

Incorporating any amendments approved at subsequent Council meetings

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Trinity College Dublin The University of Dublin

A meeting of the University Council was held on 5 October 2022 at 11.15am in the Trinity Board Room, Trinity Business School.

Present Provost, Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer, Registrar, Senior Lecturer/Dean of

Undergraduate Studies, Dean of Graduate Studies, Dean of Research, Vice-President for Global Engagement, Dean of Students, Senior Tutor, Dean of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Dean of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics, Dean of Health Sciences, Professor L. Carson, Professor P. O'Grady, Professor D. Romelli, Professor G. Watson, Professor J. Coleman, Professor B. Fitzgerald, Professor J. Wyse, Professor L. O'Driscoll, Professor B. Daly, Professor K. Neenan (via ZOOM), Professor AM. Malone (via ZOOM), Dr. O. Gobbo, Professor A.

Long, Ms Zöe Cummins, Mr Eoghan Gilroy, Ms Emily Sweeney, Mr Seán Lysaght.

Apologies Professor A. Bray.

In attendance Chief Operating Officer, Secretary to the College, Librarian and College Archivist, Academic

Secretary, Assistant Academic Secretary, Governance Manager.

Observers Mr. O. Horgan.

SECTION A.1: Policy Matters

The Provost welcomed everyone to the first Council meeting of the 2022/23 academic year. She requested that Council members declare any potential conflicts of interest in relation to the agenda. The Secretary noted that the Vice-President for Global Engagement had declared a conflict of interest for item A.3 'Quality Review of the Joint B.Sc. (Hons) in Physiotherapy' and following discussion with her it was agreed that she remain at the meeting. [this information is restricted for reasons of HR confidentiality] had declared a conflict of interest for item D. [this information is restricted for reasons of HR confidentiality] and following discussion with him it was agreed that he leave the meeting for the item.

The Secretary to the College advised that items 12 'Administrative Procedures in the Summer Session' and 18 'University Council – Observer' be considered first as they related to representation on University Council.

CL/22-23/001 University Council – Observer

Decision:

CL/22-23/001.1: Council noted that Mr O. Horgan had been elected as Secretary to the Scholars and would serve as an observer at the University Council.

Mr. O. Horgan joined the meeting.

CL/22-23/002 Administrative Procedures in the Summer Session

Decision:

CL/22-23/002.1: Council noted and approved the items of Council business that were noted and approved by the Provost under Administrative Arrangements in the Summer Session (2 June 2022 – 1 September 2022).

CL/22-23/003 Declarations by new Members and Observers

The new members of Council made the required statutory declarations.

CL/22-23/004 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of Council on 1 June 2022 were approved and signed.

CL/22-23/005 Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

CL/22-23/006 Quality Review of the Joint B.Sc. (Hons) in Physiotherapy, Singapore Institute of Technology XX (SIT) and Trinity College Dublin (TCD)

The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer advised Council that the Quality Review of the Joint B.Sc. (Hons) in Physiotherapy, Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) and Trinity College Dublin (TCD), which was long overdue had been undertaken remotely from 7-9 June 2022 by a small team of reviewers. It had been decided to proceed with a two-member review team as the review had been originally scheduled for 2020 and deferred due to the Covid-19 pandemic, and the logistical issues presented by the time difference and distance, which had impacted on the recruitment of additional reviewers. She extended her thanks and appreciation to Associate Professor Gillian Martin for acting as internal facilitator.

The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer provided an overview of the Terms of Reference (ToR) for the Review, which were to assess the effectiveness and future direction of the joint-degree programme in Physiotherapy, and to review and comment on the curriculum, academic standards and the quality of teaching and learning on the programme. She provided an overview of the key recommendations presented in the report as follows:

- 1. Address the very full curriculum by mapping the programme against accreditation requirements omitting units that are not required and to remove duplication from the curriculum where is exists.
- 2. Address students' preparedness for clinical placements by introducing a clinical component in the first year to prepare students for the hospital environment.
- 3. Address issues around the rollout of the research component by deciding the thesis research topic early in the programme and streamlining the roll-out of the research component.
- 4. Address issues around assessment by reducing the overall number of assessments through a consolidation of modules, aligning assessment to module learning outcomes, scaffolding assessments around the development of writing skills, and recruiting an academic with expertise in assessment.

