## UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

## **Board of Graduate Studies**

Minutes of the Board of Graduate Studies meeting held on Thursday 15 November 2007.

Present: Professor L Bridges (Chair), Professor M Thorogood (Deputy Chair), Dr A Clark,

Dr A Dowd, Professor L Green, Professor J Labbe, Dr D Leadley, Professor B Lockwood, Professor R Napier, Professor J Neelands, Dr Z Newby, Professor E Peile, Mr P Ptashko, Professor H Smith, Professor N Stocks, Dr A Stokes,

Professor A Sturdy, Dr J Vickery.

Apologies: Professor S Breslin, Ms V Mangeyna, Professor P Marshall.

In attendance: Mr J Ingebedion, Mr D Wallis and Mr J Wylie (for items 31-32/07-08), Dr R Rogowski (for item 39(d)(i)/07-08).

# 28/07-08 Minutes of the last meeting

**RESOLVED:** 

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 11 October 2007.

## 29/07-08 Matters arising on the minutes

(a) Graduate Awards and Nominations Sub-Committee (minutes 3/07-08 and SGS 4/07-08 refer)

- (i) That the Graduate Studies Committees of the Faculties, at their last meetings, nominated the following to serve on the Graduate Awards & Nominations Sub-Committee:
  - (A) Arts
    Professor J Labbe (Terms 1 and 3) and Professor P
    Marshall (Term 2)
    Dr Newby (Term 1) and Dr S Allan (Terms 2 and 3)
  - (B) <u>Medicine</u> Professor E Peile Dr A Stokes
  - (C) <u>Science</u> Dr A Clark Dr A Dowd
  - (D) <u>Social Studies</u> Professor S Breslin Second member the
- (ii) That the Graduate Studies Committees of the Faculties, at their last meetings, nominated the following to serve as Faculty selectors for the WPRS selection process:

- (A) Arts
  Dr C. Bishop
  Professor S Bruzzi
- (B) Medicine
  Professor M Thorogood
  Professor V Zammit
- (C) <u>Science</u> Professor C Dow Dr D Leadley
- (D) <u>Social Studies</u> Dr R Carter Professor S Robinson
- (b) Arts and Humanities Research Council's new Block Grant Partnership Scheme (minutes 17/07-08 and AGSC 5(a)/07-08 refer)

- (i) That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Arts, at its meeting on 23 October 2007, received a report from the Chair on the new BGP scheme being developed by the AHRC and also the cap on HEI applications for the current scheme operating in the spring (Paper AGSC.4/07-08), noting:
  - (A) That full information about the cap on applications to the existing competition will be released in December 2007;
  - (B) That the AHRC considers the incoming structure as cross-disciplinary;
  - (C) That the block grants would be awarded for 5 years and, therefore, any application would need to allow for development during this period;
  - (D) That the university will need to also be aware of the strengths that competing universities may be claiming in their applications;
  - (E) That the University might want to consider how its WPRS awards could be used to address any funding gaps left by the new system:
  - (F) That there will be a pool competition for those institutions that do not qualify for the block grant;
  - (G) That full information and application forms are expected to be made available in November 2007 for final submission in September 2008, with the outcome being made known in early 2009.
- (ii) That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Arts resolved that:
  - (A) A working group (including representatives from the Research Group, the Graduate School, the Law School and this Committee) should be set up to review and identify useful existing documentation on the research strengths of relevant departments (including current RAE2 statements);

- (B) Considering the cap on applications operating in this year's competition, departments should consider how they would justify requesting a particular number of applications and how they would decide which applications to submit to meet this quota;
- (C) The secretariat would request data from the Graduate School on the number of applications and corresponding grants awarded on a department level for planning purposes.
- (iii) That the AHRC recently published further information on its website (http://www.ahrc.ac.uk/university\_staff/future\_changes\_pg\_fundin\_g.asp) about future changes to its funding, noting in particular that:
  - (A) Block Grant Partnership (BGP) The BGP competition will entail institutions submitting bids for five years worth of award allocations and will run every fourth year of the five year cycle. In order to be eligible to apply, HEI's must have been offered an average of eight or more awards per annum in the 2003-07 open competitions;
  - (B) AHRC Studentship Competition The AHRC studentship competition will provide students with the opportunity to submit an individual bid for an award at a non-BGP institution and will be run in a similar way to the current open competition.
- (c) Erasmus Mundus bids (minutes 83(f)/06-07 and AQSC 74/06-07 and 3(c)/07-08 refer)

