



The following are the outcomes of the discussions which took place at the Board meeting on 14 December 2016.

They are **not** a formal minute of the discussion.

Circulation: Board members and members of the Executive Officers Group.

AGENDA

No	Item	Outcome
	Statements of Interest	<p>The Secretary to the College advised that a number of statements of Interest had been declared and addressed each one as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer declared a potential conflict in relation to Agenda item A.5 Assurances required by Trustees of Trinity Foundation as he was one of the Trustees. The Secretary to the College recommended, and the Board agreed, that Mr Mathews should excuse himself from the meeting for the discussion on this item.• Professor Deirdre Ahern had declared a potential conflict of interest in relation to Agenda item A.10 University Council as she was included in the nominations for promotion to Associate Professor and for accelerated advancement which had been approved by Council. The Secretary to the College recommended, and the Board agreed, that Professor Ahern should excuse herself from the meeting for the discussion on this item.• Professor Catherine McCabe had declared a potential conflict of interest in relation to Agenda item A.10 University Council as she was included in the nominations for promotion to Associate Professor which had been approved by Council. The Secretary to the College recommended, and the Board agreed, that Professor McCabe should excuse herself from the meeting for the discussion on this item.• Professor Rachel Moss had declared a potential conflict of interest in relation to Agenda item A.10 University Council as she was included in the nominations for promotion to Associate Professor which had been approved by Council. The Secretary to the College recommended, and the Board agreed, that Professor Moss should excuse herself from the meeting for the discussion on this item.• Professor Sarah Alyn-Stacey declared a potential conflict in relation to Agenda item C. 20(iii) Visual and Performing Arts Fund as her application to this fund had been successful. The Secretary to the College recommended, and the Board agreed, that Professor Alyn-Stacey should excuse herself from the meeting for the discussion on this item.

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A.1	Minutes Meeting of 9 November 2016.	The Minutes of the Board meeting of 9 November 2016 were approved and signed.
A.2	Matters Arising from the Minutes	<p>There were two matters arising as follows:</p> <p>BD/16-17/60 Senior Academic Promotions Trinity College, Review of Policy and Operations</p> <p>It was noted that the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer was proceeding to implement the recommendations as approved by Board, with full implementation planned for the academic year 2017/18. It was also noted that an implementation Working Group is to be formed with the following membership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer; • 3 Faculty Deans; • The Equality Officer; • Professor Marina Lynch. <p>It was noted that a promotion round would proceed in 2016/17 under the current process but with the financial quota as set out in Recommendation 1 of the review by Professor Saunders.</p> <p>BD/16-17/069 Human Resources Committee</p> <p>The Board approved the Diversity and Inclusion Strategy which had been further revised by the Chief Operating Officer and the Director of Diversity and Inclusion, in consultation with Professor R. Gilligan. It was agreed that Professor Robbie Gilligan, in consultation with the Senior Lecturer, should be invited to present a discussion paper for a future meeting of Board on the topic of diversity and inclusion.</p>
A.3	Provost's Report	<p>The Provost provided the Board with an update on his work in the past month under the following headings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invitation to membership of the League of European Research Universities (LERU); • Investment Committee – divestment from Fossil Fuels; • Trinity Education Project; • Philanthropy.
A.4	<p>Sustainability Report and Provost's Advisory Committee on Sustainability</p> <p>Memorandum from the Registrar dated 1 December 2016 and a presentation on the Report.</p> <p><i>Mr Joe Borza, Sustainability Advisor and Member of the Green Campus Committee, attended.</i></p>	<p>The Board noted the memorandum from the Registrar dated 1 December 2016 and the presentation as presented by Mr Joe Borza, Sustainability Advisor and Member of the Green Campus Committee.</p> <p>The Board noted the proposed establishment of the Provost's Advisory Committee on Sustainability and agreed to add the Environmental Officer of the Graduate Students' Union to its membership. It was recommended that the comments from Board members in relation to sustainability be considered for future agendas of the committee meetings.</p>

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A.5	<p>Assurances required by Trustees of the Trinity Foundation Memorandum from the Provost dated 9 December 2016.</p>	<p>The Board noted and approved the memorandum from the Provost, dated 9 December 2016.</p> <p>The Board agreed that Dr Olive Braiden be invited to join the subgroup as listed in the memorandum from the Provost.</p>
A.6	<p>Update on Estates Strategy Document from the Bursar/Director of Strategic Innovation dated 1 December 2016 and to receive an update.</p>	<p>The Board noted the document from the Bursar/Director of Strategic Innovation and received an update on the Estates Strategy.</p>
A.7	<p>Campus Medium Voltage (MV) Upgrade Document from the Bursar/Director of Strategic Innovation dated 29 November 2016.</p>	<p>The Board noted and approved the document from the Bursar/Director of Strategic Innovation dated 29 November 2016.</p> <p>The Board noted and approved the Campus MV project, including the associated expenditure, and also noted the route for underground cabling and the communication plan.</p>
A.8	<p>2010 Consolidated Statutes (i) Timeline for Fellows' Assents to amend Chapter on the Fellows To approve the Memorandum from the Registrar dated 1 December 2016.</p> <p>(ii) Proposed Change to Introduction Chapter To approve the Memorandum from the Registrar dated 1 December 2016.</p>	<p>(i) The Board noted the memorandum from the Registrar dated 1 December 2016 on the timeline for Fellows' Assents to amend the Chapter on the Fellows. It was agreed that the assents process would commence on 9 January and close on 27 January 2017.</p> <p>(ii) The Board noted the memorandum from the Registrar dated 1 December 2016 on the proposed change to the Introduction Chapter. It was agreed that the assents process would commence on 30 January and close after three weeks.</p>
A.9	<p>Increasing the Provision of Student Accommodation To note and discuss the memorandum from the Chief Operating Officer dated 6 December 2016.</p>	<p>The Board noted and discussed the memorandum from the Chief Operating Officer dated 6 December 2016.</p> <p>The Board agreed that the prioritisation of capital projects exercise would be revisited.</p>
A.10	<p>University Council To note and approve the draft Acta of the Council meeting of 30 November 2016.</p>	<p>The Board noted and approved the draft Acta of the Council meeting of 30 November 2016.</p>
A.11	<p>Any Other Urgent Business</p>	<p>There was no other urgent business.</p>

