Minutes of Board Meeting 22 May 2019

**Present**
Provost (Dr P J Prendergast), Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer (Professor C Morash), Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies (Professor K Mitchell), Bursar/Director of Strategic Innovation (Professor V Campbell), Registrar (Professor P Murphy), Professor D Ahern, Professor S Alyn Stacey, Professor L Brennan, Professor A Burke, Ms A Connolly, Mr J Cunningham, Mr S De Rís, Ms J Donoghue, Professor S M Draper, Ms S Farrell, Dr D Fayne, Mr D Grouse, Mr J Keogh, Professor K McTiernan, Professor R Moss, Professor E O’Halpin, Professor D R Phelan, Professor A Seery, Professor F Sheerin, Mr O Vince Coulter.

**Apologies**
Chief Operating Officer (Ms G Ruane), Professor B O’Connell.

**In attendance**
Assistant Secretary to the College (Ms V Butler).

**Ex officio**
Secretary to the College (Mr J Coman), Interim Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer (Mr P Reynolds).

**By invitation**
Vice-President for Global Relations (Professor J Hussey).

A photograph to mark the first meeting of the Board in the Trinity Board Room, Trinity Business School building, was taken before the start of the meeting.

**SECTION A**

**BD/18-19/239 Statement of Interest**
The Secretary to the College advised that a potential conflict of interest had been identified for Professors Campbell, Hussey, Mitchell, Murphy and Seery in relation to Agenda item A.10 Annual Officers as their names would be included in the nominations. He advised the Board that he had discussed the matter with those members, and recommended that they should leave the meeting for this item. This recommendation was accepted by the Board.

The Secretary to the College also advised that he had received a statement of potential conflict of interest from Professor Burke in relation to Agenda item C.28. Headships of Schools. He advised the Board that he had discussed the matter with Professor Burke and he proposed, and it was agreed, that Professor Burke would leave the room for the discussion on this item.

**BD/18-19/240 Minutes**
The draft minutes of 29 April 2019 were approved and signed.

The draft minutes of 24 April 2019, which had been circulated, were approved and signed subject to minor amendments to minute BD/18-19/211 Provost’s Report so that the minute reads as follows:

‘Engineering, Environment and Emerging Technologies (E3)
It was noted that a recalibrated business plan for this project is to be brought to a future meeting of the Board. The Provost advised the Board that a review of the governance of the project is being conducted and a new structure will be put in place to oversee the development of the project as it moves in to the capital planning project stage.’
BD/18-19/241 Matters Arising

There were two items raised under matters arising as follows:

(i) BD/18-19/196 Audit Committee

The Secretary to the College advised the Board that the Recruitment Policy has been revised to provide for role descriptions to be developed as part of the approval process prior to the final sign off by the Faculty Executive Committee (FEC). The policy has been considered by the Executive Officers’ Group (EOG) with revisions to be noted at the next meeting. It will be forwarded to Board following approval by the Human Resources Committee. It was noted that the Career Framework was on the agenda for the current meeting.

Human Resources have also confirmed that approval to recruit is formally documented by the FEC or Divisional equivalent.

In respect of Construction Consultants Framework, he also advised the Board that there are eight lots in total, for which shortlisting has been completed for four. The completion of the other four lots will be conducted before moving to the next phase. It was noted this is an efficiency issue and not a compliance issue.

(ii) BD/18-19/186 Brexit Risk Working Group Update

It was noted that an update in respect of potential changes to copyright and the implications for the Library would be provided by the Chief Risk Officer for the next meeting of the Board.

BD/18-19/242 Provost’s Report

The Provost provided a report to the Board under the following headings:

- Launch of the Philanthropic Campaign – Inspiring Generations

The Provost advised the Board that Trinity’s first philanthropic campaign ‘Inspiring Generations’ was formally launched on 2 May 2019. In addition to a set financial target for donations, the Campaign aspires to see the implementation of 150,000 hours of volunteering activity. The Provost noted the philanthropic donations which helped to fund the building of the new Business School building, including the Trinity Board Room, which is now the venue for this, and future Board meetings. He also advised that there will be further launches throughout the month of May in London and Paris and that plans were in place for launches in New York, Hong Kong, Singapore and Sydney.

- League of European Research Universities (LERU)

The Provost advised the Board that he had recently attended a meeting of LERU University Rectors where discussions were held on topics such as gender and staff wellbeing. There was also an in-depth discussion on the use of academic publication houses and the potential to move towards the practice of Open Science.

