

# Council

There will be meeting of the Council of St George's, University of London at 5.00 pm on Monday 23 March 2015 in Boardrooms 1 & 2, Level 2, Hunter Wing. Followed by a reception.

1. **Apologies for absence**

2. **Remarks from the Chair**

**Higher Education Code of Governance**

To receive: A copy of the Higher Education Code of Governance produced by the Committee of University Chairs (CUC).

**Circulated Separately**

3. **Minutes**

To receive and approve: Minutes of the meeting held on 16 December 2014.

**Paper Council/4/A**

4. **Matters arising from the Minutes**

(i) Minute 40 (i): Appointment of the Principal

To receive: A report on progress with the appointment of the Principal.

**Paper Council/4/B**

(ii) Minute 42(i): External Auditors Report (Discretionary Accounts)

To note: That a paper on Discretionary Accounts was presented to the Finance Committee at its meeting on 23 February 2015 (**Paper K** below refers). A further paper will be presented to the Finance Committee at its meeting on 11 June 2015.

(iii) Minute 44: BRF Commercial Strategy

To note: That a paper on the Commercial Strategy for the BRF is expected for the meeting of the Finance Committee to be held on 11 June 2015.

(iv) Minute 46: St George's Joint Implementation Board

To report:

**Branding**

- (a) That the use of the term 'health partners' and 'health system' would not be used in the context of the joint brand and logo (**Paper J** below refers).

**Joint Research and Enterprise Office (JREO)**

- (b) That the review of the JREO by Professor Barry Gusterson, Independent Member of Council, had been completed and the subsequent report and recommendations had been adopted by the Strategy, Planning and Resources Committee (SPARC) at its meeting on 18 February 2015. An action plan for the implementation of the recommendations arising from the report would be considered by SPARC at its meeting on 19 March 2015 and subsequent actions would be taken forward by the Executive Team.

(v) Minute 47: Futures Briefing (REF Outcomes)

To report:

- (a) That the Futures Briefing was circulated to Council Members on 9 January 2015 by the Clerk to Council.
- (b) That a commentary on the REF outcomes was circulated to Independent Council members on 19 December 2014 by the Principal.
- (b) That a formal report on the REF outcomes is included on the current agenda (**Paper H** below refers).

(vi) Minute 49 (v): International Report

To report: That the 2014/2015 financial position of INTO and the first quarter forecast were circulated to Council on 9 January 2015 by the Clerk to Council.

**5. Health and Safety Issues**

To receive: A report from the Safety Management Committee, and any issues that have arisen since the meeting of Council held on 16 December 2014.

**6. Principal's Report**

**Paper Council/4/C**

To receive: A report from the Principal.

**7. Students' Union Report**

**Paper Council/4/D**

To receive: An oral report from the Students' Union.

**8. University of London Statutes**

To approve: Amendments to the University of London Statutes. In accordance with the 1994 University of London Act, the University of London is required to consult with member colleges over any changes to its statutes. The following amendments are proposed:

- (a) the inclusion of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor as an ex-officio member of the Collegiate Council and of the Board of Trustees;
- (b) the inclusion of the Chief Executive of the International Programmes as an ex-officio member of the Collegiate Council.

If (a) and (b) above are approved then an amendment to Ordinance 13 of the University of London would also be required. The proposed changes are set out in the attached document, including an extract from Ordinance 13, and explanatory notes are set out in the margins.

**Paper Council/4/E**

## Strategic Planning

**9. Strategic Plan 2015-2020**

To consider: The Strategic Plan 2015-2020.

**Paper Council/4/F**

**10. Strategic Plan Monitoring (Key Performance Indicators)**

To receive: The Key Performance Indicators.

**Paper Council/4/G**

**11. Research Excellence Framework**

To receive: A report on the results of the Research Excellence Framework.

**Paper Council/4/H**

## Partnerships and Collaborations

**12. International Report**

To receive: A report on International Matters considered at Finance Committee at its meeting on 23 February 2015 (including the International Strategy).