The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer noted that as the four-year joint-award B.Sc. in Physiotherapy, which commenced in September 2016 is due to end in 2024 the responsibility to implement the recommendations will fall to SIT.

Referring to future engagement with SIT, the Vice-President for Global Engagement informed Council that Trinity is considering a future collaboration with SIT on the development of a new Masters in Musculoskeletal Therapy. The Librarian and College Archivist noting the value of joint-degree collaborations, referred to a meeting that will be held between the Trinity Library and the National Library Board, Singapore, to discuss future collaboration between the two libraries.

The Registrar joined the meeting.

The Provost thanked the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer for her report and invited questions and comments.

The Dean of Health Sciences highlighted that the discipline accepts the recommendations presented in the report and that the intention is to progress work on the implementation of the recommendations over the final two years of the programme.

Decision:

CL/22-23/006.1: Council approved the Report on the Quality Review of the Joint Award – B.Sc. (Hons) in Physiotherapy, Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) and Trinity College Dublin (TCD), and the joint response from Trinity and SIT.

CL/22-23/007 Review of External Examiner Policy, Processes, and Support XX

The Dean of Graduate Studies in her introduction to the item referred to the Consolidated Quality Report (CL/21-22/213) considered by Council on 1 June 2022 and the commitment by the Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies and the Dean of Graduate Studies to undertake a review of the External Examiner Policy (2018) and to address the recruitment and retention of External Examiners in 2022/23. She acknowledged the challenges faced by Schools in the recruitment and retention of External Examiners particularly in relation to taught programmes that may undermine Trinity's quality assurance process. A scoping exercise undertaken by the Quality Officer identified four key areas to be addressed by the review, as follows:

- Attendance it is recommended to (i) review the existing policy that stipulates a
 minimum standard of physical attendance at the Court of Examiners, and (ii) to
 determine how best to incorporate sustainability and carbon footprint ambitions into
 decisions regarding such attendance.
- 2. Remuneration it is recommended that a review of remuneration offered to External Examiners be undertaken as the Planning Group had last reviewed the payment in 2012 with guidance issued to Schools in 2015. Schools have identified the level of remuneration as an inhibiting factor in attracting and retaining External Examiners.
- 3. Criteria for the selection, the term of appointment and/or reappointment of External Examiners it is recommended that a review of criteria that govern who can act as an External Examiner, how long they may serve, their role and responsibilities, and the timeframe that must lapse before they may be reappointed be undertaken to address the challenges of recruitment and retention of External Examiners.
- 4. System support to the External Examiner process it is recommended to undertake a review of systems to support the process as currently the External Examiner process is supported by manual processes which impact on the External Examiner experience.

The Dean of Graduate Studies highlighted three broad streams of work to support the review of the policy and the external examining process for Council's consideration as follows:

- Engagement in Michaelmas Term with members of Undergraduate Studies and Graduate Studies Committees to scope a plan of work to improve External Examiner processes.
- 2. Establishment of a working group in Hilary term to revise existing External Examiner policies and processes and consider appropriate management systems.
- 3. Bring a proposal to Council in Hilary term for consideration and action.

The Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies endorsed the review of the External Examiner policy as the process of external examining is an important feature of Trinity's quality assurance relating to programme delivery, teaching and learning, and assessment. A Head of School from the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences (AHSS) concurred, and drew attention to the demands presented to Schools by the current manual systems that are in place to implement the process.

Referring to multidisciplinary programmes, the Dean of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) commented that consideration would need to be given to how these programmes may be best managed by the external examining process due to more than one School being involved in the delivery of such programmes. The Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies confirmed that this will be part of the review.

The Provost welcomed the review and emphasised the need to establish and maintain quality assurance requirements that are necessary and those that are superfluous to requirements.

Decision:

CL/22-23/007.1: Council approved the proposed review of External Examiner Policy, Processes, and Support, and the three broad streams of work as outlined above.