#### REPORTED:

- (i) That the bid from the School of Theatre, Performance and Cultural Policy to the European Commission for recognition and support of the new collaborative MA in International Performance Research to be taught in collaboration with the Universities of Amsterdam and Tampere had been successful;
- (ii) That the bid from the Department of Economics to the European Commission for recognition and support of the new collaborative MA in Economic Development: Growth, Institutions and History to be taught in collaboration with Lund University, Universidad Carlos III, Madrid and Sciences-Po, Paris had been unsuccessful.
- (d) Warwick Interdisciplinary Science Postgraduate Certificate in Transferable Skills (minutes 10(j)(viii)/07-08, 119(i)/06-07 and SGS 49(d)/06-07 refer)

## REPORTED:

That MOAC had agreed to the title for the new 'Postgraduate Certificate in Transferable Skills' (papers SGS.67(b)-(d)/06-07)) being amended to 'Postgraduate Certificate in Transferable Skills in Science' and would shortly submit the amended paperwork.

# (a) Lakeside Nursery and Social Facility (minute FGCP 40/07-08 (unconfirmed) refers)

#### REPORTED:

That the Finance and General Purposes Committee considered the updated proposal to construct an expanded University Nursery and adjoining Social Facility (paper FGPC 26/07-08) and <u>resolved</u> that the business plan be approved, with a capital expenditure of £1.55m, subject to the Estates Director confirming with the Chair of Building Committee that the latter is happy to proceed without further recourse to Building Committee.

# (b) Commonwealth Shared Scholarships Scheme

#### REPORTED:

That the University had been offered 6 awards on the Commonwealth Shared Scholarships Scheme for 2008/09.

#### **RESOLVED:**

That one award be given to each of the five departments which had bid for an award, with the sixth award to be allocated once lots had been drawn.

## (c) ESRC review of postgraduate funding

## REPORTED:

That as part of the ESRC's review of its postgraduate funding, Oakleigh Consulting would be visiting the University shortly to gather information on various aspects of postgraduate development in social science, including strategy, recruitment, finance, supervision and training.

## (d) Guide to Examinations for Higher Degrees by Research

#### REPORTED:

That the Board would be asked to consider revisions to the Guide to Examinations for Higher Degrees by Research in the Spring.

# (e) Schedule of Strategic Departmental Reviews for the Period 2007/08 to 2010/11

#### CONSIDERED:

The Schedule of Strategic Departmental Reviews for the Period 2007/08 to 2010/11 (paper BGS 23/07-08).

#### RESOLVED:

That the Board would consider the process for Strategic Departmental Reviews at its next meeting.

# 31/07-08 Postgraduate English Language Requirements (minutes 89/06-07 and 108/06-07 refer)

#### CONSIDERED:

A paper from the International Office on the University's postgraduate English language requirements (paper BGS 20/07-08).

#### RESOLVED:

- (i) That departments be allowed to adopt for their postgraduate courses and research programmes a standard minimum English language admission requirement of 6.5 IELTS (or equivalent), without a requirement to attend pre- or in-sessional English language training, noting that while different requirements may be appropriate for separate courses or programmes within a department, it would be preferable wherever possible for departments to adopt a single minimum standard for all or most of their postgraduate degrees;
- (ii) That a review group be established, including representation from the Board of Graduate Studies, Student Admissions Office, International Office and CELTE, to examine:
  - (A) The implications of the new rules and systems for obtaining student visas, to be introduced in 2008/09, on requiring pre- or insessional English language training as a condition of admission to postgraduate courses at the University;
  - (B) The provision of pre- and in-sessional English language training, including courses in academic English, for postgraduate students.