Following comments from Board members, the discussions on staff wellbeing were welcomed. It was agreed that a further discussion in respect of Open Science should be held at the Library and Information Policy Committee and at the Board.

Professor Phelan joined the meeting at this point.

BD/18-19/243 Update on the Strategic Plan 2019-2024: Community and Connection

The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer introduced this item with reference to his presentation, dated 22 May 2019, which had been circulated. He provided the Board with an update on the proposed timeline for the approval of the new Strategic Plan and gave an overview of the nine goals to be contained within.
The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer advised the Board that existing plans and targets had been compiled and crosscutting goals had now been identified. It was also noted that there had been a wide consultation process and that the final draft is to be presented to a joint meeting of the Board and the Council on 19 June 2019.

Responding to comments from a Board member, the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer advised Board of an on-going review of the Equality structures in the university, noting that the findings of that review were due to be issued shortly. He also acknowledged the challenges that lay ahead in respect of reducing the student: staff ratio but noted that some of the new strategies will contribute to achieving the target.

In response to comments from Board members, the inclusion of a focus on mental-wellbeing was welcomed. The potential to engage with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals was also noted. The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer also advised that it is envisaged that there would be future discussions in respect of postgraduate education and the postgraduate student experience in College and the commitment to providing additional student accommodation was welcomed.

In response to a query from a Board member, the Interim Chief Financial Officer advised the Board that a detailed financial model and plan to underpin the Strategic Plan was being developed and would be brought to the Board early in the next academic year.

**Action/Decision**

243.01 The Board received an update on the Strategic Plan from the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer.

**BD/18-19/244 Trinity Business School update**

*Programme Sponsor, Professor Gerard Lacey; Programme Manager, Ms Edwina Hegarty; Head of Capital Projects and Planning, Mr Greg Power; Built Environment Project Manager, Mr Tom Armstrong; Independent Monitor, Mr Leo Harmon; and Steering Chair, Mr Mervyn Green joined the meeting for this item.*

The Provost welcomed the Visitors to the meeting noting that this was the first meeting of the Board in the new Trinity Board Room marking an end of the centuries-long tradition of holding the meetings in the Boardroom in House 1. He commended the Visitors on their contributions to delivering the new Trinity Business School building and acknowledged the contributions of Professor Jim Quinn, Professor Gerard McHugh and Mr Paul Dreschler to the project. The Provost also noted that former Provost, John Hegarty, had promoted the initiative strongly, as did the Advisory Board chaired by Sean Melly. In particular, the Provost noted the significant amount of teamwork and collaboration which was required to deliver the project and expressed specific thanks to Professor Gerry Lacey, who was Project Sponsor from the start, Mr Power and Mr Armstrong. He also noted the contribution of Ms Hegarty and Mr Harmon in delivering the project on time and within budget. Thanks were also extended to many College Officers, including the Bursar/Director of Strategic Innovation, and to many other members of Trinity staff to worked on this project. The Provost also thanked the Board members for taking the decision to go ahead with the project and over-seeing the governance of the project as it developed. The Provost also noted the high standard of work of the project architects and the builders. The significant contribution of philanthropic donors to the project and to support from the Commercial Revenue Unit (CRU) was also acknowledged.

Mr Power provided the Board members with some details in respect of the building design noting that it is a flagship building in terms of sustainability. The building is near zero-energy, with solar panels, green walls and an excellent carbon rating.
Mr Harmon thanked Board members for their support to him as Independent Monitor for the project and also expressed thanks to Mr Armstrong, Mr Power and Ms Hegarty for their work on the project. He advised the Board that the high quality of the building had been maintained throughout the project, noting that he had observed excellent team performance and diligence in respect of safety standards. He noted that the building had been delivered within budget and commended the team for that, noting that allowances for unforeseen trends in the construction market should be factored in to all construction projects.

Several Board members congratulated the Visitors and the commitment and leadership of the Provost was also acknowledged.

The Provost thanked the Secretary to the College, Project Sponsor; the Assistant Secretary and the Curator and Head of the University Art Collections who oversaw the furnishing of the new Trinity Board Room. He also acknowledged the leadership of the Dean of the Trinity Business School and closed the item by thanking all of the team for their contributions to this project.

**Action/Decision**

244.01 The Board received the update on the Trinity Business School.

Professor Lacey, Ms Hegarty, Mr Power, Mr Armstrong, Mr Harmon and Mr Green left the meeting at this point.