CL/22-23/008 School Quality Reviews XX

The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer informed Council that the quality reviews of the School of Biochemistry and Immunology and the School of Genetics and Microbiology had taken place in tandem to establish if greater synergy and collaboration could be achieved across the two Schools. Independent reviews were undertaken of each School by the same review team. She presented the ToR of the reviews common to both Schools as follows:

To assess and make recommendations to the University on:

- School Strategy in terms of its fitness-for-purpose to respond to College Strategies, with specific reference to:
 - postgraduate taught and research programmes;
 - postdoctoral development;
 - School's research strategy, participation in College Research Themes, and engagement with Trinity Research Institutes (TRIs);
 - emergent risks and opportunities in the relevant discipline, nationally and internationally.
- The effectiveness of the School's governance, management and administration structures, and resources in delivering and supporting the achievement of its strategy and mission.
- 3. Opportunities for increased synergy and collaboration between and within the two Schools, and with cognate units within the University, in education, research and the provision of infrastructure.

Of the key recommendations presented in the report, the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer explained that the following were common to both Schools:

- The Head of School to have more direct input into decision-making processes beyond the current Heads of School forum.
- Staff should participate in formal University-wide staff development programmes.
- Consider if student numbers are at maximum capacity and on ability to provide quality supports for Capstone projects for JS and SS students. She noted that work on the Admissions Strategy being progressed by the Vice-President for Global Engagement, the Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies, and herself may address this recommendation.
- Provide greater transparency on workloads within the School through some form of workload model.
- Centralise postgraduate training and undergraduate and postgraduate evaluation.

Drawing attention to specific recommendations directed at each School relating to collegewide finances, the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer highlighted that the recommendation to the School of Biochemistry and Immunology to clear the legacy debt associated with TBSI and the recommendation to the School of Genetics and Microbiology concerning reform of the BBM/BPA were beyond the remits of the two Schools.

The review team also presented several recommendations concerning synergies in its report, the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer explained. These recommendations, the majority of which were directed to the two Schools, included:

- Consider joint appointment appointment of a Virologist would fill an existing gap between the Schools.
- Develop joint PhD studentships to further facilitate cross-School research.
- Consider further investment in Bioinformatics capability which is of benefit to both Schools.
- Postdoc Societies from the two Schools could be combined to increase critical mass and cross-fertilisation of ideas.

The Provost thanked the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer and invited questions and comments.

Responding to a comment from a member on recommendations relating to research infrastructure and the relevance of such to College at large, the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer noted the need for a greater consideration of how capital equipment is procured and exploring the possibility of leasing such equipment, and ensuring that maintenance contracts are in place. The Dean of Research concurred, noting that due to a lack of funding over the years such equipment was old and no longer under warranty resulting in challenges with sourcing service contracts for maintenance purposes. Referring to the College space allocation policy and planning, he highlighted the need to distribute capital equipment across College and to identify ways of consolidating equipment available to research institutes.

Responding to a comment from a member on areas addressed to Heads of School on space allocation, staffing, and equipment, the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer referred to the recommendation on granting 'The Head of School more direct input into decision-making processes beyond the current Heads of School forum.' In the implementation of this recommendation, she noted that it would be important not to undermine the role of the Faculty Dean. The Dean of STEM highlighted the role of the Faculty Dean in supporting Schools on financial management, strategic direction, and on appointments. She remarked that the Head of School has a greater influence than realised in raising considerations to be addressed when signing-off on research funding. Responding to a question from the Dean of Students on the contribution of infrastructure to College's carbon-footprint, the Dean of Health Sciences advised that each School is asked in its strategic planning to consider sustainability and efficiency. She noted that this is a huge piece of work that is in its early stages.

Responding to a comment from a member relating to top-up fees, the Provost advised that while the Dean of Graduate Studies has been examining funding and the College contribution, more analysis is required before changes can be considered.

The Dean of Health Sciences while expressing satisfaction with the two reports noted his concern on recommendations relating to infrastructure, such as legacy debt as this is outside the remit of quality reviews. The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer concurred, highlighting that the ToR were clear and that some of the recommendations go beyond the ToR.

Decision:

CL/22-23/008.1: Council approved the report on the Quality Review of the School of Biochemistry and Immunology, and the responses from the Head of School and the Dean of STEM

CL/22-23/008.2: Council approved the report on the Quality Review of the School of Genetics and Microbiology, and the responses from the Head of School and the Dean of STEM.

