

Agenda - Board of Governors

Ninety-third meeting of the Board of Governors, to be held on Thursday 26th March 2015 at **5pm** in **MA213**, City Campus, Wolverhampton.

Refreshments will be served from 4:30pm.

Part A: Attendance and Minutes

- 1. Presentation on use of technology in the Rosalind Franklin Building (Matthew Green, Assistant Director IT Services, Academic and Learning Support)**

- 2. Welcome, Apologies, Membership and Declaration of Interests (Chair) – no paper**
 - (a) Welcome and apologies
 - (b) To disclose any interests from members of the Committee

- 3. Minutes of Board of Governors meetings held on 20th November 2014 (Chair)**
 - (a) To receive and if so resolved, to approve the minutes of the ninety-second meeting of the Board of Governor held on 20th November 2014 as a true record.
 - (b) To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting which are not substantive items for this meeting (**action checklist enclosed**).

PART B: Items For Approval/Information

4. Membership and Appointments (Chair)

On the recommendation of Nominations Committee held on 15th January 2015 to re-appoint Ms Kathy Gee as an Independent Governor and Deputy Chair of the Board.

5. Reports from Academic Board (Dr John Pymm and Ms Gabriela Steinke)

- (a) To receive from the Academic Board Nominee Governor, the minutes from the meetings of the Academic Board held on:

- (i) 2nd December 2014 and
- (ii) 9th March 2015.

(b) To receive and approve the nominations for Honorary Awards.

6. Reports from Sub-Committees of the Board

To receive the minutes from the following meetings:

- (a) Nominations Committee – 15th January 2015 **(Dr Simon Walford)**;
- (b) Finance & General Purposes Committee – 15th January 2015 **(Dr Simon Walford)**;
- (c) Finance & General Purpose Committee - 5th March 2015 **(Dr Simon Walford)**
 - (i) Two policies for approval: **Organisational Change Policy, Redundancy Policy**
- (d) Remuneration Committee – 15th January 2015 **(Mr Ben Reid)**;
- (e) Remuneration Committee - 5th March 2015 **(Mr Ben Reid)**:
 - (i) Policy for approval: **Senior Staff and Senior Posts Reward and Recognition Policy and Procedure**
- (f) Wholly Owned Companies Meeting – 5th March 2015 **(Professor Geoff Layer)**;
- (g) UoW Wolverhampton Science Park Ltd Board Meeting - 5th March 2015 **(Professor Geoff Layer)**;
- (h) Joint Equality and Diversity Committee – 16th December 2014 **(Ms Kathy Gee)**;

7. Chair's Actions, Sealing Register and Confidential Item **(Chair)**

(a) Chairs Actions: To approve the Chair's actions taken on:

- (i) 11.02.2015: Amendments to Bye-Law 1

(b) Sealing Register: To confirm the affixing of the Common Seal of the Corporation to the documents set out against number 399 of the Sealing record.

(c) Action requiring approval: To approve the opening of a new bank account in India **(Dr Emma Wedge)**

Part C: Items for Discussion

8. Impact of REF outcomes on our Research Strategy (Professor Ian Oakes)

To receive an update on progress and plans following the results of the REF.

9. Vice-Chancellor's Report (Professor Geoff Layer)

To:

- (a) receive the Vice-Chancellor's report to Governors
- (b) approve the University's Access Agreement and fees for 2016/17
- (c) receive an update on the Counter-Terrorism Bill.

10. Key Performance Indicators (Dr Emma Wedge)

- (a) To receive and approve the overall status reports and level 1 Key Performance Indicators;
- (b) To receive and approve the Annual Sustainability Assurance Report (ASSUR).

11. Quarter 2 Outturn and Cashflow Report (Andy Holding)

To receive a financial update report on Q2 and cashflow.

12. Students' Union Report (Ms Zoe Harrison)

To receive an updating report from the President of the Students' Union.

13. Governance (Chair)

(a) Governance Effectiveness Review 2015

To discuss the plans for the Governance Effectiveness Review 2015.

(b) CUC Higher Education Code of Governance 2014

To approve the adoption of the CUC Higher Education Code of Governance 2014 and the Statement of Primary Responsibilities.

Part D: Any Other Business

14. Any Other Business (Chair)

- (a) Graduation: Ceremonies will be held between 16th and 25th September 2015.
Governors will be contacted for the availability in due course.

It would be appreciated if members would advise the Clerk to the Board prior to the meeting of any items they wish to raise.