## 32/07-08 Report from Postgraduate Admissions (minute 13/07-08 refers)

#### REPORTED:

That the Board, at its last meeting, resolved that the Head of Student Admissions & Widening Participation and Assistant Registrar (Postgraduate Admissions) be asked to prepare a report on the implementation of measures to improve turnaround times for postgraduate applications for consideration at a future meeting of the Board.

## **RECEIVED:**

A report from the Head of Student Admissions & Widening Participation and Assistant Registrar (Postgraduate Admissions) (BGS 17/07-08).

#### 33/07-08 Chair's Action

## **RECEIVED:**

A report on items approved by the Chair on behalf of the Board (paper BGS 18/07-08), as follows:

## (a) Faculty of Arts

Department of Classics and Ancient History (Minutes 119(a)/06-07 and AGSC 3(a)(i)/07-08 refer)

#### REPORTED:

That the Chair of the Board, acting on its behalf, had taken action to approve the minor revisions to the proposal from the Department of Classics and Ancient History for a new stream 'Visual and Material Culture in Ancient Rome' to run alongside the existing Taught MA in 'Visual and Material Culture' for introduction in October 2008 (Paper AGSC 33/06-07 (revised)).

## (b) Faculty of Science

MSc Mathematical Biology and Biophysical Chemistry (minutes 120(c)(ii)/06-07 and SGS 3(a)(iv)/07-08) refer)

#### REPORTED:

That the Chair of the Board, acting on its behalf, had taken action to approve the further revised course specification for the MSc Mathematical Biology and Biophysical Chemistry as set out in paper SGS 72/06-07 (revised 2).

#### 34/07-08 Reports from the Chairs of the Graduate Studies Committees of the Faculties

#### REPORTED:

Oral reports from the Chairs of the Graduate Studies Committees of the Faculties, noting that:

- (a) The Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Medicine reported that Professor Sir John Tooke had published his report 'Aspiring to Excellence: Independent Inquiry into Modernising Medical Careers' and that this opened further opportunities for postgraduate study in medicine;
- (b) The Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Social Studies requested a review of the number of papers which had to be considered by the Graduate Studies Committees.

## 35/06-07 Postgraduate Committee and Students' Union

## RECEIVED:

An oral report from the Education Officer, noting that the Students' Union was conducting a review of its postgraduate provision.

# 36/07-08 <u>Guidelines on the Supervision and Monitoring of Postgraduate Research Students (minute 14/07-08 refers)</u>

#### REPORTED:

That the Board, at its last meeting, resolved that the *Guidelines* be revised in line with discussions at the meeting and reconsidered together with the Annual Report Form at the next meeting of the Board.

#### CONSIDERED:

- (a) The amendments to the *Guidelines on the Supervision and Monitoring of Postgraduate Research Students* (paper BGS 5/07-08 (revised));
- (b) The form for the 2006/07 Research Student Annual Report to the Graduate School (paper BGS 19/07-08).

## **RESOLVED:**

- (a) That the amendments to the *Guidelines on the Supervision and Monitoring of Postgraduate Research Students*, as set out in paper BGS 5/07-08 (revised), be approved;
- (b) That the Research Student Annual Report to the Graduate School be amended for 2007/08 in light of the Board's comments.

# 37/07-08 QAA Institutional Audit of the University (minute AQSC 12/07-08 refers)

#### RECEIVED:

A paper entitled 'Preparations for QAA Institutional Audit' (AQSC 7/07-08).

# 38/07-08 <u>University Strategy; Learning, Teaching and Assessment Enhancement Strategy</u> (minute AQSC 11/07-08 refers)

## REPORTED:

- (a) That the Academic Quality and Standards Committee, at its meeting on 24 October 2007, considered:
  - (i) The University Strategy;
  - (ii) An oral report from the Chair on the implementation of those sections of the University Strategy concerned with Learning, Teaching and Assessment;
  - (iii) A draft of the University's new Learning, Teaching and Assessment Enhancement Strategy, paper AQSC 6/07-08, noting that this draft would also be sent to Heads of Department and Faculty Boards for consultation.
- (b) That the Academic Quality and Standards Committee resolved that members of the Committee send comments on the draft of the University's new Learning, Teaching and Assessment Enhancement Strategy to the Secretariat for incorporation into a further draft to be prepared before the next meeting of the Committee.