**BD/18-19/245 Dartry Accommodation Project**

The Dean of Students, Professor Kevin O’Kelly and Mr Greg Power; Built Environment Project Manager joined the meeting for this item.

The Dean of Students invited the Board’s attention to his presentation, dated 22 May 2019, which had been circulated. He provided Board members with a summary of the approval process for the project to date and gave an overview of the current status of the project. The Dean of Students informed the Board that financial modelling had been conducted based on different possible room types and that the recommended option was to provide apartments of between 6 and 8 single bedrooms with bathrooms shared at a ratio of no more than 3 persons to one bathroom. He also provided a brief analysis for the Board of options to further improve the financial performance of the project. The Dean of Students concluded his presentation noting the upcoming milestones for the project including a proposed application to An Bord Pleanála towards the end of 2019.

In response to a queries and comments from Board members, the Dean of Students confirmed that market analysis had been conducted as part of the benchmarking process and that the rental price for the accommodation is to be indexed with inflation. He also noted that the proposed rental price represents a significant reduction in the proposed cost to the students who take up this accommodation.

**Action/Decision**

245.01 The Board approved the project proposal based on the recommended room design option and the associated financial model as presented by the Dean of Students.

The Dean of Students and Mr Power left the meeting at this point.

**BD/18-19/246 Science Gallery Dublin Annual Review 2018**

The Director of Science Gallery Dublin, Ms Ann Mulrooney, and Chairman of the Science Gallery Board, Mr Shay Garvey, joined the meeting for this item.

The Provost welcomed Ms Mulrooney on her first contribution to a Trinity Board meeting and invited her to provide the Board with a brief summary of her background prior to being appointed as the Director of the Science Gallery. The contribution of the former Director Ms Lynn Scarff to the Science Gallery was also acknowledged.
Following her introduction, Ms Mulrooney invited the Board’s attention to her presentation which had been circulated. She provided Board members with a summary of the key highlights for the Science Gallery in 2018 noting that it was the 10-year anniversary of the establishment of the Gallery. In respect of the long-term sustainability of the Science Gallery, she advised Board members that she is working with Trinity Development and Alumni (TDA) to further develop a fundraising model, while also researching other possible funding models. In addition, a robust business case for the Gallery is being prepared and it is envisaged that there will be a focus on greater public engagement. Ms Mulrooney informed the Board that a sub-committee of the Science Gallery Board had been established to guide the development of the business case and will be reporting to the Science Gallery and the Trinity Boards in Michaelmas Term.

Ms Mulrooney also advised the Board that Mr Garvey is coming to the end of a 5-year term as the Chair of the Science Gallery Board and she thanked him for his contributions to the governance of the Gallery during that time.

In response to comments from Board members, Ms Mulrooney noted that the Science Gallery will continue to seek input from students and staff in planning and delivering exhibitions and events and the potential to further embed a structure for research activity within the Gallery was acknowledged. Mr Garvey noted the potential for the Science Gallery to be further used as a neutral space for open debate on key topics.

Responding to comments from Board members in respect of the profile of visitors to the Gallery and corporate income streams, Ms Mulrooney informed the Board that there is the potential to redesign exhibitions and tours to align with recent changes in expectations and the touring market. She advised the Board that it is also planned to develop a specific programme of events and activities for the 15-25 year old age group and the Chair confirmed that the Gallery is to be very active in the development of these targeted programmes.

The Provost and the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer thanked Mr Garvey for his contribution to the Science Gallery over the past five years.

Action/Decision

246.01 The Board considered and approved the Science Gallery Dublin Annual Review 2018.

Ms Ann Mulrooney and Mr Shay Garvey left the meeting at this point.

BD/18-19/247 Annual Officers

This item was considered at this point.

Professors Campbell, Hussey, Mitchell, Murphy and Seery left the meeting for this item.

The Provost invited the Board’s invited to his memorandum, dated 22 May 2019, which had been tabled and read aloud the names of the Annual Officers for 2019/20.

Action/Decision

247.01 The Board approved the memorandum from the Provost, dated 22 May 2019, which had been tabled, and the nominations of the Officers contained within.

