

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

SENATE

There will be a meeting of the Senate on **Tuesday 10 March 2015 at 2:00pm** in the Council Chamber, Senate House.

K Sloan
Registrar

STRATEGIC ITEM FOR DISCUSSION

The following agenda item constitutes the main strategic item for discussion at the meeting. Up to 30 minutes of the scheduled meeting time may be allocated to discussion of this topic.

1. Universities' Superannuation Scheme

TO CONSIDER:

An oral report from the Registrar and Group Finance Director updating members on the latest position with regard to USS (minute 34/14-15 (b) refers).

AGENDA

2. Minutes

TO CONSIDER:

The minutes of the meeting of the Senate held on 28 January 2015 (attached).

3. Matters Arising on the Minutes

(a) California

TO RECEIVE:

An oral update from the Provost on developments on California since consideration of the proposal to establish academic and student activities and a physical presence in California at the meeting of the Senate held on 28 January 2015, it being noted that the Council, at its meeting held on 11th February 2015, approved the recommendation from the Senate (minute 31/14-15 referred).

(b) Progress of Senate Recommendations

TO REPORT:

That the Council, at its meeting on 11 February 2015, noted the report from the meeting of the Senate on 28 January 2015 and approved the recommendations of the Senate recorded under the following items:

- (i) Proposed amendments to Ordinance 7 on the Constitution of Boards of the Faculties to reflect the disestablishment of the of the Centre for Education and Industry; the establishment of the Centre for Education Studies and the Centre for Professional Education; additional constitutional amendments brought forward by the Faculty of Science and the separation of the roles of the Chairs of the Boards of the Faculty of Medicine and the Dean of the Warwick Medical School for the second time (minute 61/14-15 referred).
- (ii) Proposed amendments to Ordinance 4, Appointment of Lay Members to the Council to reflect changes in the membership and Terms of Reference of the Nominations Committee for the second time (minute 62/14015 referred).
- (iii) Proposed amendments to Regulation 4, Annual Review to reflect changes to the teaching criteria approved by Senate on the 3 July 2014 as set out in paper S.22/14-15 (minute 50/14-15 referred).
- (iv) Proposed amendments to Regulation 8.10, Regulations for the Degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) and for the Bachelor of Medical Sciences (BMedSci) to reflect a removal of November re-sits for finalists, and to bring appeals guidance in line with other Faculties, as set out in paper MUSC.61/14-15 (minute 64/14-15(b) referred).
- (v) Proposed amendments to Regulation 8.13, Regulations for the Part-Time Degree of BEng in Applied Engineering to allow second year resits for the part-time BEng in Applied Engineering to take place in the September of the same year in which a student has not passed his/her module(s), rather than the following summer, as set out in paper SUGS.2/14-15 (minute 64/14-15(c) referred).
- (vi) Proposed amendments to Regulation 11, Procedure to be Adopted in the Event of Suspected Cheating in a University Test to reflect an explicit link between Regulation 11 and the 'Senate Examination and Degree Conventions', as set out in paper BGS 8.14/15 (minute 64/14-15 (a) referred).

4. Vice-Chancellor's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor.

5. Registrar's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Registrar.

6. Role of the Steering Committee

TO CONSIDER:

A paper from the Deputy Registrar proposing revisions to the remit of the Steering Committee, with effect from the academic year 2015-16, (S.36/14-15) attached.

7. Establishment of the Warwick International Higher Education Academy

TO CONSIDER:

An oral report from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Teaching and Learning) updating colleagues on the establishment of the Warwick International Higher Education Academy.

8. Establishment of new University Research Centre

TO CONSIDER:

A paper from the Research Committee proposing the establishment with immediate effect of a new University Research Centre for Television History, Heritage and Memory Research as set out in paper S.37/14-15, attached.

9. Reports from Senate Committees

TO CONSIDER:

(a) Report from the Steering Committee, (S.38/14-15 {Part 1}), attached.

(b) Joint report from the Boards of the Faculties of Arts, Science and Social Sciences (S.39/14-15) attached.

(c) Report from the Equality and Diversity Committee (S.40/14-15) attached.

10. Awards and Distinctions

TO RECEIVE:

A paper setting out Awards and Distinctions conferred upon members of the University since the last meeting of the Senate held on 28 January 2015, (S.42/14-15), attached.

11. 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.

12. Reports from Senate Committees

TO CONSIDER:

(a) A report from the Steering Committee, (S.38/14-15 {Part 2}), available online.

(b) Report from the Academic Quality and Standards Committee (S.41/14-15 {Part 2}) available online.

13. Vice-Chancellor's Action:

TO REPORT:

- (a) That on 2nd February 2015, the Vice-Chancellor took action on the behalf of the Senate to approve the proposal that Dr Nicholas Monk (Director of IATL) be appointed to the Board of Graduate Studies with immediate effect, to fill a vacancy as one of the four co-opted members of the Board, occasioned by the departure of or Dr Paul Taylor from the University in December 2014.
- (b) That on 17th February 2014, the Vice-Chancellor took action on behalf of the Senate to approve a proposal from the Department of Politics and International Studies to introduce a new Double MA in Politics and International Studies with Pompeu Fabra University, Spain.

14. Student and alumni deaths

TO REPORT:

That the University has been informed of the death of the following colleagues associated with the University and alumna of the University since the last meeting of the Senate held on 28 January 2015:

Professor Alec Ford, Department of Economics, 1965-1989.

Alumna:

Dr Penny Jane Lacey, BEd Social Studies, 1986

15. Date of the next meeting

TO REPORT:

That the next meeting of the Senate will be held at 2.00pm on Wednesday 10 June 2015 in the Council Chamber, Senate House.