



Meeting: FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
BOARD OF STUDIES

Date and Time: Wednesday 16th April 2014, 2.15pm

Venue: 1WN 2.4

Present: Prof I Butler, Dean (Chair)
Dr G Brown, Associate Dean (Research)
Prof S Gough, Associate Dean (Graduate Studies)
Prof J Copestake, Department of Social and Policy Sciences (alternate
for J Devine)
Dr J Francombe-Webb, Department of Education
Mr J Graham, Postgraduate Student
Dr M Hayden, Head of Department of Education
Dr N Hinvest, Department of Psychology
Prof J Hudson, Department of Economics
Ms K Jordan, Faculty Librarian
Mr J Lee, Undergraduate student
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
Dr L Watts, Faculty of Science
Dr K Woodthorpe, Department of Social and Policy Sciences

In Attendance: Mrs P Lowton (Secretary)

Apologies: Prof P Lambert, Associate Dean (Learning and Teaching)
Dr D Bence, School of Management
Dr J Bilzon, Head of Department for Health
Dr J Devine, Head of Department of Social and Policy Sciences
Dr A Dinerstein, Department of Social and Policy Sciences
Dr D Griffiths, Faculty of Engineering and Design
Prof C Ioannidis, Head of Department of Economics
Prof C Lees, Head of Department of Politics, Languages and
International Studies
Ms M Saeed, Postgraduate Taught Student
Prof B Verplanken, Head of Department of Psychology
Miss S Williamson, Students' Union
Ms M Woodward, Head of Learning Partnerships

ACTION

2435. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on the 26th February 2014 were approved as a correct record of the proceedings (paper 276). To note a minor correction to the minutes that A Salo was not present at the 26.2.14 meeting. There were no other matters arising from the Minutes.

2436. CHAIR'S BUSINESS

The Chair noted the details and deadlines regarding the Chancellor's Prize, and Centurion Awards. Board members requested that the link to web based information on prizes be circulated post meeting.

2437. MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

The Board noted changes to the membership as follows:

- that due to the change in membership as a result of the appointment of Dr G Brown as Associate Dean (Research) Dr K Woodthorpe was welcomed as replacement to the end of the academic year.

2438. The Board noted the amended Terms of Reference to the Board of Studies as agreed at Senate on 5th February 2014, and highlighted the shift in responsibility to the Board of Studies for overseeing research Centres and appointing Directors.. (paper 277) The Associate Dean (Research) noted the approval (under Chairs action) of the extension granted (new date 30.6.15) to the planned review of the Centre for Death and Society.

2439. MEMBERSHIP OF PROGRAMME BOARDS OF EXAMINERS AND UNIT BOARDS OF EXAMINERS FOR 2013/14

Graduate School

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

- Research Project Design Unit (paper W278)
- MSc Rheumatology & MSc Primary Care (paper W279)

Secretaries Note: The inconsistencies in quorum and total membership have been amended post meeting.

2440. NEW PROGRAMME PROPOSAL

Graduate School

The Associate Dean (Graduate Studies) explained the background to the new prize, noting that it was aimed at providing graduate students with an opportunity to rehearse conference presentations. The DTC partner students would be invited to participate in the event, with the Director of the SWDTC Management Board serving as one of the judges. The Board members noted that the prize money was low, however, it was noted that all costs were covered for participants. The Associate Dean (Graduate Studies) explained that another more substantial prize was also in development. The Board agreed to review prize money available next academic year.

The Board approved the proposal for a 'Postgraduate Research Showcase Prize.' (paper 280)

2441. MINOR AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION 16

Registry

The Associate Dean (Graduate Studies) explained that changes to Regulation 16 had been requested by URSC, and were required in order to make clear the distinctions between PGR and PGT provision. The Board also noted items on the Reserved Agenda relating to Regulation 16, and the need for further clarification on the Regulatory wording.

The Board approved the minor amendments to Regulation 16. (paper 317)