BD/18-19/248 2010 Consolidated Statutes – Proposed Changes to:

i. Schedules 1, 2 and 4 to the Chapter on Student Conduct and Capacity
ii. Schedule 2 to the Chapter on Units
iii. Schedule 3 to the Chapter on College Community
iv. Schedule 2 to the Chapter on Committees
The Registrar invited the Board’s attention to her memorandum, dated 15 May 2019, and her presentation, dated 21 May 2019, which had been circulated. She provided the Board with a summary of the proposed changes noting that they relate to a number of different needs and initiatives and gave an overview of the background to each. She also noted that the wording of the proposed changes was agreed by the Schedules Working Party on 7 May 2019.

**Action/Decision 248.01** The Board approved the memorandum from the Registrar, dated 15 May 2019 and the changes to the Schedules contained within.

**BD/18-19/249 2010 Consolidated Statutes – Assent of the Fellows**
The Registrar advised the Board that further to the decision at the previous meeting of the Board (BD/18-19/216 refers), the Fellows had granted their assent to the approved proposed amendments to the Chapter on the Fellows in the 2010 Consolidated Statutes. The amendments provide that members of academic staff, such as Ussher Assistant Professors, who become eligible to apply for Fellowship once they are permanent members of the academic staff, would have their prior time on contract count for the three-year eligibility period.

**Action/Decision 217.01** The Board received the report from the Registrar.

**BD/18-19/250 University Council**
The Board noted and approved the draft Acta of the Council meeting of 8 May 2019.

**BD/18-19/251 Any Other Urgent Business**

(i) **Attendance of incoming Students’ Union (SU) and Graduate Students’ Union (GSU) Presidents at Board**

Following a request from the President of the Students’ Union and the President of the Graduate Students’ Union, the Board approved the attendance of the incoming SU President, Ms Laura Beston, and the incoming GSU President, Ms Shaz Oye, as observers at the meeting of Board on 19 June 2019.

(ii) **Rental Prices for Accommodation in Dartry**

Following comments from a Board member, it was acknowledged that the Accommodation Office, when setting rental prices for the proposed shared bathroom accommodation in Dartry, should endeavour to achieve a discount in excess of the 20%, as estimated in the presentation made by the Dean of Students, when compared with similar en suite accommodation in Trinity Hall.

**SECTION A.2**

**BD/18-19/252 Risk Management Policy**

*The Chief Risk Officer, Ms Julia Carmichael, joined the meeting for this item.*

The Provost welcomed Ms Carmichael to the meeting. Ms Carmichael invited the Board’s attention to her memorandum, dated 15 May 2019, which had been circulated. She advised the Board that the Audit Committee had, at its meeting on 12 February 2019, approved the revised policy and the amendments as detailed in her memorandum. She advised the Board that whilst the amendments are not substantial they are designed to provide a more detailed view of the underlying risk management framework supporting the policy.

In response to a query from a Board member, Ms Carmichael advised that she was working with the College Safety Officer to consider how health and Safety may contribute to the risk management framework.

**Action/Decision 252.01** The Board approved the memorandum from the Chief Risk Officer dated 15 May 2019 and the revised Risk Management Policy as presented by the Chief Risk Officer.

*Ms Carmichael left the meeting at this point.*
BD/18-19/253  Procedures for Progression within the Assistant Professor Grade

This item was taken at this point in the meeting.

The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic officer invited the Board’s attention to his memorandum and presentation, dated 22 May 2019, which had been circulated. He provided an overview of the current application routes and then summarised the proposal for a Junior Academic Promotions Committee (JAPC) meeting at the same time each year to consider the following:

- Merit Bar Review;
- Accelerated Advancement; and
- Final Tenure Track Review for Tenure Track Assistant Professors at year 4.

The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer concluded by presenting the proposed new JAPC membership.

In response to comments from Board members it was agreed that the procedures be amended to include a provision to facilitate written feedback being given to applicants. The procedures are also to be amended to allow for consultation in respect of gender balance when the IFUT nominees are being proposed as members of the JAPC.

Responding to comments from Board members, the importance of supporting junior academics in the progression of their career was acknowledged.

Action/Decision

253.01 The Board considered and approved the memorandum from the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer, dated 14 May 2019, and the accompanying Procedures subject to the inclusion of a provision to facilitate written feedback being given to applicants.

253.02 The procedures are also to be amended to state that responsibility for gender balance is spread across the various constituencies of the panel.

Professor Brennan left the meeting at this point.

BD/18-19/254  Revised Tenure Track Procedures for new Assistant Professors

This item was taken at this point in the meeting.

