



Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath
Trinity College Dublin

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The following are the outcomes of the discussions which took place at the Board meeting on 11 November 2015.

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>Professors Micheal Ó Siochrú and Juliette Hussey made a statement of interest in relation to Agenda item A.6 University Council (CL/15-16/045/ Award of Academic Titles). It was agreed that both should leave the room for the discussion on this item.</p> <p>The Bursar/Director of Strategic Innovation made a statement of interest in relation to Agenda item A.8 (ii) GBHI Governing Board. It was agreed that she would leave the room for the discussion on this item.</p>
A.1	Minutes Meeting of 7 October 2015.	The minutes of 7 October 2015 were approved and signed.
A.2	Matters Arising from the Minutes	<p>Matters Arising from the Minutes</p> <p>There following items were raised under matters arising:</p> <p>BD/15-16/033 (i) Nobel Prize Winner – Professor William C. Campbell</p> <p>The Secretary to the College advised the Board that a letter of congratulations from the Provost had been issued to Professor Campbell on 7 October 2015.</p> <p>BD/15-16/037 (ii) Trinity Ranking and Implementation Plan</p> <p>The Secretary to the College advised the Board that an email had been issued from</p>

		<p>the Provost on 5 November 2015 to all staff members on this item.</p> <p>BD/15-16/034 Lease of Stack B Building It was noted that documentation on the Global Brain Health Initiative was on the agenda for the meeting.</p> <p>BD/14-15/088 Update for Board on the Commercial Revenue Unit It was noted that an update on the activity of the Commercial Revenue Unit, including the Implementation Plan for the Accommodation and Catering Service (BD/14-15/128 refers), is to be provided at the next meeting of the Board.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Callover document is to be modified to include a timeline for each item and that the 'Status Update' field is to be populated for each item as appropriate.</p>
A.3	Provost's Report	<p>The Provost provided an update to the Board on the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Higher Education Funding; (ii) Trinity Fundraising Campaign; (iii) Rankings Strategy; (iv) Specific strategic projects including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Trinity Education Project; • E3; (v) HEA Review on Gender Equality; (vi) Estates and Infrastructure Master Plan; (vii) Recent travel to China. <p>It was agreed that the Secretary to the College would circulate to Board members the reports from the Focus Groups for the Cassells Expert Group on Future Funding for Higher Education.</p>
A.4	Trinity Business School (i) Project Summary Update from the Project Sponsor Presentation from Professor Gerard Lacey dated 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Board noted the update on the Trinity Business School as provided by the Project Sponsor.

	<p>November 2015.</p> <p>(ii) Status Report from the Independent Monitor Memorandum from Mr Leo Harmon dated 2 November 2015.</p> <p><i>Professor Gerard Lacey and Mr Leo Harmon attended.</i></p>	<p>(ii) The Board noted the memorandum from the Independent Monitor dated 2 November 2015.</p> <p>It was noted that an update is to come to the next meeting of the Board.</p>
A.5	<p>Oisín House Development Project Memorandum from the Dean of Students dated 4 November 2015.</p> <p><i>The Dean of Students attended.</i></p>	<p>The Board noted and approved the memorandum from the Dean of Students dated 4 November 2015 and the scope and design brief of the Oisín House Development Project as contained within, subject to receiving further details in respect of the proposed rifle range.</p> <p>It was noted that the request for expenditure based on the tender process will be brought before Board for approval. It was also noted that the Chief Operating Officer is to liaise with the Head of Sport and Recreation to prepare a paper on the proposed rifle range for consideration at the next meeting of the Board.</p>
A.6	<p>Acta of the University Council Minutes of the meeting of 21 October 2015.</p>	<p>The Board confirmed the Acta of the meeting of 21 October 2015 subject to an amendment to minute CL/15-16/033 Postgraduate Course proposals – School of Business.</p>
A.7	<p>Any Other Urgent Business</p>	<p>It was agreed that, saving special circumstances, all members of the Standing Committee of Fellows are to receive the full set of Board documents for future meetings, including Board member only documents.</p>
Section A.2	<p>Policy Matters for discussion which have already been considered by Principal Committees</p>	
A.8	<p>Global Brain Health Initiative</p> <p>(i) Memorandum dated 6 November 2015 from the Head of School of Psychology, Professor Ian Robertson, and Professor Brian Lawlor, School of Medicine.</p> <p>(ii) GBHI Governing Board Memorandum from the Provost dated 9 November 2015.</p>	<p>(i) Board noted the memorandum from Professors Robertson and Lawlor dated, 6 November 2015 and the update on the Global Brain Health Initiative proposal.</p> <p>(ii) The Board approved the memorandum from the Provost dated 9 November 2015 and the nomination of Professor Veronica Campbell as the Trinity Institutional Representative on the GBHI Governing Board contained within.</p>

