UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

SENATE

There will be a meeting of the Senate on Wednesday 27th January 2016 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 will be allocated to discussion of this topic.

1. Competition and Markets Authority and Consumer Protection Law: Implications for Higher Education

   TO CONSIDER:

   A paper and presentation from the Deputy Academic Registrar setting out progress towards achieving compliance with consumer protection law in line with CMA guidance, (S.23/15-16) (attached).

AGENDA

2. Mrs Judy Rawson

   TO REPORT:

   The sad news that Mrs Judy Rawson, former Chair of the Department of Italian Studies, who worked at the University from 1965 until 2000, has passed away.

3. Minutes

   TO CONSIDER:

   The minutes of the meeting of the Senate held on 12 October 2015 (attached).

4. Matters Arising on the Minutes

   (a) Progress of Senate Recommendations: Revisions to University Ordinances

      TO REPORT:

      That the Council, at its meeting on 15 October 2015, noted the verbal report provided by the Vice Chancellor from the meeting of the Senate on 12 October 2015 and approved for the first time the recommendations of the Senate recorded under the following items:

      (i) Proposed amendments to Ordinance 7, on the Constitution of the Faculties (minute 23/15-16 refers).
(ii) Proposed amendments to Ordinance 13, Degrees and Diplomas (minute 23/15-16 refers).

(iii) Ordinance 16, Payment of Fees (minute 23/15-16 refers).

(b) Progress of Senate Recommendations: Revisions to University Regulations

TO REPORT:

That the Council, at its meeting on 15 October 2015, noted the verbal report provided by the Vice Chancellor from the meeting of the Senate on 12 October 2015 and confirmed the recommendations of the Senate recorded under the following items:

(i) Regulation 2.3, Governing the Election of Representatives of the Assembly to Membership of the Senate (minute 11/15-16 refers).

(ii) Regulations 5, Grant of Study Leave, Leave of Absence, and Leave to Accept a Research Award (Approved by Chair’s Action).

(iii) Regulation 8, Regulations for First Degrees (minute 23/15-16 refers).

(iv) Regulation 9, Constitutions of Boards of Examiners (minute 23/15-16 refers).

(c) Representation of the Senate on the Council (minute 5/15-16 refers).

TO REPORT:

That Professor Aileen Clarke has been appointed as a representative of the Senate on the Council for the period 1 August 2015 – 31 July 2018 in succession to Professor Pam Thomas.

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, to include the proposed Review of Academic Governance.

7. California

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Provost on developments in the California initiative.
8. Prevent Duty and Counter Terrorism Act

TO CONSIDER:

A report from the Deputy Registrar setting out progress towards compliance with the University's Prevent Duty, (S.25/15-16), Restricted, attached.

9. Response to BIS Consultation on Green Paper

TO RECEIVE:

The University's formal response submitted to the BIS open consultation on the Green Paper "Fulfilling our potential: teaching excellence, social mobility and student choice", (S.27/15-16), attached.

10. Timetable Improvement Project

TO RECEIVE:

A paper from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Academic Planning & Resources), updating the Senate on the progress of the Timetable Improvement Project, (S.28/15-16), attached.

11. Reports from Senate Committees

TO CONSIDER:

(a) Report from the Steering Committee, (S.29/15-16 (Part 1)), Restricted, attached.

(b) Report from Academic Quality and Standards Committee, (S.30/15-16), attached.

(c) Report on revisions to the Constitution of the Board of the Faculty of Medicine, (S.31/15-16), attached.

(d) Report from Equality and Diversity Committee, (S.32/15-16), online.

(e) Report from University Health and Safety Executive Committee, (S.33/15-16), attached.

12. 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 12 October 2015, (S.34/15-16), 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 from Senate Committees

TO CONSIDER:

A report from the Steering Committee, (S.35/15-16 (Part 2)), [Restricted], online.

15. Vice-Chancellor’s Action:

TO REPORT:

(a) That since the meeting of the Senate on 12 October 2015, the Vice-Chancellor has taken action on behalf of the Senate to approve proposals submitted for Chair’s Action (S.36/15-16 online).

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

Professor O Bennett, Department of Theatre Studies (31 December 2015)
Professor R Deeth, Department of Chemistry (4 October 2015)
Professor W Grant, Department of Politics (30 November 2015)
Professor R Jackson, Centre for Education Studies (30 November 2015)
Dr R P Jones, Department of Engineering (2 October 2015)
Professor W Lewis, Department of Engineering (30 January 2016)
Professor M Thorogood, WMS, Statistics and Epidemiology (31 December 2015)

16. Revisions to Ordinance 16

TO CONSIDER:

Proposed amendments to Ordinance 16, governing the Payment of Annual Fees, Residential Charges and Other Debts, incorporating further changes approved by the Vice-Chancellor and reported under Chair’s Action, for the second time (S.24/15-16 online).

17. Election of a member of the Board of Faculty of Social Sciences to the Senate

TO REPORT:

That a vacancy for a representative of the Board of the Faculty of Social Sciences on the Senate had arisen, due to Professor A Norrie stepping down and that Professor R Probert, Head of the School of Law, has been elected as a replacement.

18. Staff and alumni deaths

TO REPORT:

That the University has been informed of the deaths of the following colleagues associated with the University, students and alumni since the last meeting of the Senate held on 12 October 2015:

Staff:
Mr W.W. Daniel, Associate Fellow of the Institute of Employment Research (2002-2012)
Professor Craig R. Pringle, School of Life Sciences (1983-1997)
Dr Dwijen Rangnekar, School of Law (2003-2015)
Mr George Thorpe, Head Porter (1980 – 2009)
Professor Geoffrey Wilson, School of Law 1967-1997 (Emeritus Professor) (1997-2015)

Alumni:
Mr James Cobbett, BEd Social Studies (1969-1973)
Mr Andrew Johnston, MA Politics & International Studies (2009-2011)
Ms Patricia Johnston, BA Economics (1966-1969)
Ms Charlotte Read, BA in History and Politics (1992-1995)
Mr Douglas Sumner, BEd Social Studies (1973-1977)
Mr Neil Talbot, BSc in MORSE Economics (1979-1982)
Mr Ali Hassan Yousafzai, BSc in Computer Science (2001-2004)
Mr David Zane-Morris, BA Comparative American Studies (1976-1979)

19. Date of the next meeting

TO REPORT:

That the next meeting of the Senate will be held at 2.00pm on Tuesday 8 March 2016 in
the Council Chamber, Senate House.