

# UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

## SENATE

There will be a meeting of the Senate on **Wednesday, 12 March 2014 at 2.00pm** in the Council Chamber, Senate House.

K Sloan  
Registrar

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## AGENDA

### 1. Minutes

#### TO CONSIDER:

The minutes of the meeting of the Senate held on 29 January 2014 2013 (attached).

### 2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

#### a) Progress of Senate Recommendations

##### TO REPORT:

That the Council, at its meeting on 13 February 2014, noted the report from the Senate and approved the recommendations of the Senate recorded under the following items:

- (i) Proposed amendments to Ordinance 14 on Honorary Degrees (for the second time) (minute 93/13-14 refers)
- (ii) Proposed amendments to Ordinance 13 on Degrees and Diplomas (for the first time) (minute 93/13-14 refers)
- (iii) Proposed amendments to Regulation 38 on Research Degrees (minute 94/13-14 refers)
- (iv) Proposed amendment to Regulation 36 on Access to University Facilities for Temporarily Withdrawn/Resit Students (minute 94/13-14 refers)
- (v) Alcohol and Drugs Policy (minute 84/13-14 refers)
- (vi) The dis-establishment of the Centre for Mechanochemical Cell Biology and the Centre for Small and Medium Sized Enterprise; and the establishment of the Centre for Law, Governance and Regulation of the Global Economy and the Warwick Institute for the Science of Cities as University Research Centres (minute 84/13-14 refers).

#### b) Report on the Review of the Graduate School

##### TO REPORT:

That the Senate, at its meeting held on 29 January 2014, considered the report arising from the Review of the Graduate School, conducted in May 2013, (S.19/13-14) and the response from the Board of Graduate Studies (S.20/13-14).

REPORTED: (by the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Postgraduate and Transnational Education))

- (a) In response to a comment from Ms Gill relating to the availability of space, that facilities such as the Wolfson Research Exchange and Postgraduate Hub were now operating near capacity and consideration was being given to departmental facilities and means of fostering a greater sense of community particularly amongst postgraduate research students.
- (b) In response to concerns raised by Professor Ball, that work was underway in the Graduate School to articulate the distinctiveness of the Warwick Postgraduate Research experience, to ensure that this was evidenced by the Graduate School's support strategy.
- (c) In response to a query raised by Professor Constable, that any additional advisory support offered to doctoral students would be appropriately tailored, it being noted that feedback from the Postgraduate Student Experience Survey indicated that students often appeared to seek support beyond their supervisory team.

RESOLVED:

That further consideration be given to matters raised in the Review Report and optimum means of addressing them, it being noted that the appointment of a Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Postgraduate Education was intended to signal a further step change in the level of service provision to this community.

TO CONSIDER:

An oral update from the Registrar.

3. Vice-Chancellor's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor.

4. Registrar's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Registrar.

5. Creation of a School of Modern Languages and Cultures

TO CONSIDER:

A paper setting out the proposed vision for a new School of Modern Languages and Cultures together with an oral report from Professor S Swain, Chair of the Board of the Faculty of Arts, (S.33/13-14, attached).

6. Research Technology Platform Strategy

TO CONSIDER:

A paper from Professor T Jones, Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Research (Science and Engineering), Knowledge Transfer and Business Engagement, setting out a proposal to implement a Research Technology Platform Strategy (S.46/13-15, attached), together with an oral report.

7. University Risk Update

TO CONSIDER:

A paper on the status of the University's key risks, together with an oral report from the Deputy Registrar (S.35/13-14, attached).

8. Key Performance Indicators

TO CONSIDER:

A paper on the development of the University's Key Performance Indicators, together with an oral report from the Deputy Registrar (S.36/13-14, attached).

9. Report from the Assembly

TO RECEIVE:

A report from the meeting of the Assembly held on 11 February 2014, (S.38/13-14, attached).

10. Reports

TO CONSIDER:

(a) Report from the Steering Committee (S.39/13-14, attached).

(b) Report from the Academic Quality and Standards Committee (S.40/13-14, attached).

(c) Joint report from the Boards of the Faculties of Arts, Science and Social Sciences (S.41/13-14, attached).

(d) Report from the Intellectual Property Committee (S.42/13-14, attached).

(e) Report from the Research Committee (S.43/13-14, attached).

11. Awards and Distinctions

TO RECEIVE:

A paper setting out Awards and Distinctions that have been conferred upon members of the University since the last meeting of the Senate held on 29 January 2014 (S.44/13-14 {Parts 1 and 2}, attached).

12. Any Other Business

MATTERS TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE WITHOUT FURTHER DISCUSSION:

The Steering Committee considers that the following items are non-controversial or can be accepted with a minimum of explanation. Members of the Senate may ask for any of the following items to be transferred to the agenda for the day by contacting the Senate Assistant Secretary (ext. 24414) prior to the meeting or by raising the item at the start of the meeting.

13. Revisions to University Ordinance 13 on Degrees and Diplomas

TO CONSIDER:

Proposed amendments to Ordinance 13 on Degrees and Diplomas (for the second time) (S.37 /13-14, online only).

14. Student and alumni deaths

TO REPORT:

That the University had been informed of the deaths of the following students and alumni since the last meeting of the Senate held on 29 January 2014:

*Alumni:*

Mr Mark Duncan, MA Globalisation and Development 2005 - 2007

Mrs Cheryl Benjamin, BA Sociology 1975-1978

Ms Elaine Penny Buckle, MEd Education 1990-1995

Professor Roland Craigwell, MA Economics 1988-1989

Mrs Elizabeth Davis, BA French Studies 1995-1999

Mr Mark Duncan, MA Globalisation and Development 2005-2007

Miss Lucy Granshaw, BA English and American Literature 1980-1983

15. Date of the next meeting

TO REPORT:

That the next meeting of the Senate will be held on Wednesday 11 June 2014 in the Council Chamber, Senate House.