

# MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCRUTINY

## MINUTES

**Wednesday, 12 February 2014 at 12.00pm**  
**Lucia Windsor Room, Newnham College**

**Present:** Dr Ruth Charles (Chair); Mr Dick Taplin (Secretary); Miss Emma Easterbrook (Support Officer); Professor Ross Anderson; Mr Bruce Beckles; Dr Martin Dixon; Dr Mike Franklin; The Revd Dr Jonathan Holmes; Dr Samantha Lucy; Dr Brian Sloan; Mr Paul Warren; and Dr David Woodman.

1. **Apologies**

The Revd Canon Hugh Shilson-Thomas.

2. **Declarations of Interest**

All associated and/or affiliated with the University.

RA: Previous Council member.

BB: Secretary to the local branch of University and College Union (UCU).

3. **Minutes of 29 January 2014**

Approved.

4. **Guest: Professor Sir Leszek Borysiewicz, Vice-Chancellor**

The Board welcomed Professor Sir Leszek Borysiewicz and the following issues were discussed:

- (i) **Overview:** including achievements, overarching goal, future priorities, and relationship with Pro-Vice-Chancellors (PVCs);
- (ii) **Massive On-line Open Courses (MOOCs) and Small to Medium Open On-line Open Courses (SMOOCs);**
- (iii) **Postgraduates and post-doctorates:** including 2% per annum growth, MPhils, PhDs, and integration;
- (iv) **Funding:** including research councils, capital development, Scotland, and Brussels;
- (v) **North West Cambridge;**
- (vi) **Relationship between the University and the Colleges;**
- (vii) **Cambridge University Development and Alumni Relations (CUDAR);**
- (viii) **City Deal:** including infrastructure;
- (ix) **Universities Superannuation Scheme (USS):** including Pensions Working Group;
- (x) **“Big Data”:** including ELIXIR, High Performance Computing Service (HPCS), DSpace@Cambridge, and Clinical Practice Research Data-link (CPRD);

- (xi) **Salaries:** including living wage, minimum wage and salary increases;
- (xii) **University College Union;**
- (xiii) **Career prospects of women within the University:** including strategy;
- (xiv) **Institute of Continuing Education (ICE);** and
- (xv) **Project Light:** including success of re-branding of the University.

5. **Any Other Business**

None.

6. **Date of Next Meeting:**

Guest: Dr Jonathan Nicholls, Registry  
12.00pm on Wednesday, 26 February 2014  
Lucia Windsor, Newnham College

**Emma Easterbrook  
Support Officer  
26 February 2014**