CL/22-23/009 Provost's Report

i. Graduate Students' Union (GSU)

The Provost advised Council that College is suspending its engagement with, and services provided to, the Graduate Students' Union (GSU) including GSU representation on College committees in light of a number of issues that have arisen over the past year. She explained that the Capitation Committee, which is made up of student representatives from the five student capitated bodies has the role to oversee the distribution of funds to the five student bodies. The Capitation Committee at its meeting on 20 September 2022 had agreed to suspend funding to the GSU and to re-allocate this funding to the Students' Union (SU) for the purposes of supporting the postgraduate community. This was due to the GSU having not filed accounts with the Committee for the financial year ending August 2021, despite numerous requests to do so.

The Provost informed Council that Board had agreed to give the SU the mandate in the immediate term to nominate postgraduate students to attend relevant committees at the invitation of the relevant committee chair due to the importance of ensuring that postgraduate students are represented in all relevant committees and forums. Over the coming weeks the SU will arrange for direct consultation with the postgraduate community to discuss postgraduate representation in Trinity. She invited the SU Education Officer to update Council on progress todate.

The SU Education Officer reported that engagement with the postgraduate student community had commenced with a hybrid townhall held on the evening of 4 October 2022 which will be followed by a townhall on the evening of 5 October 2022. In the shorter term there is a need to ensure that postgraduate students are represented on college committees, and this is being progressed.

The Provost stated that Board will be arranging for an independent review to be undertaken of the GSU's finances in due course.

The Registrar highlighted that as the position of GSU representatives are provided for in the Statutes, changes to the Statutes will be required and that proposed changes will be going to Board, and where relevant Council, for consideration in due course.

The Senior Tutor commended the Postgraduate Student Advisory Service for the support it has provided to a greater number of postgraduate students over the past year.

The Provost thanked the Dean of Graduate Studies for the lengths she has taken to ensure that the postgraduate student voice is reflected in the postgraduate renewal process in the absence of GSU engagement.

ii. League of European Research Universities (LERU)

The Provost advised that she had attended a meeting of LERU in September with topics on academic freedom, researcher assessment, sustainability education discussed. She drew attention to papers being produced by LERU on:

- Interdisciplinarity
- Doctoral Supervision
- Academic Freedom
- Sustainability Education

Responding to a question from the Academic Secretary on LERU's concerns relating to academic freedom, the Provost advised that the LERU response concerns the threats posed to academic freedom in some countries. She noted that while this is not an issue in Ireland as the HEA Bill 2022 protects academic freedom, the Bill does impact on the governance of Universities.

iii. Future Council meetings

The Provost highlighted that a Council agenda planner for the academic year will be circulated by the Academic Secretary for consideration ahead of the next Council meeting.

iv. Trinity governance

Referring to the Higher Education Authority (HEA) Bill 2022, the Provost advised that this has now progressed through Dáil Éireann and Seanad Éireann. The legislation will require Trinity to change the composition of Board, and it presents College with an opportunity to examine overall College governance and the principal committees of Board and Council.

The Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies welcomed the move to examine College governance and reported that this dovetails with the review of USC's ToR that he will be progressing this academic year.

v. Human Capital Initiative (HCI) and Online module enrolment

The Provost invited the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer to speak to these items. The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer explained that meetings had been held with the HEA to discuss Trinity's budget underspend of funding provided under the Human Capital Initiative (HCI). This underspend is in two areas, lag funding due to the delay in commencing the project, and additional places funding on some postgraduate programmes. Additional place funding will be returned to the HEA, and the HEA has requested that Trinity examine programmes developed under HCI to ensure that innovation and employer engagement is embedded in the programmes. The Academic Secretary is working on this with the HCI Programme staff, the Dean of Graduate Studies and HCI Work Package and Cluster Leads.

Noting the challenges presented by Online Module Enrolment to students returning from Erasmus and students who have taken examinations during the reassessment period, the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer stated that proposals to address this will be brought to Council for consideration. Options for consideration include moving supplemental examinations back a week or facilitating enrolment earlier in the academic year whereby all students select their preferences and in the event that grades are not achieved students are not offered their first preference. The Provost drew attention to the need for College to reflect on examinations and how assessment can be done differently.

vi. Provost's Address to the College Community

Referring to the in-person and online Provost's update to the College community on 6 October at 12pm, the Provost advised that this will be the first of a series of updates that she will be

providing over the academic year. She highlighted that she is aiming to visit every area of College this academic year to meet with Trinity staff and students in-person, and noted that other members of the Executive will also visit units throughout the year. This will provide staff and students with an opportunity to explore further matters covered in the Provost's address to the Community.