### CONSIDERED:

A draft of the University's new Learning, Teaching and Assessment Enhancement Strategy (paper AQSC 6/07-08).

#### RESOLVED:

That the Chair raise the Board's concern about the limited postgraduate focus in the proposed projects with the Academic Quality and Standards Committee.

## 39/07-08 New Course proposals

#### CONSIDERED:

A paper setting out recommendations for the approval of new courses (paper BGS 21/07-08), as follows:

## (a) Faculty of Arts

## MA in Global History

#### REPORTED:

That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Arts recommended to the Board that the MA in Global History be approved subject to the minor amendments to be outlined by the Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee at the meeting.

#### CONSIDERED:

The proposal for an MA in Global History (papers AGSC 6/07-08).

#### **RESOLVED:**

That the proposal for an MA in Global History <u>not</u> be approved, noting that the Board would consider it for approval at the next meeting of the Board subject to:

- (i) Approval from the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Arts of the amendments it had requested;
- (ii) Insertion of the learning outcomes for the Postgraduate Diploma;
- (iii) Market research being undertaken to assess level of demand.

## (b) Faculty of Medicine

## Diploma in Orthodontic Therapy

- (i) That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Medicine, at its meeting on 23 October 2007, considered a proposal for a new intermediate level Diploma entitled "Diploma in Orthodontic Therapy" as set out in papers DMAP 12-19/07-08;
- (ii) That it was reported to the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Medicine that:
  - (A) That the General Dental Council (GDC) have specified an outline curriculum for orthodontic therapists;
  - (B) That the GDC have approved the outline plans for a programme to be delivered by the University of Warwick and are satisfied that the proposed programme would meet the requirements of their curriculum outcomes:
  - (C) That it is proposed that the initial intake would be 20 students at the training centre in Leamington Spa;
  - (D) That the fee level would be set at £10,000 in line with similar programmes being developed at Manchester and

#### Bristol Universities.

- (iii) That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Medicine resolved that the proposal should be amended in line with the amendments proposed by the DMAP Committee.
- (iv) That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Medicine recommended to the Board that, subject to the amendments noted above, the proposal for a new intermediate level diploma entitled "Diploma in Orthodontic Therapy" be approved as set out in papers DMAP 12-19/07-08;
- (v) That the Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Medicine, acting on its behalf, had subsequently taken action to approve the amended proposal for a new intermediate level diploma entitled "Diploma in Orthodontic Therapy", as set out in papers DMAP 12-19/07-08 (revised) and DMAP 47-48/07-08;
- (vi) That the Collaborative, Flexible and Distributed Learning Sub-Committee, at its meeting on 8 November 2007, had approved the proposal for a new intermediate level diploma entitled "Diploma in Orthodontic Therapy".

#### CONSIDERED:

The proposal for a new intermediate level diploma entitled "Diploma in Orthodontic Therapy" as follows:

- (vii) Course Proposal form Part 1 (paper DMAP 47/07-08);
- (viii) Paper giving background and rationale for course proposal (paper DMAP 12/07-08 (revised));
- (ix) Course Specification (paper DMAP 13/07-08 (revised)).

## **RESOLVED:**

That the proposal for a new intermediate level diploma entitled "Diploma in Orthodontic Therapy", as set out in papers DMAP 47/07-08, DMAP 12/07-08 (revised) and paper DMAP 13/07-08 (revised), be approved, subject to submission of a signed copy.

(c) Faculty of Science

#### Department of Biological Sciences

#### REPORTED:

That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Science, at its meeting on 24 October 2007, <u>resolved</u> that the proposal for a new course MSc in Biotechnology and Business Management (paper SGS 16/07-08), be approved in principle, subject to completion of the full course approval documentation for a future meeting.

