

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

SENATE

Minutes of the meeting of the Senate held on 22 September 2004.

- Present: Vice-Chancellor (Chair), Professor R Burns, Professor Y Carter, Professor C Davis, Professor M Devereux, Professor R G Dyson, Professor A Easton, Professor R Fine, Professor R Freedman, Dr E Gallafent, Professor J Jones, Professor K Lamberts, Professor R Lindley, Professor M Luntley, Professor P Mack, Dr G Martin, Professor M McCrae, Professor A McFarlane, Dr H Nesi, Professor S B Palmer, Professor D Singer, Dr C Sparrow, Professor M Waterson, Professor M Whitby.
- Apologies: Ms A Bell, Professor S Bassnett, Professor Lord S Bhattacharyya, Professor A Caesar, Dr C Humphreys, Professor G Hundt, Dr J P Khan, Professor I Lauder, Dr P O'Hare, Dr P Roberts.
- In Attendance: Professor D Chetwynd, Professor J Copas, Professor J Davis, Professor P Derrick, Professor T Docherty, Professor R J Green, Mrs P Huddleston, Dr C Hughes, Mrs G Kershaw, Mr S Lucas, Mr K Mohaddes, Dr R Powell, Dr A M Price, Professor D Rand, Professor M Rosenthal, Mr B Taylor.

Academic Registrar, Assistant Registrar (Registrar's Office), Director of Student and Academic Affairs, Director of Finance, Director of IT Services, Registrar, University Secretary, Ms N Snodgrass.

MINUTES

113/03-04 Warwick in Asia (minute 95/03-04 refers)

CONSIDERED:

The Report from the Asia Exploratory Group (AEG) on the conclusions reached by the Group following the initial work undertaken during the summer to explore the viability of the development of links with Singapore (S.70/03-04), together with an oral report from the Vice-Chancellor providing the background to the current discussion and an oral report from Dr C Sparrow outlining the work and consultations undertaken by the AEG within and without the University.

RECOMMENDED:

That further intensive investigation of the opportunity to establish a second University campus in Singapore during the academic year 2004-05 be undertaken within the clear parameters set out in section 1 of the Report from the Asia Exploratory Group, on the basis that such a campus be research-led, financially viable and significantly capacity-raising and on the understanding that this investigation would, additionally:

- (a) develop a clear and objective vision, strategy and focus for the University's academic operations in Singapore which is supportive of the University's key strategic objectives.
- (b) demonstrate that institutional autonomy and academic freedom could be properly safeguarded and that concerns regarding human rights issues could be satisfactorily addressed.
- (c) facilitate evaluation of alternative possibilities for the University's future development in an international context which would be of significant value.

Note: following a show of hands from all academic members of staff present at the meeting, 32 in favour, 8 opposed, no abstentions.

RESOLVED:

That the Senate record its gratitude to the Chair and Members of the Asia Exploratory Group for their considerable work on the Singapore proposal and for compiling the Report.

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