The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer introduced this item with reference to his memorandum, dated 14 May 2019, which had been circulated. He advised Board members that the changes in the draft new Procedures for Progression within the Assistant Professor grade require some interlinked changes to the Tenure Track Procedures. As such, the revised Tenure Track Procedures document is also before the Board for approval.

Action/Decision

254.01 The Board considered and approved the memorandum from the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer, dated 14 May 2019, and the accompanying procedures.

254.02 The procedures are also to be amended to state that responsibility for gender balance is spread across the various constituencies of the panel.

BD/18-19/255  Probationary and Review Procedures for Academic Staff

The Director of Human Resources, Ms Antoinette Quinn and the HR Senior Talent Manager, Ms Fidelma Haffey, joined the meeting for this item.

Ms Haffey introduced the item with reference to her presentation, dated 22 May 2019, which had been circulated. She provided the Board with a summary of the key changes proposed in respect of the Academic Probation Policy which included the introduction of a 12 month probation period for all Academic Staff and changes to the process by which the probation process is conducted. This would see the Head of School conducting the probation review for all academic grades.
In respect of changes to accelerated advancement following probation, Ms Haffey advised that Assistant Professors who have successfully passed probation may apply for accelerated advancement to the Junior Academic Progressions Committee and would no longer be required to present to the relevant Faculty Review Panel.

Responding to comments from Board members, the Director of Human Resources advised Board members that the key deliverables to be achieved in the first 12 months would be agreed in advance between the new staff member and the Head of School and that there would be three opportunities for review and discussion during the probationary period.

Some Board members expressed concerns with the timing of the proposals suggesting the need for further consultation and discussions with all relevant staff representatives, in accordance with the long-standing agreements between College and these groups.

In response to comments and queries from Board members, the legal obligation on the university to implement 12-month probationary periods for all staff was noted and the advantages that this would represent in respect of recruiting academic staff was acknowledged.

It was agreed that the procedure document is to be amended to include the possibility of escalating any issues to the Faculty Dean after a 9-month period.

**Action/Decision**

255.01 The Board approved the proposal to reduce the probationary period for academic staff to 12 months.

255.02 In relation to Section 3. Eligibility in the document it was noted that the reference to open public competition would be reviewed in the context of the Retention Policy.

255.03 The procedure document is to be amended and presented to the next meeting of the Board.

255.04 It was agreed that the Director of Human Resources would liaise directly with a Board member in respect of the drafting of policies.

*Ms Haffey left the meeting at this point.*

**BD/18-19/256  Career Framework for Professional, Administrative and Support Staff**

*HR Head of Strategic Planning and Process Improvement, Ms Gwen Turner joined the meeting for this item.*

*Professor Phelan left the meeting at this point.*

The Provost welcomed Ms Turner to the meeting. Ms Turner invited the Board’s attention to her presentation, dated 22 May 2019, which had been circulated. She provided Board members with an overview of the proposed career framework for Professional, Administrative and Support staff.

Ms Turner advised the Board that the following proposals were presented for approval:

- The roll-out of a Competency Framework for Professional, Administrative and Support staff;
- The adoption of a revised job description approach, with job sizing and
- A new pay-scale structure for Executive Officer and Administrative Officer 1 grades.

In response to a query from a Board member, Ms Turner clarified that there would be no change to existing contracts but that proposals would come in to effect in for all new future recruitment competitions and contracts.

In response to a query from a Board member in relation to external approval of the proposals, it was noted that the internal approval process should be completed in the first instance. A Board member commented that the Executive Officer and Administrative Officer 1 grades are covered by the Public Service Stability Agreement (PSSA) and that any alteration of the terms of the parties to the agreement has to be by negotiation.

Incorporating any amendments made at subsequent Board meetings
Following further comments from Board members, Ms Turner confirmed that there had been engagement with staff representative groups in advance of finalising the proposals as well as a significant consultation process including the use of staff workshops. Some Board members expressed the opinion that further discussions with relevant staff representatives were required in respect of the proposals.

**Action/Decision**

**256.01** The Board considered and approved the memorandum from the Director of Human Resources, dated 13 May 2019, and the accompanying proposals with the exception of the changes to the Executive Officer and Administrative Officer 1 proposed pay-scale amendments which will be further considered by the Board following further consultation and discussions with staff representatives.