## **CONSIDERED:**

A proposal for approval in principle for a new course MSc in

Biotechnology and Business Management (paper SGS 16/07-08).

#### RESOLVED:

That the proposal for a new course MSc in Biotechnology and Business Management, as set out in paper SGS 16/07-08, be <u>approved</u> in principle, subject to submission of a full course proposal including:

- (i) Clarification of the nature of any agreement with overseas institutions listed in 5:
- (ii) Confirmation of the nature of WBS' commitment to the course;
- (iii) Confirmation of the department responsible for the delivery of module 12 Intellectual Property Rights and Contract Law;

## (d) Faculty of Social Studies

## (i) School of Law (minute GFSS10(a)/07-08 refers)

## REPORTED:

That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Social Studies, at its meeting on 23 October 2007, recommended to the Board that the proposal to introduce a new course entitled LLM EU Law in the World Economy Joint Degree with Maastricht University, (papers GFSS.2/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.3/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.4/07-08 (course proposal part 4), GFSS.21/07-08 (course specification), GFSS.22/07-08 (annual account), GFSS.23/07-08 (Maastricht University Mission Statement), GFSS.24/07-07 (e-mail from Prof. Dr. Peter L..H. Van den Bossche, Maastricht University), GFSS.12/07-08 (site visit report)), including applications for approval of staff at Maastricht University:

- (A) Wouter Devroe, (paper GFSS.5/07-08);
- (B) Anne Pieter van der Mei, (paper GFSS.6/07-08);
- (C) Remco Van Rhee, (paper GFSS.7/07-08);
- (D) Hildegard Schneider, (paper GFSS.8/07-08;
- (E) Stefaan van den Bogaert, (paper GFSS.9/07-08);
- (F) Peter Van den Bossche (paper GFSS.10/07-08):
- (G) Ellen Vos (paper GFSS.11/07-08);

be <u>approved</u>, noting that the Accommodation Department's polices are not supportive of split site degrees and that this should be considered if other departments wished to propose similar courses.

#### CONSIDERED:

The proposal to introduce a new course entitled LLM EU Law in the World Economy Joint Degree with Maastricht University, (papers GFSS.2/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.3/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.4/07-08 (course proposal part 4), GFSS.21/07-08 (course specification), GFSS.22/07-08 (annual account), GFSS.23/07-08 (Maastricht University Mission Statement), GFSS.24/07-07 (e-mail from Prof. Dr. Peter L..H. Van den Bossche, Maastricht University), GFSS.12/07-08 (site visit report)), noting that

- (A) The School had given confirmation that it had consulted with Warwick Accommodation and the Library;
- (B) That it had been approved by the Collaborative, Flexible and Distributed Learning Sub-Committee, at its meeting on 8 November 2007.

#### RESOLVED:

That the proposal to introduce a new course entitled LLM EU Law in the World Economy Joint Degree with Maastricht University be <u>approved</u>, subject to submission of a signed copy, noting that it will require an amendment to Regulation 14.

(ii) <u>Institute of Education (minute GFSS10(b)/07-08 refers)</u>

#### REPORTED:

That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Social Studies, at its meeting on 23 October 2007, <u>recommended</u> to the Board that:

- (A) The proposal for a new postgraduate award entitled 'Creating Learning Communities of Practice' (papers GFSS.26/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.27/07-08 (course proposal part 2)) be approved;
- (B) The proposal to introduce a new postgraduate certificate in Mathematics Subject Leadership (papers GFSS.30/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.31/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.32/07-08 (course specification)) including the Curriculum Vitae of Clare Lee (paper GFSS.34/07-08) be approved;
- (C) The proposal to introduce a new postgraduate certificate in Teaching Shakespeare for Actors (papers GFSS.35/07-8 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.36/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.37/07-08 (course specification)) be approved.

