

Senate – Minutes

24 April 2024

PRESENT: Professor Andy J. Schofield, Vice-Chancellor (in the Chair); Professor Peter M. Atkinson; Professor Gordon Blower; Professor Steve Bradley; Professor Sarah Brearley; Martin Colclough; Professor Bogdan Costea; Dr Casey Cross; Professor Jonathan Culpeper; Professor Lola Dada; Professor Nigel A. J. Davies; Professor Catherine Easton; Professor Stephen Eldridge; Dr Nicholas Evans; Sarah Fox; Professor Alisdair A. Gillespie; Professor Chris Grover; Huseyn Guliyev; Professor Crispin Halsall; Sam Hedges; Dr Derek Hird; Dr Allison Hui; Professor Hilary Ingham; Professor Malcolm Joyce; Professor Andrew Kennedy; Professor Mark Knight; Professor Claire Leitch; Professor Chris Macleod (*for Professor Robert Geyer*); Dr James Mawdesley; Dr Jan McArthur; Professor Paul McKean; Dr Tom Mills; Dr Sandra Nolte; Professor Jonathan Prance (*for Professor Roger Jones*); Professor Nicholas Race; Professor Wendy Robinson; Professor Emma Rose (*for Professor Alan Marsden*); Professor Jo Rycroft-Malone; Dr Yakubu Salifu; Professor Ed Simpson; Professor Alexandros Skandalis; Leanne Taher-Bates; Dr Nadia Von Benzoni; Professor Gert Westermann; Dr Karen Wright; Professor Steve Young.

IN ATTENDANCE: Andrea Chalk; John S. W. Dickinson; Phill Dixon; Ben Gill (*for item 8*); Simon J. Jennings; Alison M. Mullan; Nicola C. Owen; Sarah J. Randall-Paley.

OBSERVERS (BONINGTON COHORT): Dr Sophie Ambler; Dr Fabrice Andrieux; Dr Robert Apsimon; Jean Bennett; Deborah Denton; Dr Mandy Dillon; Dr Emma Eastoe; Sam Fryers; Rebecca Howarth; Natalie Miller; Mags Powers; Dr Basu Saha; Joanne Stephens; Charlotte Stuart; Dr Danielle Turton; Dr Chris Walton.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Professor Marina Anderson; Misbah Ashraf; Andrew Barker; Srota Bhowmik; Sherry Currington; Cerys Evans; Rachel Fligelstone; Stuart Franklin; Professor Robert Geyer; Professor Simon C. Guy; David Hounslea; Professor Roger W. L. Jones; Professor Sarah Kemp; Professor Alan Marsden.

INTRODUCTION

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

- 1.1 Senate noted the apologies.
- 1.2 The Vice-Chancellor welcomed the members of the Bonington Leadership cohort who were observing the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- 2.1 No declarations of interest were made.

3. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE TO THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

- 3.1 No eligible questions were received for this meeting.

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| 4. | MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: 21 FEBRUARY 2024 | PAPER A |
| 4.1 | Senate <u>approved</u> the minutes of the meeting held on 21 February 2024. | |
| 5. | MATTERS ARISING | |
| 5.1 | Covered in the agenda. | |
| 6. | REPORT OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR
<i>Some Restricted and Commercial in Confidence content</i> | ORAL UPDATE |
| 7. | SUMMARY OF UNIVERSITY EXECUTIVE BOARD (UEB) BUSINESS
RELEVANT TO SENATE: 6 FEBRUARY TO 9 APRIL 2024
<i>Some Restricted and Commercial in Confidence content</i> | PAPER B |
| | ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION | |
| 8. | ADOPTING A STANDARDISED BASE CREDIT FOR TAUGHT
PROGRAMMES
<i>Restricted and Confidential</i> | PAPER C |
| 9. | KPI MID-YEAR REPORT
<i>Restricted and Commercial in Confidence</i> | PAPER D |
| 10. | FACULTY CONSTITUTIONS
<i>Restricted and Confidential</i> | PAPER E |
| 11. | SCHOOL OF GLOBAL AFFAIRS | PAPER F |
| 11.1 | Senate received a proposal to change the name of the Department of Languages and Cultures to the School of Global Affairs. This, it was noted aligned with FASS strategic planning associated with answering global challenges. The School would provide a sustainable home for language studies, an area under considerable pressure nationally and internationally, while also appealing to the needs and expectations of current students. The name reflected an engagement with an emerging interdisciplinary field and would signal an opportunity to bring interdisciplinary expertise into the department without creating internal competition. | |
| 11.2 | Senate noted that there was no change in structural terms. Clarity that the new name would provide would enhance the visibility of subject and the diet of programme would also be reviewed to ensure this. The rebrand would help sustain a future market, particularly catering to those students who want to take language as an element of study. | |
| 11.3 | It was noted that the exact date for transition had not been given in the paper. This would be agreed outside of Senate in discussion with the relevant parts of the University (Marketing, Admissions, etc.). | |
| 11.4 | Senate <u>approved</u> the change of name. | |

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

18. WRITTEN REPORTS OF MEETINGS

PAPER M

18.1 Senate noted the following written reports of meetings:

- Council, meeting of 22 March 2024
- Education Committee, meeting of 25 March 2024
- Enterprise and Innovation Committee, meeting of 28 February 2024
- Research Committee, meeting of 28 February 2024
- Student Experience Committee, meeting of 7 February 2024

19. NEW AND LAID DOWN PROGRAMMES

19.1 Senate noted the report.

20. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

20.1 Senate was reminded that nominations were open for the professional service member and was encouraged to nominate well qualified candidates.

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

21.1 The next Senate meeting would be held on Wednesday 12 June 2024 13:00-16:00 in Management School Lecture Theatre 3.