MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCRUTINY

MINUTES

Wednesday, 7 May 2014 at 12.00pm
Lucia Windsor Room, Newnham College

Present: Dr Ruth Charles (Chair); Miss Emma Easterbrook (Support Officer); Professor Ross Anderson; Dr Mike Franklin; The Revd Dr Jonathan Holmes; Dr Samantha Lucy; and Dr Brian Sloan.

1. Apologies
   Mr Dick Taplin (Secretary); Mr Bruce Beckles; Dr Martin Dixon; The Revd Canon Hugh Shilson-Thomas; and Dr David Woodman.

2. Declarations of Interest
   All.

3. Minutes of 23 April 2014
   Approved.

4. Guests: Professor John Rallison, Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Education and Dr Kate Maxwell, Secretary to the Board of Graduate Studies
   The Board welcome Professor John Rallison and Dr Kate Maxwell and the following issues were discussed:

   (i) Cost of an undergraduate education;
   (ii) Overseas interviewing programme: including English language requirement, consistency of process, and reputational risks;
   (iii) MPhil students: including purpose and aims of annual 2% increase, research mission, and finances;
   (iv) Quality of students on post-graduate courses: including increase in fees, number of applications, fully funded packages and timetable, management of expectations, and reporting mechanisms;
   (v) Gender difference in Tripos performance: including Equality and Diversity Committee; and
   (vi) Institute of Continuing Education (ICE): including role in education strategy.

5. Any Other Business
   (i) Meeting with Mr Andrew Reid, Director of Finance: PW and SL; and
   (ii) Drafting of Nineteenth Report: All.
6. **Date of Next Meeting:**
No Guest.
12.00pm on Wednesday, 21 May 2014
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Emma Easterbrook
Support Officer
21 May 2014