## **CONSIDERED:**

- (A) The proposal for a new postgraduate award entitled 'Creating Learning Communities of Practice' (papers GFSS.26/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.27/07-08 (course proposal part 2));
- (B) The proposal to introduce a new postgraduate certificate in Mathematics Subject Leadership (papers GFSS.30/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.31/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.32/07-08 (course specification));
- (C) The proposal to introduce a new postgraduate certificate in Teaching Shakespeare for Actors (papers GFSS.35/07-8 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.36/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.37/07-08 (course specification), noting that it had been approved by the Collaborative,

Flexible and Distributed Learning Sub-Committee, at its meeting on 8 November 2007.

#### RESOLVED:

- (A) That the proposal for a new postgraduate award entitled 'Creating Learning Communities of Practice' be <u>approved</u> subject to submission of a signed copy;
- (B) That the proposal to introduce a new postgraduate certificate in Mathematics Subject Leadership be approved subject to submission of a signed copy;
- (C) That the proposal to introduce a new postgraduate certificate in Teaching Shakespeare for Actors be approved subject to:
  - (1) Submission of a signed copy;
  - (2) Confirmation from the Institute of Education as to whether or not the existing Postgraduate Awards will be offered as independent courses.

# (iii) Warwick Business School (minute GFSS10(c)/07-08 refers)

## REPORTED:

That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Social Studies, at its meeting on 23 October 2007, <u>recommended</u> to the Board that the proposal to introduce a new MSc entitled Business Analytics and Consulting (papers GFSS.50/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.51/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.52/07-08 (course specification) and GFSS.53/07-08 (learning outcomes module map)) be approved subject to submission of signed copies.

## CONSIDERED:

The proposal to introduce a new MSc entitled Business Analytics and Consulting (papers GFSS.50/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.51/07-08 (course proposal part 2) and GFSS.52/07-08 (course specification)).

## RESOLVED:

That the proposal to introduce a new MSc entitled Business Analytics and Consulting be <u>approved</u> subject to:

- (1) Submission of a signed copy;
- (2) Completion of the section indicating which Learning Outcomes do not apply to the Postgraduate Diploma;
- (3) Confirmation that the Department of Statistics had raised no objection to the proposal.

## (iv) Department of Economics (minute GFSS10(d)/07-08 refers)

That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Social Studies, at its meeting on 23 October 2007, <u>recommended</u> to the Board that:

- (A) The proposal to introduce a new MSc entitled 'Economics and Industrial Organisation' (papers GFSS.88/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.89/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.90/07-08 (course specification)) be approved subject to clarification of whether a Postgraduate Diploma, Postgraduate Certificate, or both, will be offered;
- (B) The proposal to introduce a new MSc entitled Economics of Public Policy (papers GFSS.91/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.92/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.93/07-08 (course specification)) be <a href="mailto:approved">approved</a> subject to clarification of whether a Postgraduate Diploma, Postgraduate Certificate, or both, will be offered;
- (C) The proposal to create a two-year MSc Economics (papers GFSS.94/07-08 (memo), GFSS.95/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.96/07-08 (course regulations)) be approved.

## CONSIDERED:

- (A) The proposal to introduce a new MSc entitled 'Economics and Industrial Organisation' (papers GFSS.88/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.89/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.90/07-08 (course specification)), subject to clarification of whether a Postgraduate Diploma, Postgraduate Certificate, or both, will be offered;
- (B) The proposal to introduce a new MSc entitled Economics of Public Policy (papers GFSS.91/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.92/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.93/07-08 (course specification)), subject to clarification of whether a Postgraduate Diploma, Postgraduate Certificate, or both, will be offered.
- (C) The proposal to create a two-year MSc Economics (papers GFSS.94/07-08 (memo), GFSS.95/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.96/07-08 (course regulations)).