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B.12	<p>(i) Board Outcomes</p> <p>(ii) Board Callover</p>	<p>(i) Noted.</p> <p>(ii) Noted</p>
B.13	<p>Audit Committee Draft minutes of the meeting of 1 December 2016.</p>	The Board noted and approved the draft minutes of the meeting of 1 December 2016.
B.14	<p>Finance Committee Draft minutes of the meeting of 22 November 2016 and Memorandum dated 14 November 2016 from the Secretary to the College re: Voluntary Strike Off of the Houghton Institute for Graduate Education and Training in the Health Sciences Limited.</p>	The Board noted and approved the draft minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of 22 November 2016 and Memorandum from the Secretary to the College dated 14 November 2016 re: Voluntary Strike Off of the Houghton Institute for Graduate Education and Training in the Health Sciences Limited.
B.15	<p>Estates Policy Committee Draft Minutes of the meeting of 18 November 2016.</p>	The Board noted and approved the draft minutes of meeting of 18 November 2016.
C.16	<p>Related Entity Financial Reporting</p> <p>(i) To note and approve the Memorandum from the Chief Financial Officer dated 2 November 2016 re Finance Committee minute FN/16-17/36.</p> <p>(ii) To note and approve the Memorandum from the Chief Financial Officer dated 6 December 2016 re Finance Committee minute FN/16-17/48.</p>	<p>(i) Noted and approved.</p> <p>(ii) Noted and approved.</p>
C.17	<p>Higher Degrees To note Higher Degrees, approved by the sub-committee of Board and Council on 30 November 2016.</p>	Noted.

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C.18	<p>Proctors' Lists for Winter Commencements To note that the Proctors' Lists were approved by the sub-committee of Board and Council on 29 November 2016.</p>	Noted.
C.19	<p>Sealings To note the sealings.</p>	Noted.
C.20	<p>Prizes and Awards 2016 Entrance Exhibition Awards (i) To note and approve the Memorandum from the Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies dated 7 December 2016. (ii) School of Medicine Studentships 2016/17 To note and approve the Memorandum from Ms Sharon Thompson, Medical Student and Intern Co-ordinator, dated 30 November 2016. (iii) Visual and Performing Arts Fund 2016/17 To note and approve the Memorandum from the Provost dated 5 December 2016. (iv) Lucy Gwynn Prize To note and approve the Memorandum from the Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies dated 29 November 2016. (v) Gold Medal Recommendation 2016 To note that the Board had approved electronically on Friday 2 December 2016 the Memorandum from the Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies dated 28 November 2016 regarding the award of an additional Gold Medal for the academic year 2015/16 to the following Human Health and Disease final year student: Strickland, Tammy.</p>	Noted.

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C.21	<p>Directors of Trinity Brand Commercial Services Limited To note and approve the Memorandum from the Secretary to the College dated 5 December 2016.</p>	Noted and approved.
C.22	<p>Loan of painting To note and approve the Memorandum from the Head of School of Computer Science and Statistics dated 5 December 2016.</p>	Noted.
C.23	<p>Audit of Financial Statements – KPMG and the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General Engagement Letters To note and approve the Memorandum from the Internal Auditor dated 7 December 2016.</p>	Noted and approved.
C.24	<p>Compliance with the Companies Act 2014 To note and approve the Memorandum from the Secretary to the College dated 30 November 2016.</p>	Noted and approved.

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D.25	<p>Summary of Staff Appointments (see Actum CL/16-17/072 of 30 November 2016) To note and approve the following summaries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences – October and November 2016; (ii) Faculty of Engineering, Mathematics and Science – September and October 2016; (iii) Faculty of Health Sciences – October and November 2016; (iv) Corporate Services Division – October 2016. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Noted and approved. (ii) Noted and approved. (iii) Noted and approved. (iv) Noted and approved.
D.26	<p>Nominations for Appointment To approve the Nominations for Appointment dated 30 November 2016.</p>	Approved.
D.27	<p>Selection Committees To note and approve memorandum from the Director of Human Resources, dated 29 November 2016.</p>	Noted and approved.