CL/22-23/010 Any Other Urgent Business

The Provost highlighted that third-level Students' Unions planned walkouts from lectures planned by third-level students on 13 October 2022 in protest to the lack of accommodation available for new and returning students and stressed the need to support students, as the system overall requires greater funding. The Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer informed Council that the Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies and the Dean of Graduate Studies are working to ensure that Trinity students are not inconvenienced by missing out on lectures.

SECTION B

CL/22-23/011 Graduate Studies Committee

The Dean of Graduate Studies drew Council's attention to minute GS/22-23/010 'Student representation in Schools 2022/23', advising that postgraduate student representation had been discussed at length by GSC. She reported that she had met with the Students' Union to discuss how the postgraduate students could be supported and that she had requested members to ensure that their Schools have a mechanism in place to link directly with students to ensure that the student voice is heard.

The minutes of 22 September 2022 were noted and approved

CL/22-23/012 Quality Committee

The minutes of 26 September 2022 were noted and approved

CL/22-23/013 Research Committee

The minutes of 10 May 2022 were noted and approved.

CL/22-23/014 Undergraduate Studies Committee

The Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies drew attention to minute 006 'Examination Sessions 2022/23: Operational Update and Contingency Days', advising that concern had been expressed by members re the scheduling of the reassessment period so close to the start of the new academic year. He advised that he had undertaken to discuss the scheduling of the reexamination session in 2022/23 with the Director of the Academic Registry and to report back to USC on this. He remarked that there may be a need to review the Academic Year Structure (AYS) and to identify ways on how to best address the issues arising from the timing of the reassessment period.

The AHSS student representative referred Council to USC minute 008 and the discussion on student attendance. He asked what measures have been taken at a College-wide level to

support students meet the cost of living and funding challenges. In response the Vice-Provost/Chief Academic Officer explained that a College-wide approach was not possible due to the professional body requirements of some programmes, and the importance of the student experience which is more than attendance at lectures. The Covid-19 pandemic highlighted the importance of in-person lectures and the impact of remote teaching on the student experience. The Provost concurred, noting the importance of student engagement and that the challenges faced by students are not unique to Ireland. The AHSS student representative asked that consideration be given to not penalising students for non-attendance at lectures. The Provost advised that consideration is currently been given to 'what is a student' and how students engage in education. The Senior Lecturer/Dean of Undergraduate Studies advised that USC will be examining student attendance as part of its workplan this academic year.

The minutes of 20 September 2022 were noted and approved.

SECTION C

CL/22-23/015 Administrative Procedures in the Summer Session

This item was taken earlier in the meeting. See CL/22-23/002.

CL/22-23/016 Membership of Academic and Compliance Committees of Council

The Council noted and approved the circulated memorandum from the Registrar, dated 28 September 2022.

CL/22-23/017 Higher Degrees – Reports of Examiners

The Council noted and approved the reports of examiners on candidates for higher degrees (Higher Degrees List) dated 5 October 2022.

(i) Higher Degrees by Publication

Sc.D. Tim Foster; Paul McNicholas.

(ii) Professional Higher Degrees by Research Alone

M.D. Richard Thomas David Armstrong; John Davis Coakley; Miranda Rosamund Crealey; Mohd Syafiq Ismail.

(iii) Higher Degrees by Research Alone

Ph.D.

