

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the University Council will be held on Wednesday, 10 July 2013 at 9.15am in the **Council Chamber, Senate House**.

Ken Sloan Registrar and Chief Operating Officer

AGENDA

As approved by the Council at its meeting on 28 September 2005, selected papers will remain private and confidential to Council members and attendees only. These items are clearly denoted with asterisks within the agenda.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL (Green Papers)

Note: The following items and reports are for consideration at the meeting. A summary sheet is provided with each paper setting out in broad terms the content of the paper and the action which the Council is asked to take on each specific item.

1. Minutes

TO CONSIDER:

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 15 May 2013 (attached).

2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

*Report from the Warwick Institute of Education Implementation Group (minute 76/12-13 refers)

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Research (Arts and Social Sciences) on progress made since the meeting of the Council on 15 May 2013.

3. <u>Pro-Chancellor's Business</u>

(a) Conflicts of Interest

TO REPORT:

That, should any members or attendees of the Council have any conflicts of interest relating to agenda items for the meeting, they should be declared in accordance with the CUC Guide for Members of Higher Education Governing Bodies in the UK.

(b) Regulation 8

TO REPORT:

That Chair's Action was taken to confirm, on behalf of the Council, a change to Regulation 8 governing the Regulations for First Degrees, in response to a recommendation made to the University by the Office of the Independent Adjudicator (OIA) arising from its consideration of appeals and complaints pursued by Warwick Students through the OIA.

(c) *Nominations Committee

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the meeting of the Nominations Committee held on 24 June 2013 from the Pro-Chancellor.

(d) Fact-finding Visits to International Higher Education Institutions Proposal

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Pro-Chancellor on the proposal to undertake some factfinding visits to international higher education institutions.

4. Membership of the University Council

TO REPORT:

- (a) That, in accordance with Ordinance 5 on the Procedure for the Appointment of Members of the Council by the Senate, the Registrar had written to members of the Senate to seek nominations for the appointment of three academic members of the Senate to membership of the Council for the period from 1 August 2013 through to 31 July 2016.
- (b) That the deadline for submission of nominations was Friday 28 June 2013.
- (c) That four nominations were received and transmitted to the Senate and, therefore, in accordance with Ordinance 5 on the Procedure for the Appointment of Members of the Council Appointed by the Senate, Professor Christopher Hughes, Professor Simon Swain and Professor Peter Winstanley were deemed to be elected as three of the representatives of the Senate to the Council for the period 1 August 2013 through to 31 July 2015.

5. Vice-Chancellor and President's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor and President (C.62/12-13, attached).

6. Deputy Registrar's Business

- (a) Key Performance Indicators
- (b) IT Risk

7. Council Effectiveness Review (minute 53/12-13 refers)

TO RECEIVE:

A report on the progress of the Council Effectiveness Review (<u>C.63/12-13</u>, <u>attached</u>), together with an oral report from the Deputy Registrar.

8. Report from the Senate

TO CONSIDER:

A report on selected items considered at the meetings of the Senate held on 12 June 2013 and 3 July 2013, together with an oral report from the Vice-Chancellor (C.64/12-13, to be tabled and circulated electronically).

9. <u>*2013/14 Budget and the Provisional University Financial Plan: 2013-2017</u>

TO CONSIDER:

A paper regarding the University draft Financial Plan for the four years ending 31 July 2017 and the 2013/14 Budget as recommended by the Finance and General Purposes Committee and the Senate (<u>C.65/12-13 {restricted}</u>), together with an oral report and presentation from the Group Finance Director.

10. University Current Risk Update – Summer Term

TO CONSIDER:

A summary update risk report for the University, together with relevant sections of the University Risk Register (<u>C.66/12-13</u>, <u>attached</u>).

11. Widening Participation Strategy

TO CONSIDER:

A report on the University's Widening Participation Strategy (<u>C.67/12-13 and Appendix 1, attached; Appendices 2-4, online only</u>), together with an oral report from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Education (Innovation, Widening Participation and Employability).

12. Reports from Council Committees

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) *Finance & General Purposes Committee (<u>C.68/12-13 {restricted}</u>, attached)
- (b) *Audit Committee (<u>C.69/12-13 {restricted}</u>, attached).
- (c) University Health and Safety Executive Committee (C.70/12-13, attached).

13. Annual Report from the Equality and Diversity Committee

TO RECEIVE:

The annual report from the Equality and Diversity Committee (<u>C.71/12-13</u>, <u>attached</u>), together with an oral report from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Education (Innovation, Widening Participation and Employability).

14. Awards and Distinctions

TO RECEIVE:

A paper setting out the awards and distinctions that have been conferred on members of the University since the last meeting of the Council held on 15 May 2013 (<u>C.72/12-13</u>, <u>attached</u>).

15. Any Other Business

16. Strategic Topic for Discussion: Update on the Refresh of the University Strategy

TO CONSIDER:

Members of the Council will be invited to consider the high level themes emerging from the facilitated discussion sessions held with the Council, the Senate and other stakeholder groups, in relation to the refresh of the University Strategy.

MATTERS TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE WITHOUT FURTHER DISCUSSION (Blue Papers)

The following papers are non-controversial or can be accepted with a minimum of explanation. Members of the Council may, however, ask for any of the following items to be transferred to the 'Matters for Consideration by the Council' element of the Agenda for the day by contacting the Deputy Registrar (ext: 22706) or the Head of Institutional Governance Services (ext: 24948) prior to the meeting or by raising the item at the commencement of the meeting.

17. Reports from Council Committees

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) Building Committee (C.73/12-13, online only).
- (b) Intellectual Property Committee (<u>C.74/12-13</u>, online only).

18. <u>Future Meeting Dates of the University Council, Timetable for Council Committees and</u> Term Dates

TO CONSIDER:

A list of proposed dates of future meetings of the University Council for the academic years 2013-14 to 2015-16 and University term dates from 2013-14 until 2023-24 (<u>C.75/12-13</u>, <u>attached</u>).

19. Register of Members' Interests

TO REPORT:

That a copy of the Register of Interests of members of the University Council is available from the Deputy Registrar's Office and that the Deputy Registrar will be writing to each of those members of the Council who will continue to serve in 2013-14, in order to request that members provide updated information for the register.

20. Amendments to University Ordinances

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) For the first time, proposed amendments to University Ordinances, as noted by the Senate:
 - (i) University Ordinance 5 on the Appointment of Members of the Council Appointed by the Senate (C.76/12-13, online only).
 - (ii) University Ordinance 7 on the Constitution of the Boards of the Faculties (C.77/12-13, online only).
 - (iii) University Ordinance 8 on the Sub-Faculties (C.77/12-13, online only).
- (b) For the second time, proposed amendments to University Ordinances, as approved by the Senate:
 - (i) University Ordinance 7 on the Constitution of the Boards of the Faculties (C.78/12-13, online only).
 - (ii) University Ordinance 14 on Honorary Degrees (C.79/12-13, online only).

21. Amendments to University Regulations

TO CONSIDER:

Proposed amendments to the following University Regulations, as recommended by the Senate:

- (a) University Regulation 2 governing Committee Elections (C.77/12-13, online only).
- (b) University Regulation 8 governing the Regulations for First Degrees (<u>C.77/12-13</u>, online only).
- (c) University Regulation 9 governing Constitutions of Boards of Examiners (<u>C.77/12-13</u>, online only).

All members of the Council and attendees at the meeting are reminded that papers circulated for consideration at the meeting remain confidential to the University and should not be circulated or discussed outside the University community.

As at 4 July 2013