that she would also be acting as Donation Governor for the City's 2012 presentee.

The Reference Sub Committee (Interview Panel) to select a child for the City of London Corporation's 2012 Presentation Place at Christ's Hospital was therefore appointed as follows:

Chairman – Deputy Cotgrove
Deputy Chairman – Mr Pollard
Ms Fredericks

The Chairman reported that Sheriff Wendy Mead had previously sat on the Interview Panel but was now unable to do so due to conflicting duties as Sheriff. He added that Sheriff Mead would, however, continue in her role as Donation Governor.

8. QUESTIONS

There were no questions.

9. URGENT ITEMS

There were no additional, urgent items of business for consideration in the Public session.

10. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

<u>Item No</u>	<u>Exempt Paragraphs</u>
11	1
12	1
13	3
14	1 & 3
15	1, 2 & 3
16	-
17	-

SUMMARY OF MATTERS CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC WERE EXCLUDED

11. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

The non-public minutes of the meeting held on 30 September 2010 were approved and agreed as a correct record.

12. NON PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE REFERENCE SUB-COMMITTEE

The non-public minutes of the last meeting of the Reference Sub-Committee on 30 September 2010 were received.

13. REVIEW OF THE CITY OF LONDON'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

The Committee received a resolution of the Policy and Resources Committee detailing financial support for the City's various educational institutions.

Discussion was also had as to how best to now promote the new scheme in relation to Christ's Hospital.

14. APPLICATIONS FOR PRESENTATION 2012

The applications for the Corporation's 2012 Presentation to Christ's Hospital were received.

15. PROGRESS ON CHILDREN PRESENTED IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS

Verbal updates on the progress of some of the children presented to Christ's Hospital by the City of London in the last five years were given by respective Donation Governors.

16. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

There were no questions.

17. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

There were no additional, urgent items of business for consideration in the Non-Public session.

The meeting closed at 12 noon.

CHAIRMAN

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