



Meeting **BOARD OF STUDIES FOR THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE**
Place Council Chamber
Date Wednesday 22 April 2015 at 14:15

Present	Professor D M Bird Miss K Barnby Professor S J Bending Dr A D Burrows Dr H R Corradi Dr J Doughty Professor I G Graham Dr A Hayes Professor J C Knight Dr G Mathlin Miss J Munden Dr J Power Dr H Schwetlick Professor R J Scott Professor S G Ward Professor S Wonnacott	Dean of Science (Chair) Postgraduate taught student representative Head of Department of Physics Department of Chemistry Department of Biology and Biochemistry Department of Biology and Biochemistry Head of Department of Mathematical Sciences Associate Dean (Learning and Teaching), Department of Computer Science Associate Dean (Research) Department of Physics Undergraduate student representative Department of Computer Science Department of Mathematical Sciences Head of Department of Biology and Biochemistry Head of Department of Pharmacy and Pharmacology Associate Dean (Graduate Studies)
In attendance	Mrs M Hallett Ms A L Harper	Faculty of Science (Secretary) Faculty of Science (Observer)
Apologies	Dr F Bisset Professor C Bowen Professor M G Davidson Professor R S G Jones Mr J Kenny Dr J Nordstrom Professor E O'Neill Dr S J Roser Dr D A Taylor Dr N B J Volgaard Dr Z Yalabik	Learning Partnerships Office Faculty of Engineering and Design Head of Department of Chemistry Department of Pharmacy and Pharmacology Students' Union (SU) Sabbatical Officer (President) Department of Mathematical Sciences Head of Department of Computer Science Head of Natural Sciences Department of Pharmacy and Pharmacology Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences School of Management

5941 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING **ACTION**
The Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting of the Board held on 25 February 2015 (Paper 500) and there were no matters arising.

5942 CHAIR'S BUSINESS
The Chair expressed regret on behalf of the Board for the death of Mr Alexander SNOOK (139496244), FdSc (Hons) Applied Computing at Wiltshire College, on 21 March 2015.

The Chair reported that, at its meeting on 15 April 2015, Senate had approved:

- a) No change to the current semester structure for 2016/17, following consultation on the shape of the academic year. A working group would be set up to consider principles emerging from the consultation feedback in greater depth.
- b) Amendments to the Student Complaints Procedure and University Regulation 17 on student Academic Reviews in light of the Office of the Independent Adjudicator's Good Practice Framework for Handling Complaints and Academic Appeals. The revised Regulation 17 would streamline the Academic Review process by providing greater opportunity for Executive Action. The terminology had also been clarified so that 'Academic Reviews' had been renamed 'Academic Appeals'. The revised Regulation would come into effect on 1 June 2015 and would be posted online.