SENATE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Senate Business Committee will be held at 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday 20 February 2019 in Committee Room 2, University Office.

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AGENDA

FOR DISCUSSION

1. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2019 SBC18-19:13

2. Draft Agenda for the meeting of the Senate on 20 March 2019

SBC18-19:14

3. Senate Assessor Terms of Office on Court

In the context of the *Scottish Code of Good HE Governance* (the Code) the Governance and Nominations Committee has requested:

'Principle 2: Section 19: <u>Limits on Terms of Office:</u> Senate Assessors are elected by Senate for four years but Senate procedures do not specifically limit the number of terms/years that can be served.

Recommendation: The Senate should be invited to review practice in this regard.'

The Code states that:

'Service beyond three terms of three years, or two terms of four years, should be avoided'

The Committee is asked to discuss recommending to Senate that Senate Assessor appointments should be limited to two terms of four years in order to align with the Code and the approach taken to other positions on Court.

FOR ROUTINE APPROVAL

4. Senate Elections SBC18-19:15

The Committee is invited to approve the schedule for the appointment of elected members to the Senatus Academicus and to appoint Senate Assessors to Court.

5. Hay of Seaton Committee

The Committee is asked to approve nominations for the Hay of Seaton Committee:

Dr Elizabeth Shaw, School of Law Dr Alessandra Cecolin, School of Divinity, History & Philosophy

FOR INFORMATION

6. Dates of meetings in 2018/19

The Committee is invited to note that meetings in 2018/19 have been scheduled as follows:

Wednesday 24 April 2019 at 2.00 p.m. in Committee Room 2