

Incorporating any amendments approved at subsequent Council meetings

The University of Dublin

Trinity College

A meeting of the University Council was held on Wednesday 24 November 2010 at 11.15 am in the Board Room.

<i>Present</i>	Pro-Vice-Provost (Dr A Douglas), Senior Tutor, Dean of Graduate Studies, Acting Dean of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences (Professor H Biehler), Professor J Wickham, Professor G Watson, Dr J P Labrador, Dr A McNabola, Dr D Brennan, Professor M McCarron, Professor M Radomski, Dr H Mannan, Mr S Gannon, Professor G Whyte, Ms Cameron-Coen, Ms E Hennessy.
<i>Apologies</i>	Provost, Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer, Registrar, Dean of Research, Dr E O'Dell, Dr M Ó Siochrú, Dr Z Rodgers, Dean of Engineering, Mathematics and Science, Dr D O'Donovan, Dean of Health Sciences, Dr A O'Gara, Ms J Fox, Ms M Collins, Mr R Bartlett, Ms C Keating, Secretary to the Scholars (Mr B Roantree).
<i>In attendance</i>	Deputy Librarian, Secretary to the College, Academic Secretary, Chief Operating Officer, Head of Central Academic Administration Services.
<i>Observer</i>	Ms L Quigley (GSU).

SECTION A

CL/10-11/050 Statutory Declaration

The Statutory declaration was made by a new Council member and observer (GSU) attending for the first time.

CL/10-11/051 Minutes - 27 October 2010

The minutes of the meeting of 27 October 2010 were approved subject to an amendment to Actum CL/10-11/038 to clarify that the concern in respect of students going off-books relates to financial reasons.

CL/10-11/052 Matters Arising

The Senior Lecturer referring to Actum CL/10-11/031 noted that the College Board had made recommendations in respect of the mid-term review of academic restructuring, and these were communicated to the College community in a communiqué from the Provost following the Board meeting of the 10th November 2010. She drew the Council's attention to the memorandum from the Academic Secretary in Section C outlining revisions to the membership and chair of the Undergraduate Studies Committee and the Research Committee following approval by

the College Board of the recommendations of the Review Taskforce on the composition of these academic committees of Council.

CL/10-11/053 Graduate Studies Committee - Course Proposal - Clinical Dental Technology

A course proposal dated 11th November 2010 leading to the award of a postgraduate diploma in Clinical Dental Technology from the Dental School was circulated. The Dean of Graduate Studies spoke to this proposal noting the proposal is in response to a request from the Dental Council to provide education and training for Clinical Dental Technicians, a newly recognised group of dental workers. The course proposal is designed to meet the requirement of the Dental Council and responds to a wider and professional need for the treatment of edentulous patients. It is expected that demand for the course will be high as there is currently no such course available within the Republic of Ireland. The course includes didactic, clinical and laboratory work, and will in time involve external clinical placements. It will be delivered part-time over an eighteen-month period.

Council welcomed the proposal. In response to queries, the Dean of Graduate Studies confirmed that academic support will be provided by a clinical tutor; the admissions criteria recognised the importance and relevance of experience in a dental laboratory as being equivalent to a degree in Dental Technology; the Dental School is seeking funding from the Health Service Executive. She confirmed that the Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences has signed-off on the financial schedule for the course. The Acting Librarian informed the Council that the Dental School will provide full local library support to the course.

Council noted and approved the course proposal leading to the award of a postgraduate diploma in Clinical Dental Technology to commence in the academic year 2011/12.

CL/10-11/054 Any other urgent business

- (i) Council approved the tabled recommendation that nominated Ms Alexandra Murphy as the Research Students' representative on the Academic Appeals Committee for Graduate Students (Research).
- (ii) Council granted permission to students, named in a tabled memorandum from the Senior Lecturer, to repeat a year of the course as a third attempt in the academic year 2010/11. In response to a query, the Academic Secretary confirmed that the practice of providing the names of students seeking Council permission to repeat a year will continue in the future.

SECTION B

CL/10-11/055 Graduate Studies Committee

The Council noted and approved the recommendations as set out in the draft minutes of the Graduate Studies Committee from its meeting of the 11th November 2010.

