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**Meeting:** FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES  
BOARD OF STUDIES

**Date and Time:** Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2014, 2.15pm

**Venue:** 1WN 2.4

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**Present:** Prof I Butler, Dean (Chair)  
Dr G Brown, Associate Dean (Research)  
Prof S Gough, Associate Dean (Graduate Studies)  
Prof P Lambert, Associate Dean (Learning and Teaching)  
Dr J Bilzon, Head of Department for Health  
Dr J Devine, Head of Department of Social and Policy Sciences  
Dr J Francombe-Webb, Department of Education  
Dr M Hayden, Head of Department of Education  
Dr N Hinvest, Department of Psychology  
Prof J Hudson, Department of Economics  
Prof C Ioannidis, Head of Department of Economics  
Ms K Jordan, Faculty Librarian  
Prof C Lees, Head of Department of Politics, Languages and  
International Studies  
Dr A Salo, Department for Health  
Dr M Souto Otero, Department of Education  
Dr B Thayer, Department of Politics, Languages and International  
Studies  
Dr D Thompson, Department for Health  
Miss S Williamson, Students' Union  
Dr K Woodthorpe, Department of Social and Policy Sciences

**In Attendance:** Mrs P Lowton (Secretary)

**Apologies:** Dr D Bence, School of Management  
Dr A Dinerstein, Department of Social and Policy Sciences  
Mr J Graham, Postgraduate Student  
Dr D Griffiths, Faculty of Engineering and Design  
Mr J Lee, Undergraduate student  
Ms M Saeed, Postgraduate Taught Student  
Prof B Verplanken, Head of Department of Psychology  
Dr L Watts, Faculty of Science  
Ms M Woodward, Head of Learning Partnerships

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**ACTION**

**2466. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on the 16<sup>th</sup> April 2014 were approved as a correct record of the proceedings (paper 318). There were no other matters arising from the Minutes.

**2467. CHAIR'S BUSINESS**

The Chair congratulated members of the Board, as representatives of the Faculty, on the recent rankings in The Complete University Guide and success in the SU awards.

**2468. MEMBERSHIP OF PROGRAMME BOARDS OF EXAMINERS AND UNIT BOARDS OF EXAMINERS FOR 2013/14**

**Learning Partnerships Office**

The Board approved the amendments to the following membership of Programme Boards of Examiners and Unit Boards of Examiners for 2013/14:

- FdSc Addictions Counselling & BSc Addictions Counselling
- FdA Early Childhood Studies / FdA Early Years and Childhood Studies & BA Early Years Care and Education (paper W319)

**2469. RESEARCH CENTRE NEW APPLICATION**

**Department of Politics, Languages and International Studies**

The Board approved the proposal to establish a new research centre, the 'Bath Centre for War and Technology' (paper 320a). The Board noted the FRC approval of the proposal, and thanked colleagues for the work put into the proposition. The Associate Dean (Research) highlighted the centre's strong research strategy, and networking opportunities, (as already proven in the case of GW4 grants awarded). The Board further commented that wider awareness of centres, and their associated research focus and activities, might be increased through an internal email strategy. The Associate Dean (Research) noted that a full report on centre activity would be submitted to URSC. The Chair commented that increased information on measures of success might be useful, and noted that this would form part of the centre review process.

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**2470. RESEARCH CENTRE REVIEW**

**Department for Health**

The Board approved the renewal of the 'Centre for Pain Research' (paper 320b). The Board noted the FRC approval of the proposal, and comments around the 'impact' of its activities. The Board discussed the small size of this centre in terms of staffing associated with it, but reflected that the work generated had positively influenced both the Department's and institution's reputation. The Head of Department noted that increased integration of the centre would be possible through new staffing appointments. Further that the research funding secured by this centres' activity, together with opportunities created for postgraduate research meant that the centre played a key role within the Department, one that transcended size issues. The Associate Dean (Research) commented that University definitions of centres and institutions required review in light of the developments taking place across the Faculty.

**2471. MEMBERSHIP OF PROGRAMME BOARDS OF EXAMINERS AND UNIT BOARDS OF EXAMINERS FOR 2013/14**

**Department For Health**

The Board noted the Dean's approval under Chair's Action of the amended membership for the Unit Board of Examiners 2013/14 for the MSc Sport and Exercise Science and the MSc Sports Physiotherapy.