Naomi Algeo; Salma Mohammed Aljahdali; Sahar Abdulrahman Ibrahim Al Khodair; Olakunle Animashaun; Nidhi Arora; Susannah Francesca Ashton; Barbara Maria Barabasz; Peru Bhardwaj; Anna Elzbieta Bogdanska; Elaine Burke; Teresa Ann Burke; Lucia Cabrera; Stephen Dermot Carolan; Claire Elizabeth Carroll; Sarah Case; Diego Castillo Goncalves; Louise Mary Enda Caulfield; Stefano Ceolotto; Sunghwan Cho; Brendan Patrick Clarke; Niall Padraig Cooke; Simone Maurizio Croci; Seán Cronin; Miriam Cummins; Lucy Curham; Garret Dee; Noel Edward Donlon; Ciara Doran; Margaret Dunlea; Nadja Enz; Lorenz Emter; Edyta English; Donata Faccia; Eoin James Farrell; Elizabeth Anna Farsaci; Hannah Fitzgerald; Daniel Fortunati; Karen Galligan; Natalia Garcia Domenech; Eibhlín Marie Gorman; Piotr

Gierlich; Guylain Grange; Catherine Jane Greene; Courtney Helen Grile; Alison Hearne; Philipp Heim; Timothy Hone; Swapnil Sudhakar Ingle; Sadia Islam; Eleanor Mai Jones-McAuley; Harry Kane; Claire Keogh; Samuel Lemire; Chao Jung Liu; Cillian Long; Alison Michelle Luckey; Kimberly Alison Luddy; June Ivy Lovitt; Dylan Lynch; Ariana Nicole Malthaner; Eric Mates Torres; Pierre Matysiak; Geraldine Maughan; Robert John Mc Kenna; Zoi Melissari; John Moroney; Ralph Thomas Moore; Geraldine Anne Moloney; Féidhlim McGowan; Evelyn Siobhan McManus; Martina Mendola; Lynn Elizabeth Mills; Jennifer Carmel Moloney; David Hugh Moore; Conor Murphy; Oisín Murtagh; Camille Nadal; Laura Nix; Karolis Norvaiša; Dómhnall Ó Súilleabháin; Takaharu Oda; Mariah O'Doherty; Aonghus Ó Domhnaill; Maeve O'Regan; Mark Edward O'Regan Murphy; Sinead Mary O'Sullivan; Brian Pennie; Giacomo Politi; Sruthy Poulose; Jessica Power; Mary Jerram Pyle; Aoife Maria Ryan; Adrián Sanz Arjona; Julia Savioli; Katharine Ann Shanahan; Stephen Shovlin; Matteo Solazzo; Jamie Alan Sugrue; Claire Sweeney; Nawal Abdullah B Taher; Brooke Tornifoglio; Aisling Ui Mhaonaigh; Morgan Renee Wait; Kevin Walsh; Peter Weakliam; Hoa Xuan Nguyen; Pravind Kumar Yadav; Mengqi Zhou.

D. Mus. Perf. Patrice Keegan.

D.Ed. Anna Marie Dunwoody; Gráinne Mulcahy.

M.Ch. Maria Mahmood.

M.Sc. Nilki Weerawardana Aluthge Dona; Isabella Dias Filogônio Emediato;

Deirdre Harford; Ilka Hatakeyama Morishima; Karrer Kazyumba Mbayo; Louisa Constance Sigurvinsson; Arun Subramanian; Lydia

Jane Whittaker.

M.Litt. John Patrick Matthew Feheney.

CL/22-23/018 Head of School

The Council noted that Board had approved the nomination of Professor Colin Doherty as Head of School of Medicine from 15 September 2022 to the end of the 2024-25 academic term.

CL/22-23/019 School Directors

The Council noted and approved the following nominations:

- Professor Frédérique Vallieres as Director of Teaching and Learning (Postgraduate), School of Psychology, from 15 September 2022 to end of term 2024;
- (ii) Professor Manuela Kulaxizi to continue as Director of Teaching and Learning (Postgraduate), School of Mathematics, until 31 December 2022;
- (iii) Professor Stefan Sint as Director of Teaching and Learning (Postgraduate), School of Mathematics, from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2024;
- (iv) Dr Matthew Saunders as Director of Teaching and Learning (Undergraduate), School of Natural Sciences, 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2025;
- (v) Professor Yvonne Buckley as Director of Research, School of Natural Sciences, from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2025;
- (vi) Professor Jake Byrne as Tangent Academic Director for a further two years until August 2024.

CL/22-23/020 Head of Discipline

The Council noted and approved the nomination of Professor Richard Deane as Head of Discipline of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, School of Medicine, from 1 October 2022 to 30 September 2025.

CL/22-23/021 University Council - Observer

This item was taken earlier in the meeting. See CL/22-23/001.

SECTION D

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

Signed	
Date	