CL/10-11/056 Human Resources Committee

Draft minutes of the meeting of the 21st October 2010 were circulated. The Academic Secretary drew Council's attention to the recommendation in Actum HRC/10-11/12 that two Council members sit on a working group of the Human Resources Committee to investigate and make recommendations on the Internationalisation of Academic Titles. Council noted and approved the recommendations as set out in the draft minutes of the Human Resources Committee from its meeting of the 21st October 2010.

The Council also noted and approved amendments to the terms of reference (Minute HRC 2010-11/03 refers).

SECTION C**CL/10-11/057 Meetings of the University Council to Interview for Chairs**

The Council noted dates scheduled for interviews (members only):

- (i) **Chair of Geology and Mineralogy (1843)**
Tuesday 14 December 2010;
- (ii) **Samuel Beckett Chair of Drama and Theatre Studies (1994)**
Friday 21 January 2011;
- (iii) **Chair in Cognitive Neuroscience of Ageing (Neurobehavioural Enhancement)**
Friday 11 February 2011.

CL/10-11/058 Higher Degrees—Reports of Examiners

The Council noted and approved the reports of examiners on candidates for higher degrees, approved by the sub-committee of Board and Council on 27 October 2010 and noted by Board on 10 November 2010.

- (i) **Professional Higher Degrees by Research Alone**

MD David Julian Easty; Hood Azlan Mohd Thabit.
- (ii) **Higher Degrees by Research Alone**

DChDent Rebecca Carville; Eimear Norton.

PhD John Arrigan; Joseph Barry; Susan Burleigh; Colin Stuart Couper; Louise Daly; Marta Dondini; Eimear Mary Finnigan; Clara Cecilia Fischer; Suzanne Andrea Harkins; Geralyn Hughes; Ekaterina Kozina; Ruaidrí Mac Domhnaill; Padraic Sean Nagle; Pio Peter Niraj Nirmal Raj; Brian Ó Raghallaigh; Ruth Pe Palileo; Aneta Radziwon; Katherine Ellen Roddy; Komsam Rueangritsarakul; Joanna Wasyluk; Muiris Woulfe; Mark Whelan.

MSc William Andrew Casey; Lorraine Mary Henry; Marie Catherine Morris; Susan Veronica Neenan; Yvonne O Sullivan; Aisling Salter.

MLitt Ursula Hearne.

MCh Fionnán Cummins.

Senior Promotions Committee - Membership (2010-2013)

The Council noted and approved the nomination of Mr S Gannon in place of Mr J Murphy for 2010-2013.

CL/10-11/059 Appointments in Schools

- (i) **School of Law - Acting Director of Teaching and Learning (Undergraduate)**
The Council noted and approved the nomination of Dr O Doyle as Acting Director of Teaching and Learning (Undergraduate) during Professor I C Bacik's term of office as Acting Head of School.
- (ii) **School of Social Work and Social Policy - Director of Research 2010-2012**
The Council noted and approved the nomination of Dr S Cahill (2010-2012) (first term).

CL/10-11/060 Graduate Studies Business Requiring Council Approval

The Council noted a memorandum from the Dean of Graduate Studies, circulated, dated 15 November 2010 and approved the following:

- (i) amendment to the M.Phil. in Film Theory and History (course code 721) to introduce a Postgraduate Diploma in Film Theory and History as an exit award only;
- (ii) restructuring of the LLM (course code 607) to formalise two strands (along with the existing LLM) in International and Comparative Law and International and European Business Law;
- (iii) restructuring of the M.Sc. in Civil Engineering (course code 524/525) to formalise three strands in Environmental Engineering, Transportation Engineering and Structural and Geotechnical Engineering.

CL/10-11/061 Undergraduate Studies Committee and Research Committee

The Council a memorandum from the Academic Secretary, circulated, dated 17 November 2010, and approved the following:

- (i) **Undergraduate Studies Committee**
Senior Lecturer, *Chair*
Academic Secretary
Schools' Directors of Teaching and Learning (Undergraduate)
Course Director of TSM, BESS, and Science (TR071)
Academic Director of the Centre for Academic Practice and Student Learning
Students' Union Education Officer
A student representative
Library Representative (*in attendance*)
Administrative Officer, Vice-Provost's Office, *Secretary (in attendance)*

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- (ii) **Research Committee**
Dean of Research (Chair)
Schools' Directors of Research,
The Dean of Graduate Studies,
President of the Graduate Students' Union,
Chair of the Trinity Research Staff Association,
Director (or Associate Director) of Trinity Research and Innovation (secretary).

SECTION D

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Signed

Date