MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCRUTINY

MINUTES

Thursday 24 November 2022, 12pm via Zoom

Present:

Professor Jocelyn Wyburd (Chair), Mr Graham Allen (Secretary), Mrs Rachel Rowe (Support Officer), Dr Seb Falk, Dr Rob Doubleday, Dr David Butterfield, Dr Charles Read, Rev Andrew Hammond, Dr Gilly Carr and Professor Richard Mortier.

The meeting began at 12pm.

1. Welcome and apologies:

Apologies were received from Dr Mark Purcell and Dr Orsola Rath Spivack.

2. Declarations of Interest:

None.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 2022:

The minutes were confirmed as a correct record.

4. Matters arising:

The Board were made aware of relevant items in the latest edition of The Reporter, namely a response from the Council on the Topic of Concern relating to North West Cambridge, and a revised Grace relating to the transfer between research and teaching pathways. The Board were also encouraged to read the notes on the Discussion of the Board's Report which were published in the Reporter dated 15 November.

5. Board of Scrutiny election:

The Board were informed that two candidates had submitted nominations for the current vacancy, and members were encouraged to vote and to ensure others are aware of the ballot before it closes on 5 December.

The Chair reported to the Board that due to her impending appointment as Interim Head of the School of Arts and Humanities in January 2023, she will shortly be resigning from the Board of Scrutiny, resulting in an up-coming by-election. Board members were asked to consider who to nominate as the new Chair from among the current membership, which could be agreed by circulation and ratified at the next meeting.

6. Discussion of the Board's Annual Report:

The Board recorded its thanks to Professor Mortier for his comments at the Discussion and for highlighting the issue of Regent House engagement.

7. Report from the Proctors:

The Board were informed that the next Council meeting will be held on Monday 28 November. The agenda will be circulated to the Board for information.

8. Update on Working Groups:

The Board were asked to note some initial topics of concern that had been added to the online shared document for the Working Groups.

9. Any Other Business:

The Board agreed to hold an additional full Board meeting on Friday 10 February 2023 from 2-4pm, which the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Enterprise and Business Relations, Professor Andy Neely, will be invited to attend.

Addendum 29/11/22- to avoid scheduling conflicts, this meeting date was changed to Monday 13 February at 12.30pm.

10. Date of next full Board meeting:

Thursday 2 February 2023, 2pm in the SCR at Christ's College.

The meeting closed at 1pm.

Rachel Rowe
Support Officer