



Meeting **BOARD OF STUDIES FOR THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE**  
Place 1 South 0.01  
Date Wednesday 18 May 2016 at 14:15

Present	Professor D M Bird Professor S J Bending Dr J Bultitude Dr H R Corradi Dr J Doughty Professor C Frost Dr G Mathlin Professor P Morters Dr S J Roser Dr D A Taylor Professor S G Ward Professor C Wilson Professor S Wonnacott	Dean of Science (Chair) Head of Department of Physics Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Department of Biology and Biochemistry Department of Biology and Biochemistry Head of Department of Chemistry Department of Physics Head of Department of Mathematical Sciences Head of Natural Sciences Department of Pharmacy and Pharmacology Head of Department of Pharmacy and Pharmacology Associate Dean (Research) Associate Dean (Graduate Studies)
In attendance	Mrs M Hallett Ms A L Harper	Faculty of Science (Secretary) Faculty of Science (Observer)
Apologies	Dr F Bisset Professor C Bowen Dr A D Burrows Professor F Burstall Dr A Hayes  Professor R S G Jones Miss R McMahon Dr J Nordstrom Professor E O'Neill Dr J Power Professor R J Scott Miss J Walsh Miss L Woodcock Dr Z Yalabik	Learning Partnerships Office Faculty of Engineering and Design Department of Chemistry Department of Mathematical Sciences Associate Dean (Learning and Teaching), Department of Computer Science Department of Pharmacy and Pharmacology Undergraduate student representative Department of Mathematical Sciences Head of Department of Computer Science Department of Computer Science Head of Department of Biology and Biochemistry PGR student representative Students' Union (SU) Sabbatical Officer (Education) School of Management

**6164 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** **ACTION**  
The Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting of the Board held on 20 April 2016 (Paper 270).

**6165 MATTERS ARISING**  
There were no matters arising.

**6166 CHAIR'S BUSINESS**

The Chair brought the following to the attention of the Board:

- Three PhD students from the Faculty of Science had been shortlisted for the Ede and Ravenscroft Prize 2016: Kimberley Gallagher (Chemistry), Milto Miltiadou (Computer Science) and Jack Oyston (Biology and Biochemistry, and that the Prize had been awarded to Jack Oyston.
- The UCU had called for:
  - a) Strike action from its members on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May.
  - b) Refusal by its members to work beyond contracted hours (or 37 hours per week for academic staff for whom there are no contracted hours) continuously from 25<sup>th</sup> May. Heads of Departments would be asked to ensure that during this time all colleagues prioritise assessment.
  - c) All External Examiners to resign from their posts, subject to appropriate notice being given (6 months for our taught programmes), and not to take up new posts, which had potential to cause disruption next academic year.

**6167 ESTABLISHMENT OF A PRIZE**

The Board approved a new American Alumni Foundation Prize (£250) for best final year project (June 2016) in:

- a) Natural Sciences (Paper 296).
- b) Physics or Maths & Physics (Paper 297).

The Board noted that while the funding was only for one year in the first instance, it was expected to be made an annual award.

**6168 STAFF STUDENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (SSLC) MEETINGS**

The Board noted the minutes of the following departmental SSLC meetings:

**Department of Computer Science** 14 April 2016 (Paper 275).

**Department of Physics** 18 November 2015 (Paper 276A), and 24 February (Paper 276B) and 16 March (Paper 276C) 2016.