

ACADEMIC BOARD

Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on 24 MAY 2005

Present:

Mr P Bland	Dr T Middleton
Mr J Cooper	Dr F Montgomery
Professor D Cush	Professor F Morgan (Chair)
Mr A E Dewberry (Secretary)	Ms J Parry
Mr A Dyson	Professor N Sammells
Mr C Ellicott	Professor G Smith
Dr T Hill	Dr A Thomas
Professor R Mears	Dr C White

In attendance: Mr J Brady, Mr C Crumplin

Unable to attend: Mr J Bennett, Professor R George, Professor D Timms

04/23 MINUTES : 12 APRIL 2005

Minutes of the meeting held on 12 April 2005, which had been circulated, were received as a correct record.

04/24 MATTERS ARISING

04/19 Current Issues

The Chair confirmed that the University of Bath had lodged a formal objection with the Privy Council regarding the proposed change of name but he remained confident that this would not be upheld.

04/25 CHAIR'S BUSINESS

a) Course Dates 2006 / 07

The Chair reported his action in approving Dates for Courses 2006 / 07 details of which would be circulated by the Registrar in early course.

04/26 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS FROM ANNUAL REPORTS 2004 / 05

Dr A Thomas referred to Paper D287 providing the Academic Board with an analysis of the resource implications from the 2004 / 05 Annual Reports submitted by reporting units.

The Board's attention was drawn to significant improvements in open access and library resources and the critical importance of providing appropriate teaching and office

accommodation which was being addressed through an enhanced programme of capital investment both at Newton Park and at Sion Hill.

Following discussion, the Academic Board received Paper D287.

04/27 BUDGET PROPOSALS 2005 / 06

Mr J Brady expanded on Paper P286 providing the Academic Board with an opportunity to consider the Budget Proposals 2005 / 06 and in particular, to advise the Director on the distribution of academic budgets.

The Board discussed library and ICT provision and were informed of improved arrangements for technician support in computing and CETL laboratories. Professor D Timms would be requested to consider technical support for Apple Mac computers on the Newton Park site.

Mr A E Dewberry reported briefly on the proposed development of a new campus in Keynsham.

Following discussion, the Academic Board:

- a) received Paper D286, and
- b) noted that the annual revenue budget will be presented to the Board of Governors for approval on 29 June 2005.

04/28 ITEMS FOR RECEIPT

The Academic Board formally received minutes of the following meetings:

E&CS	SB	:	8 December 2004
		:	9 March 2005
E	SB	:	16 March 2005
S&E	SB	:	1 December 2004
HD (T) C		:	12 May 04
		:	20 April 05
HD (R) C		:	4 May 2005
AQSC		:	7 October 2004
		:	9 December 2004
		:	10 February 2005
L&TC		:	18 January 2005
RC&S		:	3 February 2005

04/29 OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

None.

The meeting closed at 1050 hrs.

Anthony E Dewberry
Secretary
3 June 2005