

# UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

## SENATE

There will be a meeting of the Senate **on Wednesday, 27 January 2010 at 2.00pm** in the Council Chamber, University House.

J F Baldwin  
Registrar

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## A G E N D A

### 1. Minutes

#### TO CONSIDER:

- (a) The minutes of the meeting of the Senate held on 7 October 2009 (attached)
- (b) The minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Senate held on 16 November 2009 (attached)

### 2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

#### (a) Progress of Senate Recommendations

##### TO REPORT:

That the Council, at its meetings on 8 October and 27 November 2009, approved the recommendations of the Senate recorded under the following items:

- (i) Financial Plan 2008-2012 (minute 12/09-10 refers)
  - (ii) Corporate Planning Statement (minute 13/09-10 refers)
  - (iii) Annual Report on Equality and Diversity and the Single Equality Action Plan (minute 14/09-10(a) refers)
  - (iv) Amendments to University Ordinances, for the second time (minute 116(a)/08-09 refers)
- (b) Library Restructuring (minute 3/09-10 refers)
  - (c) School of Life Sciences (minute 24/09-10 refers)

### 3. Vice-Chancellor's Business

#### TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor.

4. The Harris Report

TO CONSIDER:

The Harris Report, outlining the findings of the Constitutional Advisory Group established by the Vice-Chancellor to consider whether the University's academic and administrative structures and decision-making processes were as effective as they could be to facilitate the future success of the University (S.8/09-10, attached).

5. Reports

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) Report from the Steering Committee (S.9/09-10 {Part 1}, attached).
- (b) Report from the Academic and Quality Standards Committee (S.10/09-10 {Part 1}, attached).
- (c) Report from the Information Policy and Strategy Committee (S.11/09-10, attached).
- (d) Report from the University Health and Safety Executive Committee (S.12/09-10, attached).
- (e) Report from the Research Ethics Committee (S.13/09-10, attached)

6. Honours Degree Classification Conventions

TO CONSIDER:

Proposed amendments to the 2008 honours degree classification convention (S.14/09-10, attached).

7. Appointment of Representatives of the Senate to the Council

TO REPORT:

- (a) That, in accordance with the procedure approved by the Senate at its meeting on 2 November 1983, the Registrar had written to members of the Senate to seek nominations for the appointment of a member of the Senate to membership of the Council.
- (b) That the deadline for receiving nominations of Friday, 22 January 2010 and that, should more than one valid nomination be received by this date, and election by secret ballot will be held at the meeting, in accordance with Ordinance 5 on the Procedure for the Appointment of Members of the Council Appointed by the Senate, of a representative of the Senate on the Council for the period through 31 July 2012.

8. Awards and Distinctions

TO RECEIVE:

A paper setting out the awards and distinctions that have been conferred upon members of the University since the meeting of the Senate held on 7 October 2009 (S.15/09-10, attached).

9. 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.

### 10. Reports

#### TO CONSIDER:

- (a) Report from the Steering Committee (S.9/09-10 {Part 2}, attached).
- (b) Report from the Academic Quality and Standards Committee (S.10/09-10 {Part 2}, attached).
- (c) Report from the Higher Education Foundation Programme Board of Studies (S.16/09-10, attached).
- (d) Report from the Board of the Faculty of Social Sciences (S.17/09-10, attached).

### 11. Academic Statistics Yearbook 2009/10

#### TO RECEIVE:

The 2009/10 edition of the Academic Statistics Yearbook (S.18/09-10, attached)

### 12. Vice-Chancellor's Action

- (a) Revision to Regulation 23 Governing Disciplinary Matters and the Appeals Committee of the Senate

#### TO REPORT:

- (i) That the Vice-Chancellor had approved, on behalf of the Senate, revisions to Regulation 23 Governing Disciplinary Matters to permit a Pro-Vice-Chancellor to chair the Appeals Committee of the Senate to ensure that cases referred to the Committee could be progressed in a timely fashion whilst the post of Deputy Vice-Chancellor was vacant (S.19/09-10, placed on official file).
- (ii) That the revisions were subsequently approved by the Pro-Chancellor on behalf of the Council and that the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Academic Resourcing) had been designated as Chair of the Appeals Committee of the Senate.

*Note: The revised Regulation 23 has been published in the online University Calendar. ([www.warwick.ac.uk/go/governance/calendar/](http://www.warwick.ac.uk/go/governance/calendar/))*

- (b) Conferral of Title of Emeritus Professor

#### TO REPORT:

- (i) That the Vice-Chancellor, on behalf of the Senate, recommended the conferral of the title of Emeritus Professor on the following colleagues with effect from their retirement (given in brackets below):  
  
Professor Roland Wilson, Department of Computer Science (31 December 2009)  
Professor Gad Heumann, Department of History (31 July 2010)
- (ii) That the Pro-Chancellor had taken Chair's action on behalf of the Council to approve the above recommendations.