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THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE
COUNCIL

3 October 2019

MINUTES

A meeting of the Council was held at 9.15am on 3 October 2019 in B.07 at 32 Lincoln's Inn Fields

Present: Dr Susan Lautaud (interim Chair) (excluding minutes 12-14, when not present), Ali Nikpay (Vice-Chair) (Chair from minutes 12-14), Dame Minouche Shafik (Director), Professor Martin Anthony, Zulum Elumogo, John Hughes, Nigel Hugill, Professor Simona Iammarino, Roger Mountford, Dr Claudine Provencher, Professor Terhi Rantanen, Elisabeth Stheeman and Professor Alex Voorhoeve.

Apologies: Alastair Da Costa, Sir David Higgins, Donald Kaberuka, Akash Mehta.

In attendance: Professor Julia Black, Mike Ferguson, Professor Dilly Fung, Louise Nadal, Professor Eric Neumayer, Julian Robinson, Ian Spencer, Professor David Webb, Andrew Young and Hilary Hunter. (*All left the meeting except Louise Nadal and Hilary Hunter after minute 7*)

Apologies: Professor Simon Hix, Dr Brigid McClure, Thomas Watson.

WELCOME

1. NOTED: Council welcomed Dr Claudine Provencher to her first meeting and Professor Martin Anthony who was returning to Council.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. NOTED: There were no declarations of interest.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 JUNE 2019

3. RESOLVED: To approve the minutes as a correct record of the meeting.

MATTERS ARISING AND ANY OTHER BUSINESS

4. NOTED: There were no matters of report.

REPORT FROM THE MEETING OF FINANCE AND ESTATES COMMITTEE HELD ON 5 SEPTEMBER 2019

RESTRICTED BUSINESS

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE 6 SEPTEMBER 2019: REPORT ON MATTERS DEALT WITH AT THE MEETING IN RESPECT OF HONORARY AWARDS, COMMITTEE COMPOSITION AND COURT

8. RECEIVED: CL/2, the Report from the meeting of Governance Committee held on 6 September 2019.

9. NOTED:

- a) the issues set out in the paper regarding the composition of governance committees, including the establishment of the Honorary Awards Committee;
- b) there would be future consideration at Council about membership of Court, particularly with regard to whether Council members should retain membership, and Court Operational Principles;
- c) the Students' Union would not be appointing new members to Court.

10. RESOLVED:

- a) to approve the nominations of two candidates for the award of an Honorary Fellowship as set out in the paper (noting that the proposal was subject to endorsement by Academic Board);
- b) to confirm the recommendation that the Vice-Chair of Council and Court be appointed as interim Chair of Court until the end of the 2019/20 academic year.

COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS

11. RECEIVED and NOTED:

- a) Doc 1, report from the meeting of Academic Board held on 29 May 2019;
- b) Doc 2, report from the meeting of Academic Planning and Resources Committee held on 4 June 2019.
- c) Doc 3, report from the meeting of Audit Committee held on 21 May 2019.
- d) Doc 4, report from the meeting of Governance Committee held on 3 June 2019.
- e) Doc 5, report from the meeting of Governance Committee held on 6 September 2019.
- f) Doc 6, report from the meeting of School Ethics Committee held on 22 May 2019.
- g) Doc 7, report from the meeting of Finance and Estates Committee held on 5 September 2019.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE 6 SEPTEMBER 2019: REPORT ON THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIR OF COUNCIL

12. RECEIVED: CL/3, a paper on the Appointment of the Chair of Council.

13. RESOLVED:

- a) to approve the appointment of the Vice-Chair of Council to oversee the arrangements for the selection of the Chair of Council and as Chair of the Selection Panel as set out;
- b) to approve that the interim Chair of Council be asked to continue in this capacity until a permanent appointment was made, subject to review by Governance Committee;
- c) to authorise Governance Committee to appoint a search agency to assist the process of selecting a Chair of Council.

14. NOTED:

- a) the proposed remit and composition of the 'Chair of Council Selection Panel' as set out and that the Vice-Chair would solicit nominations for membership which would come back to Council for approval following recommendation from the Governance Committee

RESTRICTED BUSINESS

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.15am.