

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCRUTINY MINUTES

Wednesday, 20 February 2013 at 12 noon
Chadwick Room, Selwyn College

Present: Dr Catherine MacKenzie (Chairman); Mr Kevin Coutinho (Secretary); Dr Ruth Charles; Dr Martin Dixon; Revd Dr Jonathan Holmes; Dr Owen Saxton; Dr Christina Skott; Dr Brian Sloan; Mr Dick Taplin; Mr Paul Warren; Ms Aimee Kibble (Support Officer).

1. Apologies

Mr Bruce Beckles; Mr David Goode.

2. Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Minutes of the meetings of 30 January 2013

Approved.

4. Matters Arising

- The Board welcomed Dr Ruth Charles who has been elected to serve until 30 September 2013.
- In Trinity, the Board will discuss research (guest: Professor Lynn Gladden PVC for Research) and the IT review (guest TBC) and will drafting the Annual Report.

5. Guest: Mr Andrew Reid, Director of Finance.

The Board thanked Mr Reid for his attendance and the following matters were discussed:

- Increases in academic fees, research grants, income, operating expenses, expenditure on administration and Central Services, and fees paid to external auditors in 2011-12;
- Outlook for research funding;
- Decline in wages and salaries in 2011-12;
- The benefit from the VSS and its overall impact over the year;
- Performance of the University Endowment, CUDO, Cambridge Assessment and CUP in 2011-12;
- Risk management measures in respect of the operation of summer schools by various societies;
- Costs associated with the set-up of the New Data Centre/UCS/HPCS and 'JANET' pipe link;
- The University's internal and external purchasing policies with regards to financial probity and regulatory compliance.

6. Any Other Business

None.

7. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday, 27 February 2013 at 12 noon
Chadwick Room, Selwyn College
Guest: Professor Steve Young, Senior PVC