**Paper Council/4/I**

**13. St George's Joint Implementation Board**

To receive: A report on issues arising from the meeting held on 10 February 2015 and Minutes of the Joint Implementation Board held on:

9 December 2014

10 February 2015

**Paper Council/4/J**

## Finance, Audit and Risk Management

**14. Finance Committee Report**

To receive: A report from the Chair of the Finance Committee.

**Paper Council/4/K**

**15. Financial Report for the Six Months ended 31 January 2015**

To receive: The financial report for the six months ended 31 January 2015.

**Paper Council/4/L**

**16. Audit Committee Report**

To receive: A report from the Chair of the Audit Committee.

**Paper Council/4/M**

**17. Risk Management and Efficiency**

To receive: Reports from the Risk Management and Efficiency Committee received by the Audit Committee at its meeting on 24 February 2015.

**Paper Council/4/N**

## Equality and Diversity

**18. Athena Swan Silver Award Submission**

To receive: A report on progress towards submission for the Athena Swan Silver Award.

**Paper Council/4/O**

**19. Stonewall Top 100 Employers**

To report: That SGUL has been ranked 47 out of 397 organisations who have submitted submissions for the Stonewall Workplace Equality Index. In 2014 SGUL was ranked 213 out of 367 organisations. Overall this is a rise of 156 places. SGUL was ranked in the top 5 for Education Organisations.

## Human Resources

**20. Human Resources Report**

To receive: A report from the Joint Director of Human Resources.

**Paper Council/4/P**

## Estates

### 21. Estates

To receive: A report from the Joint Director of Estates.

Paper Council/4/Q

## Matters for Approval

### 22. Award of Titles

To approve: The recommendation from Senate that Professor Shlomo Noy and Professor Anat Achiron, University of Tel Aviv, Israel, be awarded the title of Visiting Professor with immediate effect. Both Professor Noy and Professor Achiron also hold senior roles within the Sheba Medical Centre, Tel Hashomer, Israel. Both are internationally renowned scholars in their fields of, respectively, rehabilitation medicine and multiple sclerosis. Professor Noy and Professor Achiron have undertaken a great amount of work to establish the SGUL/UNic programme within Sheba Medical Centre, and they have also promoted the programme and partnership around the world.

## Matters for Report

### Actions by the Chair

#### \*23. Student Cases

To report: The Chair considered three related appeals under the Student Complaints Procedure. The appeals were not upheld by the Chair. It is now open to the students to make a complaint to the Office of the Independent Adjudicator.

#### \*24. Award of Title

To report: That the Chair has taken the following action on behalf of Council:

- (i) The award of the title of Emeritus Professor in Endocrinology to Professor Adrian Clark, who retired on 27 February 2015. Professor Clark will be affiliated to the Institute of Infection and Immunity.
- (ii) The award of the title of Emeritus Professor in Cardiovascular Biomarkers to Professor Paul Collinson who retired in 2014. Professor Collinson will be affiliated to the Institute of Cardiovascular and Cell Sciences.

### Other Matters

#### \*25. Minutes of Meetings

Committee	Date of Meeting	Available from:
Audit Committee	24 February 2015	strubsha@sgul.ac.uk
Risk Management & Efficiency Committee	16 February 2015	sdurkin@sgul.ac.uk
Finance Committee	28 January 2015 23 February 2015	<b>Paper Council/4/R</b>
SPARC	21 January 2015 18 February 2015 19 March 2015	strubsha@sgul.ac.uk
Senate	25 February 2015	dbaldwin@sgul.ac.uk
Human Resources Committee	TBA	tba

## HEFCE and other External Matters

**\*26. HEFCE Letters and Consultations and other External Consultations for Information**

To receive: A report on HEFCE letters and consultations and other external consultations, with responses to date.

Paper Council/4/S

**\*27. Any other business**

**\*28. Dates of meetings 2015-2016**

Friday 24 April 2015 – Away Day Academy of Medical Sciences, 41 Portland Place

Tuesday 2 June 2015

Tuesday 7 July 2015

Tuesday 20 October 2015

Tuesday 24 November 2015

Tuesday 15 December 2015

Tuesday 15 March 2016

Friday 22 April 2016 – Away Day

Tuesday 5 July 2016

Tuesday 18 October 2016

Tuesday 22 November 2016

Tuesday 13 December 2016

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