#### **RESOLVED:**

- (A) That the proposal to introduce a new MSc entitled 'Economics and Industrial Organisation' be <u>approved</u>, subject to:
  - (1) Clarification of whether a Postgraduate Diploma, Postgraduate Certificate, or both, will be offered;
  - (2) Submission of a signed copy;
  - (3) Completion of the section indicating which Learning Outcomes do not apply to the Postgraduate Diploma;

- (4) Confirmation of the name of the course leader and the course title which differ between the course approval form and the course specification;
- (5) Completion of the date of introduction on the course specification.
- (B) That the proposal to introduce a new MSc entitled Economics of Public Policy be approved, subject to:
  - (1) Clarification of whether a Postgraduate Diploma, Postgraduate Certificate, or both, will be offered;
  - (2) Submission of a signed copy;
  - (3) Completion of the section indicating which Learning Outcomes do not apply to the Postgraduate Diploma;
  - (4) Completion of the question regarding the level of the Postgraduate Diploma;
  - (5) Completion of the date of introduction on the course specification.
- (C) That the proposal to create a two-year MSc Economics be approved, subject to:
  - (1) Submission of a signed copy;
  - (2) Confirmation within the course structure section of the course approval form that the Diploma would be awarded at the end of Year 1 and would also serve as an exit point for those candidates not meeting the requirements for progression to the MSc, noting that these students would have a right of appeal.

## 40/07-08 Revised Course Proposals and Discontinued Courses

## CONSIDERED:

A paper setting out recommendations for the approval of revisions to existing courses and a proposal to discontinue a course (paper BGS 22/07-08), as follows:

- (a) Faculty of Medicine
  - (i) <u>Diabetic Retinopathy</u>

- (A) That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Medicine, at its meeting on 23 October 2007, considered a proposal for amendments to the module and postgraduate award entitled "Diabetic Retinopathy" as set out in papers DMAP 32-33/07-08.
- (B) That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Medicine <u>resolved</u> that:
  - (1) The percentage of time delivered by non-University staff be amended to 0%;

(2) The proposed minor changes to the length of the module be approved.

#### CONSIDERED:

The proposal for amendments to the module and postgraduate award entitled "Diabetic Retinopathy" (papers DMAP 32-33/07-08).

#### RESOLVED:

That the proposal for amendments to the module and postgraduate award entitled "Diabetic Retinopathy" be <u>approved</u>, subject to submission of a signed copy.

## (ii) Management of Adolescents with Diabetes

#### REPORTED:

- (A) That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Medicine, at its meeting on 23 October 2007, considered a proposal to change the name of the module and postgraduate award entitled "Management of Adolescents with Diabetes" paper DMAP 34/07-08;
- (B) That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Medicine <u>resolved</u> that the proposal to change the name of the module and postgraduate award entitled "Management of Adolescents with Diabetes" to "Management of Diabetes in Adolescence" be approved as set out in paper DMAP 34/07-08.

## CONSIDERED:

The proposal to change the name of the module and postgraduate award entitled "Management of Adolescents with Diabetes" to "Management of Diabetes in Adolescence" (paper DMAP 34/07-08).

#### RESOLVED:

That the proposal to change the name of the module and postgraduate award entitled "Management of Adolescents with Diabetes" to "Management of Diabetes in Adolescence" be approved, subject to submission of a signed copy.

# (b) Faculty of Science

WMG (minutes 11(c)(ii)/07-08 and SGS minute 9/07-08 refer)

## REPORTED:

(i) That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Science, at its meeting on 24 October 2007, considered a proposal to revise the title of WMG course MSc in Engineering Enterprise Excellence to MSc in Management for Business Excellence, noting that the Deputy Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Science and the Chair of the Board of Graduate Studies had each taken Chair's action, on behalf of their committees, to approve this title change in principle, subject to the submission of paperwork outlining the change; together with the title change of an associated module; as set out in papers SGS 9-10/07-08;

(ii) That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Science resolved that the proposal to revise the title of this WMG course and its associated module be approved as set out in papers SGS 9-10/07-08.

#### CONSIDERED:

The proposal to revise the title of the course MSc in Engineering Enterprise Excellence to MSc in Management for Business Excellence, as set out in papers SGS 9-10/07-08.

#### **RESOLVED:**

That the proposal to revise the title of the course MSc in Engineering Enterprise Excellence to MSc in Management for Business Excellence be <u>approved</u>, noting that the Business School had indicated that it has no objections.