	<i>Professor Ian Robertson attended.</i>	<p>Congratulations to all those involved in securing this research proposal and associated funding were noted.</p> <p>It was agreed that a new set of guidelines in relation to whether the Board needed to note large research projects (and the associated financial thresholds) has to be developed and considered by the Board.</p>
A.9	Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblowing) Policy Memorandum from the Secretary to the College and Assistant Secretary to the College dated 29 October 2015.	This item was deferred. It was agreed that the policy is to be considered at the next meeting of the Audit Committee and would be brought to Board for final approval in January 2016.
A.10	Adoptive Leave Policy Memorandum from the Director of Human Resources dated 2 November 2015. <i>The Director of Human Resources attended.</i>	The Board noted and approved the Memorandum from the Director of HR dated 2 November 2015 and the policy revision contained within.
A.11	Regulations on Outside Earnings Memorandum from the Director of Human Resources dated 2 November 2015. <i>The Director of Human Resources attended.</i>	The Board noted and approved the Memorandum from the Director of HR dated 2 November 2015 subject to an amendment to section 4.2.
B.12	Board Business (i) Callover for noting; (ii) Outcomes	<p>(i) Noted</p> <p>(ii) Noted</p>
B.13	Audit Committee Draft Minutes of meetings as follows: (i) 18 June 2015; (ii) 15 October 2015.	<p>The Board noted and approved the minutes of the meetings of 18 June 2015 and 15 October 2015.</p> <p>The Board agreed the recommendation of the Audit Committee to continue with commercial auditors and adopt Model A. (Minute AD/15-16/05 Audit Arrangements refers).</p>
B.14	Finance Committee Draft Minutes of meeting of 20 October 2015.	The Board noted and approved the minutes of the meeting of 20 October 2015.
B.15	Equality Committee Draft Minutes of meetings as follows: (i) 18 March 2015; (ii) 14 May 2015;	<p>The Board noted and approved the minutes of the meetings of 18 March 2015, 14 May 2015 and 14 October 2015.</p> <p>It was agreed that an update on the preparation of a gender analysis of</p>

	(iii) 14 October 2015.	administrative promotions in keeping with the summary prepared for academic promotions (as noted in Board minute BD/14-15/331) would be presented at the next meeting of the Board.
B.16	Human Resources Committee Draft Minutes of meeting of 22 October 2015.	The Board noted and approved the minutes of the meeting of 22 October 2015. It was noted that the Chief Operating Officer is to present a proposal in relation to employment contracts for Professional, Administrative and Support Staff to the Executive Officer Group, the Human Resources Committee and then for final consideration by the Board. It was suggested, and agreed, that full attendance at Principal Committee meetings was important and that the composition and membership of Principal Committees should be reviewed as part of the on-going review of Principal Committees.
C.17	Estates Policy Committee Draft minutes of 18 September 2015.	The Board approved the minutes of 18 September 2015.
C.18	Higher Degrees to note Higher Degrees, approved by the sub-committee of Board and Council on 21 October 2015.	Noted.
C.19	Proctors' Lists for Autumn Commencements to note that the Proctors' Lists were approved by the sub-committee of Board and Council on 27 October 2015.	Noted.
C.20	Headship of Schools (i) School of Education to note and approve the nomination of Professor Michael Shevlin as Head of School (2015-2016). (ii) School of Dental Science to note and approve the nomination of Professor Brian O'Connell to the headship of the School of Dental Science/Dean of Dental	(i) Noted and approved. (ii) Noted and approved.

	Affairs from 1 November 2015 to 31 October 2020.	
C.21	<p>Prizes and Other Awards</p> <p>(i) Trinity Visual and Performing Arts Fund 2014/15 to note and approve memorandum from the Provost, dated 22 October 2015.</p> <p>(ii) Lucy Glynn Award: Awarding Committee Nomination to note and approve memorandum from the Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies dated 5 October 2015.</p> <p>(iii) Deaf Studies Prizes to note and approve memorandum from the Head of School of Linguistic, Speech and Communication Sciences, dated 8 October 2015.</p> <p>(iv) The Tavistock Trust for Aphasia Prize to note and approve memorandum from the Head of School of Linguistic, Speech and Communication Sciences, dated 2 November 2015.</p>	<p>(i) Noted and approved.</p> <p>(ii) Noted and approved.</p> <p>(iii) Noted and approved.</p> <p>(iv) Noted and approved.</p>
C.22	<p>Representation</p> <p>(i) Science Gallery International to note and approve the nomination of the Dean of Research, Professor John Boland, as a representative of the College on the Board of Science Gallery International.</p> <p>(ii) National Institute for Bioprocessing Research and Training (NIBRT) to note and approve the memorandum from the Secretary to the College dated 2 November 2015.</p> <p>(iii) Molecular Medicine Ireland (MMI) to note and approve the nomination</p>	<p>(i) Noted and approved.</p> <p>(ii) Noted and approved.</p> <p>(iii) Noted and approved.</p>

	<p>of Professor Orla Hardiman, School of Medicine, as a representative of the College on the MMI Board.</p> <p>(iv) Dental Council To note and approve the memorandum from the Secretary to the College dated 10 November 2015.</p>	<p>(iv) Noted and approved.</p>
C.23	<p>Inquiry Officer for Students with Disability to note and approve memorandum from the Disability Officer, dated 12 October 2015.</p>	<p>Noted and approved.</p>
C.24	<p>Chaplaincy – Church of Ireland</p> <p>(i) to note that the Revd Bernadette Daly has been nominated as Interim Church of Ireland Chaplain from October 2015 to January 2016 pending a permanent nomination.</p> <p>(ii) to note that the Revd Steve Brunn has been appointed to the position of Church of Ireland Chaplain and Dean of Residence, to take up office in January 2016.</p>	<p>(i) Noted.</p> <p>(ii) Noted.</p>
C.25	<p>Tutorship to note and approve memorandum from the Senior Tutor, dated 27 October 2015.</p>	<p>Noted and approved.</p>
C.26	<p>Related Entity Financial Reporting to note and approve memorandum from the Chief Financial Officer, dated 3 November 2015.</p>	<p>Noted and approved.</p>
D.27	<p>Committees to approve the nomination by the Registrar of Professor Robert Gilligan as a member of the Finance Committee.</p>	<p>Noted and approved.</p>
D.28	<p>Summary of Staff Appointments (see Actum CL/15-16/044 of 21 October 2015)</p>	<p>Noted and approved.</p>

	to note and approve the following summaries: (i) Faculty of Health Sciences.	
D.29	Nominations for Appointment	Noted and approved.
D.30	Selection Committees to note and approve memorandum from the Director of Human Resources, dated 4 November 2015.	Noted and approved.