*Ms Turner and Ms Quinn left the meeting at this point.*

**BD/18-19/257** **Revised Gender Identity and Gender Expression Policy**

The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer invited the Board’s attention to a memorandum from the Director of Diversity and Inclusion, dated 15 May 2019, and accompanying revised policy, which had been circulated. He advised the Board that the Equality Committee and the Executive Officers’ Group had approved the revised Gender Identity and Gender Expression Policy. He summarised the main revisions for Board members, which included updating definitions, updates to reflect legislative changes and the insertion of new text in relation to student IT usernames and email addresses.

**Action/Decision**

**257.01** The Board considered and approved the memorandum from the Director of Diversity and Inclusion, dated 15 May 2019, and the accompanying revised Gender Identity and Gender Expression Policy.

**SECTION B**

**BD/18-19/258** **Board Business**

**(i) Callover**

The Board noted the Board Callover from the meeting of 24 April 2019.

**(ii) Outcomes**

The Board noted the Board Outcomes from the meeting of 24 April 2019.

**BD/18-19/259** **Coiste na Gaeilge**

The Board noted and approved the draft minutes of the meeting of 3 December 2018.

**BD/18-19/260** **Finance Committee**

The Board noted and approved the draft minutes of the meeting of 1 May 2019.

**BD/18-19/261** **Equality Committee**

The Board noted and approved the draft minutes of the meeting of 4 April 2019.

**BD/18-19/262** **Quality Committee**

The Board noted and approved the draft minutes of the meeting of 11 April 2019.

**BD/18-19/263** **Human Resources Committee**

The Board noted and approved the draft minutes of the meeting of 2 May 2019.

**BD/18-19/264** **Safety Committee**

The Board noted and approved the draft minutes of the meeting of 4 April 2019.

Incorporating any amendments made at subsequent Board meetings
In response to comments from a Board member, the development of the Lone Working Policy and the importance of this work was acknowledged.

Responding to a query from a Board member in respect to the availability of a Safety Statement for each building in College, the Secretary agreed to seek clarification on this matter from the Chief Operating Officer and will report back under Matters Arising at the next meeting of the Board.

**BD/18-19/265 Library and Information Policy Committee**

The Board noted and approved the draft minutes of the meeting of 4 February 2019.

**SECTION C**

**BD/18-19/266 HEA Borrowing Framework**

The Board noted and approved the memorandum and attachments from the Project Appraisal Manager, Financial Services Division, circulated, dated 15 May 2019.

**BD/18-19/267 Headship of Schools**

*Professor Burke left the meeting for this item.*

The Board noted and approved the following:

(i) Nomination of Professor Henry Rice to the headship of the School of Engineering for a three-year term commencing 3 June 2019;

(ii) Nomination of Professor Jarlath Killeen to the headship of the School of English for a three-year term commencing 3 June 2019;

(iii) Nomination of Professor Sinead Ryan to the headship of the School of Mathematics for a three-year term commencing 3 June 2019;

(iv) Nomination of Professor John Gilmer to the headship of the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences for a three-year term commencing 3 June 2019;

(v) Nomination of Professor Andrew Burke to the headship/Deanship of Trinity Business School for a four-year term commencing 3 June 2019;

(vi) Nomination of Professor Lorna Carson to the headship of the School of Linguistic, Speech and Communication Sciences for a three-year term commencing 3 June 2019.

**BD/18-19/268 New Awards 2019/20 – School of Medicine**

The Board noted and approved the memorandum from the School of Medicine, circulated, dated 8 May 2019, proposing establishment of the following:

(i) St James’s Hospital Prize

(ii) Henry H Balch Medal

(iii) Henry H Balch Fund

(iv) P J Dowling Fund

**BD/18-19/269 Intermissions of Foundation and Non-Foundation Scholarship**

The Board noted and approved the memorandum from the Senior Lecturer, circulated, dated 11 April 2019.

**BD/18-19/270 Dates of Board/Council for 2019/20**

The Board noted and approved the document from the Secretary to the College, circulated, dated 15 May 2019.

**BD/18-19/271 Higher Degrees**

The Board noted the Higher Degrees approved by the Subcommittee of Board and Council on 8 May 2019, circulated.
BD/18-19/272 Pro-Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences
The Board noted that Professor Brian O’Connell was appointed, by the Provost, as Pro-Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences for the period from 25 April 2019 to 6 May 2019.

BD/18-19/273 Nomination of Trinity Representatives for Dublin Dental University Hospital (DDUH) Board The Board noted and approved the Memorandum from the Secretary to the College, circulated, dated 15 May 2019.

SECTION D

In accordance with the Data Protection Acts, this information is restricted.