



BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Minutes of the special meeting held on 10 May 2022 at 1500 hrs on Google Meet

Present:

Dr J Brasted	Mr S Riad
Ms E Casey	Professor S Rigby (Vice-Chancellor)
Mr S Egan	Ms C Stott
Ms M Evans	Mr N Sturge
Ms S Harris	Dr E Wakelin
Ms S Lane	Mr H Watts
Ms J Luxford (Chair of Meeting)	Ms A Workman
Ms V Nawathe	Ms F Fryer
Mr S Lockren	

In attendance:

Mr D Newman (University Secretary)
Mrs J Conibere (Senior Chancery Administrator)

Apologies:

Mr J Glasspool; Ms Alice Workman; Professor J Ravalier

21/66 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

- 1.1 Ms J Luxford, Deputy Chair of the Board of Governors, chaired the meeting given that the Board Chair had absented himself due to reasons of conflict, in light of the nature of the primary matter under consideration at today's meeting. It was agreed that the items on the agenda would be taken in the order set out below. The apologies of the governors named above were noted.

21/67 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS: FOR DECISION

- 2.1 The Deputy Chair reminded the Board of the chair appointment process which had been followed and provided a verbal update on developments since the previous meeting held on 6 May 2022, including a constructive meeting which had taken place with the interim Chair.
- 2.2 The Deputy Chair informed the Board that the selection panel was delighted to recommend the appointment of the current interim Chair, Jonathan Glasspool on a substantive basis.
- 2.3 Following a discussion, the Board **APPROVED** the appointment of Jonathan Glasspool as permanent Chair of the Board of Governors for a term of 3 years with immediate effect, and to an extension of his term of office as an independent governor for the same period. It was agreed that the Deputy Chair would liaise with the Chair to inform him of the outcome, and the University Secretary was authorised to notify the Office for Students of the appointment.

ACTION: University Secretary

- 2.4 The Deputy Chair thanked the members of the selection panel and the University Secretary for the time and effort that they had contributed to this process. The Board reiterated its gratitude to the Deputy Chair for leading the Board in its deliberations.
- 2.5 Governors shared their reflections on the chair appointment process and it was **AGREED** that the University Secretary should identify whether there might be an opportunity for the Board to extract any learning that could be used to enhance its chair appointment process in the future.

ACTION: University Secretary

- 2.6 The Board agreed on the importance of moving forward effectively together, with the executive, to ensure the continued success of the University.

21/69 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 MAY 2022

- 3.1 The minutes from the previous Board meeting held on 6 May 2022 were formally **APPROVED** and it was **NOTED** that the documents from HSBC Bank Plc relating to the Lombard facility circulated alongside the minutes would be executed in-line with the approval given by the Board at the previous meeting.
- 3.2 At the conclusion of discussions, the Vice-Chancellor provided a brief verbal update on the University's performance in the Research Excellence Framework (REF21). It was noted that a full report would be provided to governors in due course.

The meeting closed at 15.36.

David Newman
University Secretary
10 May 2022

Signed as a record of confirmed minutes:

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Joy Luxford, Chair of the Meeting
Date: 13 July 2022