## (c) Faculty of Social Studies

## (i) <u>Institute of Education</u>

MA in Educational Studies and MSc Mathematics Education (minute GFSS 43(d)(iv)/06-07 refers)

#### REPORTED:

- (A) That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Social Studies, at its meeting on 15 May 2007, recommended to the Board of Graduate Studies that the request to make NAGTY modules IE6P8 'An Introduction to Gifted & Talented Education (Mathematics)' and IE6P9 'An Introduction to Gifted & Talented Education (Science) options on the MSc Mathematics Education and MA Educational Studies (paper GFSS.241.06-07) be not approved and that revised course proposals showing the addition of these modules to the course structure should be submitted;
- (B) That the Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Social Studies, acting on its behalf, subsequently took Chair's action to approve the revised course proposals showing the addition of these modules to the MA in Educational Studies, as set out in GFSS 314/06-07, and the MSc Mathematics Education, as set out in GFSS 313/06-07.

## **CONSIDERED:**

The revisions to the MA in Educational Studies (paper GFSS

314/06-07) and the MSc Mathematics Education (paper GFSS 313/06-07).

#### RESOLVED:

That the revisions to the MA in Educational Studies (paper GFSS 314/06-07) and the MSc Mathematics Education be <u>approved</u> but that the Secretary request an explanation of the plans for provision previously offered by NAGTY.

## (ii) Warwick Business School

## **REPORTED:**

That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Social Studies, at its meeting on 23 October 2007, <u>recommended</u> to the Board that:

- (A) The proposal to restructure the MSc in Financial Maths (papers GFSS.39/07-08 (cover note), GFSS.40/07-08 (Course proposal part 1), GFSS.41/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.42/06-07 (course specification), GFSS.43/07-08 (learning outcomes module map)) be approved subject to submission of signed copies;
- (B) The proposal to revise the Diploma in Applied Management (papers GFSS.63/07-08 (cover note), GFSS.64/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.65/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.66/07-08 (illustrative timetable), GFSS.67/07-08 (course specification), GFSS.68/07-08 (course outcomes in modules)) be approved subject to the submission of signed copies;
- (C) The revised course regulations for Management Science and Operational Research (paper GFSS.76/07-08) That the revised course regulations for Management Science and Operational Research, as set out in paper GFSS.76/07-08.

#### CONSIDERED:

- (A) The proposal to restructure the MSc in Financial Maths (papers GFSS.39/07-08 (cover note), GFSS.40/07-08 (Course proposal part 1), GFSS.41/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.42/06-07 (course specification), GFSS.43/07-08 (learning outcomes module map)), subject to submission of signed copies;
- (B) The proposal to revise the Diploma in Applied Management (papers GFSS.63/07-08 (cover note), GFSS.64/07-08 (course proposal part 1), GFSS.65/07-08 (course proposal part 2), GFSS.66/07-08 (illustrative timetable), GFSS.67/07-08 (course specification), GFSS.68/07-08 (course outcomes in modules)), subject to the submission of signed copies;

(C) The revised course regulations for Management Science and Operational Research (paper GFSS.76/07-08).

#### RESOLVED:

- (A) That the proposal to restructure the MSc in Financial Maths be <u>approved</u>, subject to submission of a signed copy;
- (B) That the proposal to revise the Diploma in Applied Management be <u>approved</u>, subject to submission of a signed copy;
- (C) That the revised course regulations for Management Science and Operational Research be <u>approved</u>.

## 41/07-08 <u>Discontinued courses (minute SGS 9(c)/07-08 refers)</u>

## REPORTED:

That the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Science, at its meeting on 24 October 2007, <u>resolved</u> that the proposal to discontinue the course MSc in Process Technology and Business Management and replace it with the (existing) MSc in Process Business Management, as set out in paper SGS 11/07-08, be approved.

## **RESOLVED:**

That the proposal to discontinue the course MSc in Process Technology and Business Management and replace it with the (existing) MSc in Process Business Management be <u>approved</u>.

## 42/07-08 Circulation of Committee papers

## REPORTED:

That the Board was in favour of the measures taken to reduce the circulation of Committee papers for this meeting.

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