

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

SENATE

There will be a meeting of the Senate on **Wednesday, 2 October 2013 at 10.00am** in the Council Chamber, Senate House.

K Sloan
Registrar

AGENDA

1. Minutes

TO CONSIDER:

The minutes of the meeting of the Senate held on 3 July 2013 (attached).

2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

(a) Progress of Senate Recommendations

TO REPORT:

That the Council, at its meeting on 10 July 2013, approved the recommendations of the Senate recorded under the following items:

- (i) Report from the University Health and Safety Executive Committee: Terms of Reference and Membership 2012/13 (minute S.107(a)/12-13 refers)
- (ii) Revisions to University Ordinance 7 on the Constitution of the Boards of the Faculties for the second time (minute S.113/12-13 refers)
- (iii) Revisions to University Ordinance 14 on Honorary Degrees for the second time (minute S.114/12-13 refers)
- (iv) Revision of Regulation 4(10) (minute S.133(c)/12-13 refers)
- (v) Regulation 8 Appeals: Regulations 37.5 and Regulation 38 (minute S.134(c)/12-13 refers)
- (vi) Revisions to Regulation 8.10 (minute S.134(k)/12-13 refers)
- (vii) Proposed amendments to Ordinances 7 and 8 (for the first time), and Regulations 2, 8 and 9 (minute S.144/12-13 refers)

(b) Appointment of a Representative of the Senate to the Council

TO REPORT:

That following the ballot of members of the Senate held at the meeting of the Senate on 3 July to determine representation of the Senate on the Council, the three Senate representatives on Council will be Professor Peter Winstanley, Professor Simon Swain and Professor Christopher Hughes. In conjunction with two Pro-Vice-Chancellor representatives, they will serve a three year term of office from 1 August 2013 until 31 July 2016. Professor Pam Thomas will continue to serve during 2013-14.

(c) Revisions to University Regulation 23 (minute S.111/12-13 refers)

TO REPORT:

- (i) That at its meeting on 3 July 2013, the Senate considered a re-drafted Regulation 23 on Student Disciplinary Regulations, paper S.52/12-13 (revised 1), and recommended to the Steering Committee that since a number of the issues raised by the President of the Students' Union were issues of principle rather than matters to be addressed through training or procedural guidance, and in the light of the support of the Senate for the amendments made to date, authority be delegated to the Steering Committee to review outstanding issues and approve the revised draft on behalf of the Senate in order for appropriate approval from the Council be secured by the start of the academic year 2013-14.
- (ii) That at its meeting on 22 July 2013 the Steering Committee approved on behalf of the Senate, with the support of Mr N Swain on behalf of the Students' Union, the revised Regulation 23 as presented to it in paper S.52/12-13 (revised 2).
- (iii) That on 12 September 2013 the Chair of the Council confirmed by Chairs' Action the revised Regulation 23 as set out in paper S.52/12-13 (revised 2) (attached).

3. Terms of Reference and Membership of the Senate

TO RECEIVE:

The Terms of Reference (S.1/13-14) and membership of the Senate for the academic year 2013/14 (S.2/13-14), copies attached.

4. Conflicts of Interest

TO REPORT:

That, should any members or attendees of the Senate 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, available at <http://www.hefce.ac.uk/pubs/year/2009/200914/>.

5. Vice-Chancellor's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor.

6. Registrar's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Registrar.

7. National Student Survey 2013

TO CONSIDER:

A paper reviewing the most recent results of the National Student Survey (NSS) outlining proposed steps to be taken to improve student satisfaction rates in the future (S.3/13-14, attached), together with oral reports from Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Education (Innovation, Employability and Widening Participation) Professor Christina Hughes and the Academic Registrar.

8. Undergraduate Recruitment

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report and presentation on the University's recruitment to undergraduate courses of study for entry in October 2013, from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Education Professor Jan Palmowski and the Academic Registrar.

9. Report from the Warwick Institute of Education Implementation Group (minute S.129/12-13 refers)

TO CONSIDER:

An oral report from Professor Stuart Croft, Chair of the Warwick Institute of Education Steering Group.

10. Reports

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) Report from the Steering Committee (S.4/13-14 {Part 1}, attached).
- (b) Report from the University Health and Safety Executive Committee (S.5/13-14, attached), noting that the report was approved at the meeting of the University Council held on 10 July 2013.
- (c) Report from the Intellectual Property Committee (S.6/13-14, attached).
- (d) Report from the Research Committee (S.7/13-14, attached).
- (e) Report from the Research Governance and Ethics Committee (S.8/13-14, attached).

11. University Committee Membership of Senate Committees

TO CONSIDER:

The appointment of the Committees of the Senate for the 2013/14 academic year (S.9/13-14, attached), noting that members of Senate may access Annexe 1 online at <https://files.warwick.ac.uk/senate/browse#2013+10+02>. Individuals to fill the remaining vacancies will be sought in the coming weeks and that it is proposed that any such further nominations and appointments be considered by the Steering Committee on behalf of the Senate.

12. 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 3 July 2013 (S.10/13-14 {Part 1 and Part 2}, attached).

13. 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, however, 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.

14. Reports

TO CONSIDER:

Report from the Steering Committee (S.4/13-14 {Part 2}, attached).

15. Revisions to University Ordinances and Regulations

TO CONSIDER:

(a) Revisions to Ordinance 5, Appointment of Members of the Council Appointed by the Senate (S.12/13-14, attached).

(b) Revisions to Ordinance 14, Honorary Degrees and Regulation 20, Consideration of Honorary Graduands and Honorary Graduates, to reflect the desire to make provision for joint honorary degrees, (S.13/13-14, attached).

(c) Proposed amendments to Regulation 8, Regulations for First Degrees, to provide for a new part-time undergraduate degree, the BSc in Applied Engineering, approved in Warwick Manufacturing Group, (S.14/13-14, attached).

(d) Proposed amendments to Regulation 31, University Computing Facilities (S.15/13-14, attached).

16. Career Break Policy

TO CONSIDER:

A paper setting out revisions to the Career Break Policy, (S.16/13-14, attached).

17. Amendment to the title of the Higher Education Foundation Programme Board

TO CONSIDER:

A paper from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Education, (Innovation, Employability and Widening Participation) proposing an amendment to the title of the Higher Education Foundation Programme Board, (S.17/13-14, attached).

18. Vice-Chancellor's Action: Conferral of Title of Emeritus Professor

TO REPORT:

That the Vice-Chancellor, on behalf of the Senate, had approved the conferral of the title of Emeritus Professor on the following colleague with effect from their retirement (given in brackets below):

Professor Istvan Pogany, School of Law (31 August 2013)

19. Student and alumni deaths

TO REPORT:

That the University had been informed of the deaths of the following alumni since the last meeting of the Senate held on 12 June 2013:

Alumni:

Mr Michael Dawson, MPhys Physics 1993-1997

Mr Roy Pitcher, BSc Management Sciences 1991-1994

Mr Martyn Dean, BSc Biochemistry 1970-1973

Mr Frederick Chiluba, MPhil Politics 1991-1994

Mrs Virginia Britton, BA English and European Literature 1990-1993

Mr Allan Nicoll, BA Politics 1970-1973

Dr Helen Lester, MA Sociological Research in Health Care 1997-2000

20. Date of the next meeting

TO REPORT:

That the next meeting of the Senate will be held on Wednesday 29 January 2014 in the Council Chamber, Senate House.