

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

SENATE

There will be a meeting of the Senate **on Wednesday, 5 October 2011 at 10.00am** in the Council Chamber, University House.

J F Baldwin
Registrar

A G E N D A

1. Minutes

TO CONSIDER:

The minutes of the meeting of the Senate held on 6 July 2011 (attached).

2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

(a) Progress of Senate Recommendations

TO REPORT:

That the Council, at its meeting on 13 July 2011, approved the recommendations of the Senate recorded under the following items:

- (i) Formal Disestablishment of Warwick HRI and the Department of Biological Sciences (minute 111(a)/10-11 refers)
- (ii) Amendments to University Ordinance 7 on the Constitution of the Board of the Faculties, for the first time (minute 131(a)/10-11 refers)
- (iii) Amendments to University Ordinance 13 on Degrees and Diplomas, for the first time (minute 131(b)/10-11 refers)
- (iv) Amendments to University Regulation 8.12 Governing Appeals relating to Decisions of Final-Year Undergraduate Boards of Examiners (minute 132(a)/10-11 refers)
- (v) Amendments to University Regulation 38 Governing Research Degrees, noting that the changes took effect from 1 August 2011 (minute 132(b)/10-11 refers)

(b) Update on the University Financial Plan (minute 92/10-11 refers)

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor and Director of Finance and Financial Strategy.

3. Membership of the Senate

TO RECEIVE:

The membership of the Senate for the academic year 2011/12 (S.1/11-12, attached).

4. Vice-Chancellor's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor.

5. Reports

TO CONSIDER:

(a) Report from the Steering Committee (S.2/11-12 {Part 1}, attached, a supplement to be provided following the meeting of Steering Committee on 3 October 2011).

(b) Report from the Academic Quality and Standards Committee (S.3/11-12, attached).

6. Establishment of a Sub-Faculty of Modern Languages and Reintroduction of Hispanic Studies

TO CONSIDER:

A paper proposing the establishment of a Sub-Faculty of Modern Languages within the Faculty of Arts, incorporating the existing modern language departments and the Language Centre, and within this structure expanding academic language provision at Warwick by seeking to offer Hispanic Studies as an academic discipline (S.4/11-12, attached).

7. Implementation of the Harris Report

TO CONSIDER:

A report summarising the progress achieved towards implementation of the Harris Report (S.7/11-12, to follow).

8. Appointment of a Representative of the Senate to the Council

TO REPORT:

(a) That, in accordance with Ordinance 5 on the Procedure for the Appointment of Members of the Council by the Senate, the Registrar has written to members of the Senate to seek nominations for the appointment of one academic member of the Senate to membership of the Council for the period through 31 July 2014.

(b) That the deadline for submission of nominations was Tuesday, 4 October 2011, noting in particular points (4) and (5) of Ordinance 5 are as follows:

(i) (4) If the number of nominations for academic members of staff received and transmitted to the Senate is equal to or less than the number of vacancies to be filled, the person or persons nominated will be deemed elected.

(ii) (5) If the number of nominations received for academic members of staff and transmitted to the Senate exceed the number of vacancies to be filled a secret ballot shall be held among the members present at the meeting, the candidate or candidate(s) receiving the highest number of votes being elected.

TO CONSIDER:

In accordance with Ordinance 5 on the Procedure for the Appointment of Members of the Council Appointed by the Senate, the appointment of one representative of the Senate to the Council for the period to 31 July 2014, noting that a secret ballot will be held at the meeting should more than one nomination be received by the deadline of Tuesday, 4 October 2011.

9. University Committee Membership of Senate Committees

TO REPORT:

- (a) That all Directors of University Research Centres were requested to submit any proposed changes to research centre constitutions and, where applicable, associated Advisory Boards.
- (b) That the membership of the Advisory Boards of University Research Centres and Institutes for the 2011/12 academic year will be set out in the University Calendar 2011/12.

TO CONSIDER:

The appointment of the Committees of the Senate for the 2011/12 academic year (S.5/11-12, to follow), noting that individuals to fill the remaining vacancies will be sought in the coming weeks and that it is proposed that any such nominations be considered by the Steering Committee on behalf of the Senate.

10. 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 6 July 2011 (S.6/11-12, 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 Secretary (ext. 22713) prior to the meeting or by raising the item at the commencement of the meeting.

12. Reports

TO CONSIDER:

Report from the Steering Committee (S.2/11-12 (Part 2), attached).

13. Vice-Chancellor's Action

(a) 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 colleagues with effect from their retirement (given in brackets below):

Professor N Mann, Life Sciences (30 September 2011)

Professor S Palmer, Special Adviser to the Vice-Chancellor (30 September 2011)

Professor M Stewart, Economics (30 September 2011)

(b) Conferral of Title of Emeritus Reader.

TO REPORT:

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

Dr D Holland, Physics (30 September 2011)