

## SENATE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

### Minutes of the meeting of 4 November 2021

*Present:* Tracey Slaven (Chair), Ruth Taylor, Marion Campbell, Abbe Brown, Kirsty Kiezebrink, Georgios Leontidis, Scott Styles, Cheryl Dowie, Iain McEwan, Neil Vargesson and Rachael Bernard (Clerk)

*Apologies for absence were received from:* Karl Leydecker, Amy Bryzgel, Javier González Cuervos, Ondrej Kucerak, and Graeme Nixon

#### **514. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 4 October 2021**

The Committee approved the minutes of the meeting held on 4 October 2021

#### **515. Draft Agenda for the meeting of the Senate on 1 December 2021**

515.1 The Committee noted that it had been agreed at the meeting of Senate on 27 October that the items from the Research Policy Committee (RPC) would be taken ahead of any items for the Education Committee. Consequently, the Committee agreed that the items for approval should follow the items for an academic view on the agenda for Senate.

515.2 The Committee agreed that a further item should be added under matters arising to update Senate on the outcomes of the item from the Library handled by circulation following the meeting on 27 October.

515.3 The Committee noted that the meeting on 1 December would be chaired by the Senior Vice-Principal as the Principal would be in Qatar attending Graduations and therefore there was no update from the Principal on the agenda. It was, however, agreed that the Senior Vice-Principal should be asked to give a brief update to Senate on anything of significant note at the time.

515.4 Following some discussion, the Committee agreed that the agenda should be amended to make it clear that the item on Term Dates for 2022/23 originated with the Vice-Principal, Global Student Recruitment and not the University Education Committee (UEC). The dates would be considered by the UEC and the paper would need to incorporate the UEC outcome.

515.5 It was noted that the item from UEC on employability may have a different title when the agenda is finalised.

515.6 The Committee discussed possible indicative timings for discussion of the various items. It was agreed that this would be helpful to ensure that the meeting was able to cover all the agenda items and didn't run out of time as had occurred on 27 October.

#### **516 Nomination of Postgraduate Research Officer**

516.1 The Committee approved a change to the nominated PGR School Officer for Psychology:

Patric Bach to replace Søren Anderson from January 2022.

516.2 It was confirmed that, although Søren Anderson was only appointed to the role over the summer, he was being replaced with effect from January.

**517. Dates of meetings in 2020/21**

517.1 The Committee noted the next dates of the meetings to be held in 2020/21 and that, in line with the plans for moving back to campus, it was anticipated that these meetings would be hybrid:

- Tuesday 14 December 2021 at 10.00 a.m.
- Thursday 17 February 2021 at 2.05 p.m.
- Tuesday 12 April 2021 at 10.00 a.m.

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