Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF STUDIES FOR THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE

Place Council Chamber
Date Tuesday 29 June 2010 at 9.30am

Present
Professor D M Bird
Dr I S Blagbrough
Dr B Delgado-Charro
Professor J J Faraway
Mr A Hayes
Dr M V Hejmadi
Dr R Hooley
Dr A C Jeffries

Professor C Jennison (Chair)
Dr I V Kamotski
Professor J C Knight
Dr A J Power
Professor G J Price
Professor I H Williams
Dr D Wolverson

Mrs E F Bird (Secretary)

Apologies for absence were received from:
Professor G R Burton
Dr F R Laughton
Professor G A McCusker
Dr W M Megill
Dr E O’Neill
Professor R M Tyrrell
Dr I Walker
Professor P J Willis
Dr C Wilson
Dr B Yalabik

Mr Hayes attended the meeting in place of Professor Willis, and Dr Rogers attended the meeting with Professor Tyrrell.

It was agreed to take business out of agenda order.

4999 CHAIR’S BUSINESS
On behalf of the Board, Professor Jennison congratulated

- Professor Barry Potter, Department of Pharmacy & Pharmacology, for the award of the 2010 Interdisciplinary Prize and Medal for outstanding biological and chemistry accomplishments from the Royal Society of Chemistry
- Professor Stuart Reynolds, Department of Biology & Biochemistry, who has recently been appointed as the President of the Royal Entomological Society for the next two years
- Professor Richard Guy, Department of Pharmacy & Pharmacology, who has recently been appointed to the new Pharmaceutical Science Expert Advisory Panel (for the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain)
• Professor Laurence Hurst, Department of Biology & Biochemistry, one of two winners of the new Prize for Excellence in Doctoral Supervision
• Diego Colombara, PhD student in the Department of Chemistry, who is one of four winners in the recent Visual Research Stories competition organised for the opening of the new 4 West Graduate Centre
• Tobias Warnecke, Department of Biology & Biochemistry for the award of the Ede and Ravenscroft Prize for his research: ‘Colonel Mustard, with the candlestick... in the lost extension??!! Redrawing the board of genetic Cluedo: how mutations cause harm in unexpected places’.

The Board was reminded that a second follow-up meeting about the IMCs policy and procedures will be taking place on 12 July 2010. It was noted that some IMCs Panels involved members from other departments.

Professor Jennison informed the Board that Associate Deans for the Faculty of Science have recently been appointed for three years from 1 August 2010.
• Professor Matthew Davidson (Research)
• Professor Gareth Price (Learning & Teaching)
• Professor Susan Wonnacott (Graduate Studies).

The Board noted that the following have been nominated for Board of Studies membership from October 2010.
• Dr Gary Mathlin (Department of Physics)
• Dr John Power (Department of Computer Science (currently a co-opted member)
• Professor Ian Williams (for a 2nd term of office).

5000 MINUTES
The Board approved the minutes of the meeting held on 19 May 2010 (papers 140/141).

5001 MATTERS ARISING
M4978 Fitness to Practise policy
This new policy for MPharm students was approved by Senate on 9 June 2010, for implementation at the beginning of 2010-2011 academic session.

M4987 New Committee structures
Senate on 9 June 2010 approved the terms of reference and membership of various new institutional and faculty committees with effect from 1st August 2010.

The student membership of the Board of Studies will include
• three students (including at least one undergraduate and one postgraduate student) elected by and from the student members of the Faculty
• one Sabbatical Officer nominated by the Students’ Union.
Membership of the Faculty Learning Teaching & Quality Committee will include:

- two student representatives (1 undergraduate and 1 postgraduate) elected by and from the student members of the Faculty
- in attendance, one Sabbatical Officer nominated by the Students’ Union. For a trial period of one year.

5002 FACULTY EXECUTIVE
The Board received the notes of the meeting held on 11 May 2010 and 9 June 2010 (paper 143/143a).

5003 FACULTY RESEARCH STUDENTS COMMITTEE
The Board received the minutes of the meeting held on 13 May 2010 (paper 143).

5004 FACULTY TEACHING & QUALITY COMMITTEE
The Board received the minutes of the meetings held on 9 June 2010 (paper 145).

5005 UNIT AND PROGRAMME CHANGES
The Board noted some unit and programme changes that had been approved by the Faculty Teaching & Quality Committee, on behalf of the Board of Studies (papers 146).

5006 DEPARTMENT MEETINGS
The Board received minutes from departmental meetings (paper 147).
Department of Physics
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