



COUNCIL

10th October 2016 (Friday) 10.00am - 11.30am

In attendance: Ms Wendy Appleby (Secretary to Council); Ms Anne Marie O'Mullane (Assistant Secretary to Council); *For minutes 4 – 23:* Mr Phil Harding (Director of Finance & Business Affairs); Ms Lori Houlihan (Vice Provost (Advancement)); Mr Rex Knight (Vice-Provost (Operations)); Professor Anthony Smith (Vice-Provost (Education and Student Affairs)); *For minutes 4 – 6:* Dr Celia Caulcott (Vice-Provost (Enterprise and London)); *For minutes 5 – 23:* Professor David Lomas (Vice-Provost (Health)); *For minute 5:* Ms Fiona Ryland, Director of Human Resources; Mr Duncan Palmer (Director of Student Accommodation); *For minute 7:* Professor Graham Hart (Chair of the UCL GDPR Project Board) and Mr Thibault Williams (GDPR Programme Manager)

Apologies for absence were received from Professor Lucie Clapp, Mr Justin Turner QC and Dr Dame Nicola Brewer.

ASER	Annual Student Experience Review
COO	Chief Operating Officer
EIB	European Investment Bank
FOI	Freedom of Information
GCAB	Governance Committee of Academic Board
GDPR	EU General Data Protection Regulations
HEIs	Higher Education Institutions
NSS	National Student Survey
OfS	Office for Students
OVPEA	Office of the Vice Provost (Education & Student Affairs)
PGCE	Postgraduate Certificate in Education
JEP	Joint Evaluation Panel
SMT	Senior Management Team
TEF	Teaching Excellence Framework

THE	Times Higher Education
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
USS	University Superannuation Scheme
UUK	Universities UK

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

5. CONSULTATION: USS

[Paper 1-01, 2018-19]

[Ms Fiona Ryland, Director of Human Resources, attended for this item]

- 5.1 Council considered for approval a proposed response to the UUK employer consultation on the JEP recommendations, which was launched on 24th September 2018 and was due to close on the 30th October 2018. See (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9) (10) (11) (12) (13) (14) (15) (16) (17) (18) (19) (20) (21) (22) (23) (24) (25) (26) (27) (28) (29) (30) (31) (32) (33) (34) (35) (36) (37) (38) (39) (40) (41) (42) (43) (44) (45) (46) (47) (48) (49) (50) (51) (52) (53) (54) (55) (56) (57) (58) (59) (60) (61) (62) (63) (64) (65) (66) (67) (68) (69) (70) (71) (72) (73) (74) (75) (76) (77) (78) (79) (80) (81) (82) (83) (84) (85) (86) (87) (88) (89) (90) (91) (92) (93) (94) (95) (96) (97) (98) (99) (100)

- 5.8 To approve the draft additional comments included as part of the response to the UUK consultation on the JEP recommendations, subject to the inclusion of an additional comment:

“In the event of a pension holiday created by future fund revaluations, the benefits should be shared 65/35 between the employers and employees”.

6. PRINCIPAL THEME 2 ANNUAL REPORT TO COUNCIL

[Paper 1-02, 2018-19]

- 6.1 **Received:** An update on progress towards achieving Principal Theme 2, “A global leader in the integration of research and education, underpinning an inspirational student experience” from the Vice-Provost (Education and Student Affairs), Professor Anthony Smith.
- 6.2 The Vice Provost reported on progress with delivery of key actions that supported progress for this theme and achievement of the UCL Education Strategy. There was an increase in teaching space capacity, with the addition of 2,800 teaching seats. More

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- 6.5 Council discussed the levers that could be used to increase accountability for performance in student surveys and how to encourage a large step change in culture around ownership of education quality issues. In order to shape assessment and feedback strategies it was important to understand how students were engaging and utilising feedback.
- 6.6 Council requested two additional columns be added to the overall satisfaction next year; the size of the cohort and the response rate. This was considered to be important as the size of the cohort had an impact on the institutional overall satisfaction level and the response level also provided important contextual information.
- 6.7 Council asked Academic Board to report on proposals to improve student engagement and satisfaction, following its discussion of the Principal Theme 2 Annual Report (17-18).

7. GDPR – UPDATE

[Paper 1-05, 2018-19]

- 7.1 **Received:** An update from Professor Graham Hart, Chair of the UCL GDPR
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9. REGISTER OF INTERESTS 2018-19

[Paper 1-07, 2018-19]

- 9.1 **Received:** The annual declarations from Council members in the Register of Interests, 2018.
- 9.2 Council members and those in attendance signed their own entries in the Register during the course of the meeting.

10. SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT POLICY

[Paper 1-08, 2018-19]

- 10.1 **Approved:** The Socially Responsible Investment Policy.

11. UCL SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING STATEMENT UPDATE REPORT

[1-09, 2018-19]

- 11.1 **Approved:** The annual update to the Modern Day Slavery Statement.
- 11.2 **Received:** A report on UCL Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement.

12. APPOINTED MEMBERSHIP OF ACADEMIC BOARD

[Paper 1-10, 2018-19]

- 12.1 **Approved:** The appointment of two appointed members of Academic Board under Statute 7(B).

13. TERMS OF REFERENCE: AUDIT COMMITTEE

[Paper 1-11, 2018-19]

- 13.1 **Approved:** Changes to the terms of reference for the Audit Committee to reflect the role of the OfS.

14. ACTION TAKEN BY THE CHAIR

[Paper 1-12, 2018-19]

- 14.1 **Received:** A paper informing Council of decisions taken by the Chair on behalf of

15. MINUTES OF ACADEMIC BOARD

[Paper 1-13, 2018-19]

15.1 **Received:** The unconfirmed minutes of AB (2 May 2018).

16. UCL SEAL ANNUAL REPORT

[Paper 1-14, 2018-19]

16.1 **Received:** A report on the sealings executed between 1 October 2017 and 30 September 2018.

17. STUDENT SUSPENSIONS AND EXCLUSIONS 2017/18

[Paper 1-15, 2018-19]

17.1 **Received:** A report on the number of students suspended and/or excluded from UCL in the academic years.

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