

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCRUTINY

MINUTES

Wednesday, 24 November 2011 at 12.00pm
Old Development Room, Emmanuel College

Present: The Revd Jeremy Caddick (Chair); Dr Catherine MacKenzie (Secretary); Miss Emma Easterbrook (Support Officer); Mr Kevin Coutinho; Mr David Goode; Dr Owen Saxton; Dr Christina Skott; Dr Oren Scherman; Dr Brian Sloan; Mr Paul Warren; and Dr Alan Winter.

1. Apologies

Dr Martin Dixon.

2. Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Minutes of Meetings on 27 October and 10 November 2011

Approved.

4. Matters Arising

- i. Dates of future meetings: to be changed to Wednesdays where possible; and
- ii. North West Cambridge: to be kept under review.

5. Guest: Professor Lynn Gladden, PVC for Research

The Board thanked Professor Gladden for her attendance and the following issues were discussed:

- i. **Financial breakdown:** including how figures are fixed, revision of Chest contracts, research grant income, and the changing profile of funders;
- ii. **Full Economic Costs (fEC):** including its reduction;
- iii. **Research Excellence Framework (REF):** including large collaborative EU grants;
- iv. **Engineering and Physical Research Council (EPSRC);**
- v. **Staffing structure in the Research Office;**
- vi. **Communications between the Research Office and academics;** and
- vii. **Future plans.**

6. Any Other Business

None.

7. Date of Next Meeting:

Guest: Dr Jonathan Nicholls, Registry
12.00 pm on Thursday, 19 January 2012
Old Development Room, Emmanuel College